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Chambers County

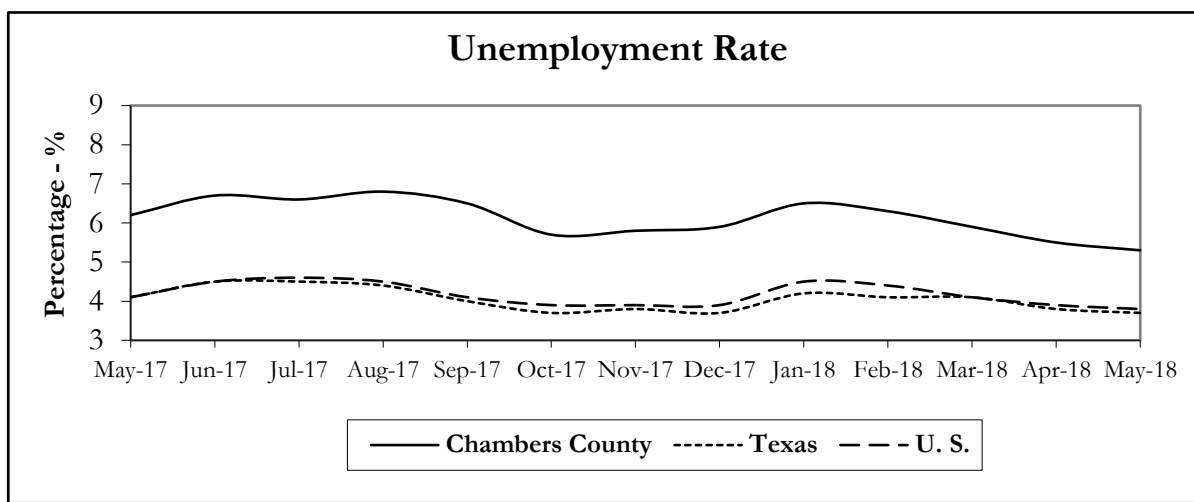
Labor Market Information

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County Employment Data*

The rate of unemployment in Chambers County fell two-tenths of a percentage point to 5.3 percent in May, down nearly one percentage point from 6.2 percent one year earlier. The local rate was higher than the state's 3.7 percent rate and nation's 3.8 percent rate. Total covered employment in the county experienced a strong increase for the third consecutive quarter, up 639 jobs or 4.5 percent over fourth quarter 2017. Largest job gains were in Construction, up 204 jobs or 9.1 percent, Trade, Transportation, & Utilities, up 142 jobs or 4.0 percent, and Local Government, up 134 jobs or 6.8 percent. The strongest increase was in Other Services, up 81 jobs or 22.7 percent. The pace of job growth in the county rose sharply from 5.9 percent in the third quarter to 12.6 percent, up 1,662 jobs from fourth quarter 2016. The increase was largely made possible by gains in Construction, up 1,259 jobs or 107.0 percent. Trade, Transportation & Utilities also contributed to much of the job growth, up 381 jobs or 11.5 percent. Substantial increases were also found in Professional & Business Services, Education & Health Services, Other Services, and Local Government. Job gains were offset by substantial declines in Natural Resources & Mining, down 445 jobs or 61.4 percent. and Manufacturing, down 110 jobs or 4.8 percent. See page 2 for additional data.

	MAY 2018	APR 2018	MAY 2017
Civilian Labor Force	18,794	18,889	18,414
Total Employment	17,794	17,858	17,275
Unemployed	1,000	1,031	1,139
Unemployment Rate	5.3%	5.5%	6.2%
Comparative Actual Rates			
Texas	3.7%	3.8%	4.1%
U.S.	3.8%	3.9%	4.1%



*Estimates reflect actual (not seasonal adjusted) data. Civilian Labor Force includes wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family, domestics in private households, agricultural workers, workers involved in labor disputes and the unemployed, all by place of residence. Covered employment data compiled from 4th quarter 2017 contribution and wage reports submitted to the Texas Workforce Commission by employers' subject to the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act. Source: Texas Workforce Commission in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. All data is subject to revision.

