



Wharton County

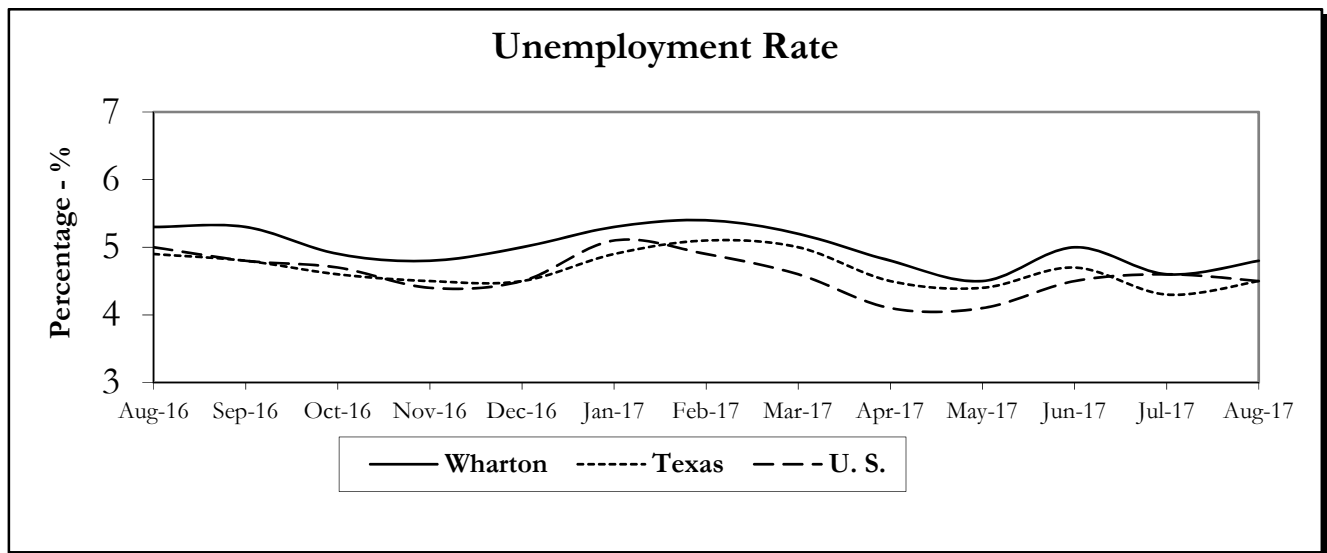
Labor Market Information

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4th Quarter 2016 Data

The rate of unemployment in Wharton County rose two-tenths of a percentage point to 4.8 percent in August, three-tenths of a percentage point higher than a 4.5 percent rate at the state and national level. Total covered employment in the county reported a net loss of 113 jobs over fourth quarter 2016, down 0.7 percent. All losses were in the private sector where declines were widespread. Largest declines were in Natural Resources & Mining, down 125 jobs or 5.3 percent, and Manufacturing, down 101 jobs or 6.4 percent. An increase of 242 jobs in Local Government helped offset private sector declines. The county was down 322 jobs over the year with the pace of losses rising from 1.3 percent to 2.1 percent. A large portion of the losses were in Natural Resources & Mining, down 313 jobs or 12.3 percent, with additional declines found in Manufacturing, down 121 jobs or 7.5 percent, and Education & Health Services, down 151 jobs or 8.3 percent. Several industry sectors managed over-the-year increase with the largest found in Trade, Transportation, & Utilities, up 153 jobs or 4.4 percent. See additional data on page 2.

	AUG 2017	JUL 2017	AUG 2016
Civilian Labor Force	20,384	20,387	20,949
21,341	19,414	19,444	19,835
Unemployed	970	943	1,114
Unemployment Rate	4.8%	4.6%	5.3%
Comparative Actual Rates			
Texas	4.5%	4.3%	4.9%
U.S.	4.5%	4.6%	5.0%



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. 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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Industrial Sector	Number of Jobs			Quarter Chg.		Annual Chg.		Avg Wkly Wage*
	4TH QTR 2016	3RD QTR 2016	4TH QTR 2015	Actual	%	Actual	%	
Total Employment	15,344	15,457	15,666	-113	-0.7%	-322	-2.1%	\$678
Natural Resources & Mining	2,233	2,358	2,546	-125	-5.3%	-313	-12.3%	\$763
Construction	628	662	663	-34	-5.1%	-35	-5.3%	\$707
Manufacturing	1,485	1,586	1,606	-101	-6.4%	-121	-7.5%	\$755
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	3,617	3,637	3,464	-20	-0.5%	153	4.4%	\$727
Information	80	83	81	-3	-3.6%	-1	-1.2%	\$647
Financial Activities	561	558	579	3	0.5%	-18	-3.1%	\$982
Professional & Business Services	391	404	368	-13	-3.2%	23	6.3%	\$784
Education & Health Services	1,663	1,707	1,814	-44	-2.6%	-151	-8.3%	\$593
Leisure & Hospitality	1,356	1,380	1,292	-24	-1.7%	64	5.0%	\$277
Other Services	353	360	354	-7	-1.9%	-1	-0.3%	\$412
Nonclassifiable	14	8	7	6	75.0%	7	100.0%	\$813
Public Administration	2,964	2,714	2,892	250	9.2%	72	2.5%	\$685
Federal Government	84	81	84	3	3.7%	0	0.0%	\$999
State Government	103	98	102	5	5.1%	1	1.0%	\$1,026
Local Government	2,777	2,535	2,706	242	9.5%	71	2.6%	\$663

*Wages compiled from 1st quarter 2016 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.

