

MARCH 2025

Current Employment Overview



On April 18, 2025, the Texas Workforce Commission released employment statistics for **March 2025**. Our detailed regional report for researchers and analysts is at <http://www.wrksolutions.com/LocalStats>. Below are highlights.

4.2%

MARCH Regional Unemployment Rate
(not seasonally adjusted)

- Represents 163,231 people looking for a job
- **DOWN** from a peak of 13.5% in April 2020
- **DOWN** from 4.5% last month
- **UP** from 4.1% last year
- **HIGHER** than the statewide rate of 4.0%
- **SAME AS** the national rate of 4.2%

Monthly Change – Employers in the Houston region added 5,700 jobs over the month, which is the weakest March since 2019 excluding pandemic-driven losses in March 2020 however upward revisions are likely.

- The top-3 drivers of over-the-month Job growth this March were:
 - Leisure and Hospitality: +3,100
 - Government: +2,600
 - Other Services: +1,900

Year-over-Year Change – Total Nonfarm employment was up 36,300 jobs or 1.1% however upward revisions are also likely based on analysis of past data. See the complete March 2025 report for details.

- A year prior, growth stood at 64,600; Workforce Solutions currently forecasts a gain of 55,400 jobs by the end of 2025 subject to evolving developments across the local, state, and national economies.
- Currently, 9 of 11 sectors show over-the-year growth led by Private Education and Health Services, Government, and Trade, Transportation, and Utilities

The Texas Workforce Commission will release April 2025 employment figures on May 16, 2025.

If you have any questions, please contact Mohammad Ahmadizadeh: Mohammad.Ahmadizadeh@wrksolutions.net or Parker Harvey: parker.harvey@wrksolutions.com

Additional labor market data is available at <http://www.wrksolutions.com/for-employers/understand-the-local-labor-market>

www.wrksolutions.com 1.888.469.JOBS (5627)

Workforce Solutions is an equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. (Please request reasonable accommodations a minimum of two business days in advance.) **Relay Texas:** 1.800.735.2989 (TDD) 1.800.735.2988 (voice) or 711

A proud partner of the **americanjobcenter** network