

July 2016 Seasonally Adjusted Labor Market Data Audio Text

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- Hello, I'm Julian Alvarez, Commissioner Representing Labor for the Texas Workforce Commission and here are the highlights of the July 2016 Texas employment statistics.
- Texas continued to enjoy job growth with the addition of one hundred seventy three thousand jobs over the year including twenty three thousand six hundred jobs added in July. Texas has added jobs for fifteen of the last sixteen months.
- The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased to four point six percent in July, up slightly from four point five percent in June, and remained below the national average of four point nine percent.
- The Professional and Business Services industry recorded the largest private industry employment gain over the month with ten thousand jobs added. Education and Health Services employment expanded by seven thousand six hundred jobs. Construction employment expanded by seven thousand eight hundred jobs in July.
- This year we celebrate the twenty year anniversary of our agency and the Texas Workforce system. Helping individuals connect to employment opportunities that will set them on a course for a prosperous career path is vital to our state's success. This agency and its partners will build on the achievements of the past twenty years and continue to support initiatives that make these connections possible.
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