#### 2020 NASWA State Innovation Award Nomination - <br/> <br/> strong>Data Insights and Innovations Award</br/>/strong>

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#### Q1 Contact Information for Nomination

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Full Name of State Agency Texas Workforce Commission

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Name of Initiative the state (and/or partnership) is being

nominated for:

**Q2** 1. Provide a brief description of the nominee's significant contributions in one of the following areas (your primary focus): building the capacity of its workforce and labor market information functions; developing high impact products and services; OR making an impact on efforts in other states and nationally. Response Word Limit: 150

TexasLMI.com

High Impact Products and Services:

Texas LMI (TexasLMI.com) is an interactive website hosted by the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) that disseminates Texas labor market statistics. On Texas LMI (Labor Market Information), users will find a suite of 11 economic data investigation tools as well as an employer contact information tool used for labor market research providing time series labor market data, inquiry capabilities for labor force, employment/unemployment estimates, industry and occupational projections, and occupational wage data.

Typical users of Texas LMI are employers, individual workers, local and statewide economic developers, educators, local Workforce Solutions offices, workforce development boards, TWC Commissioners, TWC Economists, the press, and anyone interested in Texas labor LMI. Texas LMI is a resource providing the State of Texas with current and historical economic data.

TexasLMI.com was designed and programmed by the Labor Market and Career Information (LMCI) department of the TWC.

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**Q3** 2. Provide a statement of results, accomplishments, impacts and any other appropriate information that demonstrates why the nominee's efforts described in question #1 were an exceptional contribution. Response Word Limit: 200

TWC/LMCI is contractually obligated to the Bureau of Labor Statistics to disseminate labor market information to the public, TexasLMI.com is the main conduit to publish the unemployment rate and the state of the Texas Economy. TexasLMI.com fulfills our contractual obligation and provides an easy to use online application that provides 24x7 self-service access to Texas labor market information.

TexasLMI.com was created to replace TRACER2.com. TRACER2.com performed the same functions as TexasLMI.com however the user interface (UI) was antiquated, used old technology (classic ASP), and was not Section 508/WCAG compliant.

TexasLMI.com provides the following advanced features: Improved navigation and workflow The user interface designed by a user experience analyst Modern design, easy to use, intuitive

Conforms to WCAG 2.0/Section 508 requirements Accessible to screen readers Keyboard navigable

Enhanced UI

Provides an adaptive and responsive design for mobile devices
Uses the latest technology
MS SQL Server
.NET
Adapts to all screen sizes (phones and tablets)

More secure

Reduced staff time

Automates over 137 reports that were manually produced

Feature Rich

PDF and Excel downloads
Dynamic/interactive graphics
Sorting, filtering, and grouping data

Employer contact information

Search by multiple user input

Select search area on a map

View contact information and location

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**Q4** 3. Provide a brief description of the nominee's significant contributions in any one of the other two areas listed under "criteria" that you did not focus on above. Response Word Limit: 200

Capacity Building:

The TexasLMI.com applications expands Texas' labor market information availability to the public using available technology, automation and as a staff resource tool.

Reduced staff time and benefits realized

The 78 economic profiles and 59 regional extracts available in TexasLMI.com were previously created monthly by staff for the old system. TexasLMI.com frees staff to do other tasks.

Finding LMI data in TexasLMI.com is easier than in the old system, users easily find data without customer help support.

Queries may be done through the application interface without knowledge or use of a query tool or language (SQL).

The management of the database is easier in TexasLMI.com compared to the old system. The TexasLMI.com database conforms to the latest Workforce Information Database (WID) standards. The clean database allows easier maintenance and updating.

Greater Accessibility

Section 508/WCAG 2.0 compliant. The previous system was not accessible to screen readers and could not be navigated by keyboard.

Content reflows according to screen size. Mobile devices may use all the features available to desktop users.

