

Austin County Profile

Austin County is located in East Central Texas and is one of 13 counties in the Gulf Coast Workforce Development Area. Austin County's 2007 population is estimated to be 26,610. Bellville is the county seat. Other towns include Sealy and Wallis. The Manufacturing, Trade, Service, and Local Government Sectors fuel county employment. Austin County is the home of Stephen F. Austin State Park. The average unemployment rate in Austin County for 2008 was 4.3 percent.

Per Capita Personal Income (2007)

\$35,580 ranking 37th in the State and was 96 percent of the State average, \$37,083. The annual growth rate over the past 10 years was 4.4 percent as compared to 4.6 percent for the State and 4.3 percent for the nation.

Total Personal Income (2007)

\$943,229,000 ranking 83rd in the State with an annual growth rate over the past 10 years of 6.2 percent as compared to 6.6 percent for the State and 5.4 percent for the nation.

Median Household Income (2007)

\$50,277

Major Employers

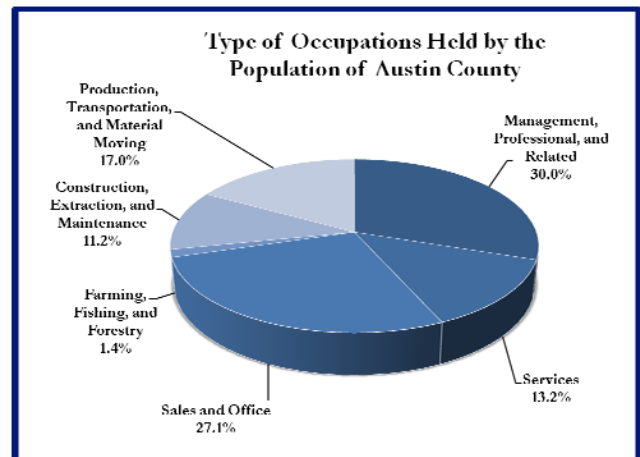
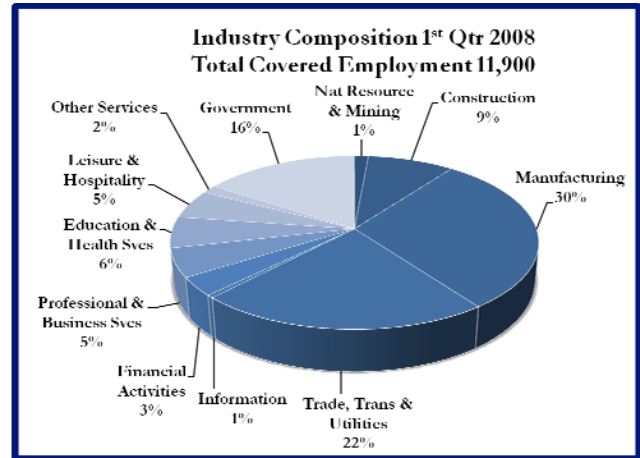
Acme Brick Co
Austin County
BAE Systems
Bellville ISD
Brazos ISD
Newmark International Inc
Positive Feed Inc.
Sealy ISD
Tesco Industries
Toyota Distribution
Wal-Mart Associates Inc.
Western International Gas
Weyerhaeuser Company

Size Class of Employers (2006)

Employees per Firm	Number of Firms
Total	598
1-19	521
20-99	65
100-499	9
>499	3

Data Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, Bureau of Economic Analysis, and Texas Workforce Commission

*Hispanic Persons are of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban or South American or some other Spanish Origin.



Race Statistics of the Population (2000)

Race	Population
Total	23,590
White	18,924
Black or African American	2,509
American Indian and Alaska Native	66
Asian	69
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	1
Some Other Race	1,650
Two or More Races	372
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)*	3,805

Race and Population 2007 Estimate

Total	26,610
White	88.5%
Black or African American	9.8%
Hispanic	20.6%
Asian	0.4%