

# Monthly Review of the Texas Economy

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The Texas economy gained 303,500 nonagricultural jobs from August 2018 to August 2019, an annual growth rate of 2.4 percent, higher than the nation's employment growth rate of 1.4 percent (Table 1 and Figure 1). The nongovernment sector added 295,800 jobs, an annual growth rate of 2.8 percent, also more than the nation's employment growth rate of 1.6 percent in the private sector (Table 1).

Texas' seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in August 2019 was 3.4 percent, lower than the 3.7 percent rate in August 2018. The nation's rate decreased from 3.8 to 3.7 percent (Table 1).

## **Texas Employment Growth Rates by Industry**

Table 2 shows Texas industries ranked by employment growth rate from August 2018 to August 2019. All Texas industries except the information industry had more jobs in August 2019 than in August 2018. The construction industry ranked first in job creation followed by other services; financial activities; transportation, warehousing, and utilities; leisure and hospitality; and manufacturing. Figures 2 to 13 show trends in employment growth rates by industry.

### Texas Job Shares by Industry and the Government Sector

Table 3 shows Texas industries and the state's government sector ranked by their shares of Texas jobs in August 2019. Of the 12,856,100 nonagricultural jobs in August 2019, the highest percentage of employment by industry was in the government sector followed by trade, professional and business services, education and health services, leisure and hospitality, and manufacturing. Since August 2018, education and health services; leisure and hospitality; manufacturing; financial activities; construction; transportation, warehousing, and utilities; and other services have expanded their shares of Texas employment at the expense of the government sector, trade, professional and business services, mining and logging, and the information industry. Figures 14 to 25 show trends in shares of total Texas jobs by industry.

### **Contributions to Texas Employment Growth Rate by Industry**

Texas' statewide employment growth rate of 2.4 percent, or more exactly 2.4178 percent, from August 2018 to August 2019 is the weighted average of employment growth rates for all Texas industries for the period. Weights are shares of jobs by industry. The contribution of each industry to the statewide employment growth rate is equal to the employment growth rate of that industry multiplied by its share of Texas jobs. Table 4 shows Texas industries and the state's government sector ranked by their contributions to Texas employment growth rates from August 2018 to August 2019. Education and health services ranked first in contribution to job growth followed by leisure and hospitality, construction, professional and business services, financial activities, and trade. Figures 26 to 37 show trends in contributions of Texas industries to Texas job growth rates.

### **Employment Growth Rates by Texas Metropolitan Areas**

All Texas metro areas except Victoria and Longview had more jobs in August 2019 than in August 2018 (Table 5). Dallas-Plano-Irving ranked first in job creation followed by Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, Odessa, San Antonio-New Braunfels, and Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood. Figures 38 to 63 show trends in annual employment growth rates for the state's metropolitan areas.



### Texas Job Shares by Metropolitan Area

Table 6 shows Texas metropolitan areas ranked by their shares of total Texas jobs in August 2019. Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land had the largest share of Texas jobs followed by Dallas-Plano-Irving, Austin-Round Rock, San Antonio-New Braunfels, Fort Worth-Arlington, El Paso, and McAllen-Edinburg-Mission. Figures 64 to 89 show trends in metropolitan shares of total Texas jobs.

### Contributions to Texas' Employment Growth Rate by Metropolitan Area

The statewide employment growth rate of 2.4178 percent in Texas from August 2018 to August 2019 is the weighted average of employment growth rates of all Texas metros for the period. Weights are shares of jobs by area. The contribution of each metro to the statewide employment growth rate is equal to the employment growth rate in that area multiplied by its share of Texas jobs. Table 7 shows Texas metros ranked by their contributions to Texas employment growth rates from August 2018 to August 2019. Dallas-Plano-Irving ranked first followed by Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, San Antonio-New Braunfels, Austin-Round Rock, Fort Worth-Arlington, McAllen-Edinburg-Mission, Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood, and El Paso. Figures 90 to 115 show trends in contributions of Texas metros to total Texas job growth rates.

### **Unemployment Rate by Metropolitan Area**

The state's actual unemployment rate in August 2019 was 3.6 percent. Midland had the lowest unemployment rate followed by Amarillo, Austin-Round Rock, Odessa, Lubbock, College Station-Bryan, and San Angelo (Table 8).

### **Employment Growth Rates by Industry in Largest Texas Metropolitan Areas**

Table 9 shows annual growth rates of employment by industry in the six largest Texas metropolitan areas from August 2018 to August 2019. Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land and Dallas-Plano-Irving are currently experiencing positive employment growth rates in the government sector and in all industries except information. San Antonio-New Braunfels is currently experiencing employment growth in the area's government sector and in all industries except manufacturing and information. Fort Worth-Arlington's economy is currently driven by financial activities; manufacturing; mining and construction; trade, transportation, and utilities; education and health services; and leisure and hospitality. Austin is currently experiencing positive employment growth rates in the government sector and in all industries except education and health services. El Paso's economy is currently experiencing positive employment growth rates in the government sector and in all industries except manufacturing, trade, transportation and utilities, information, and professional and business services.



Table 1
Texas and U.S. Labor Markets

		_	Chang	ge
NonFarm Employment	Aug. 2019	Aug. 2018	Absolute	Percent
Texas	12,856,100	12,552,600	303,500	2.4
United States	151,541,000	149,467,000	2,074,000	1.4
Private Employment	Aug. 2019	Aug. 2018	Absolute	Percent
Texas	10,890,400	10,594,600	295,800	2.8
United States	128,950,000	126,973,000	1,977,000	1.6

	Aug. 2019		Unemployment Rate, Per	
Labor Participation	Labor Force	Unemployed	Aug. 2019	Aug. 2018
Texas	14,032,300	471,900	3.4	3.7
United States	163,922,000	6,044,000	3.7	3.8

Sources: Texas Workforce Commission and U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Table 2
Texas Industries and Government Sector Ranked by Employment Growth Rate
From August 2018 to August 2019

		August	August		
Rank	Industry	2019	2018	Change	%Change
1	Construction	787,400	743,500	43,900	5.90
2	Other Services	453,300	433,400	19,900	4.59
3	Financial Activities	808,300	780,100	28,200	3.61
4	Transportation, Warehousing, Utilities	579,300	559,500	19,800	3.54
5	Leisure and Hospitality	1,409,100	1,362,800	46,300	3.40
6	Manufacturing	911,300	884,600	26,700	3.02
7	Education and Health Services	1,753,000	1,702,800	50,200	2.95
8	Mining and Logging	254,200	249,500	4,700	1.88
9	Professional and Business Services	1,777,100	1,746,200	30,900	1.77
10	Trade	1,956,000	1,928,800	27,200	1.41
11	Government	1,965,700	1,958,000	7,700	0.39
12	Information	201,400	203,400	-2,000	-0.98

Table 3
Texas Industries' and Government's Shares of Employment

		August	August
		2019	2018
Rank	Industry	Percent	Percent
1	Government	15.29	15.60
2	Trade	15.21	15.37
3	Professional and Business Services	13.82	13.91
4	Education and Health Services	13.64	13.57
5	Leisure and Hospitality	10.96	10.86
6	Manufacturing	7.09	7.05
7	Financial Activities	6.29	6.21
8	Construction	6.12	5.92
9	Transportation, Warehousing, Utilities	4.51	4.46
10	Other Services	3.53	3.45
11	Mining and Logging	1.98	1.99
12	Information	1.57	1.62
	Total	100.00	100.00

Note: Components may not add up to totals due to rounding

Table 4
Contributions of Texas Industries and the Government Sector to Texas Employment Growth Rate

		August	August
		2019	2018
Rank	Industry	Percent	Percent
1	Education and Health Services	0.3999	0.2999
2	Leisure and Hospitality	0.3688	0.3024
3	Construction	0.3497	0.2762
4	Professional and Business Services	0.2462	0.5647
5	Financial Activities	0.2247	0.1381
6	Trade	0.2167	0.1896
7	Manufacturing	0.2127	0.2329
8	Other Services	0.1585	0.0678
9	Transportation, Warehousing, Utilities	0.1577	0.1185
10	Government	0.0613	0.1814
11	Mining and Logging	0.0374	0.2019
12	Information	-0.0159	0.0074
	Total	2.4178	2.5807

