

May 2018 Seasonally Adjusted Labor Market Data Audio Text

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- Hello everyone, I'm the Commissioner Representing Labor, and I'm speaking to you from my office here at the Texas Workforce Commission -- discussing highlights from the May 2018 Texas employment statistics.
- This month, the Texas economy added 34,700 Total Nonfarm jobs.
- In May, the Texas unemployment rate was 4.1 percent, unchanged from April 2018.
- Education and Health Services added 8,100 positions in May. Professional and Business Services added 4,300 jobs and Leisure and Hospitality added 3,500 jobs.
- 5,800 jobs were added in Construction this month, followed by a job gain of 4,100 in Mining and Logging. Altogether, Goods Producing sector employment expanded by 5.7 percent since May 2017.
- One of the best ways to learn new skills is to apply them in a workplace setting. So, whether it's in algebra or whether it's in welding, apprentices learn best where they are using the tools and materials and applying it to a real-life situation. Registered Apprenticeship provides on-the-job training in emerging industries, such as cybersecurity, manufacturing, healthcare, and information technology. Contact us at ApprenticeshipTexas.com to see how our apprenticeship team can help you. Thank you.