

JULY 2025

Current Employment Overview



On August 15, 2025, the Texas Workforce Commission released employment statistics for **JULY 2025**. Our detailed regional report for researchers and analysts is at <http://www.wrksolutions.com/LocalStats>. Below are highlights.

4.5%

JULY Regional Unemployment Rate
(not seasonally adjusted)

- Represents 174,255 people looking for a job
- **DOWN** from a peak of 13.5% in April 2020
- **UP** from 4.3% last month
- **DOWN** from 5.0% last year
- **HIGHER** than the statewide rate of 4.2%
- **LOWER** than the national rate of 4.6%

Monthly Change – Employers in the Houston region lost 30,500 jobs over the month, which is substantially greater than the long-term average loss of July.

- The top-3 drivers of over-the-month Job loss this July were:
 - Government: -26,600
 - Professional and Business Services: -1,800
 - Other Services: -1,000

Year-over-Year Change – Total Nonfarm employment was up 62,600 jobs or 1.8%.

- A year prior, growth stood at 22,400 with 106,200 jobs in 2023 and 182,100 jobs in 2022
- Currently, 8 of 11 sectors show over-the-year growth led by Private Education and Health Services, Trade, Transportation, and Utilities, and Leisure and Hospitality.

The Texas Workforce Commission will release August 2025 employment figures on September 19, 2025.

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