Note: Components may not add up to totals due to rounding

Table 5
Texas Metropolitan Areas Ranked by Employment Growth Rate
From August 2018 to August 2019

Rank	Metropolitan Area	Employment Growth Rate, %
1	Dallas-Plano-Irving	3.9
2	Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land	2.7
3	Odessa	2.5
4	San Antonio-New Braunfels	2.4
4	Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood	2.4
	Texas	2.4
6	McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	2.3
7	Austin-Round Rock	2.2
8	Sherman-Denison	1.7
8	Fort Worth-Arlington	1.7
10	Texarkana	1.5
11	San Angelo	1.4
12	Corpus Christi	1.3
12	Tyler	1.3
14	Lubbock	1.2
15	Beaumont-Port Arthur	1.1
15	College Station-Bryan	1.1
17	Wichita Falls	1.0
17	Waco	1.0
19	Laredo	0.9
19	El Paso	0.9
19	Midland	0.9
22	Amarillo	0.7
23	Abilene	0.4
24	Brownsville-Harlingen	0.3
25	Longview	0.0
26	Victoria	-0.2
	Micropolitan Texas	1.9



Table 6
Texas Metropolitan and Micropolitan Shares of Total Texas Jobs

		August	August
		2019	2018
Rank	Metropolitan Area	Percent	Percent
1	Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land	24.7143	24.6562
2	Dallas-Plano-Irving	21.2965	20.9893
3	Austin-Round Rock	8.5703	8.5887
4	San Antonio-New Braunfels	8.4419	8.4413
5	Fort Worth-Arlington	8.3929	8.4556
6	El Paso	2.4992	2.5357
7	McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	2.1134	2.1151
8	Corpus Christi	1.5207	1.5367
9	Beaumont-Port Arthur	1.3068	1.3240
10	Lubbock	1.1691	1.1830
11	Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood	1.1395	1.1400
12	Brownsville-Harlingen	1.1061	1.1296
13	Waco	0.9567	0.9703
14	College Station-Bryan	0.9544	0.9671
15	Amarillo	0.9427	0.9584
16	Midland	0.8650	0.8779
17	Tyler	0.8377	0.8468
18	Laredo	0.8323	0.8444
19	Longview	0.7600	0.7783
20	Odessa	0.6472	0.6469
21	Abilene	0.5476	0.5585
22	Texarkana	0.4721	0.4764
23	Wichita Falls	0.4690	0.4756
24	San Angelo	0.3959	0.3999
25	Sherman-Denison	0.3804	0.3832
26	Victoria	0.3259	0.3346
	Micropolitan Texas	8.3423	8.3863
	Total	100.0000	100.0000

Note: Components may not add up to totals due to rounding



Table 7
Contributions of Texas Metropolitan and Micropolitan Areas to Total Texas Employment Growth Rate

		August	August
Rank	Metropolitan Area	2019	2018
1	Dallas-Plano-Irving	0.8221	0.5475
2	Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land	0.6556	0.6121
3	San Antonio-New Braunfels	0.2047	0.1512
4	Austin-Round Rock	0.1888	0.3334
5	Fort Worth-Arlington	0.1402	0.2190
6	McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	0.0494	0.0637
7	Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood	0.0271	-0.0033
8	El Paso	0.0239	0.0531
9	Corpus Christi	0.0207	0.0114
10	Odessa	0.0159	0.0556
11	Beaumont-Port Arthur	0.0143	0.0253
11	Lubbock	0.0143	0.0065
13	Tyler	0.0112	0.0212
14	College Station-Bryan	0.0104	0.0556
15	Waco	0.0096	0.0123
16	Laredo	0.0080	0.0147
16	Midland	0.0080	0.1152
18	Amarillo	0.0072	0.0098
18	Texarkana	0.0072	0.0000
20	Sherman-Denison	0.0064	0.0106
21	San Angelo	0.0056	0.0082
22	Wichita Falls	0.0048	0.0074
23	Brownsville-Harlingen	0.0032	0.0065
24	Abilene	0.0024	0.0090
25	Longview	0.0000	0.0139
26	Victoria	-0.0008	0.0082
	Micropolitan Texas	0.1577	0.2125
	Total	2.4178	2.5807



 $\label{eq:Table 8} Table~8$  Texas Metropolitan Areas Ranked by Unemployment Rate, August 2019

Rank	Metropolitan Area	Unemployment Rate,%
1	Midland	2.2
2	Amarillo	2.7
3	Austin-Round Rock	2.8
3	Odessa	2.8
5	Lubbock	2.9
6	College Station-Bryan	3.0
7	San Angelo	3.1
8	Abilene	3.2
8	San Antonio-New Braunfels	3.2
8	Sherman-Denison	3.2
8	Wichita Falls	3.2
12	Dallas-Plano-Irving	3.3
13	Fort Worth-Arlington	3.4
13	Tyler	3.4
15	Victoria	3.5
15	Waco	3.5
	Texas	3.6
17	Laredo	3.7
18	Killeen-Temple	3.8
19	Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land	3.9
19	Longview	3.9
21	El Paso	4.0
22	Corpus Christi	4.4
22	Texarkana	4.4
24	Brownsville-Harlingen	5.6
25	Beaumont-Port Arthur	5.9
26	McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	6.4

Table 9
Employment Growth Rates by Industry in Largest Texas Metropolitan Areas
Annual Growth Rates from August 2018 to August 2019, Percent

Largest Texas Metropolitan Areas Houston Industry: Dallas San Antonio Fort Worth Austin El Paso Mining and Construction 3.37 8.42 5.75 3.00 1.82 8.02 4.97 1.60 -0.59 3.85 0.82 0.00 Manufacturing Trade, Transportation and Utilities 1.04 1.53 1.72 2.64 3.28 -0.29 3.59 -2.17 Information -5.40 -0.83 0.00 -2.68 Financial Activities 1.87 4.62 0.98 4.56 2.33 3.15 Professional and Business Services 4.56 6.67 2.59 -4.88 4.10 -2.83 **Education and Health Services** 2.42 2.98 3.09 2.33 -1.59 2.36 Leisure and Hospitality 1.41 5.00 3.05 1.52 3.35 1.07 Other Services 8.67 5.13 1.29 -0.75 2.79 2.20 1.41 1.83 0.61 0.76 Government 0.23 1.46

Figure 1 Nonfarm Employment Growth Rates for United States and Texas

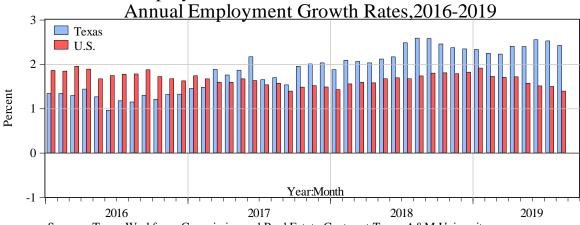


Figure 2 **Texas Construction Industry** 

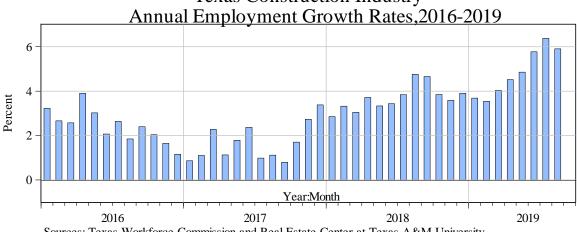


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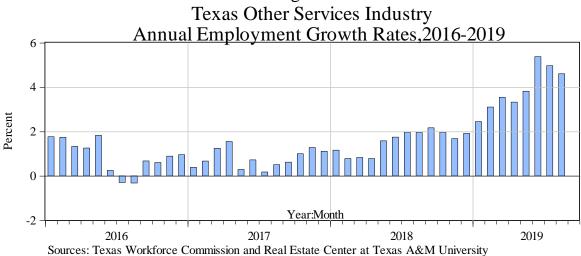




