

# Coastal Bend Workforce Area

(Not Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates by WDA, MSA, & County)

Area	Area Type	Latest Monthly Data March 2024						Previous Monthly Data February 2024				Year Ago March 2023			
		Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	M+-	Y+-	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
United States	Nation	167,960,000	161,356,000	6,604,000	3.9	-0.3	0.3	167,285,000	160,315,000	6,970,000	4.2	166,783,000	160,741,000	6,043,000	3.6
Texas	State	15,276,869	14,653,971	622,898	4.1	-0.3	0.1	15,295,668	14,629,593	666,075	4.4	15,058,520	14,453,735	604,785	4.0
Corpus Christi	MSA	210,463	201,283	9,180	4.4	-0.2	-0.1	210,836	201,115	9,721	4.6	207,815	198,443	9,372	4.5
Coastal Bend	WDA	265,549	253,695	11,854	4.5	-0.2	-0.1	265,890	253,320	12,570	4.7	262,344	250,287	12,057	4.6
Aransas Pass	County	9,624	9,177	447	4.6	-0.4	-0.6	9,647	9,169	478	5.0	9,570	9,075	495	5.2
Bee	County	9,477	8,998	479	5.1	-0.3	-0.1	9,484	8,968	516	5.4	9,496	9,001	495	5.2
Brooks	County	2,308	2,166	142	6.2	0.0	1.0	2,300	2,158	142	6.2	2,370	2,247	123	5.2
Duval	County	5,034	4,809	225	4.5	-0.3	0.1	5,032	4,792	240	4.8	5,043	4,822	221	4.4
Jim Wells	County	16,252	15,385	867	5.3	-0.2	-0.3	16,213	15,320	893	5.5	15,968	15,078	890	5.6
Kenedy	County	134	125	9	6.7	0.7	0.5	134	126	8	6.0	129	121	8	6.2
Kleberg	County	13,464	12,852	612	4.5	-0.6	-0.2	13,539	12,842	697	5.1	13,357	12,723	634	4.7
Live Oak	County	5,234	5,023	211	4.0	-0.1	0.2	5,182	4,967	215	4.1	5,058	4,864	194	3.8
Nueces	County	170,593	163,365	7,228	4.2	-0.3	-0.2	170,964	163,215	7,749	4.5	168,339	161,008	7,331	4.4
Refugio	County	3,183	3,054	129	4.1	-0.3	0.2	3,170	3,032	138	4.4	3,108	2,988	120	3.9
San Patricio	County	30,246	28,741	1,505	5.0	0.1	-0.2	30,225	28,731	1,494	4.9	29,906	28,360	1,546	5.2

(M+-) Change in unemployment rate from last month (Increase) (Decrease)

(Y+-) Change in unemployment rate from last year (Increase) (Decrease)

- Earnings for all occupations Coastal Bend, expressed as hourly rate (TWC):

<b>Coastal Bend Texas</b>	<b>All Occupations- All Occupations-</b>	<b>Average \$17.76/hr.</b>	<b>Entry level \$10.89/hr.</b>	<b>Experienced workers \$29.14/hr.</b>	<b>Top 10% \$33.56/hr.</b>
		<b>Average \$18.76/hr.</b>	<b>Entry level \$11.70/hr.</b>	<b>Experienced workers \$33.25/hr.</b>	<b>Top 10% \$39.64/hr.</b>

- Educational Attainment for population 25 years of age and older - Corpus Christi (Census American Fact Finder/American Community Survey):

<b>Less than 9<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	<b>7.0%</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup> grade &amp; GED</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>Associates degree</b>	<b>8.0%</b>	<b>Graduate or Professional</b>	<b>11%</b>
<b>9<sup>th</sup> thru 11<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>Some College</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>Bachelor's degree</b>	<b>13%</b>		

- Median earnings Corpus Christi by education for persons 25 years of age & up (Census AFF/ACS):

**\$27,211** (\$36,380 male/\$22,328 female)

<b>Less than High School &amp;</b>	<b>\$15,437</b>	<b>Some College or Associates Bachelor's</b>	<b>\$44,078</b>	<b>Graduate or Professional</b>	<b>\$56,681</b>
	<b>\$26,818</b>				

