

APRIL 2025

Current Employment Overview



On May 16, 2025, the Texas Workforce Commission released employment statistics for **April 2025**. Our detailed regional report for researchers and analysts is at <http://www.wrksolutions.com/LocalStats>. Below are highlights.

3.9%

APRIL Regional Unemployment Rate
(not seasonally adjusted)

- Represents 153,374 people looking for a job
- **DOWN** from a peak of 13.5% in April 2020
- **DOWN** from 4.2% last month
- **UP** from 3.7% last year
- **HIGHER** than the statewide rate of 3.7%
- **SAME AS** the national rate of 3.9%

Monthly Change – Employers in the Houston region added 14,400 jobs over the month, which is substantially above the long-term average of April.

- The top-3 drivers of over-the-month Job growth this April were:
 - Professional and Business Services: +5,600
 - Leisure and Hospitality: +3,900
 - Private Education and Health Services: +1,800

Year-over-Year Change – Total Nonfarm employment was up 40,400 jobs or 1.2%.

- A year prior, growth stood at 61,700; Workforce Solutions currently forecasts a gain of 55,400 jobs by the end of 2025 subject to evolving developments across the local, state, and national economies.
- Currently, 10 of 11 sectors show over-the-year growth led by Trade, Transportation, and Utilities, Private Education and Health Services, and Government

The Texas Workforce Commission will release May 2025 employment figures on Jun 20, 2025.

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