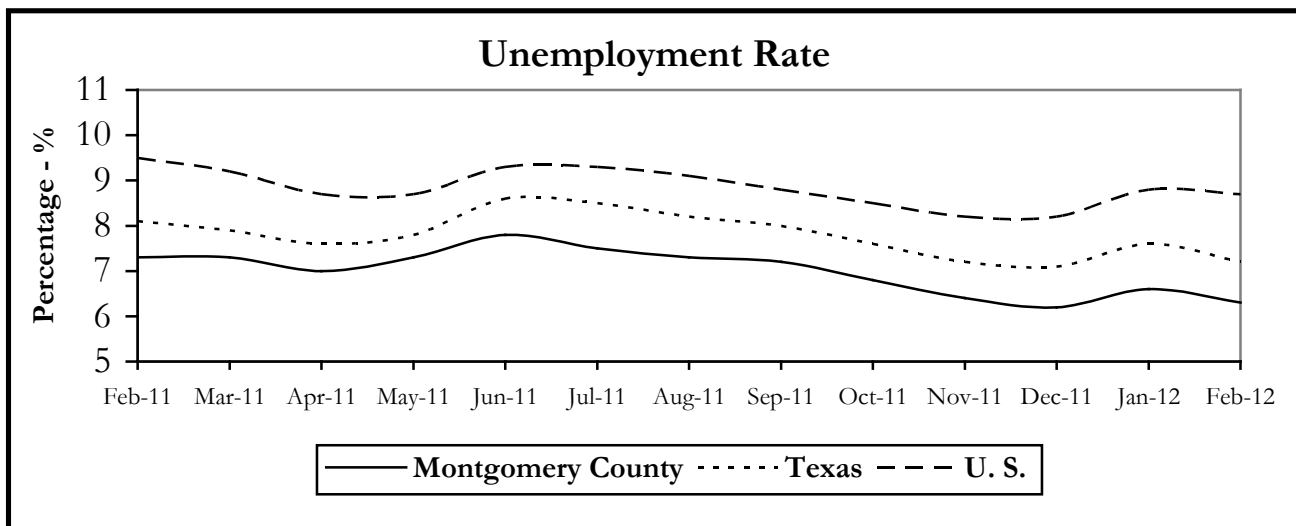


3rd Quarter 2011 Data

The rate of unemployment in Montgomery County dropped three-tenths of a percentage point to 6.3 percent in February 2012, down considerably from a peak of 7.8 percent in June 2011. The unemployment rate remains lower than the state's 7.2 percent rate and nation's 8.7 percent rate. Total covered employment in the county was up 470 jobs or 0.4 percent over third quarter 2011. Most private industries managed job gains with the most rapid growth found in Natural Resources & Mining, up 227 jobs or 7.1 percent, and Construction, up 527 jobs or 5.8 percent. Private sector gains were offset by declines in Local Government, down 1,238 jobs or 5.4 percent. While Local Government typically suffers seasonal declines during third quarter, current declines were considerably larger than normal due to budget shortfalls. The rate of over-the-year job growth in the county increased from 3.9 percent in second quarter to 4.7 percent, up 6,004 jobs over the year. Job growth was widespread in the private sector with the fastest pace of job growth in Natural Resources & Mining, up 556 jobs or 19.4 percent, Manufacturing, up 1,162 jobs or 12.1 percent, and Financial Activities, up 751 jobs or 13.5 percent. Information was the only private sector industry to experience an over-the-year decline, down 40 jobs. The public sector was down 877 jobs or 3.7 percent where most of the loss was in Local Government, down 698 jobs or 3.1 percent due to budget shortfalls. See page 2 for detailed data.

	FEB 2012	JAN 2012	FEB 2011
Civilian Labor Force	233,351	233,330	228,867
Total Employment	218,586	217,845	211,698
Unemployed	14,765	15,485	17,169
Unemployment Rate	6.3%	6.6%	7.5%
Comparative Actual Rates			
Texas	7.2%	7.6%	8.1%
U.S.	8.7%	8.8%	9.5%