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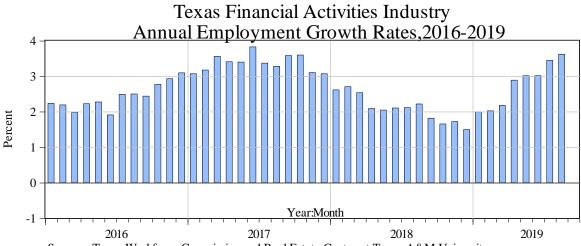
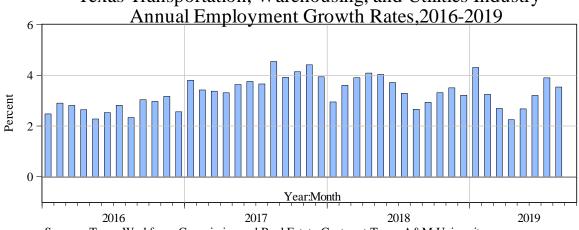


Figure 5 Texas Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities Industry



Sources: Texas Workforce Commission and Real Estate Center at Texas A&M University

Figure 6 Texas Leisure and Hospitality Industry

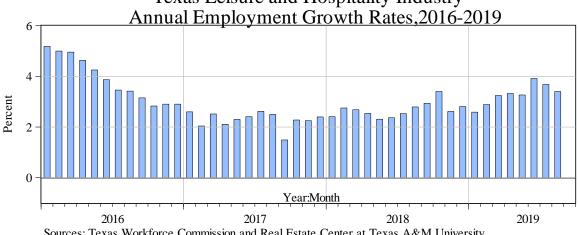




Figure 7 Texas Manufacturing Industry

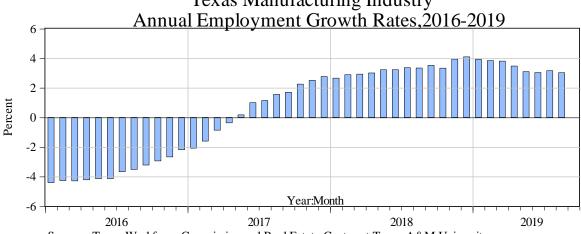


Figure 8 Texas Education and Health Services Industry

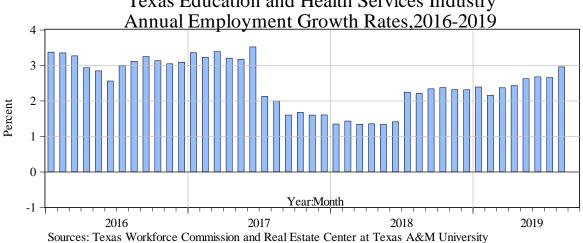


Figure 9 Texas Mining and Logging Industry

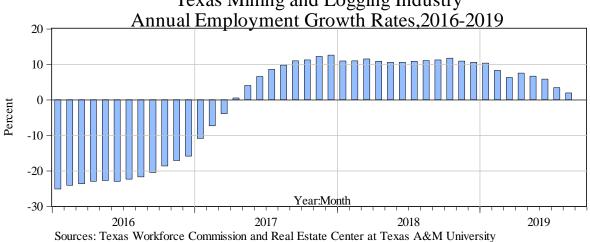


Figure 10
Texas Professional and Business Services Industry
Annual Employment Growth Rates 2016-2019

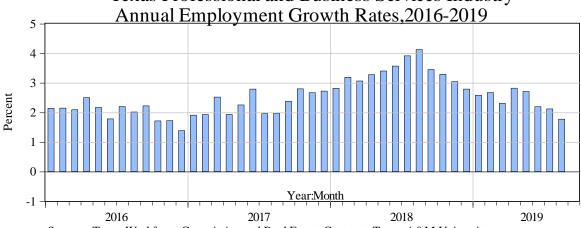


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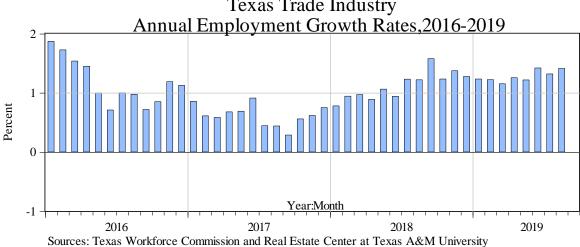
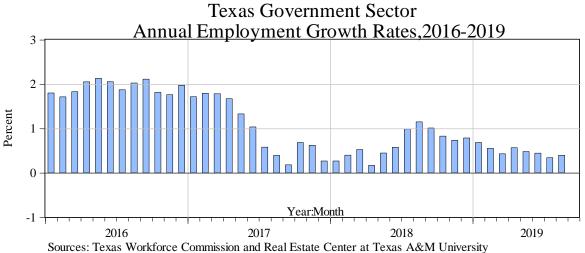


Figure 12





Texas Information Industry

Annual Employment Growth Rates, 2016-2019

Year:Month

2016

2017

2018

2019

Figure 14

Texas Government Sector
Share of Total Texas Jobs, 2016-2019

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Year:Month

2016

Sources: Texas Workforce Commission and Real Estate Center at Texas A&M University

Figure 15
Texas Trade Industry
Share of Total Texas Jobs,2016-2019

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Year:Month

2016
Sources: Texas Workforce Commission and Real Estate Center at Texas A&M University

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Share of Total Toxas John 2016, 2019

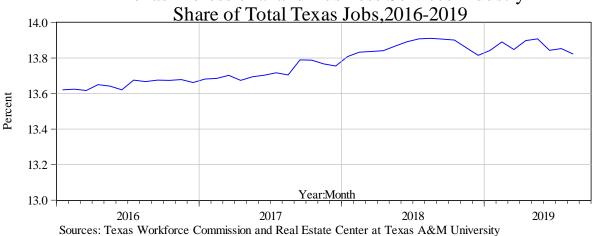


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Texas Education and Health Services Industry

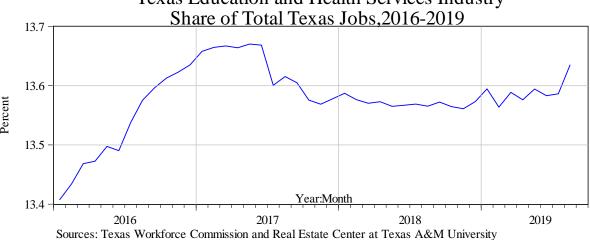


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Texas Leisure and Hospitality Industry
Share of Total Taxas John 2016, 2010

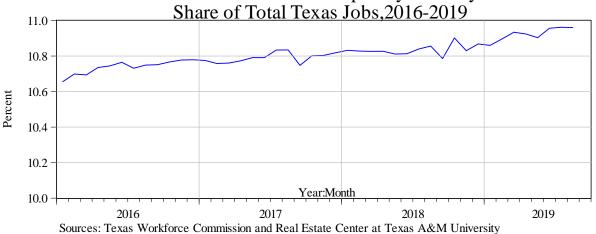




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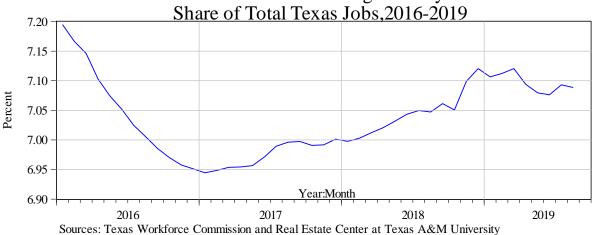