The modern design is easy to use, information can be found quickly. The average user session duration has decreased, evidence that it takes less time to find information

**Q5** 4. Provide samples of work including creative materials, videos, graphics, documents, plans, etc. regarding the efforts and results you outlined in questions #1 and #2.File size limit is 16 MB.Only PDF, DOC, DOCX, PNG, JPG, JPEG, GIF files are supported.

Texas LMI Infographic.pdf (8.3MB)

Q6 Sample of Work #2File size limit is 16 MB.

Faster with Texas LMI.pdf (1.8MB)

**Q7** Sample of Work #3File size limit is 16 MB.

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Q8 Sample of Work #4File size limit is 16 MB.

videos 2.docx (76.3KB)

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<b>Q9</b> Sample of Work #5File size limit is 16 MB.
videos_3.docx (80.5KB)
Q10 Please upload a statement of approval from the Agency Administrator
ExecutiveDirectorAuthorization.pdf (46.4KB)

# Texas Workforce Commission A Member of Texas Workforce Solutions

Bryan Daniel, Chairman Commissioner Representing the Public

Julian Alvarez Commissioner Representing Labor

Aaron Demerson Commissioner Representing Employers

Edward Serna Executive Director

December 18, 2019

Hello NASWA Representative,

The Texas Workforce Commission is excited for the opportunity to submit our entry for the 2020 Winter Workforce Innovation Awards.

I authorize our submission of TexasLMI.com for the "Data Insights and Innovations Award".

Please accept this letter as official approval.

Kind Regards,

Edward Serna
Executive Director

# Labor Market and Career Information

December 2019

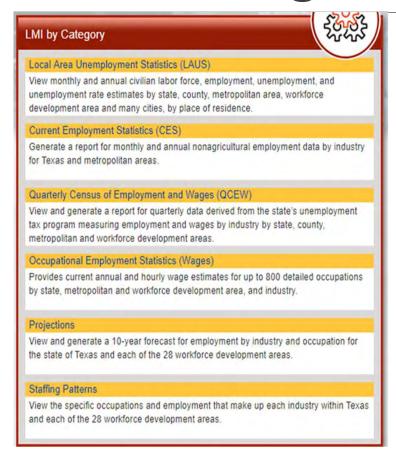


### Finding Data Faster

With TexasLMI.com



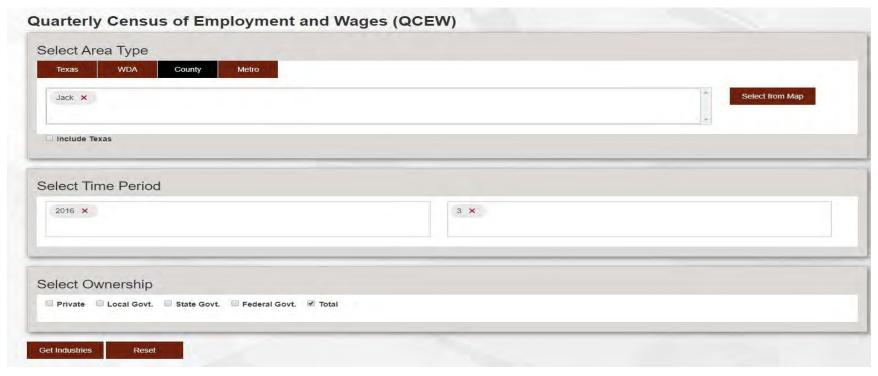
### Easier Navigation



- Access all Labor Market and Career Information data programs from a simple menu – at the left-hand side of the homepage.
- •LMI by category searches use a common, intuitive format to help users find data.
- •Switch easily from one data set to another.



### Straightforward search engine

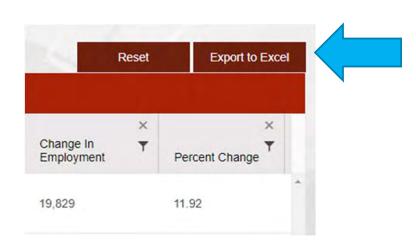


- Cascading menus allow for searching of data in one screen.
- All user choices are displayed and maintained throughout the search.
- Interface makes it easier to customize data requests and fix mistakes.
- Site supports selecting regions from a map for data searches.



