

## **May 2015 Seasonally Adjusted Labor Market Data**

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- May was a good month for job growth in Texas with the addition of 33,200 jobs in the state. Those seasonally adjusted gains combined with the revised addition of 2,100 positions in April have more than made up for job losses the state experienced in March of this year. Over the past three months, the state has now added 10,100 positions.
- In fact, since January of this year, Texas has added a total of 26,100 jobs.
- Over the year, Texas has seen an increase of 286,400 positions since May of 2014.
- The state's unemployment rate saw a slight increase in May to a seasonally adjusted rate of 4.3 percent up from 4.2 percent in March and April, but still well below the U.S. rate of 5.5 percent.
- The May job gains came in the state's Service Providing industries. These gains were led by the Leisure and Hospitality industry which added 16,000 jobs in May. The Education and Health Services industry added 12,500 jobs.
- For employers interested in expanding their operations in Texas, I highly recommend that you contact a Workforce Solutions business services representative in your area to find out about the services and expertise that is available to you free of charge. To find out about these and other services provided to employers, visit our website at [Texasworkforce.org](http://Texasworkforce.org) and select Businesses and Employers from the green customer menu.