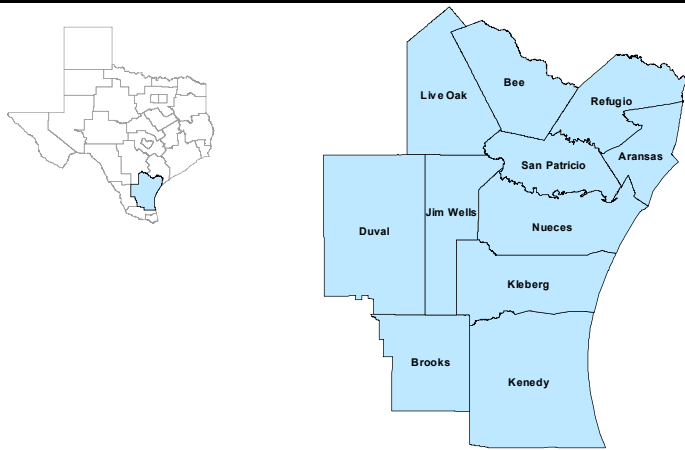
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## Coastal Bend Workforce Development Area

March 2024



WDA Labor Force Statistics				
	Mar-24	Feb-24	Mar-23	Yearly Change
Civilian Labor Force	265,549	265,757	262,344	3,205
Employed	253,695	253,208	250,287	3,408
Unemployed	11,854	12,549	12,057	-203
Unemployment Rate	4.5%	4.7%	4.6%	-0.1%

Texas Labor Force Statistics				
	Mar-24	Feb-24	Mar-23	Yearly Change
Civilian Labor Force	15,276,869	15,295,403	15,058,520	218,349
Employed	14,653,971	14,629,674	14,453,735	200,236
Unemployed	622,898	665,729	604,785	18,113
Unemployment Rate	4.1%	4.4%	4.0%	0.1%

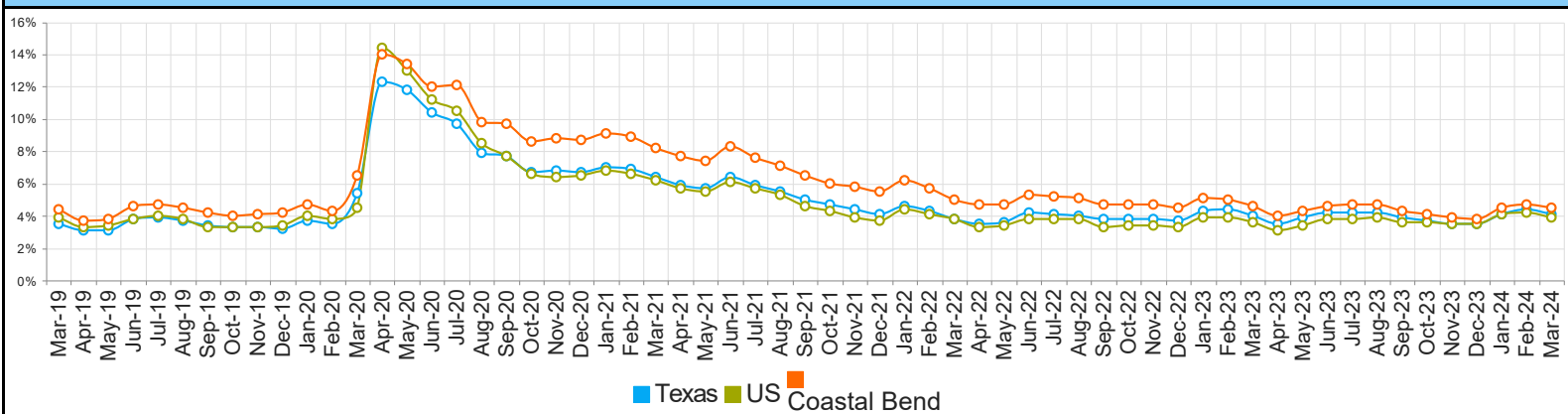
  

US Labor Force Statistics				
	Mar-24	Feb-24	Mar-23	Yearly Change
Civilian Labor Force	167,960,000	167,285,000	166,783,000	1,177,000
Employed	161,356,000	160,315,000	160,741,000	615,000
Unemployed	6,604,000	6,970,000	6,043,000	561,000
Unemployment Rate	3.9%	4.2%	3.6%	0.3%

