

Fort Bend County

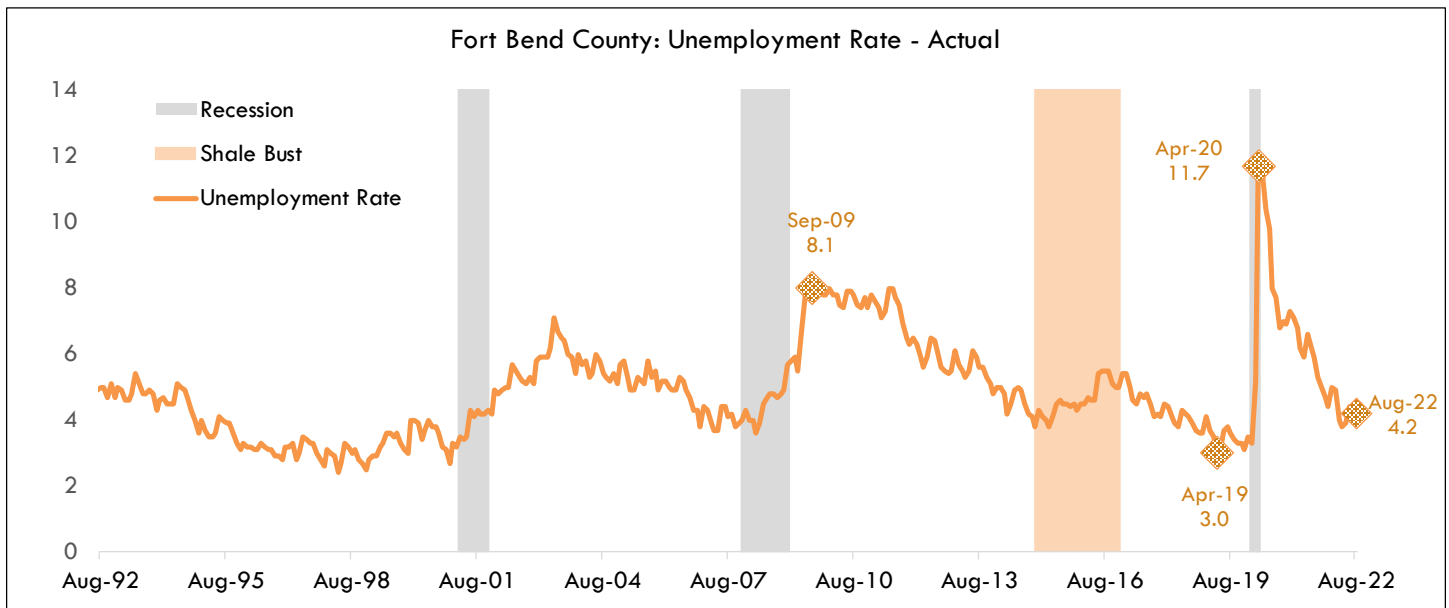
Labor Market Information

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County Employment Data*

The rate of unemployment in Fort Bend County fell two-tenths of a percentage point to 4.2 percent in August. The county's rate of unemployment was the same as the state rate but higher than the national rate. Total covered employment in the county added 14,362 jobs over first quarter 2022, up 6.8 percent. The county often experiences a gain during first quarter, but the current increase is unprecedented considering the previous largest increase was 5,200 jobs back in 2013. An increase of 13,734 jobs, 55.5 percent, in Local Government was responsible for the increase. The second largest increase was in Trade, Transportation, and Utilities, up 1,444 jobs or 2.8 percent. The county added 29,690 jobs over the year, up 15.2 percent from first quarter 2021. All private industry sectors reported healthy increases, but Local Government was primarily responsible for making it such a strong year, up 14,257 jobs or 58.8 percent. Trade, Transportation, and Utilities was the second largest contributor to growth with payrolls up 6,697 jobs or 14.4 percent. Other top job producers were Education and Health Services, up 2,591 jobs or 8.2 percent, Leisure and Hospitality, up 2,193 jobs or 8.8 percent, and Professional and Business Services, up 1,184 jobs or 5.3 percent. Additional details can be found pages 2 through 7.