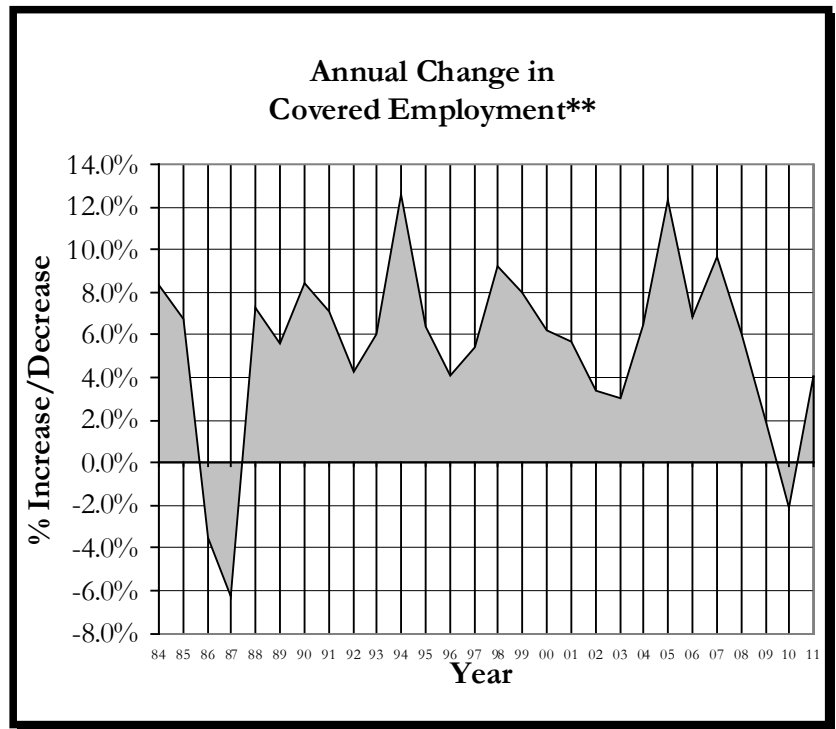
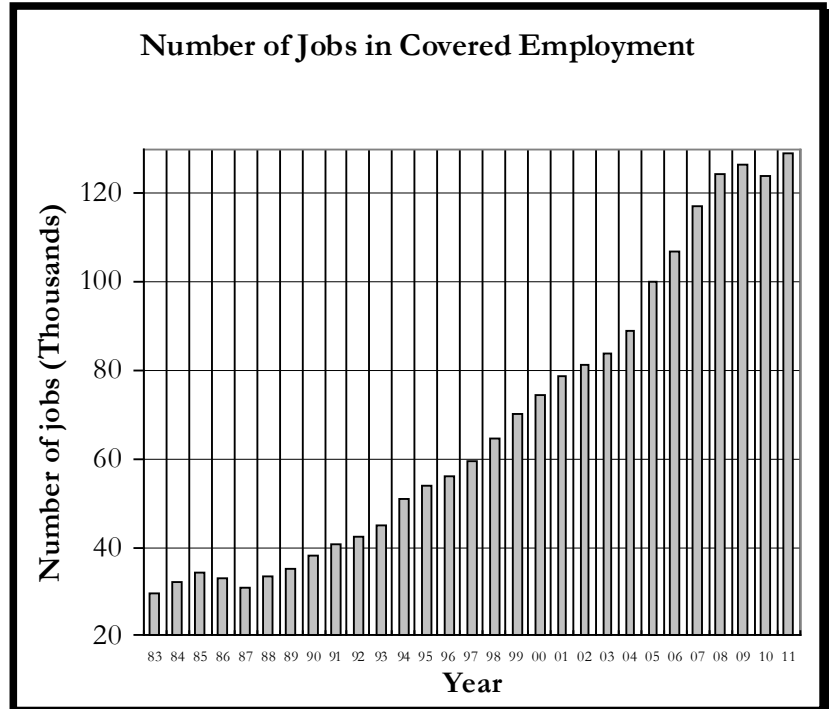
Estimates reflect actual (not seasonal adjusted) data. Civilian Labor Force includes wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family, domestics in private households, agricultural workers, workers involved in labor disputes and the unemployed, all by place of residence. Source: Texas Workforce Commission in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. All Data Subject To Revision.

COVERED EMPLOYMENT Industrial Sector	Number of Jobs			Quarter Chg		Annual Chg		Avg Wkly Wage*
	3RD QTR 2011	2ND QTR 2011	3RD QTR 2010	Actual	%	Actual	%	
Total Employment	133,915	133,445	127,911	470	0.4%	6,004	4.7%	\$886
Natural Resources & Mining	3,421	3,194	2,865	227	7.1%	556	19.4%	\$2,526
Construction	9,640	9,113	9,208	527	5.8%	432	4.7%	\$1,478
Manufacturing	10,735	10,669	9,573	66	0.6%	1,162	12.1%	\$1,180
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	26,608	26,444	25,940	164	0.6%	668	2.6%	\$730
Information	837	840	877	-3	-0.4%	-40	-4.6%	\$1,155
Financial Activities	6,321	6,261	5,570	60	1.0%	751	13.5%	\$1,193
Professional & Business Services	16,099	15,581	14,815	518	3.3%	1,284	8.7%	\$1,267
Education & Health Services	14,275	14,315	13,500	-40	-0.3%	775	5.7%	\$802
Leisure & Hospitality	17,862	17,680	16,728	182	1.0%	1,134	6.8%	\$336
Other Services	5,342	5,273	5,155	69	1.3%	187	3.6%	\$546
Nonclassifiable	11	54	38	-43	-79.6%	-27	-71.1%	\$762
Public Administration	22,759	24,017	23,636	-1,258	-5.2%	-877	-3.7%	\$679
Federal Government	758	773	918	-15	-1.9%	-160	-17.4%	\$1,064
State Government	424	429	443	-5	-1.2%	-19	-4.3%	\$834
Local Government	21,577	22,815	22,275	-1,238	-5.4%	-698	-3.1%	\$662

*Wages compiled from 1st quarter 2011 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 and Career Market Information Department in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor.

