AUGUST 2025

Current Employment Overview



On September 19, 2025, the Texas Workforce Commission released employment statistics for **AUGUST 2025**. Our detailed regional report for researchers and analysts is at http://www.wrksolutions.com/LocalStats. Below are highlights.

5.0%

AUGUST Regional Unemployment Rate (not seasonally adjusted)

- Represents 193,308 people looking for a job
- **DOWN** from a peak of 13.5% in April 2020
- **UP** from 4.5% last month
- **UP** from 4.8% last year
- **HIGHER** than the statewide rate of 4.7%
- **HIGHER** than the national rate of 4.5%

Monthly Change – Employers in the Houston region added 100 jobs over the month, which is substantially below the long-term average increase of August.

- The top-3 drivers of over-the-month Job increase this August were:
 - o Government: 4.200
 - Private Education and Health Services: 2,800
 - o Construction: 1,900

Year-over-Year Change – Total Nonfarm employment was up 27,500 jobs or 0.8%.

- A year prior, growth stood at 52,700 with 104,700 jobs in 2023 and 189,800 jobs in 2022
- Currently, 8 of 11 sectors show over-the-year growth led by Private Education and Health Services, Leisure and Hospitality, and Trade, Transportation, and Utilities.

The Texas Workforce Commission will release August 2025 employment figures on October 17, 2025.

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Additional labor market data is available at http://www.wrksolutions.com/for-employers/understand-the-local-labor-market

