

# Coastal Bend Workforce Area

(Not Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates by WDA, MSA, & County)

Area	Area Type	Latest Monthly Data September 2024						Previous Monthly Data August 2024				Year Ago September 2023			
		Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	M+-	Y+-	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
United States	Nation	168,569,000	162,046,000	6,524,000	3.9	-0.5	0.3	168,763,000	161,348,000	7,415,000	4.4	167,718,000	161,669,000	6,049,000	3.6
Texas	State	15,553,143	14,920,058	633,085	4.1	-0.3	0.2	15,487,812	14,810,755	677,057	4.4	15,127,091	14,529,891	597,200	3.9
Corpus Christi	MSA	212,967	203,627	9,340	4.4	-0.4	0.2	212,180	202,047	10,133	4.8	208,465	199,636	8,829	4.2
Coastal Bend	WDA	268,289	256,307	11,982	4.5	-0.4	0.2	267,138	254,156	12,982	4.9	262,400	251,028	11,372	4.3
Aransas Pass	County	9,775	9,304	471	4.8	-0.4	-0.1	9,759	9,253	506	5.2	9,592	9,124	468	4.9
Bee	County	9,557	9,063	494	5.2	-0.4	0.0	9,474	8,945	529	5.6	9,405	8,919	486	5.2
Brooks	County	2,280	2,147	133	5.8	-0.5	0.1	2,280	2,136	144	6.3	2,280	2,151	129	5.7
Duval	County	5,167	4,921	246	4.8	-0.2	0.3	5,083	4,829	254	5.0	5,012	4,785	227	4.5
Jim Wells	County	16,371	15,559	812	5.0	-0.4	0.0	16,268	15,397	871	5.4	15,800	15,007	793	5.0
Kenedy	County	129	119	10	7.8	-0.3	0.8	136	125	11	8.1	128	119	9	7.0
Kleberg	County	13,327	12,718	609	4.6	-0.5	0.0	13,217	12,549	668	5.1	13,129	12,525	604	4.6
Live Oak	County	5,273	5,066	207	3.9	-0.5	0.3	5,260	5,027	233	4.4	5,082	4,899	183	3.6
Nueces	County	172,716	165,346	7,370	4.3	-0.4	0.2	172,057	164,040	8,017	4.7	169,049	162,035	7,014	4.1
Refugio	County	3,218	3,087	131	4.1	-0.2	0.5	3,240	3,101	139	4.3	3,099	2,987	112	3.6
San Patricio	County	30,476	28,977	1,499	4.9	-0.4	0.4	30,364	28,754	1,610	5.3	29,824	28,477	1,347	4.5

(M+-) Change in unemployment rate from last month (Increase) (Decrease)

(Y+-) Change in unemployment rate from last year (Increase) (Decrease)

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

<b>Coastal Bend Texas</b>	<b>All Occupations- All Occupations-</b>	<b>Average \$17.76/hr.</b>	<b>Entry level \$10.89/hr.</b>	<b>Experienced workers \$29.14/hr.</b>	<b>Top 10% \$33.56/hr.</b>
		<b>Average \$18.76/hr.</b>	<b>Entry level \$11.70/hr.</b>	<b>Experienced workers \$33.25/hr.</b>	<b>Top 10% \$39.64/hr.</b>

- Educational Attainment for population 25 years of age and older - Corpus Christi (Census American Fact Finder/American Community Survey):

<b>Less than 9<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	<b>7.0%</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup> grade &amp; GED</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>Associates degree</b>	<b>8.0%</b>	<b>Graduate or Professional</b>	<b>11%</b>
<b>9<sup>th</sup> thru 11<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>Some College</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>Bachelor's degree</b>	<b>13%</b>		

- Median earnings Corpus Christi by education for persons 25 years of age & up (Census AFF/ACS):

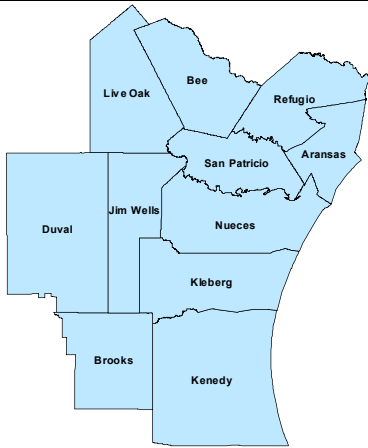
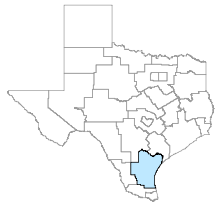
<b>Less than High School &amp;</b>	<b>\$15,437</b>	<b>Some College or Associates Bachelor's</b>	<b>\$28,739</b>	<b>Graduate or Professional</b>	<b>\$56,681</b>
	<b>\$26,818</b>		<b>\$44,078</b>		

