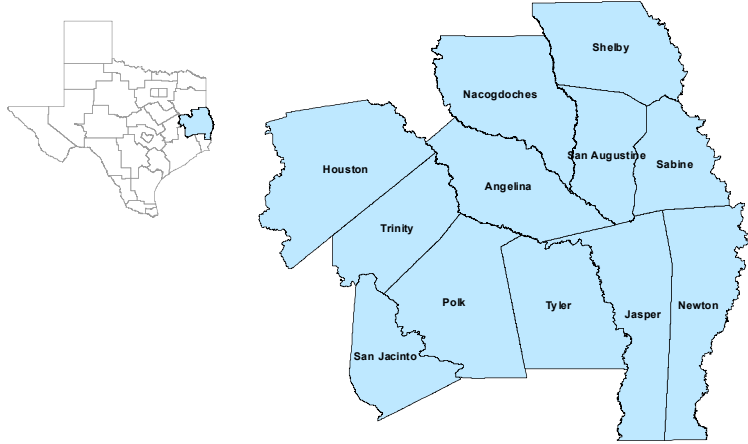


## Deep East Texas Workforce Development Area

## December 2024



| WDA Labor Force Statistics |         |         |         |               |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------------|
|                            | Dec-24  | Nov-24  | Dec-23  | Yearly Change |
| Civilian Labor Force       | 155,505 | 156,760 | 151,245 | 4,260         |
| Employed                   | 148,552 | 148,845 | 144,716 | 3,836         |
| Unemployed                 | 6,953   | 7,915   | 6,529   | 424           |
| Unemployment Rate          | 4.5%    | 5.0%    | 4.3%    | 0.2%          |

| Texas Labor Force Statistics |            |            |            |               |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
|                              | Dec-24     | Nov-24     | Dec-23     | Yearly Change |
| Civilian Labor Force         | 15,591,398 | 15,620,707 | 15,090,824 | 500,574       |
| Employed                     | 15,012,362 | 14,965,379 | 14,564,917 | 447,445       |
| Unemployed                   | 579,036    | 655,328    | 525,907    | 53,129        |
| Unemployment Rate            | 3.7%       | 4.2%       | 3.5%       | 0.2%          |

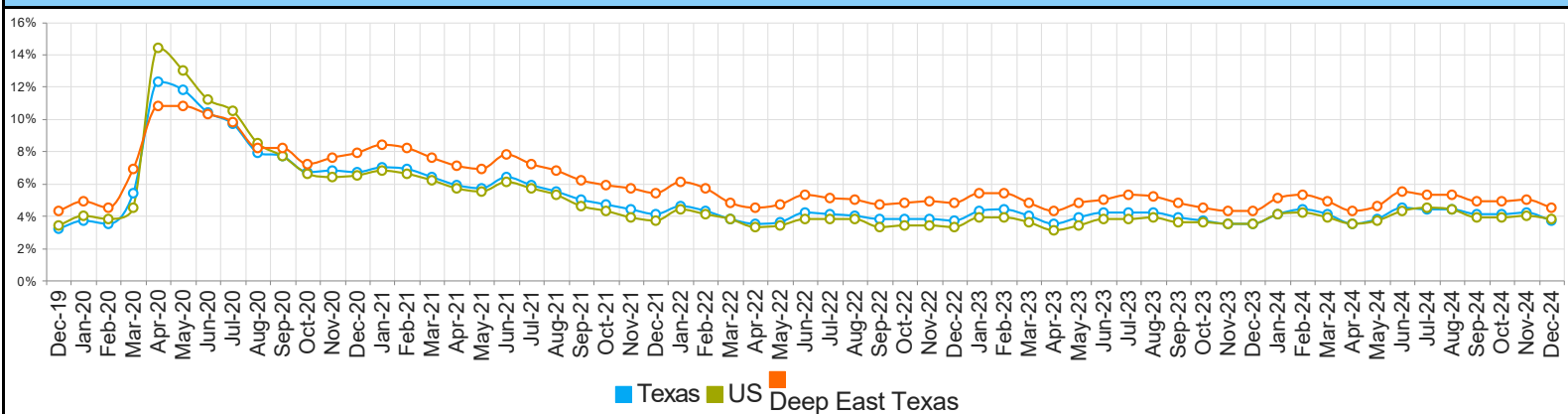
  

| US Labor Force Statistics |             |             |             |               |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
|                           | Dec-24      | Nov-24      | Dec-23      | Yearly Change |
| Civilian Labor Force      | 167,746,000 | 168,164,000 | 166,661,000 | 1,085,000     |
| Employed                  | 161,294,000 | 161,456,000 | 160,754,000 | 540,000       |
| Unemployed                | 6,452,000   | 6,708,000   | 5,907,000   | 545,000       |
| Unemployment Rate         | 3.8%        | 4.0%        | 3.5%        | 0.3%          |