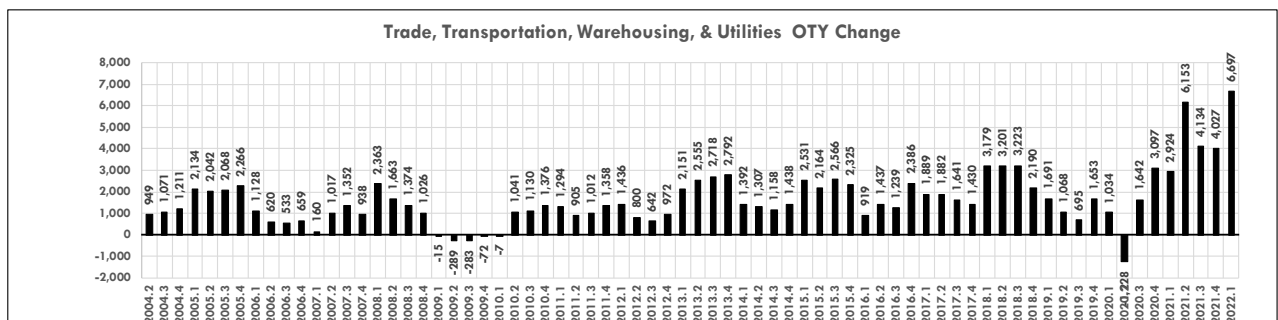
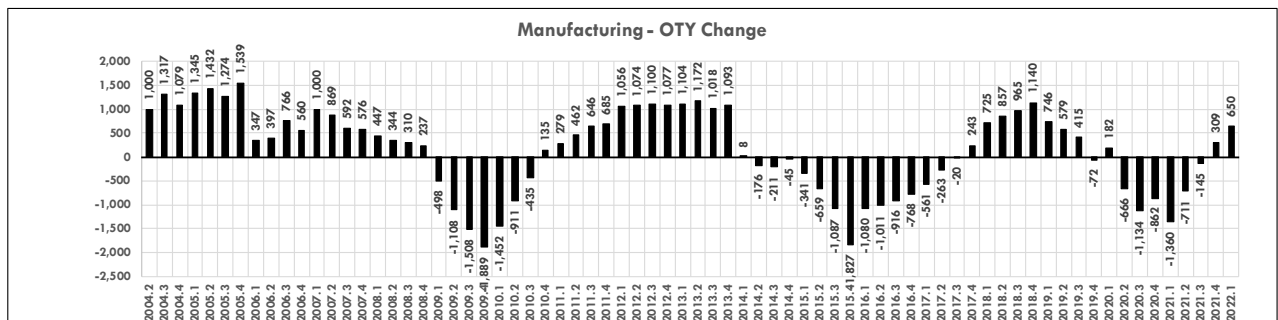
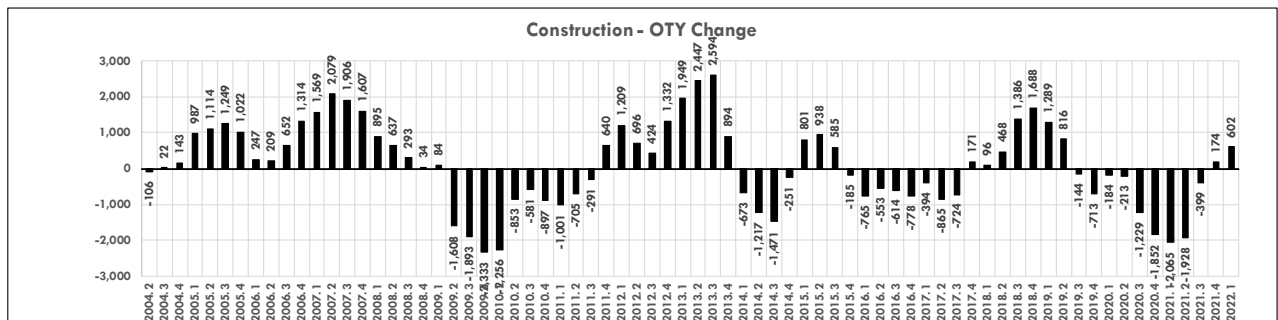
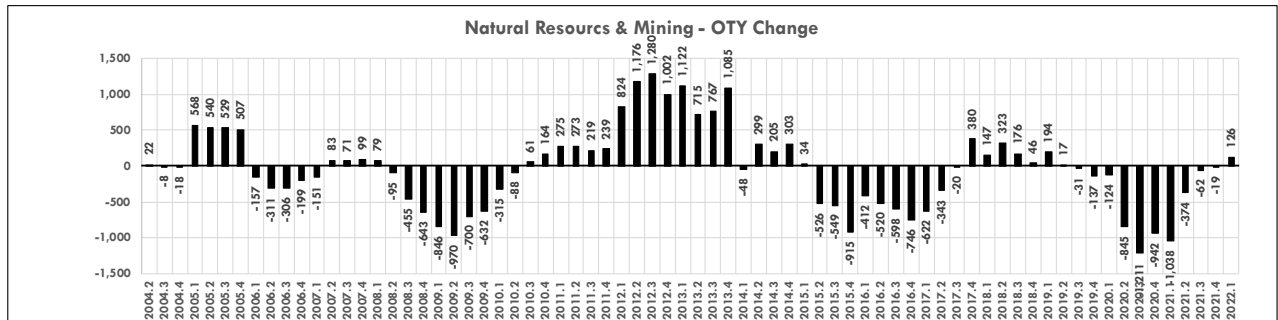
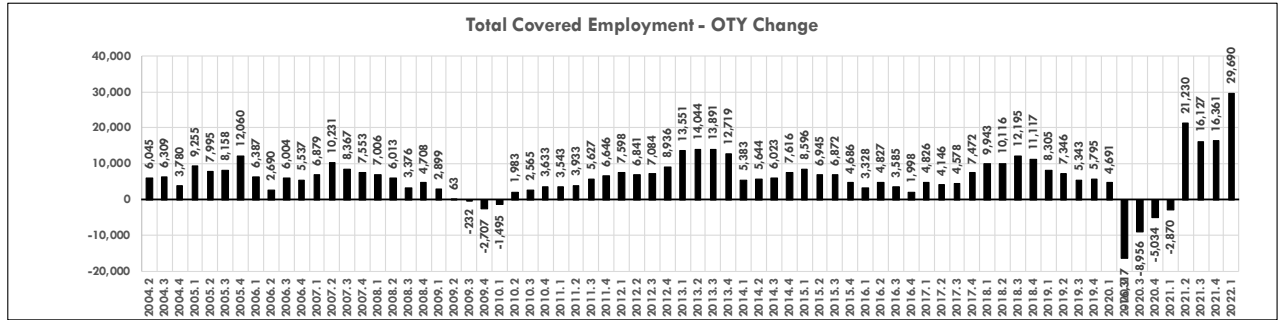
	AUGUST 2022	JULY 2022	AUGUST 2022
Civilian Labor Force	419,215	419,684	408,244
Total Employment	401,461	401,331	384,359
Unemployed	17,754	18,353	23,885
Unemployment Rate	4.2%	4.4%	5.9%
Comparative Actual Rates			
Texas	4.2%	4.3%	5.5%
U.S.	3.8%	3.8%	5.3%