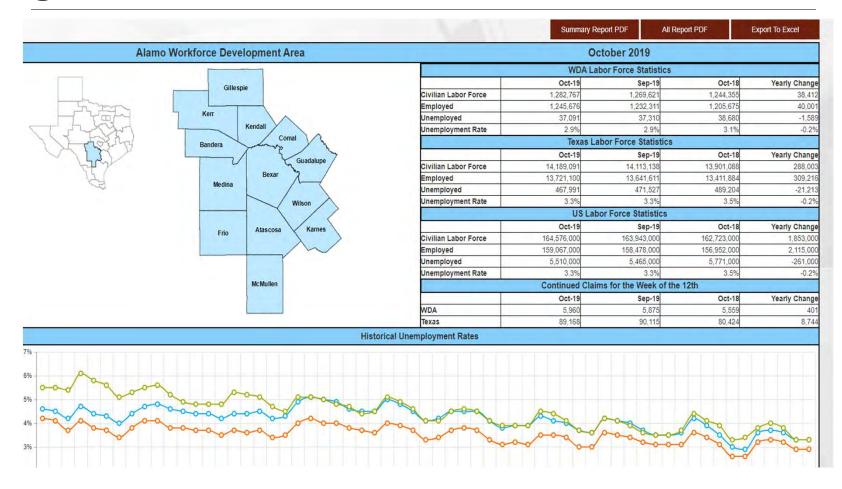
# Easily Export search results to a formatted, accessible Excel File





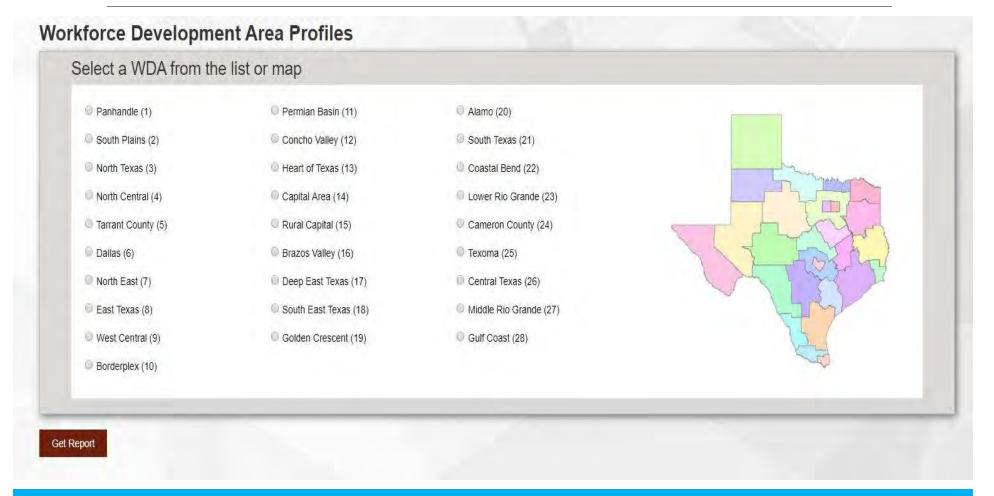


# Quick-reference profiles — generated on demand — HTML, PDF, or Excel





# Users can click on a map to select a profile, or choose from a text menu

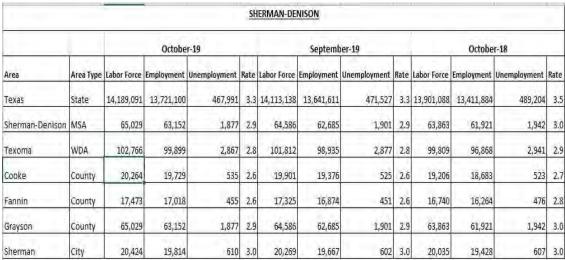




# Popular Downloads: Provides frequently used data, all in one spreadsheet!

- LAUS Popular Downloads files contain unemployment data for all cities, counties, and MSAs in a region – updated monthly.
- Downloaded spreadsheet is formatted and accessible, for easy forwarding!









