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Unemployment Rates at a Glance:

Texas State	4.7%
El Paso MSA	5.1%
Borderplex	5.1%
Brewster County	3.8%
Culberson County	3.3%
El Paso County	5.0%
Hudspeth County	7.4%
Jeff Davis County	3.1%
Presidio County	10.4%
El Paso City	4.9%
Socorro City	5.4%

On June 21, 2017 Workforce Solutions Borderplex, Inc. received a \$125,000 grant to partially fund a year-long initiative to train and place veterans into in-demand occupations in El Paso. The long-term goal is to build a pathway for economic prosperity that will lead to homeownership and other financially sustaining outcomes for participants. Approximately 60 veteran program participants are expected to achieve certification training in information technology and construction. Support services will be provided to prep participants in financial literacy, credit repair and loan application activities as they complete training.



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Message from the Board



Workforce Solutions Borderplex is pleased to present the Labor Market Review for July 2017. This issue examines how the workforce area performed during June 2017.

The information presented in this newsletter was gathered from federal and state sources and pertains to the El Paso MSA, the Workforce Solutions Borderplex region, and the City of El Paso.

Serving on the workforce board has allowed me tremendous insight into how our regional economy operates. Our many federal programs are intended to assist populations who need vital assistance of some sort.

I hope you will find the data useful. The report is one key source when looking out for our veterans and military spouses. The information is key so that my agency can analyze and make decisions so that our veteran friends and family can become successful, post service.

If there is additional information that you would like to see presented here, please send your comments and suggestions to Joyce Wilson, CEO at joyce.wilson@borderplexjobs.com

Sincerely,

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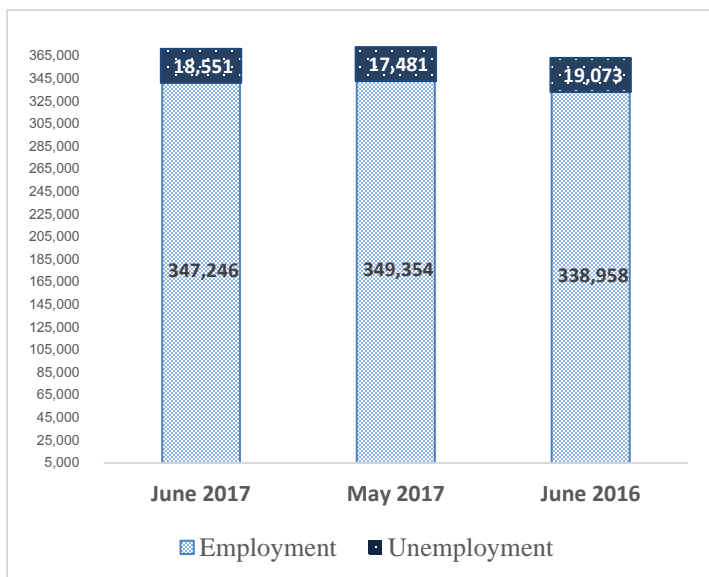
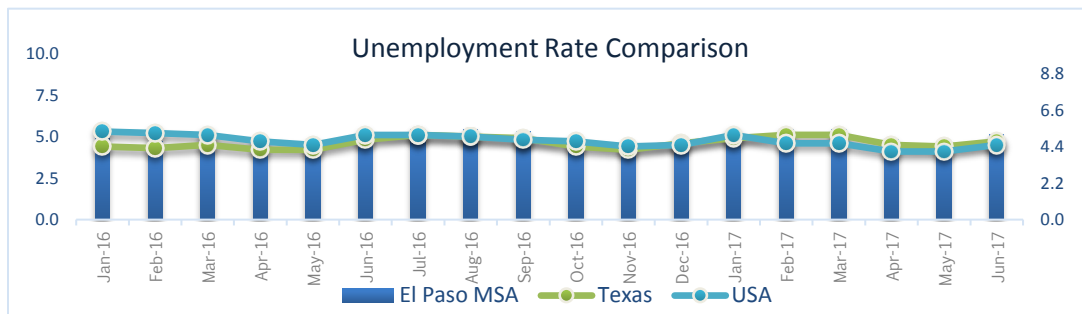
Highlights of the Labor Force

		June 2017				May 2017				June 2016			
		Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
Texas	State	13,464,322	12,833,254	631,068	4.7	13,450,012	12,858,020	591,992	4.4	13,319,665	12,656,717	662,948	5
El Paso	MSA	356,697	338,679	18,018	5.1	357,718	340,739	16,979	4.7	348,755	330,270	18,485	5.3
Borderplex	WDA	365,797	347,246	18,551	5.1	366,835	349,354	17,481	4.8	358,031	338,958	19,073	5.3
Brewster	County	3,910	3,763	147	3.8	3,956	3,813	143	3.6	3,971	3,810	161	4.1
Culberson	County	1,076	1,040	36	3.3	1,056	1,018	38	3.6	1,079	1,036	43	4
El Paso	County	355,374	337,454	17,920	5	356,379	339,490	16,889	4.7	347,433	329,046	18,387	5.3
Hudspeth	County	1,323	1,225	98	7.4	1,339	1,249	90	6.7	1,322	1,224	98	7.4
Jeff Davis	County	1,080	1,046	34	3.1	1,088	1,051	37	3.4	1,108	1,078	30	2.7
Presidio	County	3,034	2,718	316	10.4	3,017	2,733	284	9.4	3,118	2,764	354	11.4
El Paso	City	297,777	283,323	14,454	4.9	298,747	285,033	13,714	4.6	290,899	276,264	14,635	5
Socorro	City	13,807	13,062	745	5.4	13,866	13,141	725	5.2	13,576	12,737	839	6.2