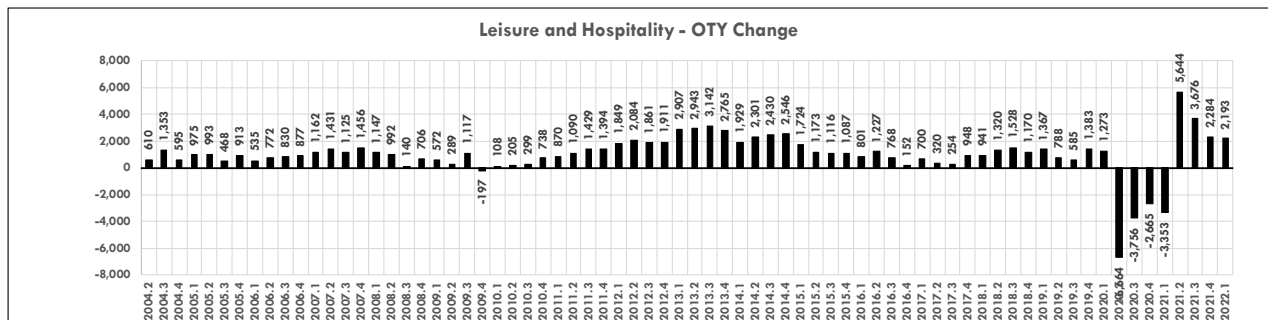
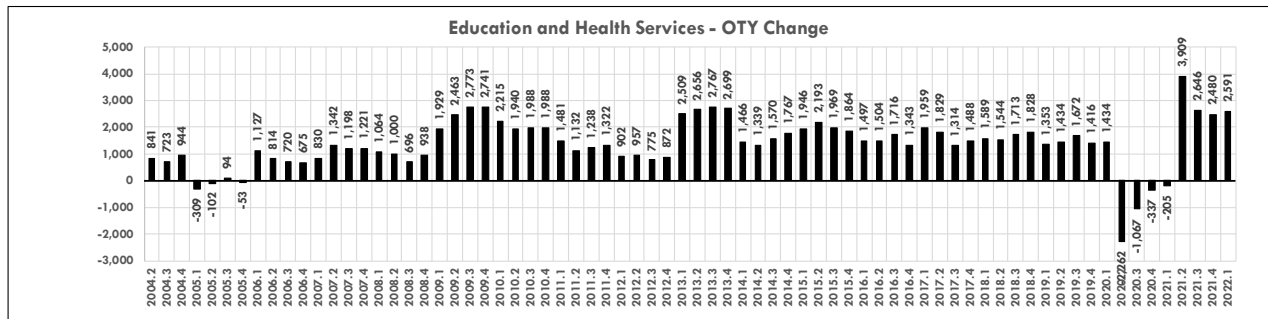
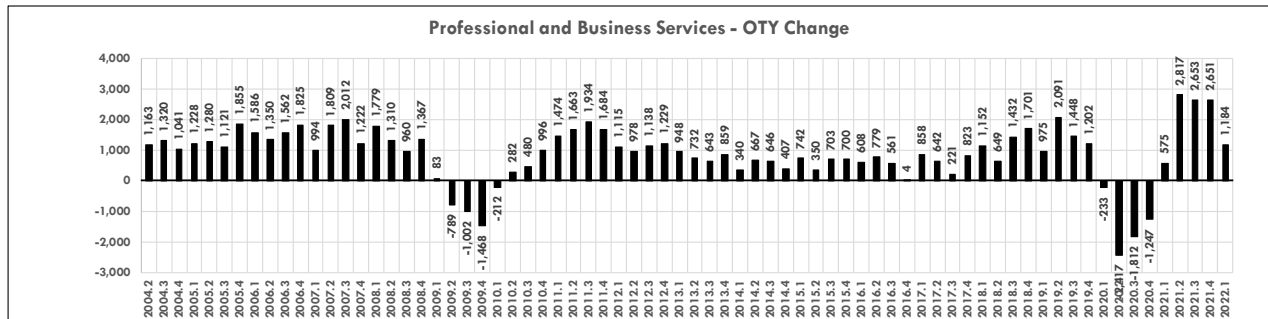
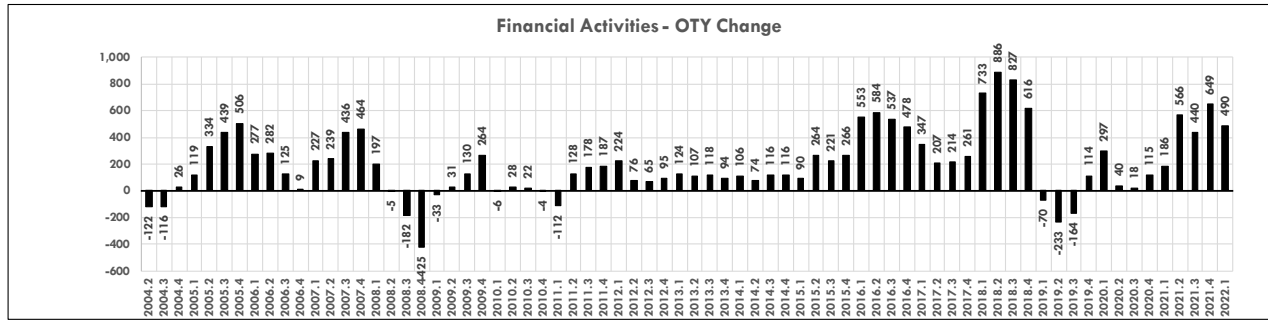
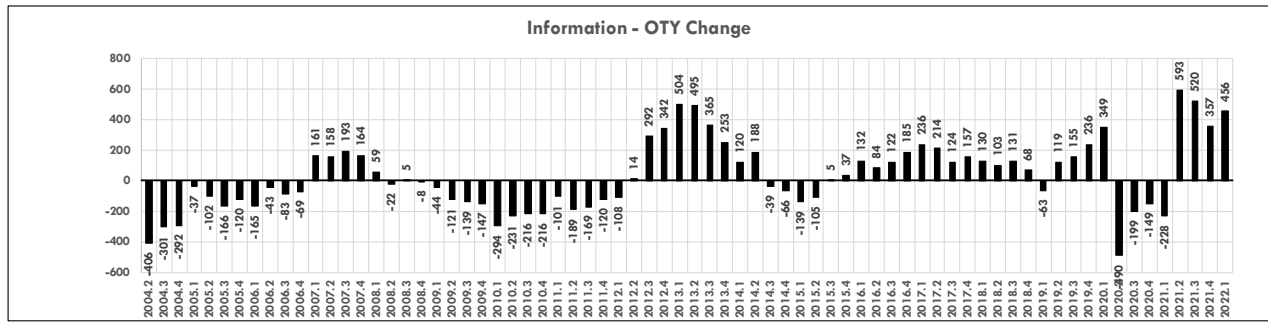


