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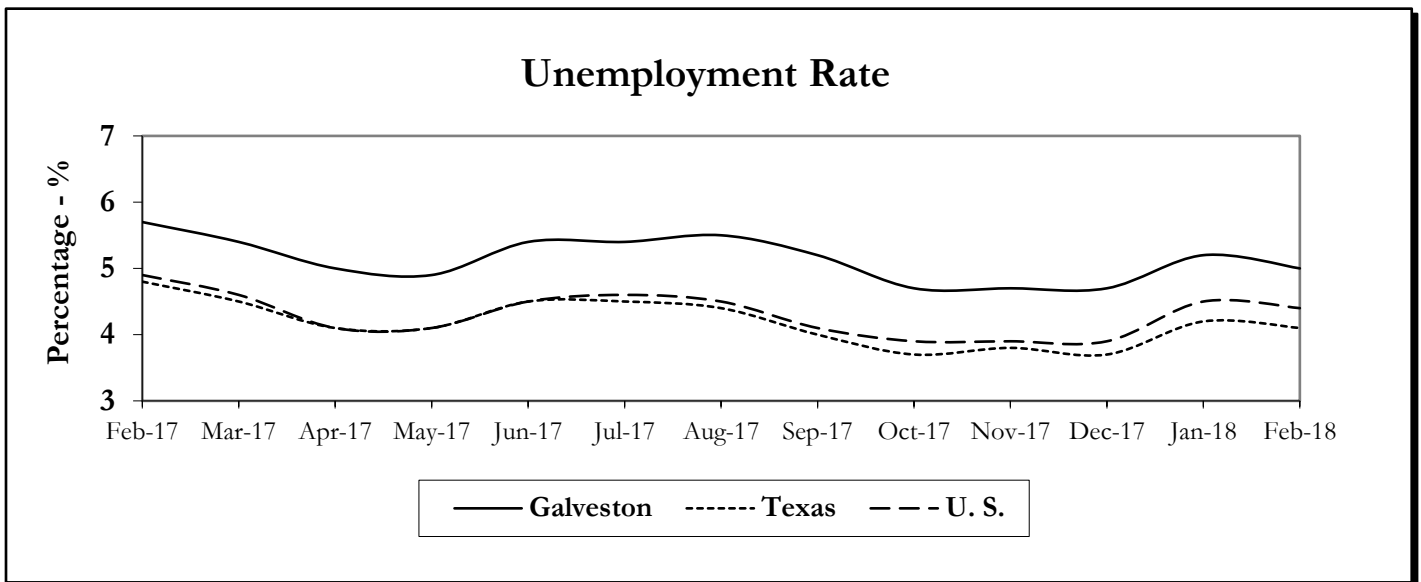
Labor Market Information

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County Employment Data*

The rate of unemployment in Galveston County dropped two-tenths of a percentage point to 5.0 percent in February, higher than 4.1 percent at the state level and 4.4 percent at the national level. Total covered employment in Galveston County was up 1,568 jobs or 1.4 percent over second quarter 2017. This was the weakest second quarter increase since 2008 during The Great Recession. A decline of 661 jobs in Construction, 9.6 percent, was largely responsible for weak second quarter gains. Leisure and Hospitality, up 1,382 jobs or 7.7 percent, was responsible for most of the increase. The pace of job growth in the county fell from 4.5 percent in the first quarter to 2.8 percent representing an increase of 2,993 jobs from second quarter 2016. Recent declines in Construction were responsible for the weakening pace of job growth. Job gains were widespread with largest increases found in Leisure and Hospitality, up 738 jobs or 4.0 percent, State Government, up 756 jobs or 6.1 percent, and Local Government, up 788 jobs or 5.7 percent. See page 2 for additional data.

	FEB 2018	JAN 2018	FEB 2017
Civilian Labor Force	164,960	162,831	161,170
Total Employed	156,769	154,437	152,022
Unemployed	8,191	8,394	9,148
Unemployment Rate	5.0%	5.2%	5.7%
Comparative Actual Rates			
Texas	4.1%	4.2%	4.8%
U.S.	4.4%	4.5%	4.9%



*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 2nd 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*
	2ND QTR 2017	1ST QTR 2017	2ND QTR 2016	Actual	%	Actual	%	
Total Employment	110,576	109,008	107,583	1,568	1.4%	2,993	2.8%	\$950
Natural Resources & Mining	957	872	802	85	9.7%	155	19.3%	\$2,215
Construction	6,228	6,889	6,629	-661	-9.6%	-401	-6.0%	\$1,421
Manufacturing	6,006	6,049	6,060	-43	-0.7%	-54	-0.9%	\$2,367
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	19,402	19,207	18,973	195	1.0%	429	2.3%	\$752
Information	544	543	604	1	0.2%	-60	-9.9%	\$1,112
Financial Activities	6,090	6,034	5,909	56	0.9%	181	3.1%	\$1,146
Professional & Business Services	9,140	9,137	8,872	3	0.0%	268	3.0%	\$953
Education & Health Services	11,067	11,103	11,006	-36	-0.3%	61	0.6%	\$676
Leisure & Hospitality	19,309	17,927	18,571	1,382	7.7%	738	4.0%	\$361
Other Services	2,962	2,839	3,013	123	4.3%	-51	-1.7%	\$582
Nonclassifiable	219	154	82	65	42.2%	137	167.1%	\$615
Public Administration	28,655	28,254	27,063	401	1.4%	1,592	5.9%	\$1,102
Federal Government	956	948	908	8	0.8%	48	5.3%	\$1,758
State Government	13,072	12,478	12,316	594	4.8%	756	6.1%	\$1,458
Local Government	14,627	14,828	13,839	(201)	-1.4%	788	5.7%	\$941

