



# Waller County

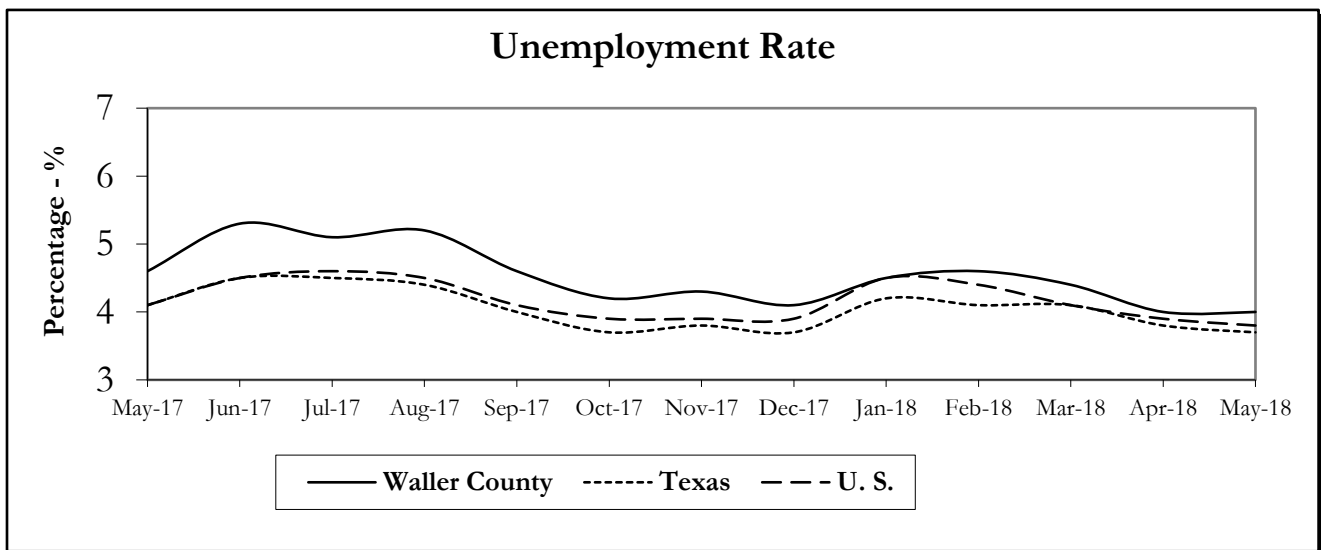
## Labor Market Information

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### County Employment Data\*

The rate of unemployment in Waller County was unchanged at 4.0 percent in May, more than one-half of a percentage point lower than a year earlier but slightly higher than a 3.7 percent rate at the state level and 3.8 percent rate at the national level. Total covered employment in the county was up 1,209 jobs over fourth quarter 2017. The 7.7 percent increase was the strongest over-the-quarter increase since 2012. Most of the increase was likely in State Government but the specifics are unknown since disclosure of third quarter State Government employment was withheld. Additional fourth quarter gains were found in Manufacturing, Local Government, and Leisure & Hospitality. The pace of job growth in the county rose to 2.3 percent because of the strong fourth quarter increase, up 378 jobs from fourth quarter 2016. Most of the increase was in the public sector with State Government up 188 jobs or 8.1 percent and Local Government up 152 jobs or 7.3 percent. Strongest private sector gains were in Natural Resources & Mining, up 85 jobs or 19.1 percent, and Professional & Business Services, up 133 jobs or 19.9 percent. Substantial declines were found in Manufacturing, down 162 jobs or 4.4 percent over the year, and Trade, Transportation, & Utilities, down 85 jobs or 2.8 percent. See page 2 for additional data.