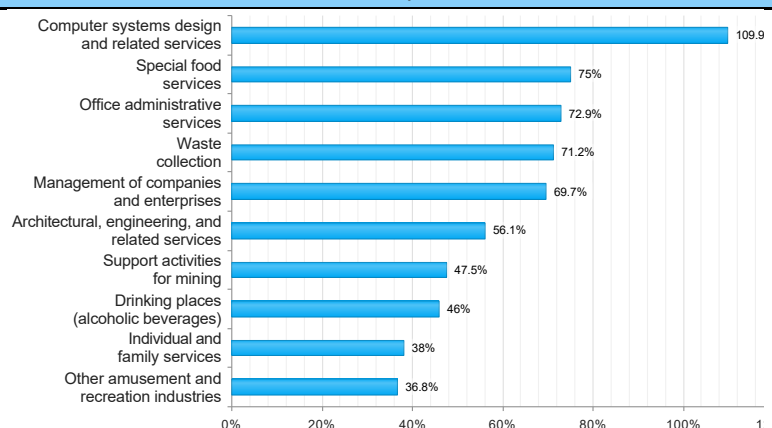
  

Continued Claims for the Week of the 12th				
	Mar-24	Feb-24	Mar-23	Yearly Change
WDA	2,015	1,780	1,721	294
Texas	120,439	115,533	103,413	17,026

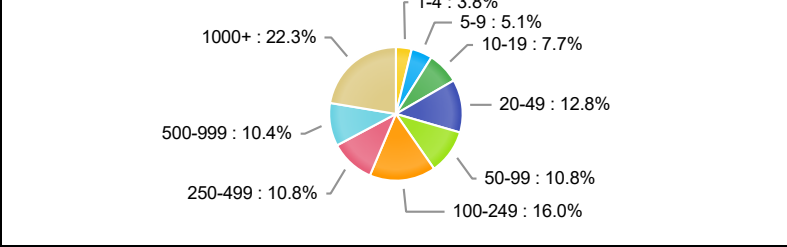
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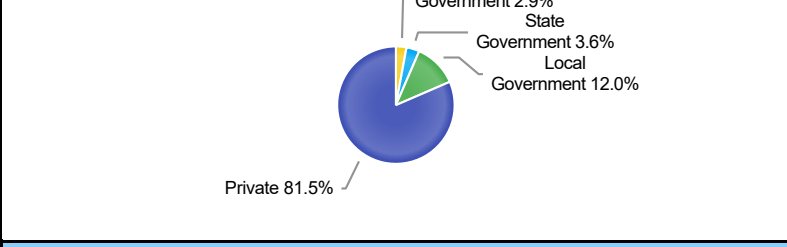
## Projected Top Ten Fastest Growing Industries in WDA (% Growth 2020-2030)



## Employment by Size Class (3rd Quarter 2023)



## Employment by Ownership (3rd Quarter 2023)



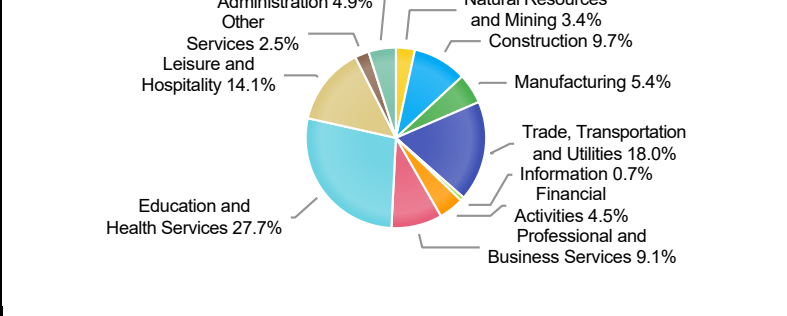
### Average Weekly Wage (3rd Quarter 2023)