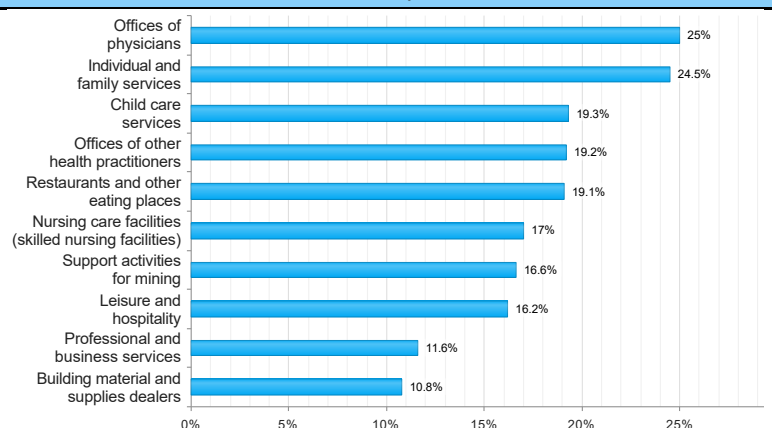
  

| Continued Claims for the Week of the 12th |         |         |         |               |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------------|
|   | Dec-24  | Nov-24  | Dec-23  | Yearly Change |
| WDA                                       | 1,279   | 1,166   | 1,312   | -33           |
| Texas                                     | 122,026 | 116,908 | 114,107 | 7,919         |

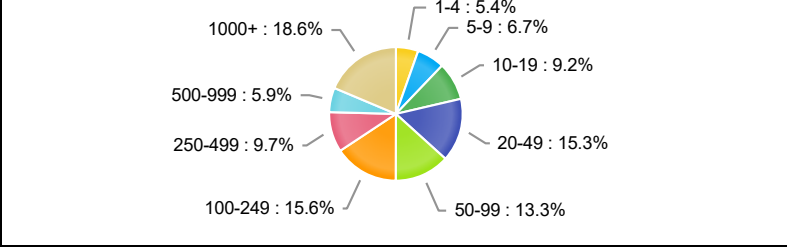
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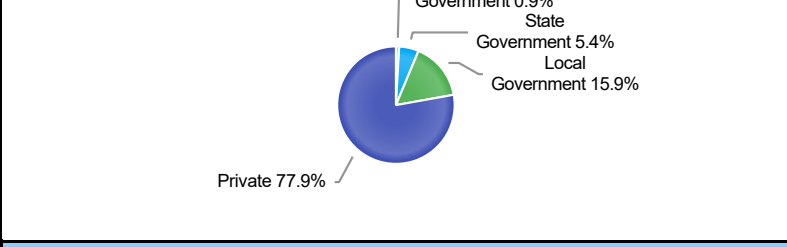
## Projected Top Ten Fastest Growing Industries in WDA (% Growth 2022-2032)



## Employment by Size Class (2nd Quarter 2024)



## Employment by Ownership (2nd Quarter 2024)



### Average Weekly Wage (2nd Quarter 2024)

|       | Q2 2024 | Q1 2024 | Q2 2023 | Quarterly Change | Yearly Change |
|-------|---------|---------|---------|------------------|---------------|
| WDA   | \$952   | \$958   | \$931   | -\$6             | \$21          |
| Texas | \$1,381 | \$1,540 | \$1,321 | -\$159           | \$60          |
| US    | \$1,390 | \$1,527 | \$1,332 | -\$137           | \$58          |

## Employment by Industry (2nd Quarter 2024, Percent Change)

| Industry                            | Employment | % of Total | % Quarterly Change | % Yearly Change |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Natural Resources and Mining        | 3,383      | 3.0%       | 0.1%               | 1.7%            |
| Construction                        | 6,124      | 5.5%       | 3.3%               | 2.7%            |
| Manufacturing                       | 13,229     | 11.9%      | 0.2%               | 1.3%            |
| Trade, Transportation and Utilities | 21,311     | 19.2%      | 0.3%               | 0.9%            |
| Information                         | 869        | 0.8%       | 4.4%               | 4.4%            |
| Financial Activities                | 4,690      | 4.2%       | 4.4%               | -9.2%           |
| Professional and Business Services  | 7,453      | 6.7%       | 0.9%               | -4.6%           |
| Education and Health Services       | 32,967     | 29.7%      | -1.5%              | 0.1%            |
| Leisure and Hospitality             | 12,537     | 11.3%      | 3.3%               | 12.6%           |
| Other Services                      | 2,624      | 2.4%       | 3.1%               | 3.5%            |
| Public Administration               | 5,939      | 5.3%       | 1.2%               | 4.8%            |

## Employment by Industry (2nd Quarter 2024)

