

# Colorado County Profile

**Colorado County** is located in East Central Texas and is one of 13 counties in the Gulf Coast Workforce Development Area. Colorado County's 2007 population is estimated to be 20,666. Columbus is the county seat. Other towns include Eagle Lake and Weimar. The Manufacturing, Trade, Service, and Local Government Sectors fuel county employment. Colorado County, created in 1836, is one of the original counties established in Texas by Stephen F. Austin. The average unemployment rate in Colorado County for 2008 was 4.0 percent.

## Per Capita Personal Income (2007)

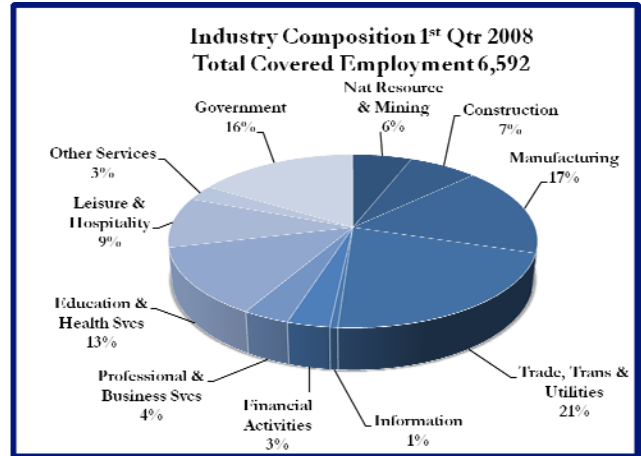
\$31,660 ranking 79<sup>th</sup> in the State and was 82 percent of the State average, \$37,083. The annual growth rate over the past 10 years was 4.2 percent as compared to 4.6 percent for the State and 4.3 percent for the nation.

## Total Personal Income (2007)

\$648,774,000 ranking 109<sup>th</sup> in the State with an annual growth rate over the past 10 years of 4.5 percent as compared to 6.6 percent for the State and 5.4 percent for the nation.

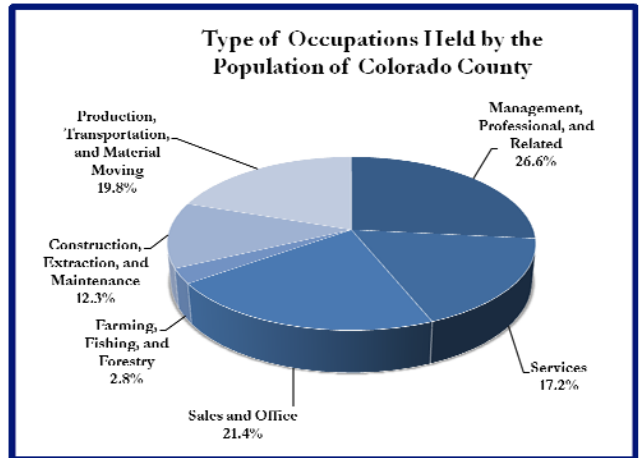
## Median Household Income (2007)

\$39,317



## Major Employers

Colorado County  
Colorado-Fayette Medical Center  
Columbus Community Hospital  
Columbus ISD  
Drymalla Construction  
Hanover Compression LP  
Rice CISD  
River Oaks Health Care Center  
Spindler Concrete Products  
Utex Industries Inc



## Size Class of Employers (2006)

Employees per Firm	Number of Firms
Total	546
1-19	487
20-99	49
100-499	10
>499	0

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)

	Population
Total	20,390
White	14,891
Black or African American	3,017
American Indian and Alaska Native	75
Asian	42
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	4
Some Other Race	1,998
Two or More Races	363
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)*	8,416
Race and Population 2007 Estimate	
Total	20,666
White	83.9%
Black or African American	14.4%
Hispanic	23.3%
Asian	0.5%