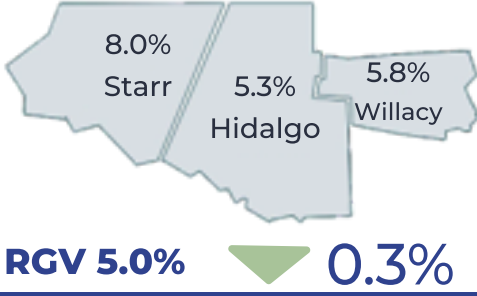


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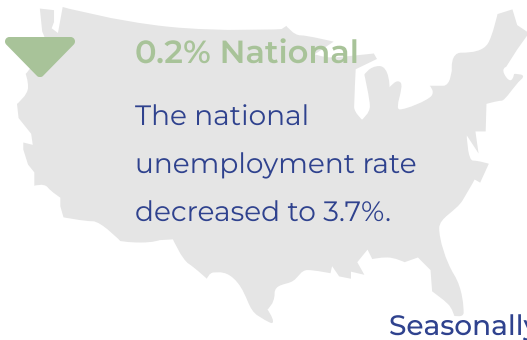
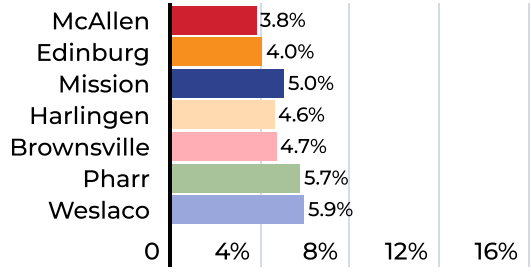
Unemployment Rates

Workforce Solutions WDA
remained at 5.4%.



Nov-23

Oct-23



Seasonally Adjusted



Indicates a decrease in Unemployment Rate



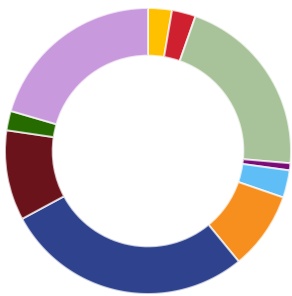
Indicates an increase in Unemployment Rate

Employment Change

Border Region Monthly Change

	McAllen MSA	Brownsville MSA	Laredo MSA	Total Monthly Change
Total All Non-Agriculture	2,700 ▼	1,100 ▼	600 ▼	4,400 ▼

Border Region Industry Composition



Industry	Total Employment
Mining, Logging and construction	15,800
Manufacturing	15,700
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	122,200
Information	4,400
Financial Activities	18,100
Professional and Business Services	51,200
Education and Health Services	163,800
Leisure and Hospitality	59,400
Other Services	12,800
Government	119,700



Leisure and Hospitality



McAllen MSA 300
Brownsville MSA 200
Laredo MSA 100



Education (Private) & Health Services




McAllen MSA 100
Brownsville MSA 300
Laredo MSA 0



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Statewide Overview



Texas Non-Agricultural Jobs

Had a gain of 407,100 jobs in the past year. Annual employment decrease rate of 3.0%

26,800



Texas Not Seasonally Adjusted

The unemployment rate over the last month decreased to 3.5%

0.3%



Service-Providing Industry

A total gain of 328,900 jobs were gained in the past 12 months, an annual increase of 2.8%

19,700



Goods-Producing Sector

A total of 78,200 jobs were gained in the past 12 months, an annual increase of 4.0%

7,100

Business Engagement

RGV Economy:

During the month of November, the RGV's (McAllen & Brownsville MSA's) economy experienced a job gain as 3,800 individuals entered the workforce. Workforce Solutions (WFS) directly contributed employment efforts by assisting 705 individuals enter employment. WFS partnered with businesses to address their hiring needs by hosting 16 hiring events with 117 participating employers and 1,007 job seekers in attendance, resulting in 262 job offers. Additionally, WFS served a total of 1,377 employers representing 1,374 job openings, resulting in 403 direct hires and another 302 indirect hires.

Industry Needs

Prosperity Task Force

The Business Relations Department and the Prosperity Task Force stakeholders convened to discuss collaboration regarding maximizing WFS resources and services available to the community as well as increasing awareness of [WorkInTexas.com](https://www.workintexas.com), a job platform available to job seekers and employers in Texas. Both parties expressed their commitment to further intensifying their efforts in order to foster career awareness among our youth and adult population.

Hiring Red White and You Hiring Event

The Hiring Red, White, and You event was a successful event hosted by Workforce Solutions Lower Rio, offering employment opportunities for veterans and job seekers. Participants had the chance to meet and network with over 100 employers and community-based organizations, taking the next step in building their careers. The event took place at the McAllen Convention Center on November 9, 2023. This year's event featured an array of services including complimentary headshots, haircuts, and health screenings for all participants. The opening ceremony was elevated with a presentation by the Border Patrol Color Guard and speeches were delivered by prominent figures, including Francisco "Frank" Almaraz, Chief Executive Officer of Workforce Solutions, and Omar Quintanilla, Mayor Pro-Tem and Commissioner of the City of McAllen.

Department of Labor Infrastructure Grant

In collaboration with WFS Cameron, WFS Lower Rio received one of only two Department of Labor (DOL) Infrastructure Grants awarded in Texas called the Building Pathways to Infrastructure Jobs grant that supports worker-centered training programs. This \$2 million award is aimed at improving infrastructure in the Rio Grande Valley as well as developing career pathways to high-quality jobs in the renewable energy, transportation, and broadband infrastructure sectors. The funding will not only provide valuable opportunities for job seekers, but also, improve infrastructure in the region tremendously. To read more about this initiative, please click [here](#).

Business Needs

Employers Served



1,377

Job Openings



1,374

Hiring Events



16

Hires



705

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