

July 2010 Labor Market Data Audio Text

Presented by TWC Chairman Tom Pauken

- The Texas unemployment rate remained steady in July at 8.2 percent, the same as in June. That's well below the national unemployment rate of 9.5 percent.
- Texas added 4,600 jobs in the month of July. Since January of this year, employment in our state is up by more than 168,000 jobs, with gains coming every month this year.
- The Professional and Business Services industry recorded its largest monthly job gain in a more than a decade, with 12,600 positions added in July.
- Mining and Logging employment grew by 4,600 jobs in July and has added jobs for six consecutive months.
- The Construction and Manufacturing industries each added 4,300 jobs in July. Since January, Construction has gained 14,500 jobs, while Manufacturing has shown an increase of 13,700.
- Employment in Financial Activities was up by 3,700 jobs in July, marking five months of job growth over the past year.
- Government employment declined by 23,300 positions in July. Much of that resulted from temporary workers who had been hired by the federal government to work on the 2010 Census completed their assignments.