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## Coastal Bend Workforce Development Area

September 2024



### WDA Labor Force Statistics

	Sep-24	Aug-24	Sep-23	Yearly Change
Civilian Labor Force	268,289	267,085	262,400	5,889
Employed	256,307	254,127	251,028	5,279
Unemployed	11,982	12,958	11,372	610
Unemployment Rate	4.5%	4.9%	4.3%	0.2%

### Texas Labor Force Statistics

	Sep-24	Aug-24	Sep-23	Yearly Change
Civilian Labor Force	15,553,143	15,487,654	15,127,091	426,052
Employed	14,920,058	14,810,843	14,529,891	390,167
Unemployed	633,085	676,811	597,200	35,885
Unemployment Rate	4.1%	4.4%	3.9%	0.2%

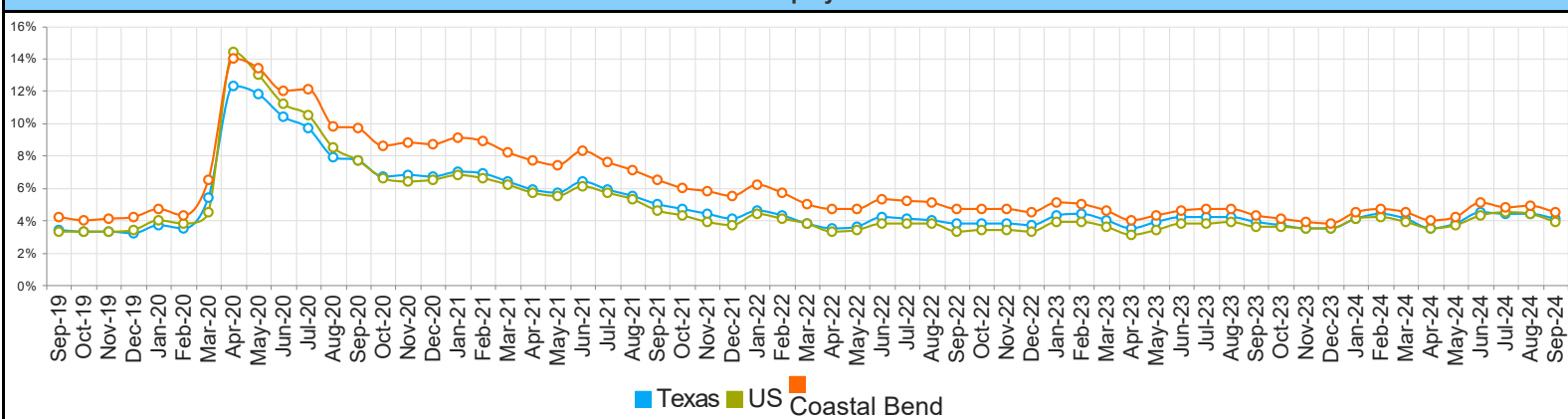
### US Labor Force Statistics

	Sep-24	Aug-24	Sep-23	Yearly Change
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Employed	162,046,000	161,348,000	161,669,000	377,000
Unemployed	6,524,000	7,415,000	6,049,000	475,000
Unemployment Rate	3.9%	4.4%	3.6%	0.3%

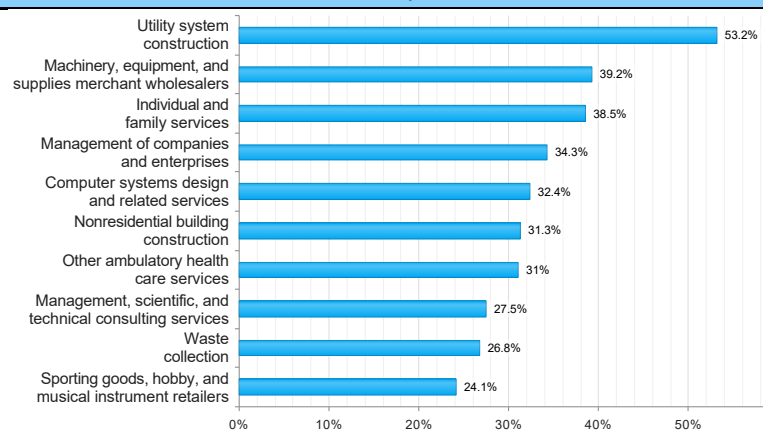
### Continued Claims for the Week of the 12th