Figure 20 Texas Financial Activities Industry

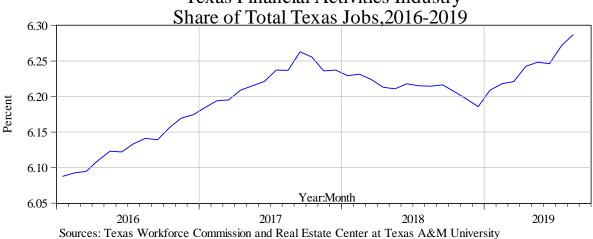


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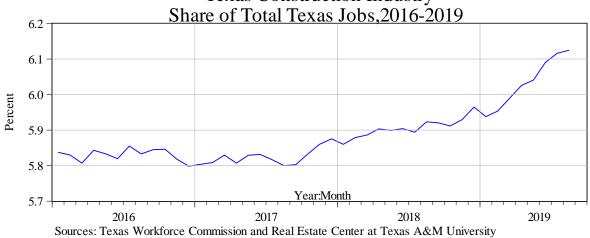


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Texas Transportation, Utilities, Warehousing Industry

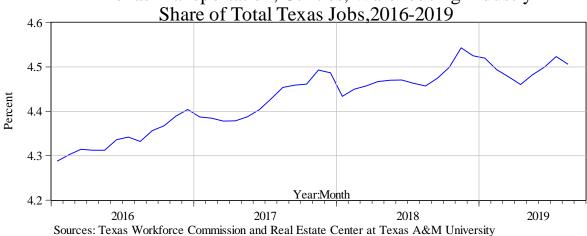


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Texas Other Services Industry

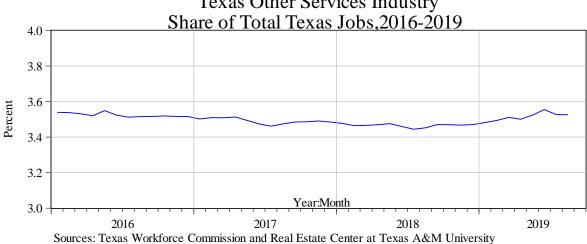


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Texas Mining and Logging Industry
Share of Total Texas Jobs, 2016-2019

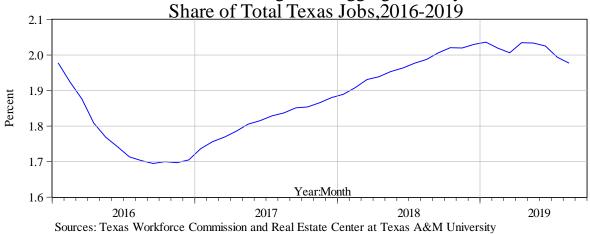




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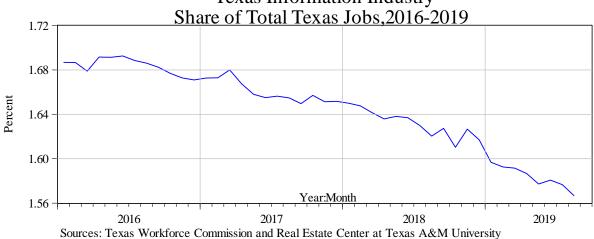


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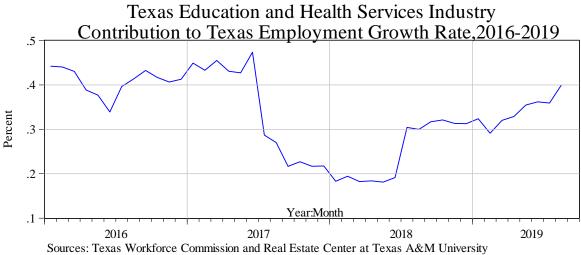


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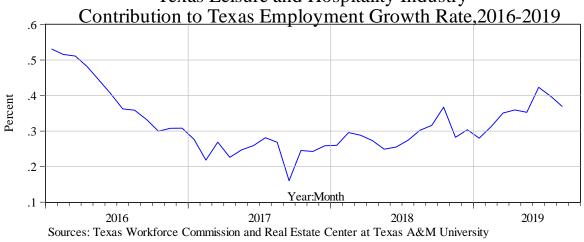




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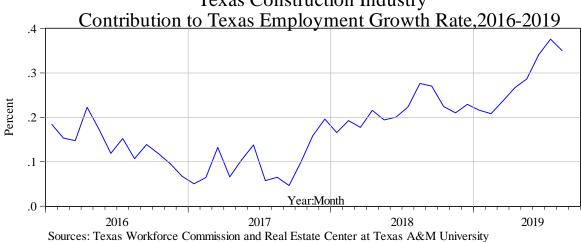


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Texas Financial Activities Industry





Figure 31
Texas Trade Industry



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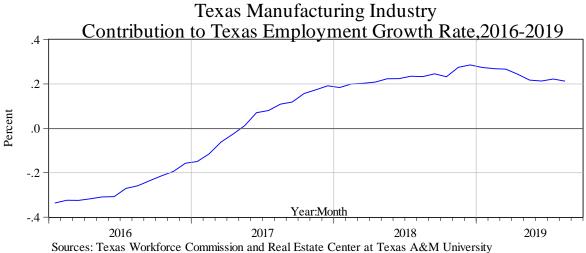


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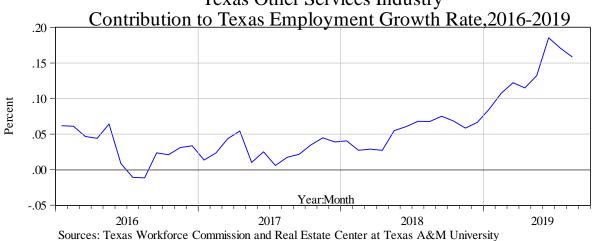




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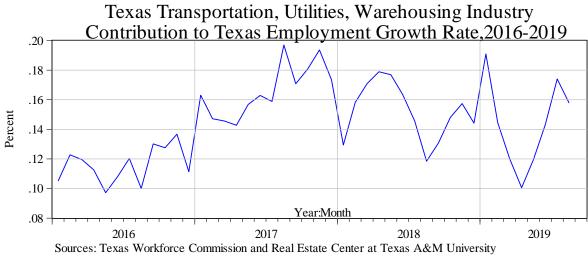


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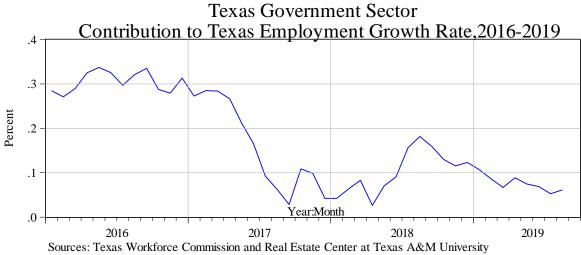


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Texas Mining and Logging Industry

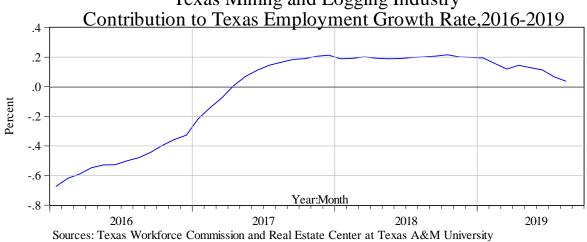
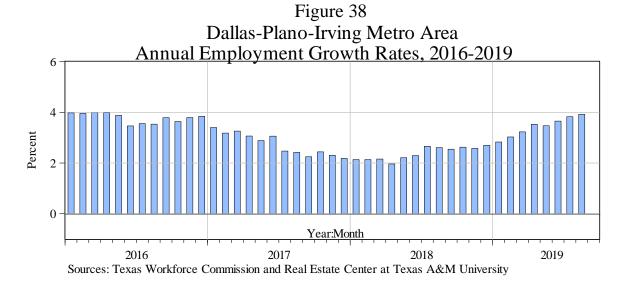


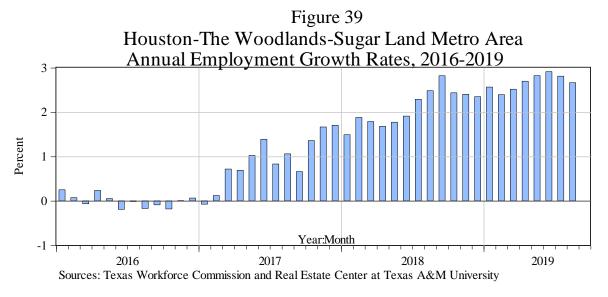


Figure 37
Texas Information Industry
Contribution to Texas Employment Growth Rate, 2016-2019