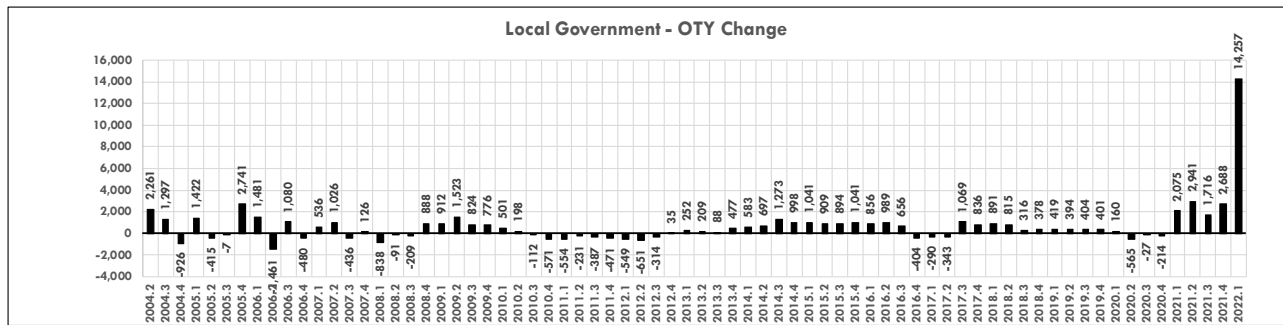
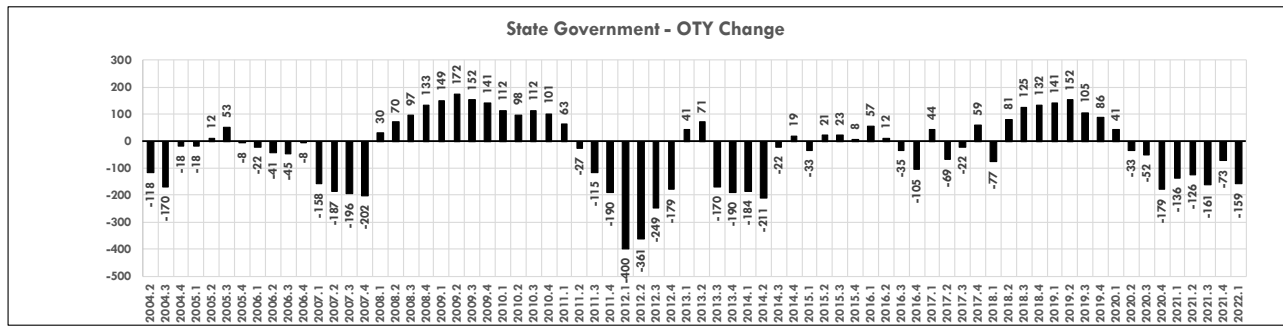
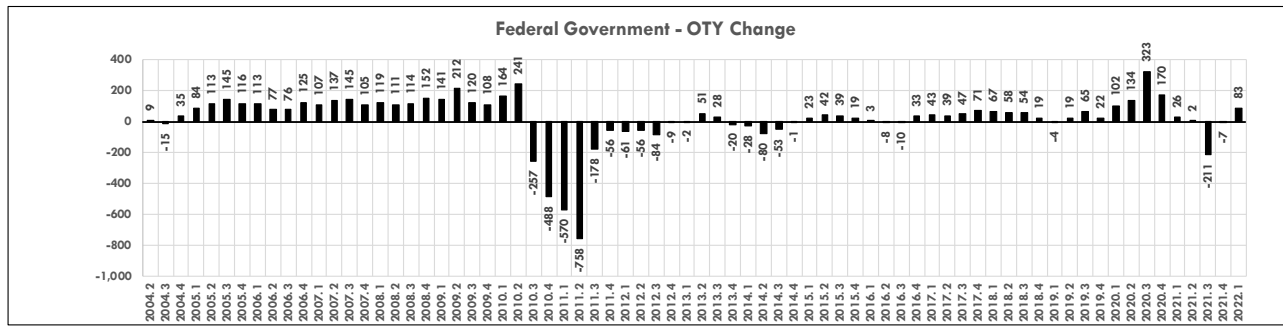
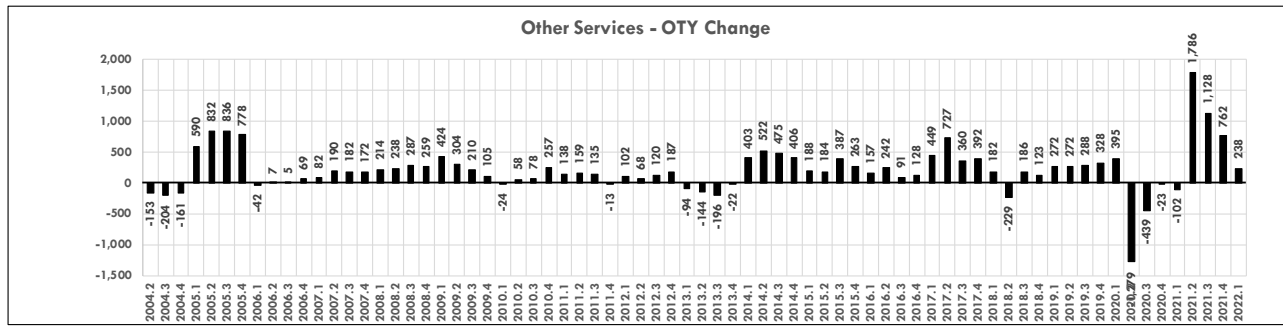
*Estimates reflect actual (not seasonal adjusted) data. Civilian Labor Force includes wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family, domestics in private households, agricultural workers, workers involved in labor disputes and the unemployed, all by place of residence. Covered employment data compiled from 1st quarter 2022 contribution and wage reports submitted to the Texas Workforce Commission by employers' subject to the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act. Source: Texas Workforce Commission in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. All data is subject to revision.