	MAY 2018	APR 2018	MAY 2017
<b>Civilian Labor Force</b>	22,694	22,710	22,206
<b>Total Employment</b>	21,783	21,792	21,182
<b>Unemployed</b>	911	918	1,024
<b>Unemployment Rate</b>	4.0%	4.0%	4.6%
<b>Comparative Actual Rates</b>			
<b>Texas</b>	3.7%	3.8%	4.1%
<b>U.S.</b>	3.8%	3.9%	4.1%



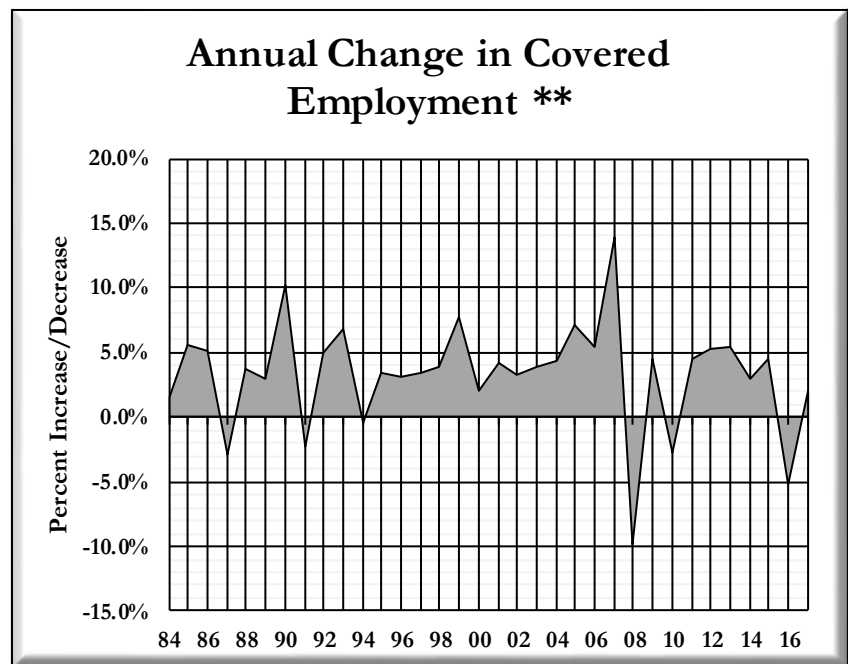
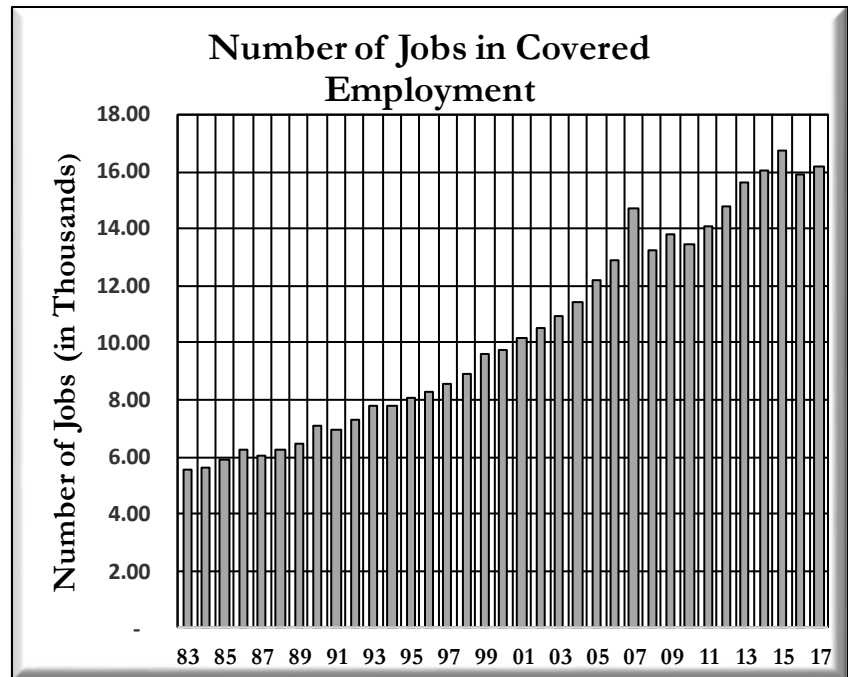
\*Estimates reflect actual (not seasonal adjusted) data. Civilian Labor Force includes wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family, domestics in private households, agricultural workers, workers involved in labor disputes and the unemployed, all by place of residence. Covered employment data compiled from 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

