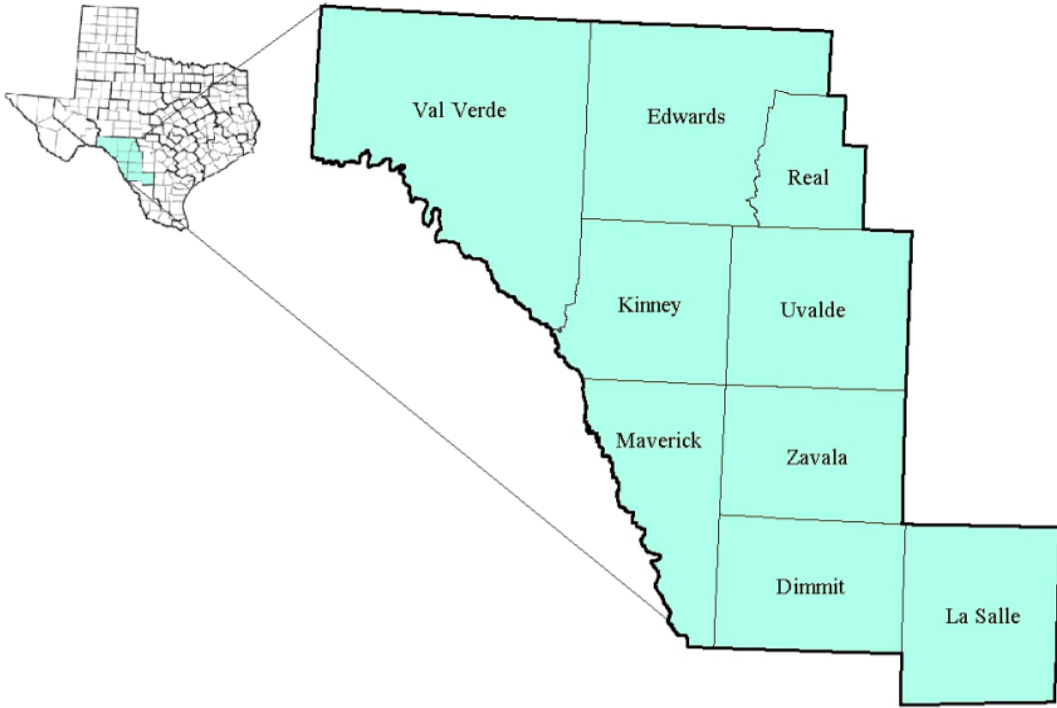


# Middle Rio Grande Workforce Development Area

## October 2018



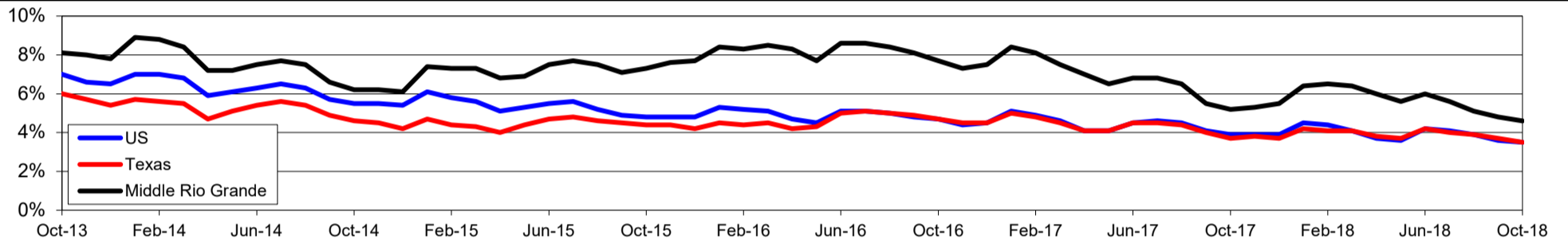
WDA Labor Force Statistics				
	Oct-18	Sep-18	Oct-17	OTY
CLF	74,059	73,581	72,054	2,005
Employed	70,641	70,018	68,333	2,308
Unemployed	3,418	3,563	3,721	-303
Rate	4.6%	4.8%	5.2%	-0.6%

Texas Labor Force Statistics				
	Oct-18	Sep-18	Oct-17	OTY
CLF	13,869,529	13,802,138	13,536,215	333,314
Employed	13,390,620	13,285,102	13,034,581	356,039
Unemployed	478,909	517,036	501,634	-22,725
Rate	3.5%	3.7%	3.7%	-0.2%