COVERED EMPLOYMENT Industrial Sector	Number of Jobs			Quarter Chg		Annual Chg		Avg Wkly Wage*
	1ST QTR 2022	4TH QTR 2021	1ST QTR 2021	Actual	%	Actual	%	
Total Employment	225,085	210,723	195,395	14,362	6.8%	29,690	15.2%	\$1,051
Natural Resources & Mining	2,584	2,594	2,458	-10	-0.4%	126	5.1%	\$3,270
Construction	10,864	10,593	10,262	271	2.6%	602	5.9%	\$1,844
Manufacturing	13,814	13,624	13,164	190	1.4%	650	4.9%	\$1,733
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	53,057	51,613	46,360	1,444	2.8%	6,697	14.4%	\$848
Information	2,577	2,506	2,121	71	2.8%	456	21.5%	\$1,051
Financial Activities	8,253	8,266	7,763	-13	-0.2%	490	6.3%	\$1,654
Professional & Business Services	23,393	24,413	22,209	-1,020	-4.2%	1,184	5.3%	\$1,377
Education & Health Services	34,359	33,963	31,768	396	1.2%	2,591	8.2%	\$778
Leisure & Hospitality	26,991	27,343	24,798	-352	-1.3%	2,193	8.8%	\$378
Other Services	6,523	6,902	6,285	-379	-5.5%	238	3.8%	\$631
Nonclassifiable	510	419	229	91	21.7%	281	122.7%	\$667
Public Administration	42,160	28,488	27,979	13,672	48.0%	14,181	50.7%	\$1,055
Federal Government	1,027	1,028	944	-1	-0.1%	83	8.8%	\$1,351
State Government	2,637	2,698	2,796	-61	-2.3%	-159	-5.7%	\$967
Local Government	38,496	24,762	24,239	13,734	55.5%	14,257	58.8%	\$1,054