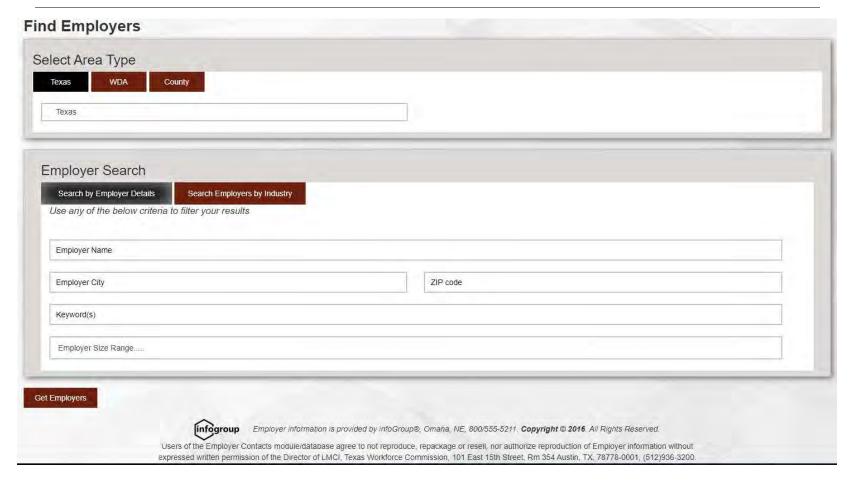
# Mobile Friendly!

- •TexasLMI.com is optimized for mobile devices.
- All data searches can be conducted on a mobile device, including exporting files to Excel and searching by Labor Market Information category.
- •TexasLMI.com makes it easy for people on-the-go to get the latest labor market data from the Texas Workforce Commission!





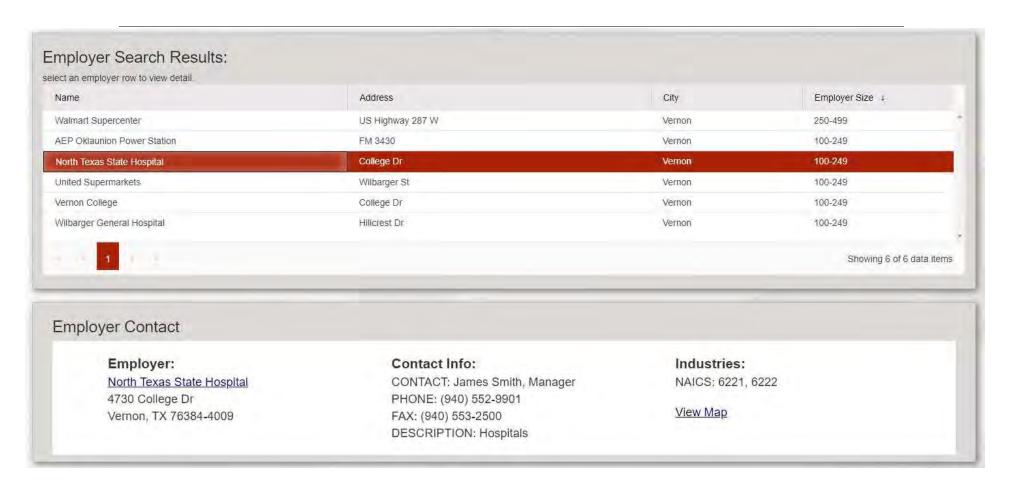
# Employer lookup information – at your fingertips!





### Sample "find employer" output:

Size classes can identify large employers in a region.



