

Coastal Bend Workforce Area

Area	Area Type	Latest Monthly Data August 2009					Previous I July 20		Year Ago August 2008				
		Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
Texas	State	12,061,355	11,079,403	981,952	8.1	12,136,607	11,138,224	998,383	8.2	11,750,624	11,129,768	620,856	5.3
Corpus Christi	MSA	206,547	190,472	16,075	7.8	209,125	192,435	16,690	8.0	205,034	194,512	10,522	5.1
Coastal Bend	WDA	279,038	256,229	22,809	8.2	281,241	257,690	23,551	8.4	273,040	258,998	14,042	5.1
National	U.S.	154,897,000	140,074,000	14,823,000	9.6	156,256,000	141,055,000	15,201,000	9.7	155,387,000	145,909,000	9,479,000	6.1
Aransas	County	11,427	10,624	803	7.0	11,577	10,733	844	7.3	11,397	10,849	548	4.8
Bee	County	11,937	10,745	1,192	10.0	11,981	10,740	1,241	10.4	11,269	10,495	774	6.9
Brooks	County	3,663	3,277	386	10.5	3,615	3,219	396	11.0	3,328	3,118	210	6.3
Duval	County	5,783	5,085	698	12.1	5,775	5,080	695	12.0	5,325	5,023	302	5.7
Jim Wells	County	23,643	21,219	2,424	10.3	23,572	21,136	2,436	10.3	21,927	20,891	1,036	4.7
Kenedy	County	256	237	19	7.4	250	232	18	7.2	241	234	7	2.9
Kleberg	County	17,172	15,877	1,295	7.5	16,815	15,503	1,312	7.8	16,393	15,637	756	4.6
Live Oak	County	5,311	4,914	397	7.5	5,353	4,928	425	7.9	5,077	4,838	239	4.7
McMullen	County	360	335	25	6.9	355	326	29	8.2	354	335	19	5.4
Nueces	County	164,304	151,999	12,305	7.5	166,369	153,565	12,804	7.7	163,463	155,223	8,240	5.0
Refugio	County	4,365	4,067	298	6.8	4,400	4,091	309	7.0	4,092	3,915	177	4.3
San Patricio	County	30,817	27,850	2,967	9.6	31,179	28,137	3,042	9.8	30,174	28,440	1,734	5.7

Earnings for all occupations Coastal Bend, expressed as hourly rate (TWC):

Coastal Bend - All Occupations - Average \$16.20/hr.; Entry level \$7.51/hr.; Experienced workers \$20.54/hr.; top 10% \$29.66/hr. Texas - All Occupations - Average \$18.90/hr.; Entry level \$8.16/hr.; Experienced workers \$24.27/hr.; top 10% \$35.43/hr.

Educational Attainment for population 25 years of age and older - Corpus Christi (Census American Fact Finder / American Community Survey): Less than 9th grade 9.9%; 9th thru 11th grade 12.0%; 12th grade and GED 27.4%; some college 23.3%; Associates degree 7.1%; Bachelors degree 13.2%; Graduate or Professional degrees 7.1%

Median earnings Corpus Christi by education for persons 25 years of age & up (Census AFF / ACS): \$27,211 (\$33,893 male/\$21,233 female)

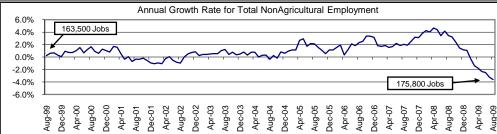
Less than High School \$15,396 Some College or Associates \$30,595 Graduate & Professional \$53,951

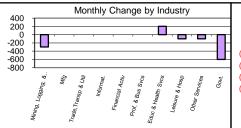
High School & GED \$21,460 Bachelor's \$41,044

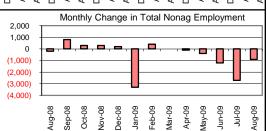
Industry Composition Mining, Logging, & Const 17% Other Services 4% Health Health Svcs Prof, & Bus 5%

(Aransas, Nueces, San Patricio)

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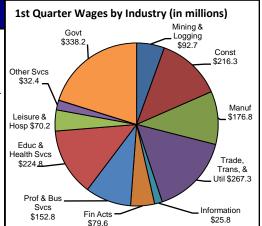




Size Class of Industries as of March 2009 **Employment by Industry** Monthly Change Annual Change Size Employees % of Total Employment in Size Class Employment Per Firm Firms Jul-2009 Aug-2008 Actual % % Actual Aug-2009 -0.5% 20 45853 176 700 -900 -6 600 -3.6% Total Nonagricultural 175.800 182,400 9 1000+ 25.8% 19,800 20,100 22,000 -300 -1.5% -2,200 -10.0% 500-999 21 14078 Mining, Logging, & Const 8 7.9% 10,200 43 14713 Manufacturing 10,200 11,000 0 0.0% -800 -7.3% 7 250-499 8.3% Trade, Transp., & Utilities 31,900 31,900 33,000 0 0.0% -1,100 -3.3% 100-249 188 28546 16.1% 19762 Information 2,300 2.300 2,500 0 0.0% -200 -8.0% 5 50-99 283 11.1% 745 22698 0 -1.2% Financial Activities 8,200 8,200 8,300 0.0% -100 4 20-49 12.8% 16.400 0 -2.4% 13977 Profes., & Business Svcs 16,400 16,800 0.0% -400 3 10-19 1027 7.9% 10200 29.000 28,300 200 3.2% 1535 Education & Health Svcs 29,200 0.7% 900 2 5-9 5.7% 21,100 -100 -0.5% -700 -3.2% 3703 7846 Leisure & Hospitality 21.000 21.700 1-4 4 4% 7,100 7,200 7,200 -100 -1.4% -100 -1.49 602 Other Services 0.0% Government 29,700 30,300 31,600 -600 -2.0% -1,900 -6.0% TOTAL 177673 100.0%