*Wages compiled from 1st quarter 2021 contribution and wage reports submitted to the Texas Workforce Commission by employers' subject to the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act. Date source: the Texas Workforce Commission, Labor Market and Career Information Department in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor.







Historical Employment Highlights

	All-Time High	All-Time High Quarter	All-Time Low	All-Time Low Qtr
Total	225,085	2022.1	96,052	2003.3
Natural Resources and Mining	4,927	2014.4	2,106	2010.1
Construction	13,172	2013.3	8,474	2004.1
Manufacturing	15,506	2013.4	10,252	2003.3
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	53,057	2022.1	19,685	2003.2
Information	2,577	2022.1	1,080	2012.1
Financial Activities	8,266	2021.4	4,364	2004.3
Professional and Business Services	24,413	2021.4	7,486	2003.3
Education and Health Services	34,359	2022.1	8,246	2003.2
Leisure and Hospitality	28,151	2020.1	9,169	2003.2
Other Services	6,902	2021.4	2,726	2004.2
Federal Government	1,522	2010.2	617	2004.1
State Government	3,310	2010.4	2,637	2022.1
Local Government	38,496	2022.1	15,259	2003.3

Average Change from Previous Quarter

	1st Qtr Avg Chg #	1st Qtr Avg Chg %	2nd Qtr Avg Chg #	2nd Qtr Avg Chg %
Total	1,096	0.7%	1,837	1.5%
Natural Resources and Mining	-23	0.0%	1	0.2%
Construction	-84	-0.6%	238	2.3%
Manufacturing	86	0.9%	29	0.3%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	-458	-1.4%	39	0.4%
Information	2	0.2%	8	0.8%
Financial Activities	64	1.1%	86	1.4%
Professional and Business Services	2	0.8%	350	2.8%
Education and Health Services	258	1.3%	321	2.2%
Leisure and Hospitality	280	1.7%	556	4.0%
Other Services	80	2.5%	77	1.8%
Federal Government	2	0.1%	29	2.8%
State Government	-13	-0.4%	8	0.3%
Local Government	870	3.7%	118	0.9%