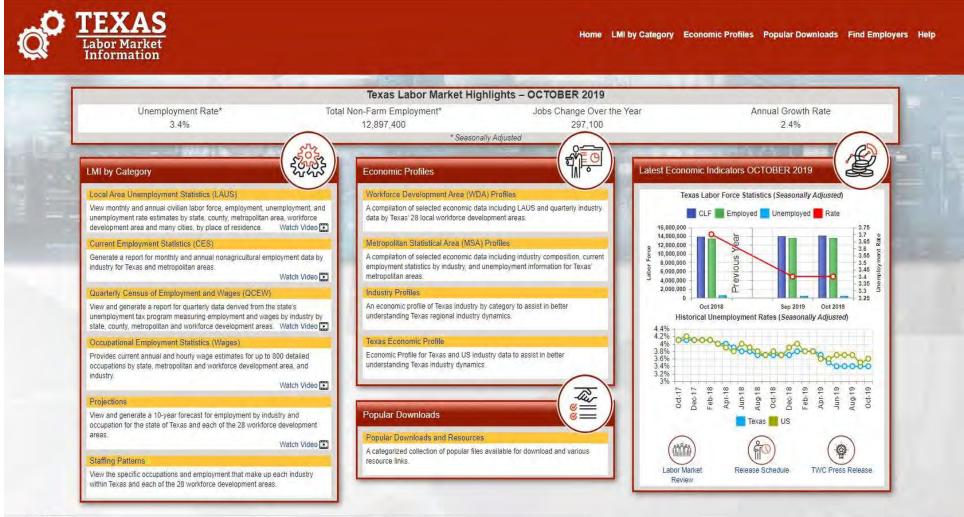


### Expanded Accessibility

- •TexasLMI.com meets WCAG 2.0 and the Texas Workforce Commission's Accessibility Standards.
- •All spreadsheets posted to the "popular downloads" page are designed with accessibility in mind.
- •Fonts and colors were chosen to make the site readable for people with disabilities.
- •TexasLMI.com may be used with a screen reader and supports keyboard navigation.



# Making TWC data available 24/7!





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Enter your email address

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# THANK YOU!



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# TexasLMI.com Resources



Delivery of economic information starts on the home page. Current unemployment rate, total non-farm employment, job change over the year, and annual growth rate are displayed across the top.

#### Texas Labor Market Highlights - OCTOBER 2019

Unemployment Rate\* 3.4%

Total Non-Farm Employment\* 12,897,400

Jobs Change Over the Yea

297,100

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\* Seasonally Adjusted

### LMI by Category

#### Local An Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

View monthly and annual civilian labor force, employment, unemployment, and unemployment rate estimates by state, county, metropolitan area, workforce development area and many cities, by place of residence. Watch Video

#### Current Employment Statistics (CES)

Generate a report for monthly and annual nonagricultural employment data by industry for Texas and metropolitan areas.

Watch Video

#### Quarterly Cens is of Employment and Wages (QCEW)

View and generate a report for quarterly data derived from the state's unemployment tax program measuring employment and wages by industry by state, county, metropolitan and Watch Video workforce development areas.

#### Occupational Employment Statistics (Wages)

Provides current annual and hourly wage estimates for up to 800 detailed occupations by state, metropolitan and workforce development area, and industry.

Watch Video

#### Projections

View and generate a 10-year forecast for employment by industry and occupation for the state of Texas and each of the 28 workforce development areas

Watch Video

#### Staffing Patterns

View the specific occupations and employment that make up each industry within Texas and each of the 28 workforce development areas.

#### **Economic Profiles**

#### Workforce Development Area (WDA) Profiles

A compilation of selected economic data including LAUS and quarterly industry data by Texas' 28 local workforce development areas

#### Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) Profiles

A compilation of selected economic data including industry composition, current employment statistics by industry, and unemployment information for Texas' metropolitan areas

#### Industry Profiles

An economic profile of Texas industry by category to assist in better understanding Texas regional industry dynamics.

#### Texas Economic Profile

Economic Profile for Texas and US industry data to assist in better understanding Texas ndustry dynamics.