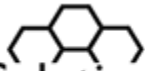


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COVERED EMPLOYMENT Industrial Sector	Number of Jobs			Quarter Chg		Annual Chg		Avg Wkly Wage*
	4TH QTR 2017	3RD QTR 2017	4TH QTR 2016	Actual	%	Actual	%	
Total Employment	14,810	14,171	13,148	639	4.5%	1,662	12.6%	\$1,324
Natural Resources & Mining	280	297	725	-17	-5.7%	-445	-61.4%	\$1,213
Construction	2,436	2,232	1,177	204	9.1%	1,259	107.0%	\$1,321
Manufacturing	2,260	2,200	2,258	60	2.7%	2	0.1%	\$2,916
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	3,686	3,544	3,305	142	4.0%	381	11.5%	\$1,077
Information	13	14	12	-1	-7.1%	1	8.3%	\$741
Financial Activities	267	282	294	-15	-5.3%	-27	-9.2%	\$1,014
Professional & Business Services	1,313	1,259	1,183	54	4.3%	130	11.0%	\$1,244
Education & Health Services	773	778	647	-5	-0.6%	126	19.5%	\$603
Leisure & Hospitality	1,119	1,124	1,066	-5	-0.4%	53	5.0%	\$304
Other Services	438	357	328	81	22.7%	110	33.5%	\$1,697
Nonclassifiable	26	17	15	9	52.9%	11	73.3%	\$490
Public Administration	2,200	2,067	2,139	133	6.4%	61	2.9%	\$889
Federal Government	58	57	62	1	1.8%	-4	-6.5%	\$1,287
State Government	39	41	46	-2	-4.9%	-7	-15.2%	\$1,251
Local Government	2,103	1,969	2,031	134	6.8%	72	3.5%	\$870

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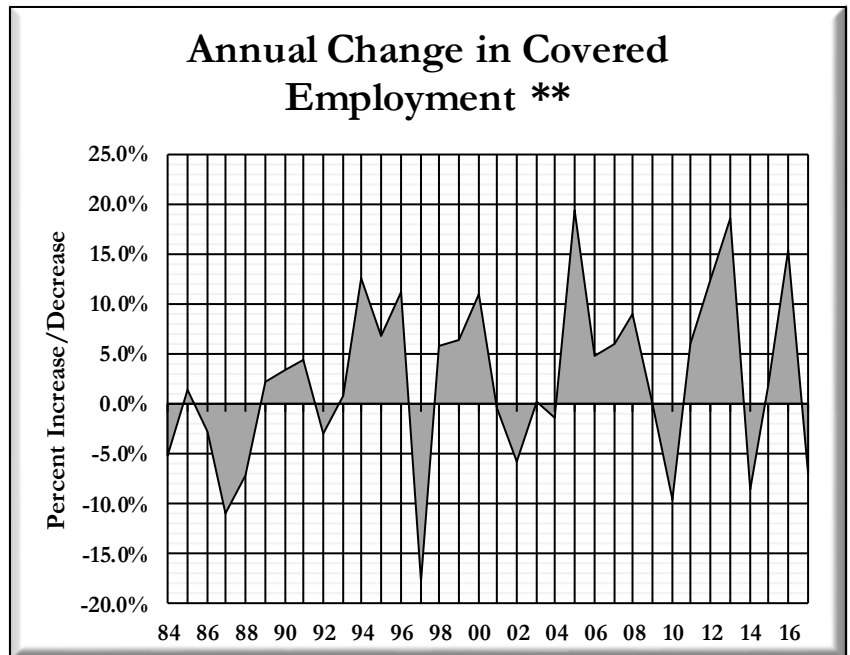
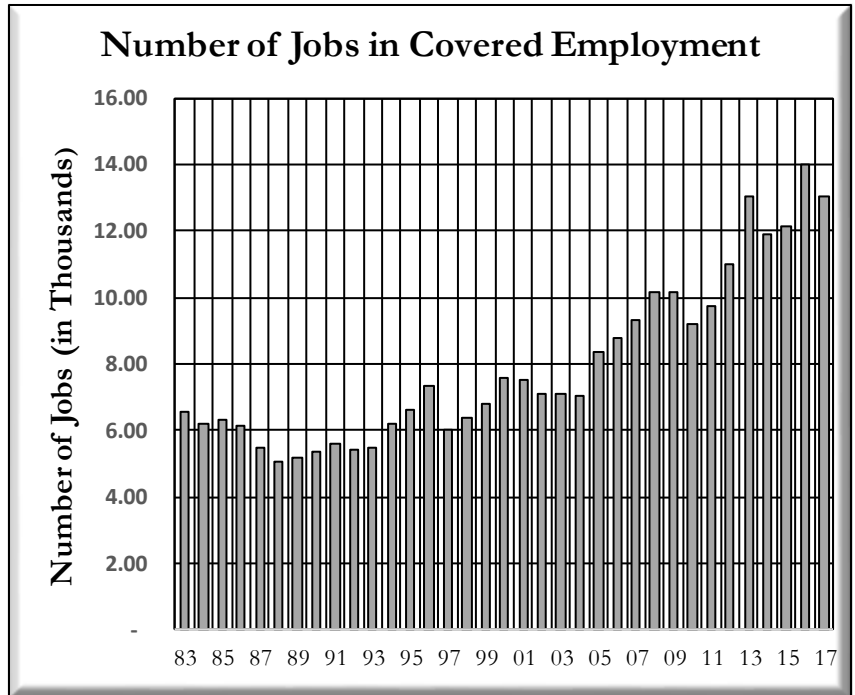


