

## **January 2015 Seasonally Adjusted Labor Market Data Audio Text**

Presented by TWC Chairman Andres Alcantar

- Annual employment growth in Texas remained strong as 392,900 jobs were added over the year, including 20,100 jobs in January. Texas' nonagricultural employment exceeded 11.7 million jobs.
- The Texas economy added jobs in nine of 11 major industries in January, led by a rise of 10,900 jobs in Trade, Transportation, and Utilities.
- Industries also driving Texas job growth in January were Professional and Business Services, which added 4,800 jobs; Leisure and Hospitality, which grew by 1,800; and Manufacturing, which added 900 positions.
- The Information industry grew by 3,600 jobs in January. This includes publishing, telecommunications and data processing and hosting businesses.
- The Texas seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate fell to 4.4 percent, down from 4.6 percent in December.
- Employment growth in the private sector was up in January, with Texas employers adding 18,800 positions, for a total of 369,400 jobs over the last 12 months.
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