

Texas Workforce Press Release

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Texas Employers Add Jobs for Third Straight Month

June 4.2 percent unemployment rate matches state's lowest since July 2007

AUSTIN – Texas marked its third straight month of seasonally adjusted job growth with the addition of 16,700 nonagricultural jobs in June. The state has added jobs in 56 of the last 57 months, including a total of 53,600 positions in the first half of 2015. Over the year, Texas has seen an increase of 269,900 jobs.

“Texas employers continue to create employment opportunities which is great news for the state and its workforce,” said TWC Chairman Andres Alcantar. “Texas Workforce Solutions is committed to developing partnerships and innovative solutions that equip workers with in-demand job skills.”

Texas’ seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell to 4.2 percent in June, down from 4.3 percent in May. This marks the third month this year that the rate has dipped to 4.2 percent, the lowest rate of unemployment for the state since July 2007. Texas continued to trend below the U.S. unemployment rate of 5.3 percent in June.

“Texas workers have much to offer and many resources at their disposal to find the perfect occupational fit,” said TWC Commissioner Representing Labor Ronny Congleton. “I encourage all Texas job seekers to register with WorkInTexas.com and join the largest free job-matching network in Texas.”

June’s job gains in Service Providing industries were led by the Education and Health Services industry, which added 10,100 positions. Professional and Business Services added 8,300 jobs in June. Gains in the Goods Producing industries were centered in Mining and Logging, which saw an increase of 2,700 jobs during the month.

The Amarillo Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) boasted the lowest unemployment rate in the state in June, a not seasonally adjusted rate of 3.2 percent, followed by the Austin-Round Rock MSA with a rate of 3.3 percent and the Midland MSA which had a rate of 3.4 percent in June.

Audio downloads with comments from Chairman Alcantar on the latest labor market data are available on the TWC website [press release page](#). Employment estimates released by TWC are produced in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor’s Bureau of Labor Statistics. All estimates are subject to revision. To access this and more employment data, visit [tracer2.com](#).

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**Civilian Labor Force Estimates for Texas Metropolitan Statistical Areas
Not Seasonally Adjusted (In Thousands)**