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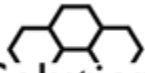
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Chambers County 1983-2017 Covered Employment**

YEAR	JOB	+ / (-)	% +/-
83	6,545		
84	6,210	(335)	-5.1%
85	6,302	92	1.5%
86	6,124	(178)	-2.8%
87	5,456	(668)	-10.9%
88	5,063	(393)	-7.2%
89	5,181	118	2.3%
90	5,361	180	3.5%
91	5,603	242	4.5%
92	5,436	(167)	-3.0%
93	5,483	47	0.9%
94	6,173	690	12.6%
95	6,596	423	6.9%
96	7,344	748	11.3%
97	6,043	(1,301)	-17.7%
98	6,400	357	5.9%
99	6,813	413	6.5%
00	7,561	748	11.0%
01	7,534	(27)	-0.4%
02	7,107	(427)	-5.7%
03	7,126	19	0.3%
04	7,024	(102)	-1.4%
05	8,389	1,365	19.4%
06	8,791	402	4.8%
07	9,316	525	6.0%
08	10,168	852	9.1%
09	10,172	4	0.0%
10	9,200	(972)	-9.6%
11	9,763	563	6.1%
12	10,984	1,221	12.5%
13	13,028	2,044	18.6%
14	11,914	(1,114)	-8.6%
15	12,140	226	1.9%
16	14,003	1,863	15.3%
17	13,046	(957)	-6.8%



**Data Compiled from 1st quarter contribution and wage reports submitted to the Texas Workforce Commission by employers subject to the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act. For more information on your particular industry, please call 832/681-2535. Date source: the Texas Workforce Commission, Labor Market and Career Information Department in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor.



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Gulf Coast** 2016 Wages*

Std. Occ. Code	Occupation	Average	
		Wage	Employment
13-2011	Accountants & Auditors	43.03	38,410
49-3023	Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics	21.17	10,800
43-3031	Bookkeepers, Acctg and Auditing Clerks	20.85	30,370
49-3031	Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists	23.69	7,460
53-3022	Bus Drivers, School	14.43	8,820
47-2031	Carpenters	19.41	11,350
41-2011	Cashiers	10.17	61,560
17-2051	Civil Engineer	54.57	10,740
15-1121	Computer Systems Analyst	47.42	15,960
47-2061	Construction Laborers	15.77	31,440
35-2012	Cooks, Institution and Cafeteria	11.88	7,440
35-2014	Cooks, Restaurant	11.58	24,930
43-4051	Customer Service Representatives	16.79	55,250
43-9021	Data Entry Keyers	14.90	4,700
47-2111	Electricians	23.96	18,330
43-6011	Executive Secretaries and Administrative Assistants	28.99	11,160
43-1011	First-Line Supervisors of Office and Administrative Support Workers	30.94	28,600
41-1011	First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers	22.08	21,980
35-2021	Food Preparation Workers	10.69	15,980
11-9051	Food Service Managers	26.97	2,410
11-1021	General and Operations Managers	72.31	48,500
49-9041	Industrial Machinery Mechanics	27.74	11,180
53-7051	Industrial Truck and Tractor Operator	16.08	16,490
37-2011	Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	10.85	45,230
53-7062	Laborers and Freight Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	14.35	43,390
29-2061	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses	24.65	13,310
11-9081	Lodging Managers	26.19	650
51-4041	Machinists	22.08	10,130
11-2021	Marketing Managers	80.23	2,620
31-1014	Nursing Assistants	12.89	19,540
43-9061	Office Clerks, General	17.79	88,020
29-1051	Pharmacists	57.32	6,170
47-2152	Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters	24.43	13,140
33-3051	Police and Sheriff's Patrol Officers	30.10	16,510
13-1023	Purchasing Agents, Except Wholesale, Retail, and Farm Products	35.77	9,280
43-4171	Receptionists and Information Clerks	13.13	14,960
29-1141	Registered Nurses	37.14	51,730
41-2031	Retail Salespersons	12.64	89,930
41-4011	Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Technical and Scientific Products	50.31	6,810
43-6014	Secretaries, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	17.35	43,620
33-9032	Security Guards	13.98	27,480
43-5071	Shipping, Receiving, and Traffic Clerks	15.13	18,270
43-5081	Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	13.26	40,190
47-1011	Supervisors of Construction Trades and Extraction Workers	36.07	22,360
53-3032	Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	20.33	40,290
53-3033	Truck Drivers, Light or Delivery Services	15.53	16,160
51-4121	Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	23.98	18,380

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