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2016 2017 2018 Sources: Texas Workforce Commission and Real Estate Center at Texas A&M University







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Odessa Metro Area

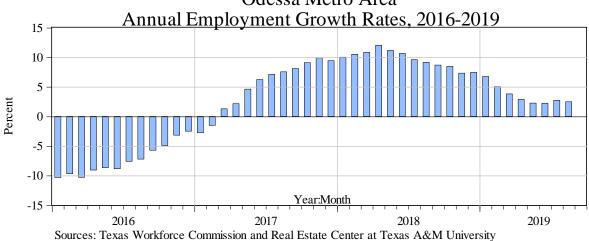


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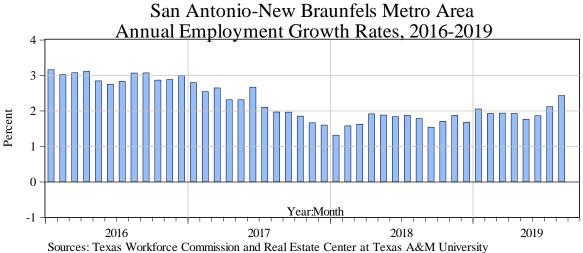


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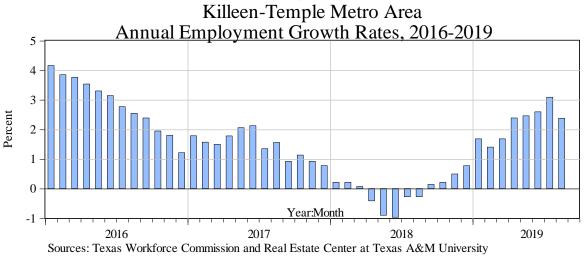




Figure 43 McAllen-Edinburg Metro Area

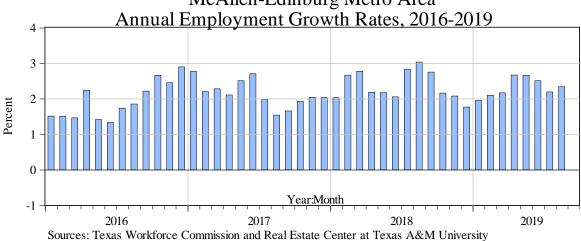


Figure 44 Austin-Round Rock Metro Area

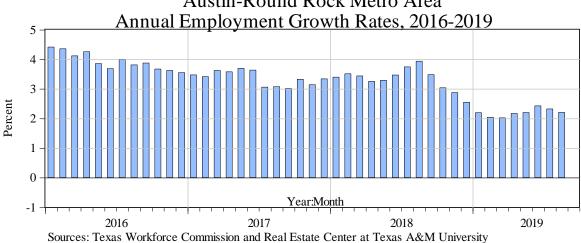


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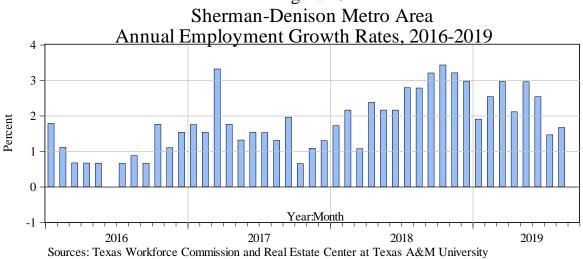
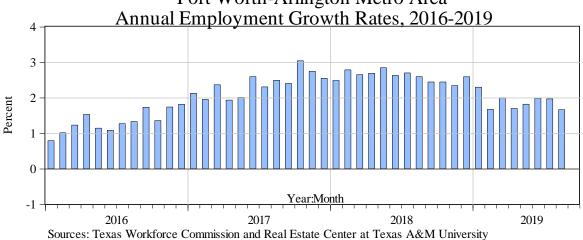




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Fort Worth-Arlington Metro Area



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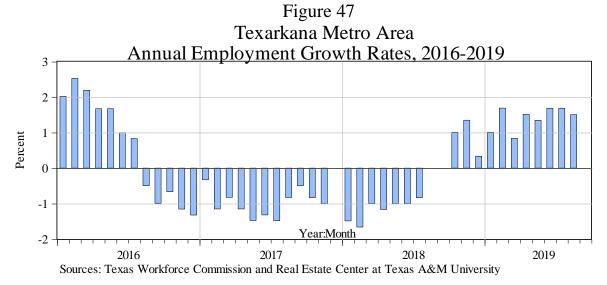


Figure 48
San Angelo Metro Area
Annual Employment Growth Rates, 2016-2019

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Corpus Christi Metro Area
Annual Employment Growth Rates, 2016-2019

Year:Month
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2017
2018
2019

Figure 50
Tyler Metro Area
Annual Employment Growth Rates, 2016-2019

Year:Month

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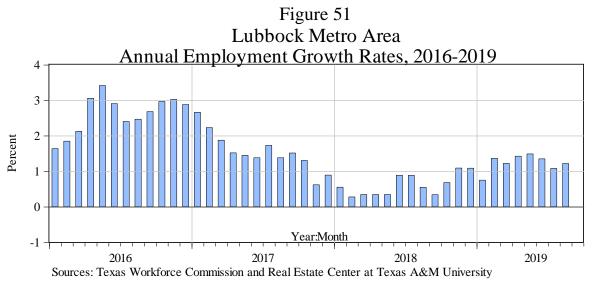




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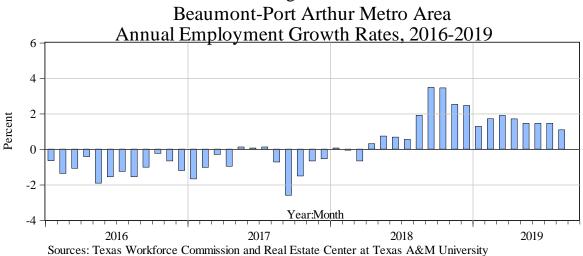


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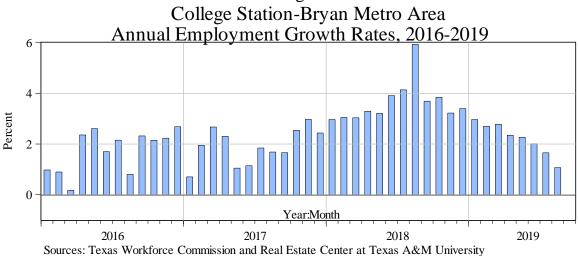


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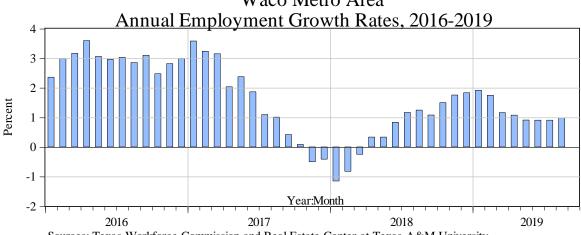


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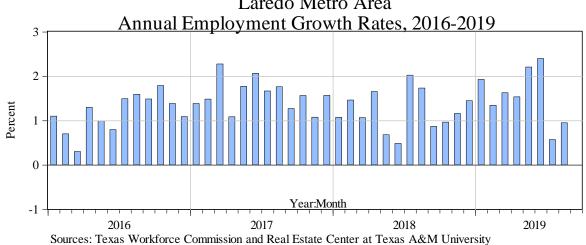


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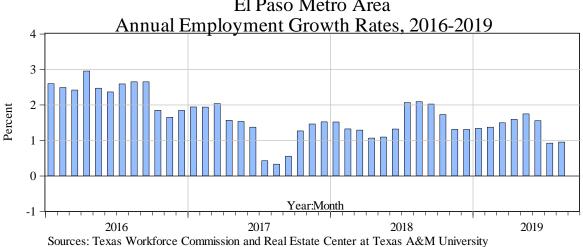