	June 2015				May 2015				June 2014			
	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	Rate	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	Rate	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	Rate
United States	158,283	149,645	8,638	5.5	157,719	149,349	8,370	5.3	156,997	147,104	9,893	6.3
Texas	13,097.4	12,517.2	580.2	4.4	13,114.1	12,575.6	538.5	4.1	13,162.1	12,447.3	714.8	5.4
Abilene	75.9	72.9	3.0	4.0	76.2	73.4	2.8	3.7	77.5	73.8	3.7	4.7
Amarillo	129.9	125.7	4.2	3.2	130.8	127.0	3.8	2.9	132.6	127.3	5.3	4.0
Austin-Round Rock	1,058.0	1,022.6	35.4	3.3	1,060.4	1,027.4	33.0	3.1	1,055.2	1,008.7	46.5	4.4
Beaumont-Port Arthur	180.0	168.7	11.3	6.3	181.1	170.3	10.8	6.0	180.7	166.2	14.5	8.0
Brownsville-Harlingen	165.4	153.8	11.6	7.0	165.4	154.5	10.9	6.6	169.4	154.6	14.8	8.7
College Station-Bryan	115.8	111.2	4.6	3.9	119.9	115.9	4.0	3.3	117.9	112.4	5.5	4.7
Corpus Christi	211.2	200.7	10.5	5.0	213.1	203.2	9.9	4.7	212.7	200.9	11.8	5.5
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington	3,577.8	3,433.9	143.9	4.0	3,568.6	3,434.2	134.4	3.8	3,568.0	3,378.2	189.8	5.3
Dallas-Plano-Irving MD	2,384.6	2,290.0	94.6	4.0	2,377.3	2,288.8	88.5	3.7	2,371.9	2,245.4	126.5	5.3
Fort Worth-Arlington MD	1,193.3	1,143.9	49.4	4.1	1,191.3	1,145.4	45.9	3.9	1,196.0	1,132.7	63.3	5.3
El Paso	339.6	321.5	18.1	5.3	342.7	325.6	17.1	5.0	350.0	325.6	24.4	7.0
Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land	3,241.2	3,095.2	146.0	4.5	3,247.5	3,112.5	135.0	4.2	3,263.9	3,091.9	172.0	5.3
Killeen-Temple	166.9	159.0	7.9	4.7	168.0	160.6	7.4	4.4	170.7	160.1	10.6	6.2
Laredo	111.5	105.9	5.6	5.0	112.1	107.1	5.0	4.5	112.0	105.6	6.4	5.7
Longview	105.5	100.3	5.2	4.9	105.5	100.7	4.8	4.5	105.4	99.9	5.5	5.2
Lubbock	152.9	147.1	5.8	3.8	153.8	148.9	4.9	3.2	154.6	147.6	7.0	4.5
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	333.4	307.3	26.1	7.8	334.6	310.4	24.2	7.2	336.3	305.2	31.1	9.3
Midland	96.2	93.0	3.2	3.4	96.7	93.7	3.0	3.1	93.9	90.9	3.0	3.2
Odessa	84.8	81.1	3.7	4.4	85.5	82.1	3.4	4.0	82.6	79.5	3.1	3.8
San Angelo	55.6	53.2	2.4	4.2	55.9	53.7	2.2	4.0	55.6	53.2	2.4	4.4
San Antonio-New Braunfels	1,099.5	1,057.2	42.3	3.8	1,102.6	1,063.5	39.1	3.5	1,103.1	1,048.6	54.5	4.9
Sherman-Denison	60.0	57.6	2.4	4.0	60.1	57.9	2.2	3.7	61.2	58.1	3.1	5.1
Texarkana	64.5	61.2	3.3	5.1	63.8	60.6	3.2	5.0	65.3	61.1	4.2	6.4
Tyler	101.8	97.3	4.5	4.5	102.3	98.0	4.3	4.2	103.5	97.9	5.6	5.4
Victoria	50.3	48.2	2.1	4.2	50.5	48.6	1.9	3.8	50.2	47.9	2.3	4.6
Waco	117.6	112.5	5.1	4.3	117.5	112.9	4.6	3.9	120.1	113.2	6.9	5.7
Wichita Falls	64.6	61.7	2.9	4.4	64.7	62.1	2.6	4.1	67.1	63.5	3.6	5.4

**TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

INDUSTRY TITLE	June 2015*	May 2015	June 2014	May '15 to June '15		June '14 to June '15	
				Absolute Change	Percent Change	Absolute Change	Percent Change
Total Nonagricultural	11,803,100	11,786,400	11,533,200	16,700	0.1	269,900	2.3
Total Private	9,951,400	9,938,700	9,703,400	12,700	0.1	248,000	2.6
Goods Producing	1,826,300	1,828,500	1,838,400	-2,200	-0.1	-12,100	-0.7
Mining and Logging	295,900	293,200	305,400	2,700	0.9	-9,500	-3.1
Construction	666,500	666,000	647,600	500	0.1	18,900	2.9
Manufacturing	863,900	869,300	885,400	-5,400	-0.6	-21,500	-2.4
Service Providing	9,976,800	9,957,900	9,694,800	18,900	0.2	282,000	2.9
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	2,366,200	2,369,900	2,305,800	-3,700	-0.2	60,400	2.6
Information	206,900	205,700	203,100	1,200	0.6	3,800	1.9
Financial Activities	712,700	716,300	698,600	-3,600	-0.5	14,100	2.0
Professional and Business Services	1,591,400	1,583,100	1,543,700	8,300	0.5	47,700	3.1
Education and Health Services	1,584,500	1,574,400	1,519,800	10,100	0.6	64,700	4.3
Leisure and Hospitality	1,247,700	1,247,800	1,184,900	-100	0.0	62,800	5.3
Other Services	415,700	413,000	409,100	2,700	0.7	6,600	1.6
Government	1,851,700	1,847,700	1,829,800	4,000	0.2	21,900	1.2

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