	Sep-24	Aug-24	Sep-23	Yearly Change
WDA	1,909	2,072	1,721	188
Texas	116,416	124,004	108,083	8,333

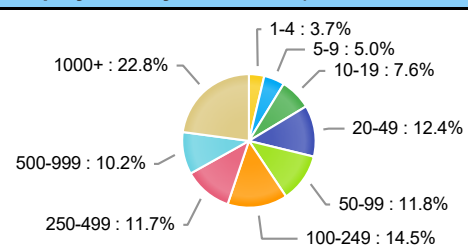
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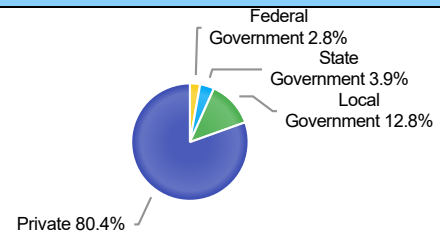
## Projected Top Ten Fastest Growing Industries in WDA (% Growth 2022-2032)



## Employment by Size Class (1st Quarter 2024)



## Employment by Ownership (1st Quarter 2024)



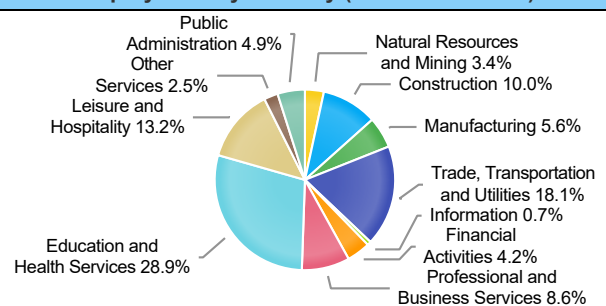
### Average Weekly Wage (1st Quarter 2024)

	Q1 2024	Q4 2023	Q1 2023	Quarterly Change	Yearly Change
WDA	\$1,146	\$1,116	\$1,088	\$30	\$58
Texas	\$1,540	\$1,427	\$1,480	\$113	\$60
US	\$1,527	\$1,435	\$1,465	\$92	\$62

## Employment by Industry (1st Quarter 2024, Percent Change)

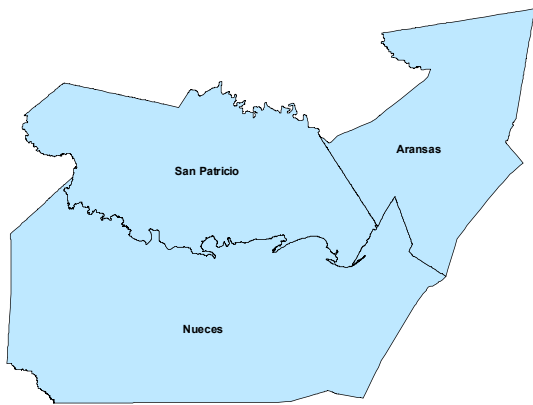
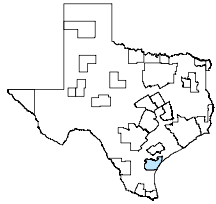
Industry	Employment	% of Total	% Quarterly Change	% Yearly Change
Natural Resources and Mining	8,056	3.4%	3.2%	-3.6%
Construction	23,609	10.0%	-2.6%	13.9%
Manufacturing	13,184	5.6%	0.3%	4.3%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	42,773	18.1%	-1.7%	0.9%
Information	1,594	0.7%	-3.2%	-1.4%
Financial Activities	10,057	4.2%	-3.6%	-1.0%
Professional and Business Services	20,465	8.6%	-6.6%	-5.1%
Education and Health Services	68,415	28.9%	-0.3%	1.6%
Leisure and Hospitality	31,171	13.2%	-2.5%	-1.7%
Other Services	5,985	2.5%	2.0%	-0.4%
Public Administration	11,509	4.9%	-0.7%	0.5%

## Employment by Industry (1st Quarter 2024)



## Corpus Christi MSA

September 2024



### MSA Labor Force Statistics

	Sep-24	Aug-24	Sep-23	Yearly Change
Civilian Labor Force	212,967	212,161	208,465	4,502
Employed	203,627	202,047	199,636	3,991
Unemployed	9,340	10,114	8,829	511
Unemployment Rate	4.4%	4.8%	4.2%	0.2%