	Q3 2023	Q2 2023	Q3 2022	Quarterly Change	Yearly Change
WDA	\$1,053	\$1,036	\$1,036	\$17	\$17
Texas	\$1,335	\$1,321	\$1,332	\$14	\$3
US	\$1,334	\$1,332	\$1,333	\$2	\$1

## Employment by Industry (3rd Quarter 2023, Percent Change)

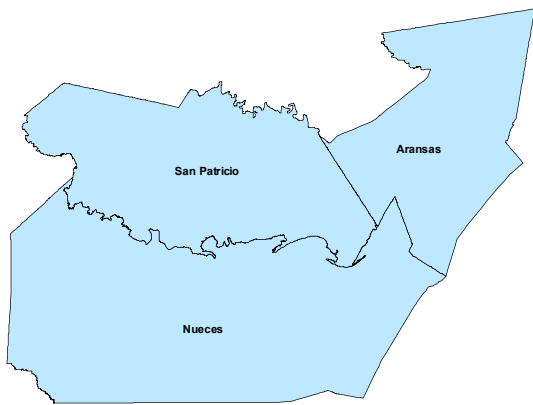
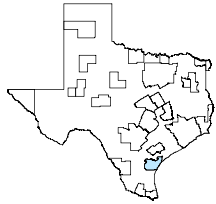
Industry	Employment	% of Total	% Quarterly Change	% Yearly Change
Natural Resources and Mining	8,183	3.4%	-1.5%	1.2%
Construction	23,100	9.7%	1.9%	17.6%
Manufacturing	12,869	5.4%	0.8%	3.2%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	42,676	18.0%	0.5%	-0.9%
Information	1,668	0.7%	2.1%	-1.9%
Financial Activities	10,665	4.5%	3.1%	6.5%
Professional and Business Services	21,622	9.1%	-1.1%	2.3%
Education and Health Services	65,831	27.7%	-2.5%	1.4%
Leisure and Hospitality	33,470	14.1%	0.4%	4.0%
Other Services	5,907	2.5%	-3.3%	2.3%
Public Administration	11,621	4.9%	0.7%	0.5%