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	%	
<b>Total Employment</b>	16,812	15,603	16,434	1,209	7.7%	378	2.3%	\$829
<b>Natural Resources &amp; Mining</b>	530	534	445	-4	-0.7%	85	19.1%	\$1,207
<b>Construction</b>	1,047	1,009	1,009	38	3.8%	38	3.8%	\$915
<b>Manufacturing</b>	3,559	3,341	3,721	218	6.5%	-162	-4.4%	\$1,140
<b>Trade, Transportation, &amp; Utilities</b>	2,938	2,998	3,023	-60	-2.0%	-85	-2.8%	\$720
<b>Information</b>	20	21	25	-1	-4.8%	-5	-20.0%	\$1,266
<b>Financial Activities</b>	394	393	368	1	0.3%	26	7.1%	\$785
<b>Professional &amp; Business Services</b>	800	777	667	23	3.0%	133	19.9%	\$816
<b>Education &amp; Health Services</b>	1,219	1,202	1,237	17	1.4%	-18	-1.5%	\$447
<b>Leisure &amp; Hospitality</b>	1,268	1,188	1,257	80	6.7%	11	0.9%	\$372
<b>Other Services</b>	212	228	209	-16	-7.0%	3	1.4%	\$719
<b>Nonclassifiable</b>	28	1,809	14	na	na	14	100.0%	\$585
<b>Public Administration</b>	4,797	2,104	4,459	na	na	338	7.6%	\$810
<b>Federal Government</b>	59	59	61	0	0.0%	-2	-3.3%	\$981
<b>State Government</b>	2,498	---	2,310	na	na	188	8.1%	\$797
<b>Local Government</b>	2,240	2,045	2,088	195	9.5%	152	7.3%	\$818

\*Wages compiled from 1st quarter 2017 contribution and wage reports submitted to the Texas Workforce Commission by employers subject to the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act. Data source: the Texas Workforce Commission, Labor Market and Career Information Department in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor.

**Waller County 1983-2017  
Covered Employment\*\***

YEAR	JOBS	+ / (-)	% +/-
83	5,531		
84	5,615	84	1.5%
85	5,928	313	5.6%
86	6,231	303	5.1%
87	6,050	(181)	-2.9%
88	6,275	225	3.7%
89	6,463	188	3.0%
90	7,123	660	10.2%
91	6,957	(166)	-2.3%
92	7,302	345	5.0%
93	7,803	501	6.9%
94	7,771	(32)	-0.4%
95	8,037	266	3.4%
96	8,287	250	3.1%
97	8,565	278	3.4%
98	8,900	335	3.9%
99	9,584	684	7.7%
00	9,777	193	2.0%
01	10,194	417	4.3%
02	10,527	333	3.3%
03	10,928	401	3.8%
04	11,406	478	4.4%
05	12,217	811	7.1%
06	12,884	667	5.5%
07	14,684	1,800	14.0%
08	13,245	(1,439)	-9.8%
09	13,832	587	4.4%
10	13,460	(372)	-2.7%
11	14,069	609	4.5%
12	14,807	738	5.2%
13	15,606	799	5.4%
14	16,057	451	2.9%
15	16,776	719	4.5%



\*\*Data Compiled from 1<sup>st</sup> 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. Data source: the Texas Workforce Commission, Labor Market and Career Information Department in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor.



## Labor Market Information

## 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 Steam fitters	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 an 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

\*Data compiled by the Texas Workforce Commission, LMCI Dept. in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics as part of the Occupational Employment Survey. Employment is the estimate of employment based upon the sample, not the sample employment. Wages for the OES survey are straight-time, gross pay, exclusive of premium pay. Base rate, cost-of-living allowances, guaranteed pay, hazardous-duty pay, incentive pay including commissions and production bonuses, tips, and on-call pay are included. Excluded are back pay, jury duty pay, overtime pay, severance pay, shift differentials, nonproduction bonuses, employer cost of supplementary benefits, and tuition reimbursements. \*\*The Gulf Coast Region is defined as Austin, Brazoria, Chambers, Colorado, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Walker, Waller, and Wharton Counties.