

The Buzz

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The Buzz is a monthly newsletter from Workforce Solutions-Employer Service Division and is issued to provide local labor market information that is timely and meaningful to our partners in the Gulf Coast region.

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Developments in the Gulf Coast Region

Nearly 170,000 gallons of bunker fuel spilled in Galveston Bay when a ship collided with a barge on March 22, 2014. The weather conditions have improved enabling cleaning operations and assessment activities to progress.

Following are highlights describing activity across the region due to the Gulf oil spill.

Jobs Temporarily Lost During the Oil Spill

Other Houston Economy Highligh s

- The energy sector accounts for 3.4% of Houston's employment, more than five times the national average of 0.6%.

- Fishers
- Travel Guides
- Tour Guides & Escorts
- Ship & Boat Captains
- Baggage Porters & Bellhops



Industries Affected by the Oil Spill

Galveston Bay's multibillion-dollar recreational and commercial industries including:

**Fishing Industry
Cruise Industry
Shipping Industry
Tourism Industry
Ferry Industry
Hotel Industry**

Jobs Created by the Oil Spill

As many as 800 temporary jobs are available in response to the oil spill in Galveston Bay

- Hydro-blasters
 - \$10 - \$15 per hour, up to \$18 per hour with proper certification
- General Laborers
 - \$10 - \$15 per hour, up to \$18 per hour with proper certification

- Exxon Mobil's new campus near The Woodlands will create about 10,000 new jobs in 2014.

- Cooks, on land and off-shore
 - \$200 per day



Potential workers need to have a Hazardous Waste Operation and Emergency Response Certification.

Oil Spill Jobs Listed In WIT

Oil Spill Jobs in WorkinTexas - 2014

Date Created	JPID	Employer Name	Job Title	Office
03/24/2014	3225567	Blast Environmental & Industrial	Laborers (Oil Spill Cleanup)	0439
03/24/2014	6292331	JB Safety International	Laborers (Hazwoper Certified)	0439
03/26/2014	6292810	Advantage Resourcing - Baytown	Laborers (Hazwoper Certified)	0439
03/26/2014	6939102	Labor Ready	Hazwoper40s, Hydroblasters, General Laborers	0439

- \$250,000 Billion in foreign trade pass through our ports each year.

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- Among the nation's 50 largest metropolitan areas, Houston ranks as the best environment for job creation since January 2012.

Across The Region...

Employers Who Have Hired The Most During October 2013 - March 2014

Career Office	Company	Hires	WIT ID
Astrodome	Aramark Sports Inc	809	1220805
	UPS	105	1261630
	504 West Inc.	78	1501618
	At Work Staffing	22	1469687
	Carlton Staffing	12	1014412
	Manpower of TX	9	1081325
	JC Penny	9	1527160
	Contemporary Services Corp	9	1289575
	Grass Roots Solutions	9	1415900
	Sutherland Mortgage	8	1482703
Humble	99 Cents Store	57	1347975
	G2 Secure Staff LLC	48	1397575
	Remedy Intelligent Staffing	48	1209632
	Huntleigh USA Corp	42	1244241
	UPS	34	1054480
	Stevens Transport Inc.	24	1154458
	Randstad	21	1516036
	Randstad Professionals	21	1529782
	Road & Rail Services Inc.	13	1279217
	SSP America	13	1098418
Katy Mills	UPS	153	1319055
	COSTCO Wholesale Coporation	110	1528378
	DYNA-DRILL Technologies	10	1407535
	Bath & Body Works LLC	7	1522093
	Academy LTD. D/B/A Academy Sports + Outdoors	4	1368754
	Ross Dress For Less Inc. - Katy Mills	3	1532195
	Wilson's Leather Outlet	2	1483733

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