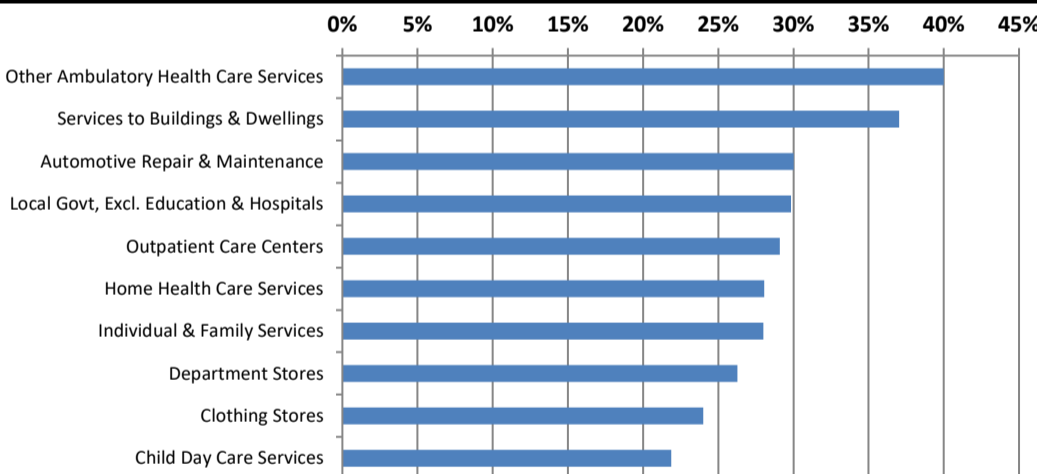
US Labor Force Statistics				
	Oct-18	Sep-18	Oct-17	OTY
CLF	162,723,000	161,958,000	160,465,000	2,258,000
Employed	156,952,000	156,191,000	154,223,000	2,729,000
Unemployed	5,771,000	5,766,000	6,242,000	-471,000
Rate	3.5%	3.6%	3.9%	-0.4%

Continued Claims for the Week of the 12th				
	Oct-18	Sep-18	Oct-17	OTY
WDA	613	562	758	-145
Texas	79,605	85,803	105,966	-26,361

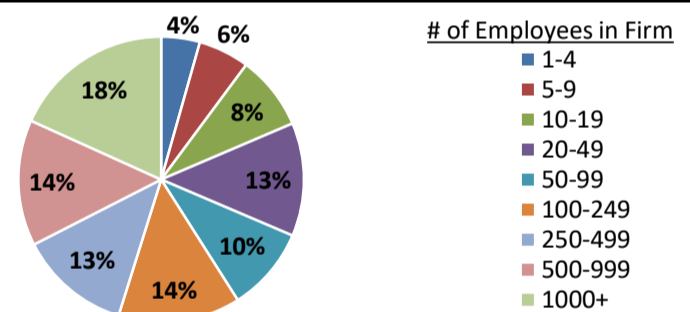
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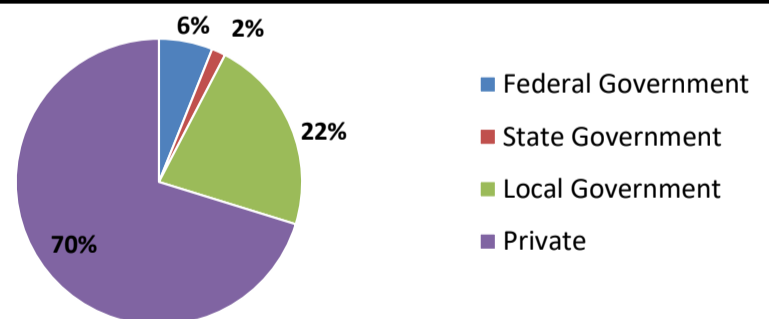
### Projected Fastest Growing Industries in WDA (% growth 2014-2024)



### Employment by Size Class (1st Quarter 2018)



### Employment by Ownership (1st Quarter 2018)



### Average Weekly Wage (1st Quarter 2018)

	Q1 2018	Q4 2017	Q1 2017	Change	
				Quarter	Year
WDA	\$746	\$759	\$702	-\$12	\$44
Texas	\$1,167	\$1,109	\$1,124	\$58	\$42
US	\$1,152	\$1,109	\$1,111	\$43	\$41

### Employment by Industry (1st Quarter 2018, Percent Change)

Industry	Employment	% of total	% Change	
			Quarter	Year
Natural resources and mining	4,590	7.7%	0.3%	14.6%
Construction	1,799	3.0%	5.7%	7.0%
Manufacturing	3,099	5.2%	1.2%	-9.0%
Trade, transportation and utilities	11,832	19.8%	-0.7%	6.0%
Information	464	0.8%	2.0%	-1.1%
Financial activities	2,001	3.4%	0.1%	1.7%
Professional and business services	3,117	5.2%	-1.3%	4.6%
Education and health services	19,010	31.9%	0.3%	0.0%
Leisure and hospitality	6,590	11.1%	0.9%	2.1%
Other services	914	1.5%	-1.6%	-5.1%
Public administration	6,219	10.4%	-0.5%	1.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>59,635</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>2.4%</b>

### Employment by Industry (1st Quarter 2018)

