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# *The Buzz*

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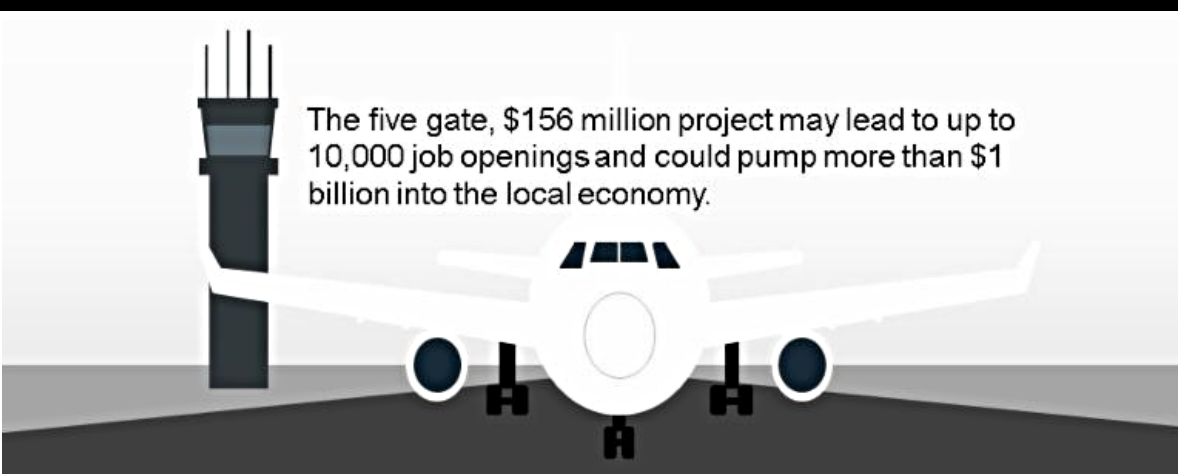
## **Houston received a boost in population growth!**

With summer right around the corner, many prepare to travel on vacation, while others look for a summer job opportunity. With this in mind, some companies get ready to contribute to the thriving consumer market by expanding. According to the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC), every major sector in the Houston metro area reported job growth over the past 12 months.

Following are highlights on various job opportunities around the region.

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## **Hobby Airport will open its new international terminal in October...**



The five gate, \$156 million project may lead to up to 10,000 job openings and could pump more than \$1 billion into the local economy.

[There were 53.2 Million Houston airport passengers in 2014.](#)

[Southwest Airlines is now the largest airline in the U.S.](#)

**Southwest Airlines** prepares for the busy peak summer travel season just ahead **hiring 500 new ramp workers** in several of its busiest markets, including Dallas and **Houston**.

[Click here to view Ramp Agent job description.](#)

**Have a candidate who fits the qualifications?**  
**Direct applicants to the [company website](#).**



The terminal will have its own roadside entrance and will be capable of handling up to 800 passengers an hour.

The major project has attracted several well-known vendors who plan to set up inside the international terminal.

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**Xerox Corp. employs 140,000 people worldwide!**  
**Take a look at how many of these jobs are in Houston.**



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Recently, Xerox reopened a Houston call center as they work with an expanding client.

**The company is looking for 300 Customer Care Agents** and has hired about 70 agents so far.



Using a computerized system, Customer Care Agents:

- Respond to customer inquiries in a call center environment
- Respond to telephone inquiries and complaints...

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[How much does a Xerox Customer Care Agent make an hour?](#)

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# PEARLAND



## Mitsubishi's New Pearland Plant Ramps Up Hiring!

The **180,000 square-foot facility** is now operational. Previously, the company intended to employ 100 people, but now plans expanded to include **200 employees**, 70 of which are already at work.

To prepare for this expansion, MHI has invested **\$26 million** on equipment and a crane that's able to lift 300 tons.

The facility receives machinery and components from MHI's manufacturing plant in Hiroshima, Japan and puts the finishing touches on them, packages them up and ships them out to Gulf Coast petrochemical companies.

**Future plans call for expansion** into manufacturing, testing, installation and service, making the campus a **24-hour "one-stop shop"** facility.

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### Did You Know...

**There is a quick and easy tool sent out daily to assist you in serving your customers?**

- View the newest jobs in Work In Texas
- Filter by categories, such as; *pay, location, and occupational codes*

- Find hot jobs, *and more...*

[Click here to learn how](#)

***Depending on your computer's media configuration, you may need to give the video link time to load. Close any pop-up boxes and press play to learn!***

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Use a well written job description to draw in qualified candidates. [Click Here.](#)

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