## Employment by Industry (3rd Quarter 2023)



## Corpus Christi MSA

March 2024



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Civilian Labor Force	210,463	210,715	207,815	2,648
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Unemployed	9,180	9,705	9,372	-192
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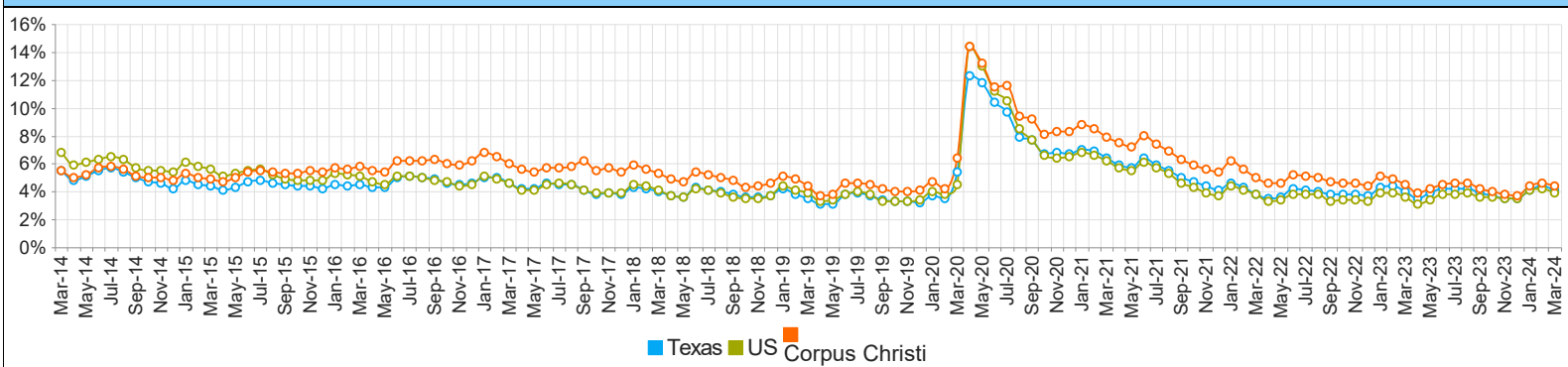
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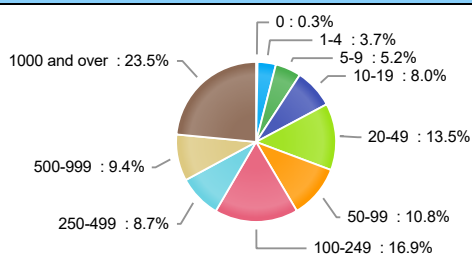
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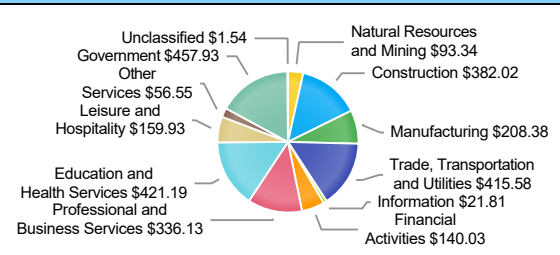
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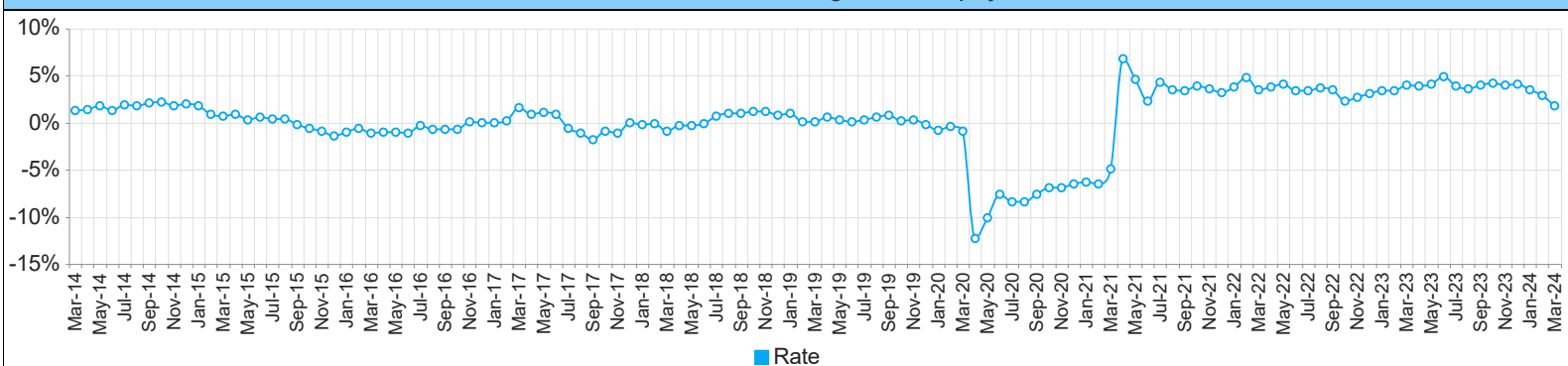
### Employment by Size Class (3rd Quarter 2023)



### Wages by Industry (in millions) (3rd Quarter 2023)



### Annual Growth Rate Total Non-agricultural employment



### Employment by Industry (March 2024)

Industry	Current Month Employment	% Monthly Change	% Yearly Change
Total Nonfarm	199,800	0.0%	1.8%
Mining, Logging and Construction	24,800	-0.4%	11.7%
Manufacturing	9,100	0.0%	3.4%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	33,500	-0.3%	0.0%
Information	1,400	0.0%	0.0%
Financial Activities	9,500	0.0%	4.4%
Professional and Business Services	20,100	-2.0%	-1.5%
Private Education and Health Services	32,400	-0.3%	0.3%
Leisure and Hospitality	27,000	1.5%	0.4%
Other Services	6,500	1.6%	1.6%
Government	35,500	0.6%	0.6%

### Employment by Industry (March 2024)