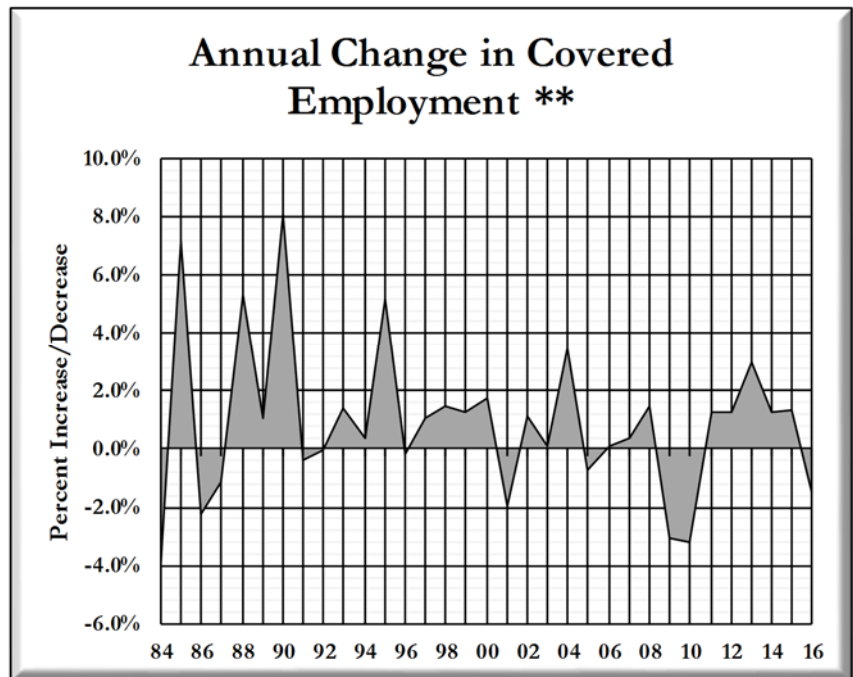
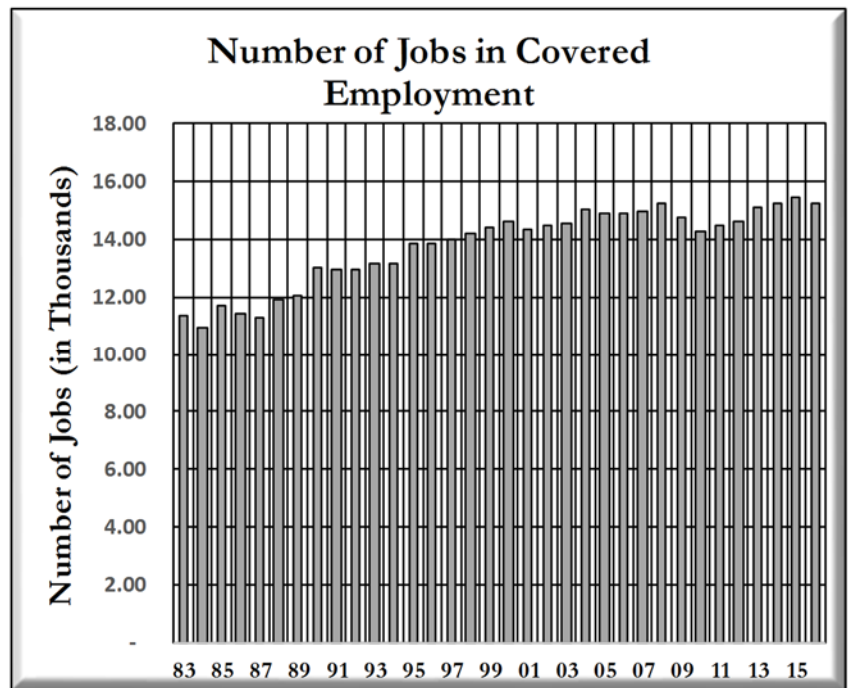


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Wharton County 1983-2016
Covered Employment**

YEAR	JOBS	+ / (-)	% +/-
83	11,356		
84	10,913	(443)	-3.9%
85	11,693	780	7.1%
86	11,433	(260)	-2.2%
87	11,306	(127)	-1.1%
88	11,905	599	5.3%
89	12,034	129	1.1%
90	13,007	973	8.1%
91	12,958	(49)	-0.4%
92	12,955	(3)	0.0%
93	13,137	182	1.4%
94	13,189	52	0.4%
95	13,872	683	5.2%
96	13,845	(27)	-0.2%
97	13,992	147	1.1%
98	14,199	207	1.5%
99	14,377	178	1.3%
00	14,629	252	1.8%
01	14,342	(287)	-2.0%
02	14,504	162	1.1%
03	14,515	11	0.1%
04	15,019	504	3.5%
05	14,911	(108)	-0.7%
06	14,925	14	0.1%
07	14,985	60	0.4%
08	15,209	224	1.5%
09	14,749	(460)	-3.0%
10	14,282	(467)	-3.2%
11	14,462	180	1.3%
12	14,641	179	1.2%
13	15,078	437	3.0%
14	15,270	192	1.3%
15	15,478	208	1.4%
16	15,247	(231)	-1.5%



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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 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

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