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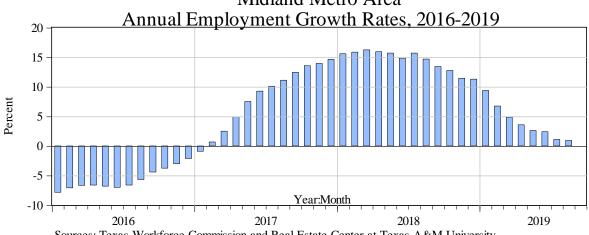


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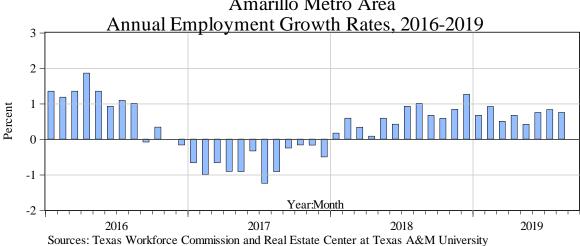


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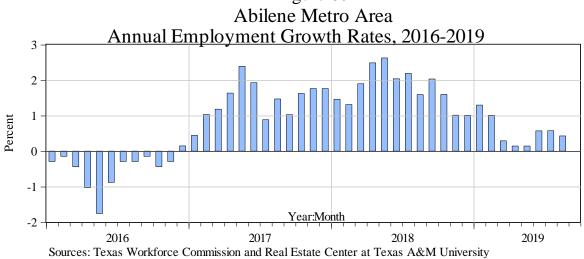
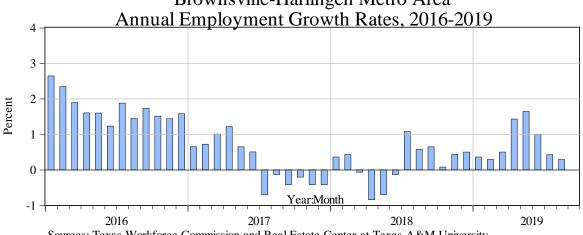




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Figure 62 Longview Metro Area

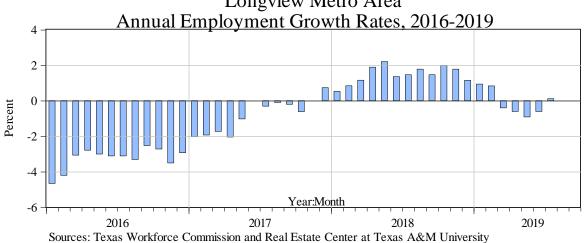


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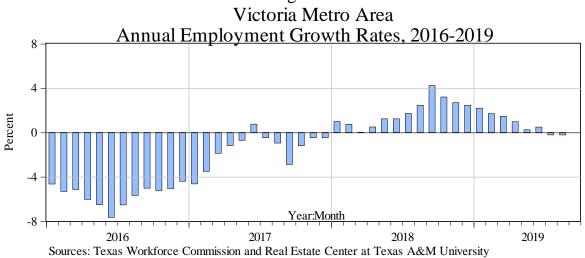




Figure 64 Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land Metro Area



Figure 65 Dallas-Plano-Irving Metro Area

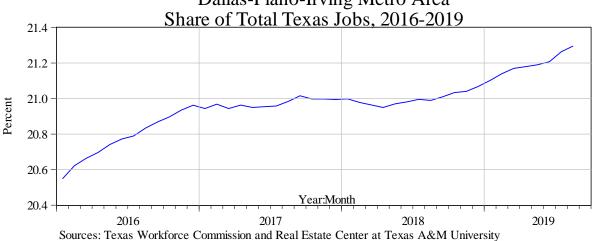


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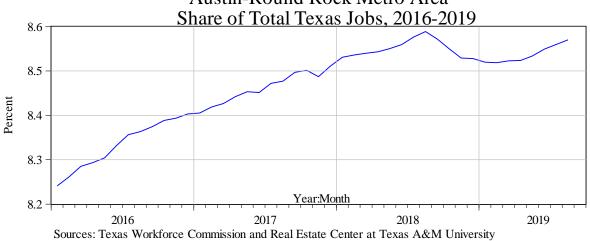




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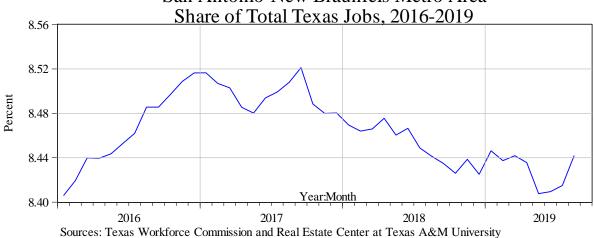


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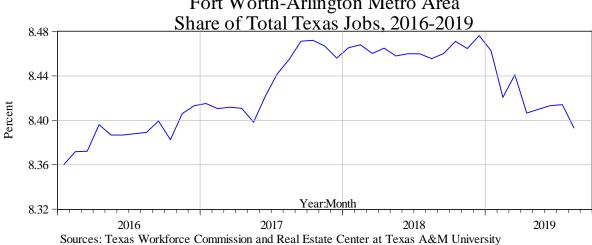


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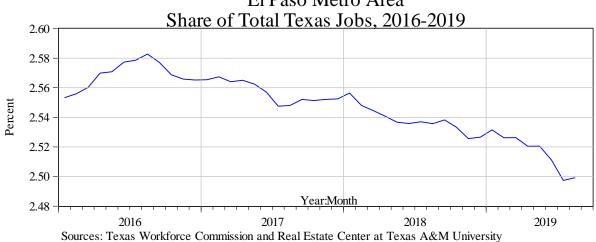




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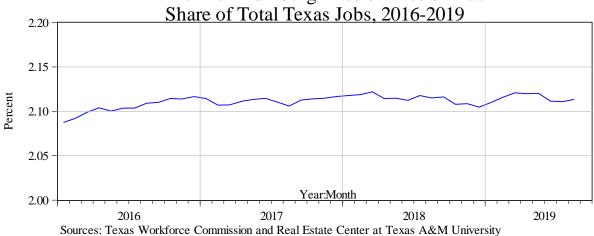


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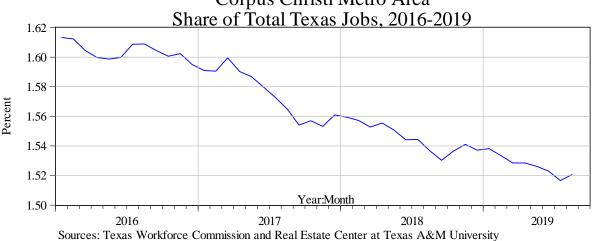


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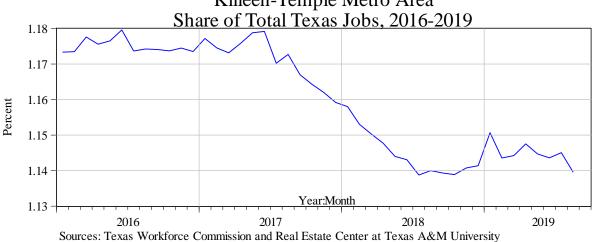


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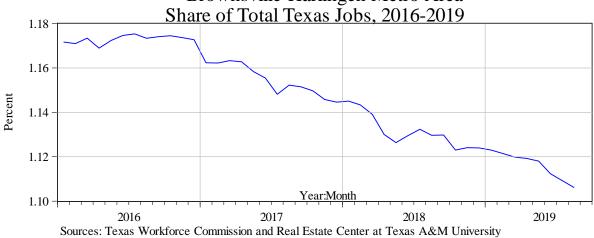




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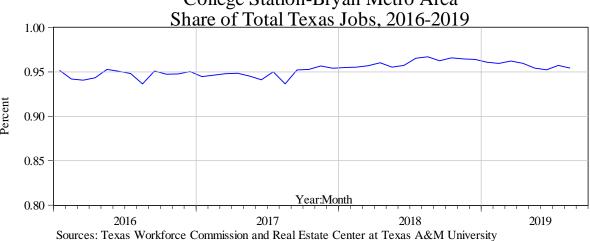