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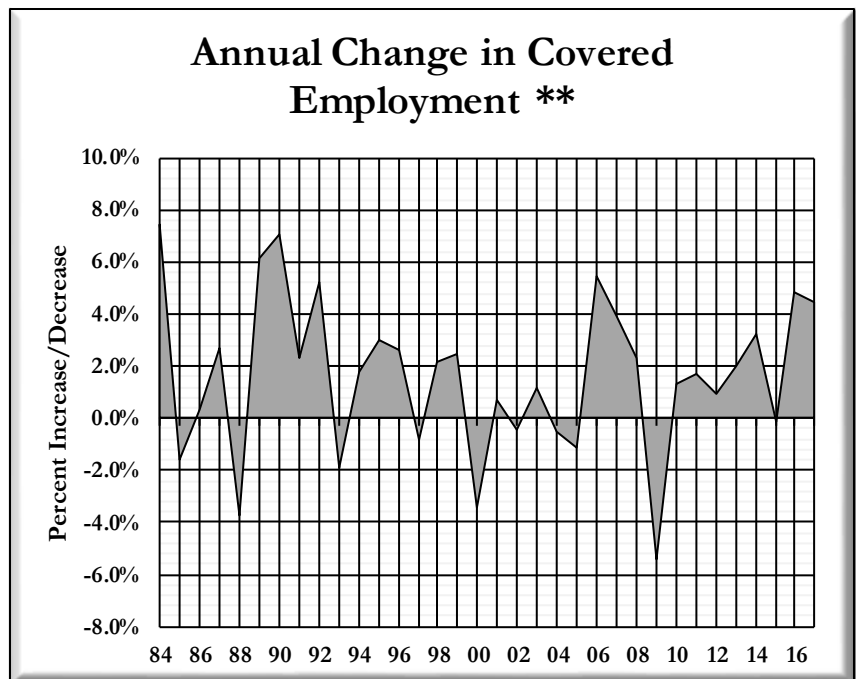
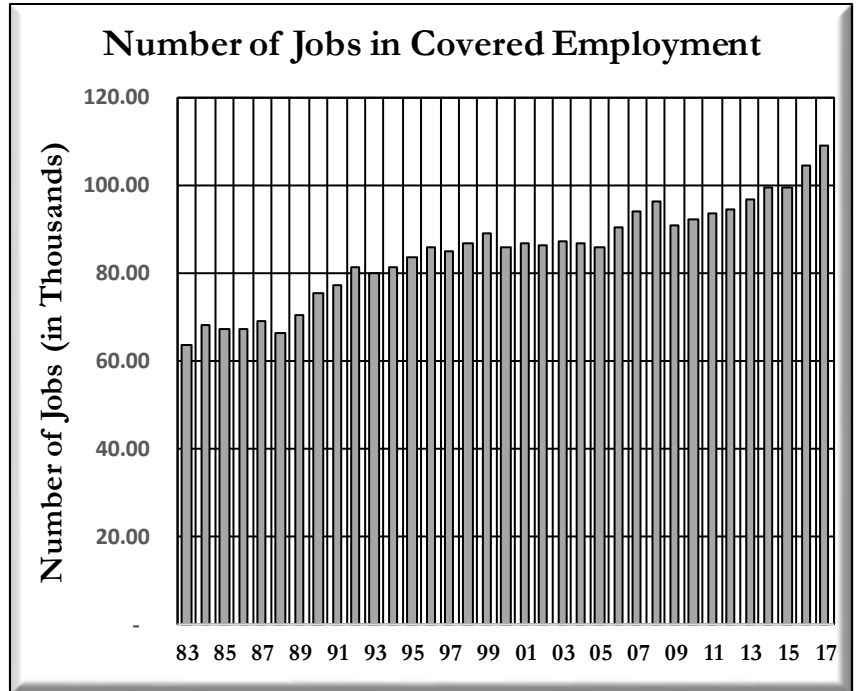


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Galveston County 1983-2017
Covered Employment**

YEAR	JOB	+ / (-)	% +/-
83	63,412	0	
84	68,155	4,743	7.5%
85	67,070	(1,085)	-1.6%
86	67,261	191	0.3%
87	69,074	1,813	2.7%
88	66,495	(2,579)	-3.7%
89	70,562	4,067	6.1%
90	75,525	4,963	7.0%
91	77,263	1,738	2.3%
92	81,312	4,049	5.2%
93	79,769	(1,543)	-1.9%
94	81,202	1,433	1.8%
95	83,621	2,419	3.0%
96	85,803	2,182	2.6%
97	85,094	(709)	-0.8%
98	86,963	1,869	2.2%
99	89,117	2,154	2.5%
00	86,034	(3,083)	-3.5%
01	86,657	623	0.7%
02	86,264	(393)	-0.5%
03	87,246	982	1.1%
04	86,820	(426)	-0.5%
05	85,813	(1,007)	-1.2%
06	90,479	4,666	5.4%
07	94,033	3,554	3.9%
08	96,208	2,175	2.3%
09	90,985	(5,223)	-5.4%
10	92,175	1,190	1.3%
11	93,773	1,598	1.7%
12	94,627	854	0.9%
13	96,542	1,915	2.0%
14	99,641	3,099	3.2%
15	99,511	(130)	-0.1%
16	104,348	4,837	4.9%
17	109,008	4,660	4.5%



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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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