Montgomery County 1983-2011 Covered Employment**

YEAR	JOBS	+ / (-)	% +/-
83	29,735		
84	32,193	2,458	8.3%
85	34,334	2,141	6.7%
86	33,117	(1,217)	-3.5%
87	31,030	(2,087)	-6.3%
88	33,280	2,250	7.3%
89	35,145	1,865	5.6%
90	38,111	2,966	8.4%
91	40,829	2,718	7.1%
92	42,566	1,737	4.3%
93	45,121	2,555	6.0%
94	50,812	5,691	12.6%
95	54,048	3,236	6.4%
96	56,264	2,216	4.1%
97	59,278	3,014	5.4%
98	64,752	5,474	9.2%
99	69,938	5,186	8.0%
00	74,276	4,338	6.2%
01	78,475	4,199	5.7%
02	81,168	2,693	3.4%
03	83,613	2,445	3.0%
04	89,019	5,406	6.5%
05	99,994	10,975	12.3%
06	106,787	6,793	6.8%
07	117,189	10,402	9.7%
08	124,210	7,021	6.0%
09	126,631	2,421	1.9%
10	123,943	(2,688)	-2.1%
11	128,972	5,029	4.1%



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Gulf Coast** 2010 Wages Released July 2011, next update August 2012*

Std. Occ Code	Occupation	Average	
		Wage	Employment
13-2011	Accountants & Auditors	34.46	22,820
49-3023	Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics	18.72	9,970
43-3031	Bookkeepers, Acctg and Auditing Clerks	17.65	31,290
49-3031	Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists	19.74	4,630
53-3022	Bus Drivers, School	12.34	9,270
47-2031	Carpenters	16.57	8,810
41-2011	Cashiers	9.12	63,410
17-2051	Civil Engineer	49.61	10,230
15-1051	Computer Systems Analyst	41.31	11,980
47-2061	Construction Laborers	12.05	29,590
35-2012	Cooks, Institution and Cafeteria	10.41	8,590
35-2014	Cooks, Restaurant	9.08	17,480
43-4051	Customer Service Representatives	14.77	48,520
43-9021	Data Entry Keyers	13.35	4,770
47-2111	Electricians	22.11	13,360
43-6011	Executive Secretaries and Administrative Assistants	22.72	25,820
47-1011	First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Construction Trades and Extraction Workers	29.41	16,690
43-1011	First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Office and Administrative Support Workers	26.31	29,120
41-1011	First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Retail Sales Workers	19.66	24,140
35-2021	Food Preparation Workers	9.85	9,090
11-9051	Food Service Managers	27.91	4,090
11-1021	General and Operations Managers	57.22	43,650
49-9041	Industrial Machinery Mechanics	24.13	11,730
53-7051	Industrial Truck and Tractor Operator	13.80	9,870
37-2011	Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	10.06	41,000
53-7062	Laborers and Freight Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	12.55	43,070
29-2061	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses	20.76	12,860
11-9081	Lodging Managers	26.89	270
51-4041	Machinists	18.91	12,580
49-9042	Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	16.43	24,610
11-2021	Marketing Managers	63.81	2,660
31-1012	Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants	11.00	20,260
43-9061	Office Clerks, General	14.18	60,730
29-1051	Pharmacists	51.30	5,600
47-2152	Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters	22.46	8,960
33-3051	Police and Sherriff's Patrol Officers	25.46	14,800
13-1023	Purchasing Agents, Except Wholesale, Retail, and Farm Products	30.12	7,010
43-4171	Receptionists and Information Clerks	12.58	15,320
29-1111	Registered Nurses	34.40	42,840
41-2031	Retail Salespersons	11.21	83,710
41-4011	Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Technical and Scientific Products	38.59	7,900
43-6014	Secretaries, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	14.77	36,780
33-9032	Security Guards	10.63	22,700
43-5071	Shipping, Receiving, and Traffic Clerks	14.02	14,670
43-5081	Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	11.37	29,740
53-3032	Truck Drivers, Heavy an Tractor-Trailer	18.23	27,800
53-3033	Truck Drivers, Light or Delivery Services	16.27	13,370
51-4121	Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	18.78	15,730

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