Comments for August 2009

The Corpus Christi MSA lost 900 jobs over the month in Total Nonagricultural Employment. This over-the-month decrease was the fifth consecutive decrease for the area. The decline in employment dropped the Corpus Christi MSA growth rate down to -3.6 percent for the year. General Merchandise Stores added 100 jobs over the month. This increase matched the five-year average increase. Employment for the industry grew at an annual growth rate of 2.3 percent. State Government lost 300 jobs over the month. This decline was 100 jobs larger than the five-year average decrease and was the fourth over-the-month employment drop for the year. Two-hundred jobs were lost since this time last year.



Unemployment Information (all estimates are in thousands)

	Corpus	Christi	MSA		Texas (Actual)			United S			
	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	% Rate	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp	.% Rate	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	% Rate
Aug-2009	206.6	190.5	16.1	7.8	12,061.4	11,079.4	982.0	8.1	154,897.0	140,074.0	14,823.0	9.6
Jul-2009	209.1	192.4	16.7	8.0	12,136.6	11,138.2	998.4	8.2	156,255.0	141,055.0	15,201.0	9.7
Aug-2008	205.0	194.5	10.5	5.1	11,750.7	11,129.8	620.9	5.3	155,387.0	145,909.0	9,479.0	6.1

Coastal Bend Workforce Development Area August 2009 Coastal Bend WDA Texas CLF CLF **Employed** Unemployed Rate **Employed** Unemployed Rate 279,038 256,229 22,809 12,061,355 11,079,403 981,952 Aug-09 8.2 Aug-09 8 1 Jul-09 281.241 257.690 23.551 8.4 Jul-09 12.136.607 11.138.224 998.383 8.2 Aug-08 273,040 258,998 14,042 Aug-08 11,750,624 11,129,768 620,856 5.3 5.1 **Historical Unemployment Rates** 10.0 Coastal Bend 8.0 Texas 6.0 4.0 2.0 0.0 Jan-00 Jun-00 Jul-02 Oct-03 Mar-04 Apr-06 Jul-07 Oct-08 Aug-09 Mar-09 Apr-01 **Coastal Bend WDA Industry Composition Total WDA Claims** 1st Quarter 2009 Aug-08 OTY Aug-09 Jul-09 20.0% Initial 2,215 2.467 1,284 931 15.643 16.125 6,970 Continued 8,673 16.0% Continued Claims for the Week of the 12th 12.0% Continued 5,568 6.272 2,110 3,458 8.0% **Texas Unemployment Insurance Claims Filed** 4.0% Aug-09 Jul-09 Aug-08 OTY Initial 98,444 112,737 68,139 30,305 0.0% 1,404,113 1,340,360 543,681 860,432 Federal Continued Local Transportation & Utilities Education & Health Services Financial Activities Information Natural Resources & Mining Nonclassified Professional & Business Services Manufacturing Other Services Construction Leisure & Hospitality Continued Claims for the Week of the 12th Continued 295,488 313,137 125,839 169.649 **Coastal Bend WDA Average Weekly Wage** Trade, Coastal Bend **Qtr Change** Texas 1st Quarter 2009 \$706.39 -75.06 \$884.74 4th Quarter 2008 \$781.45 **OTY Change** \$932.81 1st Quarter 2008 \$724.53 -18.14 \$903.44 **NAICS Covered Employment Quarterly Data Size Class Employment Composition** 1st Quarter 2009 1st Quarter 2009 Change SUPER SECTOR **Employment** Quarter Year 60,000 Construction 19,364 -783 -28 Education & Health Services 34,854 74 1,213 50,000 8,341 -69 292 Federal Financial Activities 9,583 -270 -453 40,000 Information 2.622 -34 -137 30,000 Leisure & Hospitality 24.241 -219 -1 30.453 434 401 Local 20,000 Manufacturing 11,692 -309 -711 Natural Resources & Mining 12,048 -2,196 -666 10,000 Nonclassified 70 23 -9 Other Services 6.384 -293 -170 0 -802 Professional & Business Services 17 707 -1 004 10-19 20-49 50-99 100-249 4-4 5-9 500-999 +000,1 9,793 -30 717 Trade, Transportation & Utilities 39,913 -1,317 -952 Size Class **TOTAL** 227,065 -5,791 -1,508 Available at http://www.tracer2.com/