#### Popular Downloads

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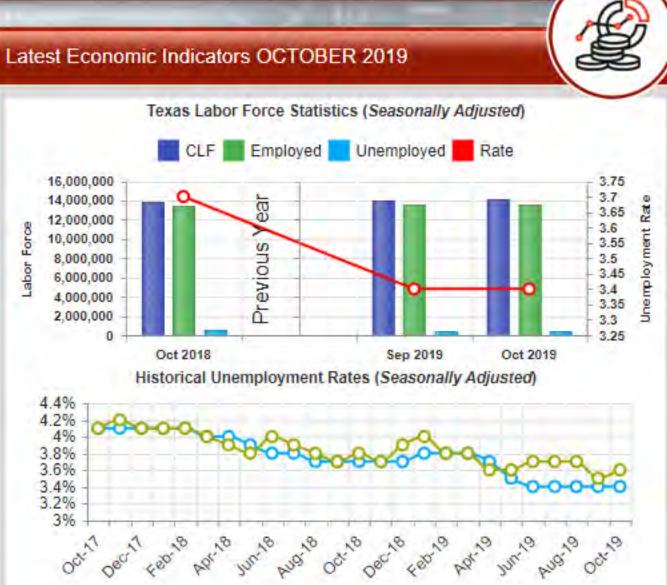
A categorized collection of popular files available for download and various resource links.

#### Latest Economic Indicators OCTOBER 2019

Find employer contact information for a workforce development area, county, or entire state. Use search criteria based on industry title, NAICS, sector, or cluster. Also search by keyword, name, city, zip code, and or employer size. View an

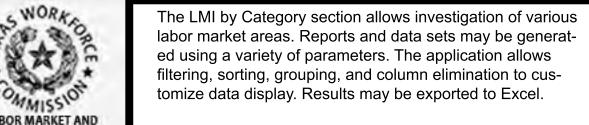
employer's location on a Google map.

Labor Market Review



Home LMI by Category Economic Profiles Popular Downloads Find Employers Help

2.4%



View easy to generate, interactive graphical and numerical reports by region or industry. All profiles offer a one-page summary of key data. Associated numerical data can be viewed and downloaded to Excel. The Workforce Development Area, and Metropolitan Statistical Area Profiles display data beyond the summary. All profiles are downloadable as a PDF. As few as two mouse clicks to get key information.

Popular Downloads offers frequently requested Excel and PDF reports for immediate download. Categorized by LMI areas, and Projections. This section also links to related resources.

Latest economic indicators are displayed in interactive graphs.Latest economic indicators are displayed in interactive graphs. Try using your mouse wheel on the line graph. Click on the legend items to add and remove graph items.

Release Schedule

Texas Workforce Commission

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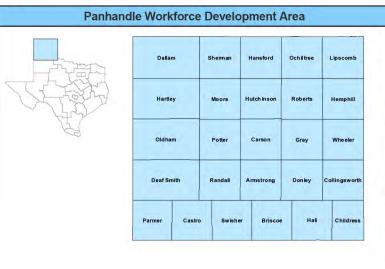
TWC Press Release

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# **Example WDA Summary Report**



	Oct	ober 2019						
WDA Labor Force Statistics								
	Oct-19	Sep-19	Oct-18	Yearly Change				
Civilian Labor Force	210,238	209,917	209,681	557				
Employed	204,892	204,477	204,066	826				
Unemployed	5,346	5,440	5,615	-269				
Unemployment Rate	2.5%	2.6%	2.7%	-0.2%				
	Texas Lat	or Force Statistic	S					
	Oct-19	Sep-19	Oct-18	Yearly Change				
Civilian Labor Force	14,189,091	14,113,138	13,901,088	288,003				
Employed	13,721,100	13,641,611	13,411,884	309,216				
Unemployed	467,991	471,527	489,204	-21,213				
Unemployment Rate	3.3%	3.3%	3.5%	-0.2%				
	US Labo	r Force Statistics						
	Oct-19	Sep-19	Oct-18	Yearly Change				
Civilian Labor Force	164,576,000	163,943,000	162,723,000	1,853,000				
Employed	159,067,000	158,478,000	156,952,000	2,115,000				
Unemployed	5,510,000	5,465,000	5,771,000	-261,000				
Unemployment Rate	3.3%	3.3%	3.5%	-0.2%				
	Continued Claim	s for the Week of	the 12th					
	Oct-19	Sep-19	Oct-18	Yearly Change				
WDA	665	686	566	99				
Texas	89,168	90,115	80,424	8,744				