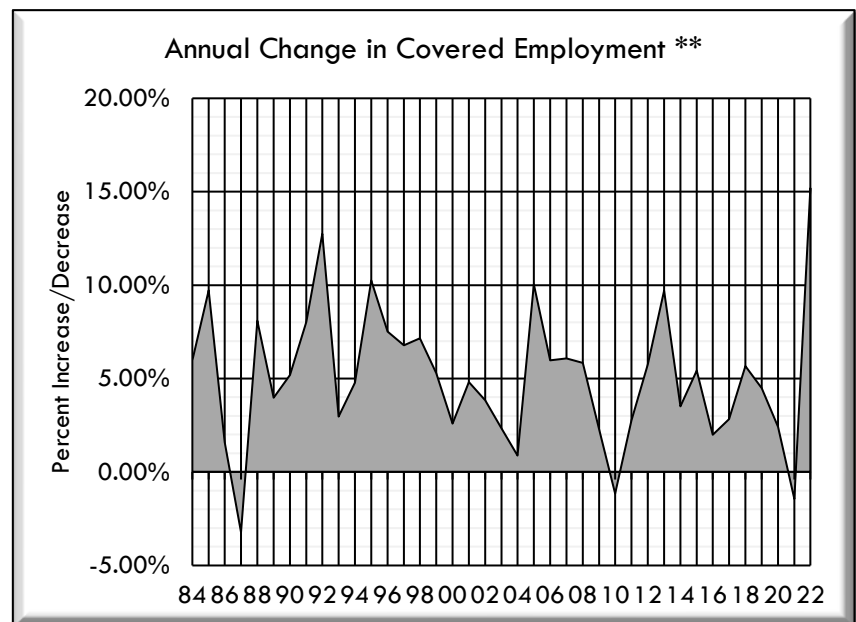
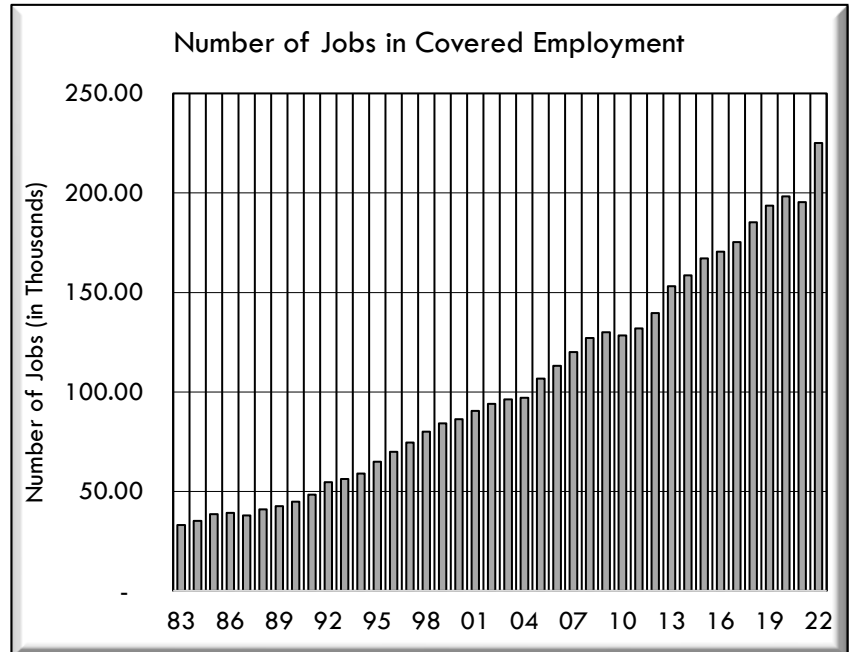
Average Change from Previous Quarter

	3rd Qtr Avg Chg #	3rd Qtr Avg Chg %	4th Qtr Avg Chg #	4th Qtr Avg Chg %
Total	694	0.4%	3,222	2.1%
Natural Resources and Mining	40	1.0%	-41	-1.1%
Construction	71	0.7%	-109	-1.0%
Manufacturing	62	0.5%	5	0.0%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	486	1.5%	1,663	4.9%
Information	45	2.9%	-27	-1.6%
Financial Activities	41	0.7%	11	0.1%
Professional and Business Services	159	0.7%	337	2.0%
Education and Health Services	268	1.5%	545	2.9%
Leisure and Hospitality	358	2.0%	-227	-1.2%
Other Services	41	0.9%	-3	-0.2%
Federal Government	-6	0.8%	-2	0.2%
State Government	-16	-0.6%	-11	-0.4%
Local Government	-868	-4.5%	984	5.8%

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**Fort Bend County 1983-2022
Covered Employment****

YEAR	JOBS	+ / (-)	% +/-
83	33,224		
84	35,208	1,984	6.0%
85	38,627	3,419	9.7%
86	39,241	614	1.6%
87	37,974	(1,267)	-3.2%
88	41,045	3,071	8.1%
89	42,677	1,632	4.0%
90	44,893	2,216	5.2%
91	48,499	3,606	8.0%
92	54,682	6,183	12.7%
93	56,302	1,620	3.0%
94	58,988	2,686	4.8%
95	65,035	6,047	10.3%
96	69,926	4,891	7.5%
97	74,664	4,738	6.8%
98	80,010	5,346	7.2%
99	84,244	4,234	5.3%
00	86,421	2,177	2.6%
01	90,583	4,162	4.8%
02	94,050	3,467	3.8%
03	96,235	2,185	2.3%
04	97,080	845	0.9%
05	106,825	9,745	10.0%
06	113,212	6,387	6.0%
07	120,091	6,879	6.1%
08	127,097	7,006	5.8%
09	129,996	2,899	2.3%
10	128,501	(1,495)	-1.2%
11	132,044	3,543	2.8%
12	139,642	7,598	5.8%
13	153,193	13,551	9.7%
14	158,576	5,383	3.5%
15	167,172	8,596	5.4%
16	170,500	3,328	2.0%
17	175,326	4,826	2.8%
18	185,269	9,943	5.7%
19	193,574	8,305	4.5%
20	198,265	4,691	2.4%
21	195,395	(2,870)	-1.4%
22	225,085	29,690	15.2%