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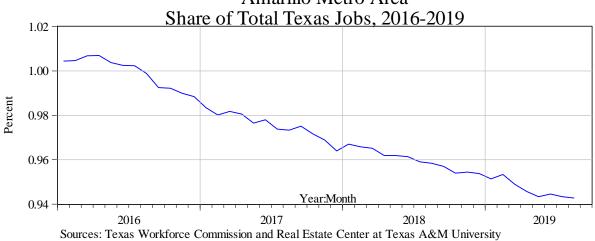




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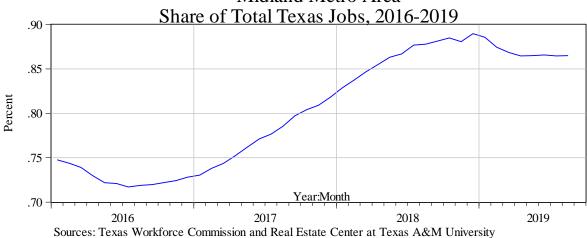


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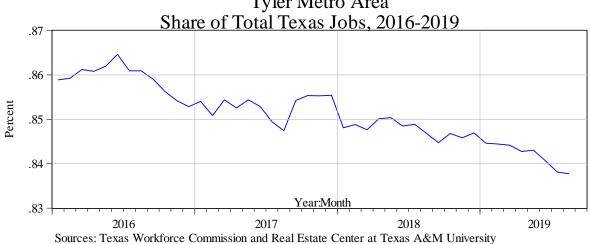
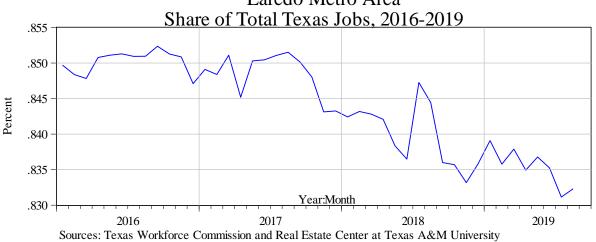


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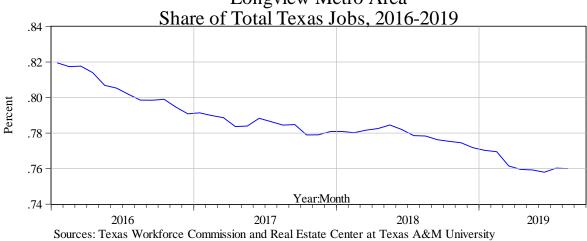


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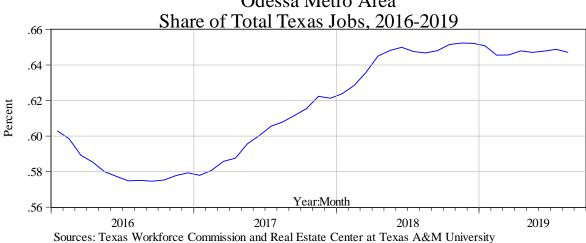


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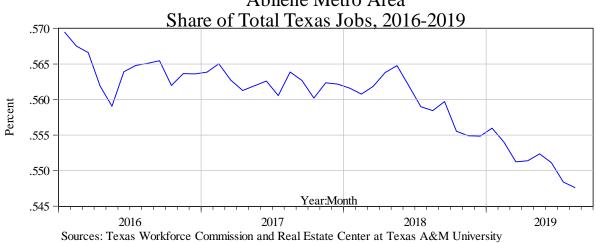




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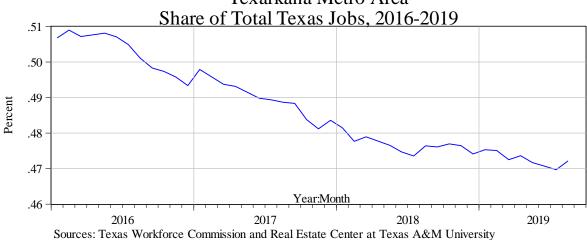


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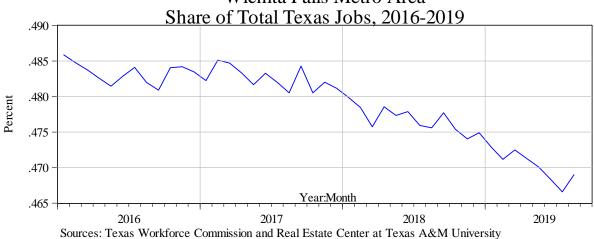


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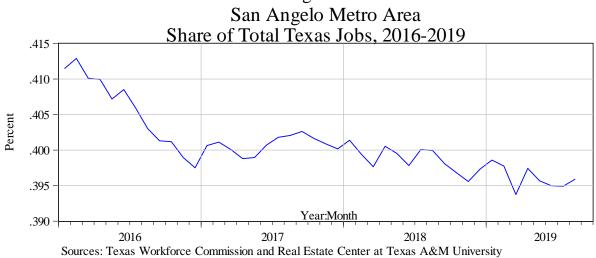




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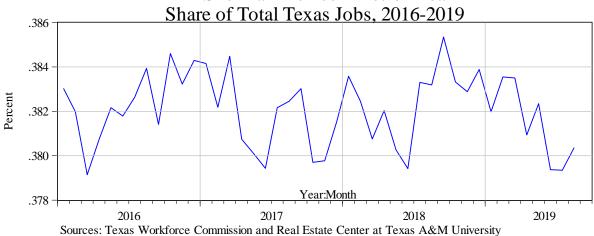


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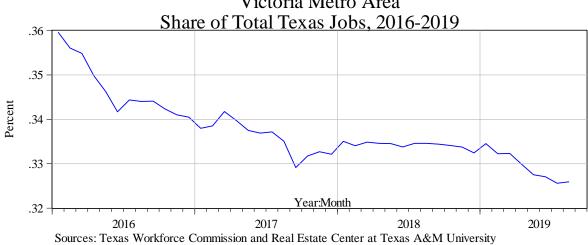


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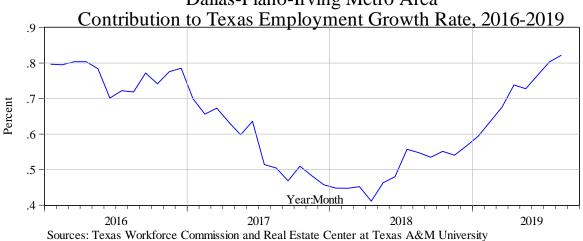




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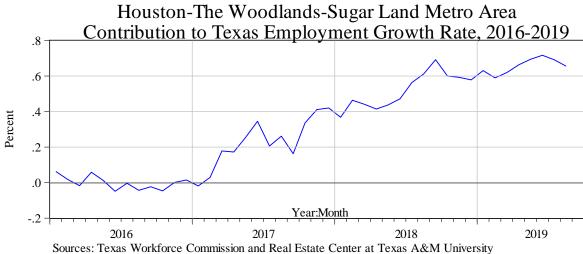


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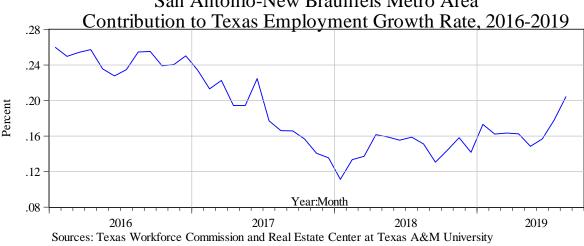


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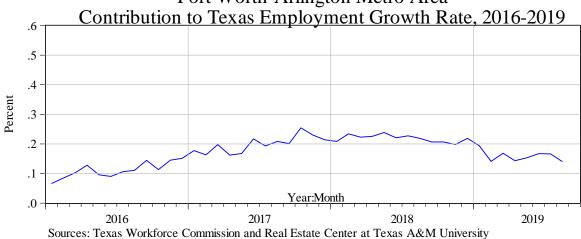