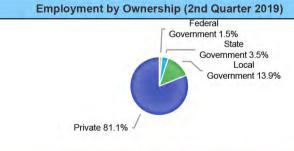
# Historical Unemployment Rates | Application | Application

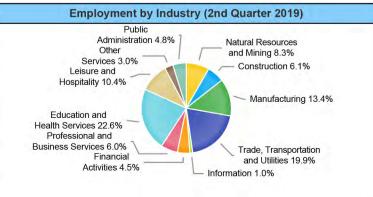


	Q2 2019 Q1 2019		Q2 2018	Quarterly Change	Yearly Change
NDA	\$892	\$925	\$865	\$-33	\$27
Texas	\$1,102	\$1,204	\$1,062	\$-102	\$40
JS	\$1,095	\$1,184	\$1,055	\$-89	\$40

Employment by Industry (2nd Quarter 2019, Percent Change)					
Industry	Employment	% of Total	% Quarterly Change	% Yearly Change	
Natural Resources and Mining	15,580	8.3%	1.0%	1.4%	
Construction	11,473	6.1%	3.7%	-0.3%	
Manufacturing	25,133	13.4%	0.1%	1.4%	
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	37,244	19.9%	0.7%	0.1%	
Information	1,821	1.0%	1.7%	-0.6%	
Financial Activities	8,461	4.5%	1.1%	-1.0%	
Professional and Business Services	11,230	6.0%	1.2%	1.9%	
Education and Health Services	42,299	22.6%	-0.1%	-1.3%	
Leisure and Hospitality	19,469	10.4%	7.9%	1.8%	
Other Services	5,557	3.0%	1.8%	-0.1%	
Public Administration	9,030	4.8%	2.8%	0.1%	







#### TexasLMI.com Overview (video)

#### https://lmci.state.tx.us/ContestVideos/1\_TexasLMIOverview.mp4

Welcome to TexasLMI.com. This video provides a brief synopsis of the content and features available at TexasLMI.com



#### How to Find Occupational Wage Data (video)

#### https://lmci.state.tx.us/ContestVideos/2\_HowToFindWages.mp4

This video explains how to find wage data from the Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) program on TexasLMI.com. Annual Occupational Wage data is available nationally and statewide as well as for Workforce Development Areas and Metropolitan Statistical Areas.



#### How to Find Unemployment Data (video)

#### https://lmci.state.tx.us/ContestVideos/3\_HowToPullUnemploymentRate.mp4

This video explains how to find data from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program on TexasLMI.com. Monthly unemployment data is available nationally and statewide and for Workforce Development Areas, Metropolitan Statistical Areas, counties, and larger cities.



#### How to Find Wages Using QCEW (video)

#### https://lmci.state.tx.us/ContestVideos/4\_HowToFindWagesUsingQCEW.mp4

This video explains how to find data from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) on TexasLMI.com. QCEW provides the number of firms, the number of establishments, quarterly employment, monthly employment, total quarterly wages, and average weekly wages by industry statewide and by Workforce Development Areas, Metropolitan Statistical Areas, and counties.



#### How to Find Projections Data on TexasLMI.com (video)

https://lmci.state.tx.us/ContestVideos/5\_HowToCompareFutureDemandForEmployment.mp4

This video explains how to find projected future employment on TexasLMI.com. Long-term projections are produced every other year and estimate employment 10 years in the future for occupations and industries. The data is available statewide or by Workforce Development Area.



#### How to Find Current Employment Data (video)

https://lmci.state.tx.us/ContestVideos/6\_HowToFindEmploymentDataUsingCES.mp4

This video explains how to find data from the Current Employment Statistics (CES) program on TexasLMI.com. CES provides monthly estimates of employment by industry groups nationally and statewide and for Metropolitan Statistical Areas.