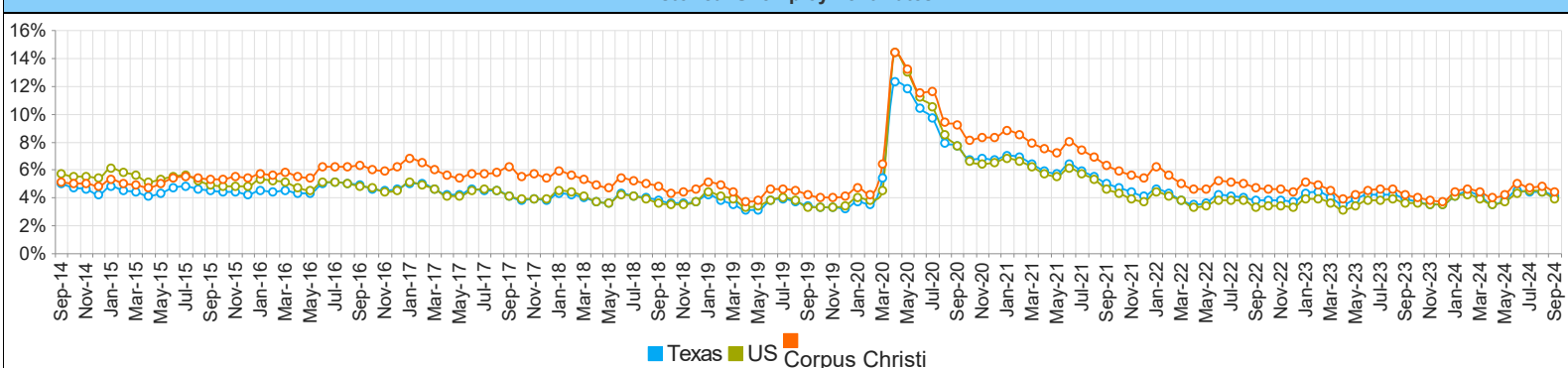
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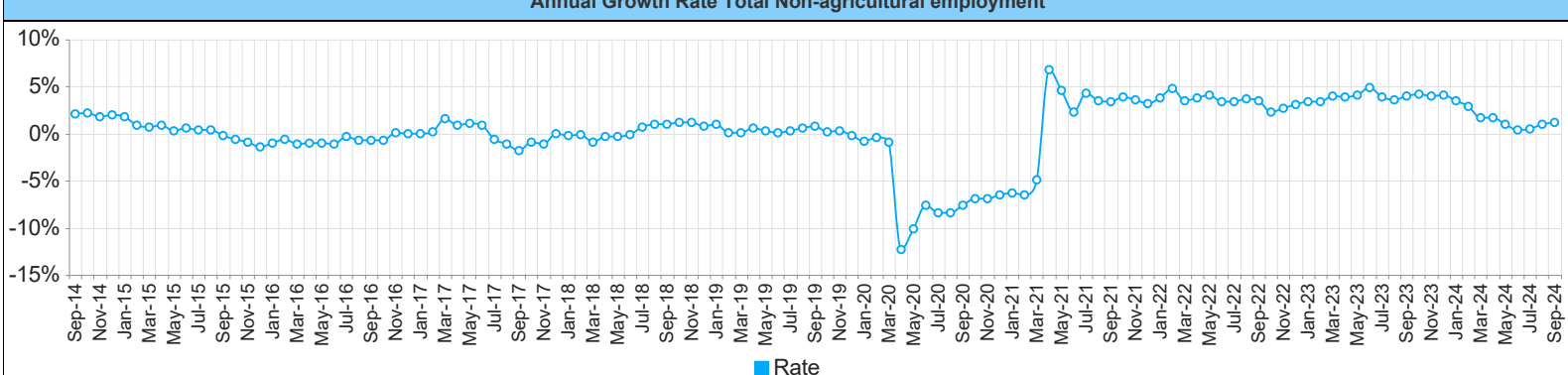
### Employment by Size Class (1st Quarter 2024)

### Wages by Industry (in millions) (1st Quarter 2024)

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### Annual Growth Rate Total Non-agricultural employment



### Employment by Industry (September 2024)

### Employment by Industry (September 2024)

Industry	Current Month Employment	% Monthly Change	% Yearly Change
Total Nonfarm	200,700	0.5%	1.2%
Mining, Logging and Construction	25,000	2.5%	4.2%
Manufacturing	9,100	-1.1%	0.0%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	33,600	0.3%	-0.3%
Information	1,400	0.0%	0.0%
Financial Activities	9,700	0.0%	3.2%
Professional and Business Services	20,200	1.0%	-1.0%
Private Education and Health Services	33,300	0.6%	2.5%
Leisure and Hospitality	27,000	-2.5%	-0.4%
Other Services	6,600	0.0%	3.1%
Government	34,800	2.1%	1.5%