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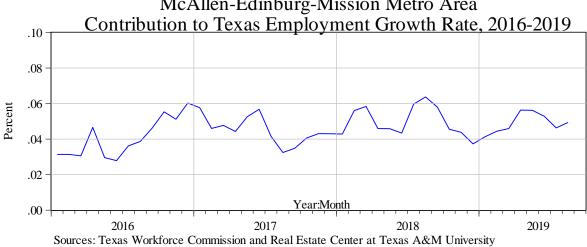


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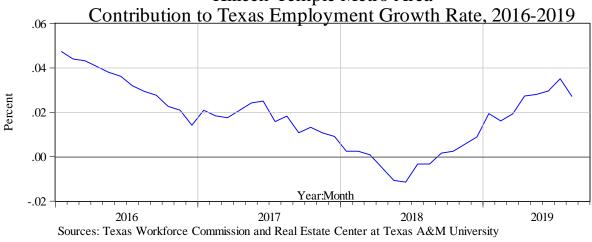




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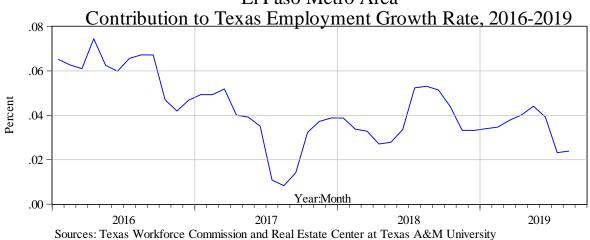


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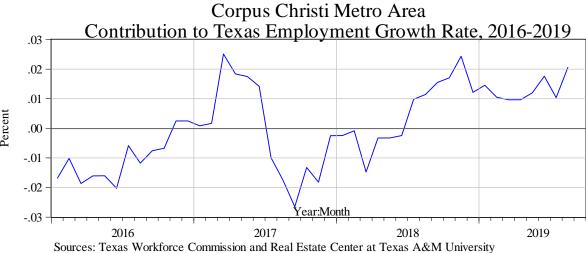


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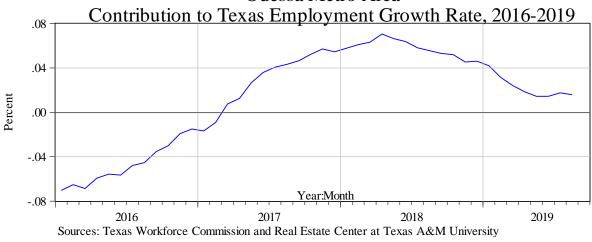
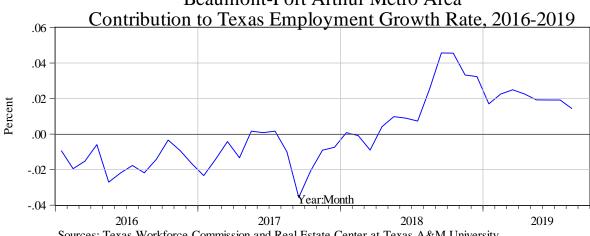




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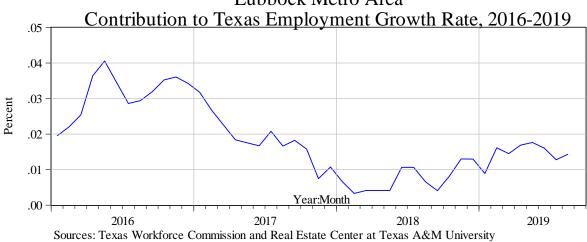


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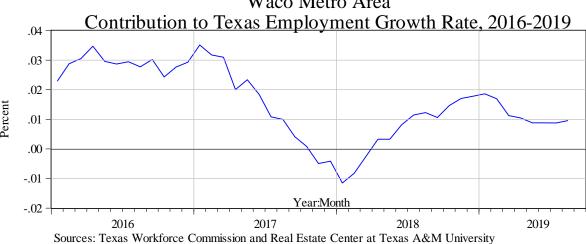


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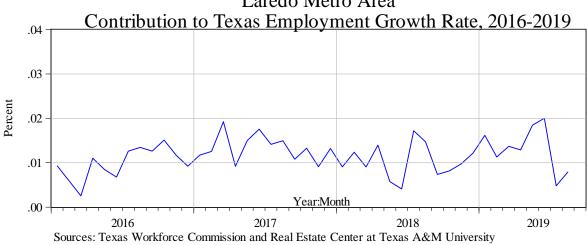




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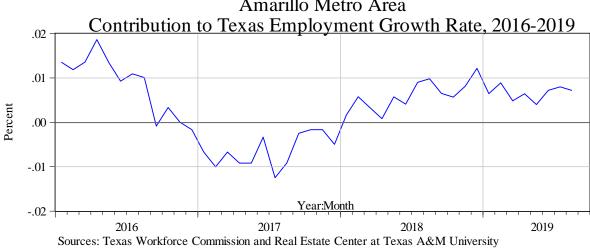


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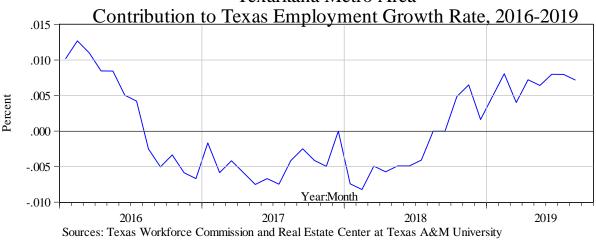




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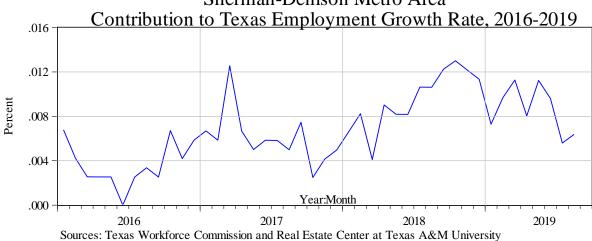


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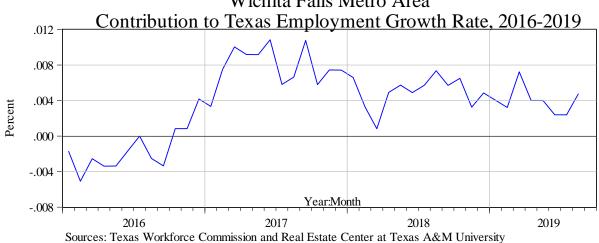
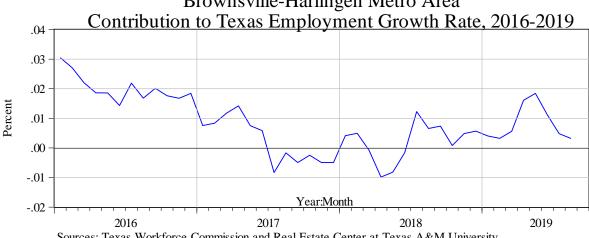




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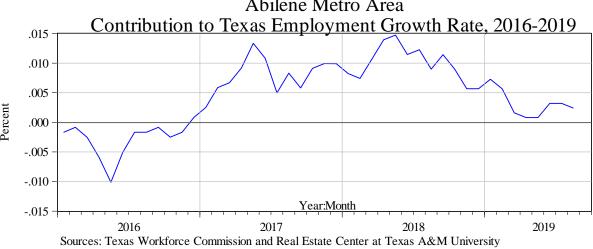
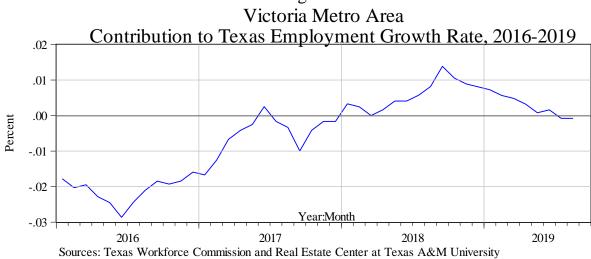


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