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Gulf Coast** 2021 Wages*

Std. Occ. Code	Occupation	Average Hourly Wage	Average Annual Wage	Employment
13-2011	Accountants & Auditors	\$44.21	\$91,947	29,100
49-3023	Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics	\$24.13	\$50,195	12,110
43-3031	Bookkeepers, Acctg and Auditing Clerks	\$21.58	\$44,879	31,620
49-3031	Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists	\$25.31	\$52,654	5,830
53-3052	Bus Drivers, Transit and Intercity	\$21.50	\$44,710	2,430
13-1020	Buyers and Purchasing Agents	\$36.93	\$76,807	3,500
47-2031	Carpenters	\$23.07	\$47,986	9,060
41-2011	Cashiers	\$12.06	\$25,080	73,240
39-9011	Childcare Workers	\$11.59	\$24,110	10,250
17-2051	Civil Engineer	\$50.32	\$104,666	10,020
15-1231	Computer Network Support Specialists	\$34.86	\$72,505	2,630
47-2061	Construction Laborers	\$17.92	\$37,281	28,110
35-2012	Cooks, Institution and Cafeteria	\$13.91	\$28,933	6,440
35-2014	Cooks, Restaurant	\$14.01	\$29,145	31,410
43-4051	Customer Service Representatives	\$17.93	\$37,290	62,220
49-9051	Electrical Power-Line Installers and Repairers	\$35.58	\$74,016	3,550
47-3013	Electrician Helpers	\$19.02	\$39,570	3,390
47-2111	Electricians	\$27.02	\$56,205	13,030
43-6011	Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants	\$32.51	\$67,616	7,100
35-3023	Fast Food and Counter Workers	\$11.02	\$22,924	74,790
43-1011	First-Line Supervisors of Office and Administrative Support Workers	\$29.82	\$62,029	34,990
41-1011	First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers	\$23.31	\$48,487	27,340
35-2021	Food Preparation Workers	\$13.79	\$28,687	15,370
11-9051	Food Service Managers	\$32.30	\$67,194	3,150
11-1021	General and Operations Managers	\$54.97	\$114,348	80,000
39-5012	Hairdressers, Hairstylists, and Cosmetologists	\$13.97	\$29,062	5,670
49-9021	Heating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Mechanics	\$25.67	\$53,386	7,690
49-9041	Industrial Machinery Mechanics	\$31.18	\$64,855	14,350
53-7051	Industrial Truck and Tractor Operator	\$18.64	\$38,771	19,970
37-2011	Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	\$13.00	\$27,046	46,850
53-7062	Laborers and Freight Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	\$16.09	\$33,457	52,110
29-2061	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses	\$25.36	\$52,757	12,660
11-9081	Lodging Managers	\$37.39	\$77,766	610
51-4041	Machinists	\$24.22	\$50,382	7,480
11-2021	Marketing Managers	\$68.26	\$141,971	4,400
31-9092	Medical Assistants	\$17.70	\$36,807	16,000
49-3042	Mobile Heavy Equipment Mechanics, Except Engines	\$27.29	\$56,761	5,010
31-1131	Nursing Assistants	\$15.47	\$32,185	16,380
43-9061	Office Clerks, General	\$18.44	\$38,365	55,740
29-1051	Pharmacists	\$60.81	\$126,488	5,950
47-2152	Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters	\$27.05	\$56,270	9,450
33-3051	Police and Sherriff's Patrol Officers	\$32.45	\$67,487	158,380
43-4171	Receptionists and Information Clerks	\$14.88	\$30,943	19,870
29-1141	Registered Nurses	\$40.26	\$83,738	55,220
41-2031	Retail Salespersons	\$15.02	\$31,243	71,900
47-5071	Roustabouts, Oil and Gas	\$22.39	\$46,574	4,520
41-4011	Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Technical and Scientific Products	\$47.23	\$98,247	5,240
43-6014	Secretaries and Administrative Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	\$18.86	\$39,228	38,050
33-9032	Security Guards	\$16.55	\$49,032	26,010
43-5071	Shipping, Receiving, and Traffic Clerks	\$17.57	\$36,541	20,850
53-7065	Stockers and Order Fillers	\$15.97	\$33,219	52,710
53-1047	Supervisors of Transportation and Material Moving Workers, Exc.Aircraft Cargo Handling	\$28.56	\$59,405	12,260
53-3032	Truck Drivers, Heavy an Tractor-Trailer	\$23.67	\$49,233	46,770
53-3033	Truck Drivers, Light or Delivery Services	\$20.79	\$43,241	18,930
51-4121	Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	\$25.58	\$53,215	15,320

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