In June 2017, the El Paso Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) unemployment rate was 0.2 points higher than the unemployment rate for the city of El Paso.

The unemployment rate for the city of El Paso in June 2017 was at 4.9% which signified a 0.3% increase from the previous month. In addition, the unemployment rate for the city of El Paso decreased by 0.1% since last year. The unemployment rate for the city of El Paso was higher than the unemployment rate for the state of Texas (4.7%); and higher than the National unemployment rate (4.5%).

The unemployment rate for El Paso County in June 2017 was 5.0%, which was higher than the unemployment rate for the state of Texas (4.7%), and higher than United States (4.5%).



Labor Force for the Borderplex area (Brewster, Culberson, Jeff Davis, Hudspeth, Presidio and El Paso county) in June 2017 was 365,797, which indicates a decrease of 1,038 from the previous month. Over the year, Labor Force increased by 7,766.

The number of employed in the Borderplex area for the month of June 2017 was 347,246, which reflects a decrease of 2,108 from the previous month. Over the year, the number of employed increased by 8,288.

The number of unemployed in the Borderplex area for the month of June 2017 was 18,551, which indicates an increase of 1,070 from the previous month. Over the year, the number of unemployed decreased by 522.

Employment by Sectors for El Paso MSA

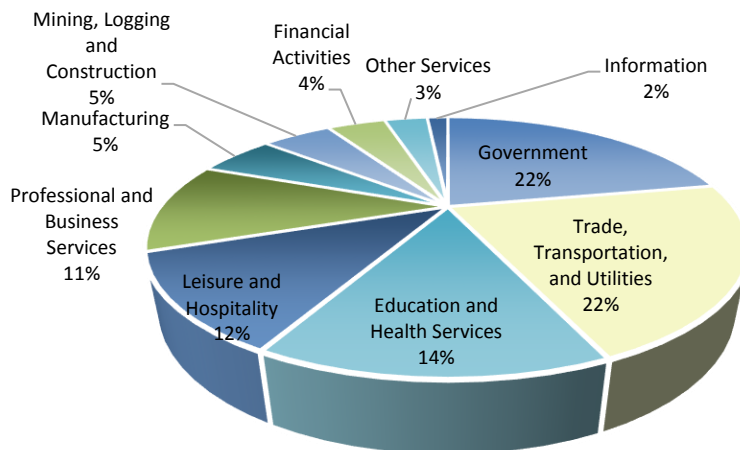
10,500 total jobs added over the past year

Area	NAICS Industry	Jun-17	May-17	Jun-16	Monthly Change	Monthly %	Yearly Change	Yearly %
El Paso	Total Nonfarm	317,800	318,500	307,300	-700	-0.2%	10500	3.4%
El Paso	Total Private	247,800	245,800	238,200	2,000	0.8%	9600	4.0%
El Paso	Goods Producing	32,800	32,300	32,500	500	1.5%	300	0.9%
El Paso	Mining, Logging and Construction	15,800	15,500	15,300	300	1.9%	500	3.3%
El Paso	Manufacturing	17,000	16,800	17,200	200	1.2%	-200	-1.2%
El Paso	Service-Providing	285,000	286,200	274,800	-1,200	-0.4%	10200	3.7%
El Paso	Private Service Providing	215,000	213,500	205,700	1,500	0.7%	9300	4.5%
El Paso	Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	68,200	68,200	66,900	0	0.0%	1300	1.9%
El Paso	Wholesale Trade	11,600	11,500	11,400	100	0.9%	200	1.8%
El Paso	Retail Trade	39,700	39,900	39,300	-200	-0.5%	400	1.0%
El Paso	General Merchandise Stores	11,400	11,400	11,000	0	0.0%	400	3.6%
El Paso	Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	16,900	16,800	16,200	100	0.6%	700	4.3%
El Paso	Information	4,800	4,800	5,000	0	0.0%	-200	-4.0%
El Paso	Financial Activities	13,400	13,300	12,500	100	0.8%	900	7.2%
El Paso	Professional and Business Services	36,200	35,800	32,700	400	1.1%	3500	10.7%
El Paso	Administrative and Support and Waste Management and I	24,800	24,800	23,500	0	0.0%	1300	5.5%
El Paso	Employment Services	6,400	6,400	5,800	0	0.0%	600	10.3%
El Paso	Education and Health Services	45,400	45,500	43,600	-100	-0.2%	1800	4.1%
El Paso	Leisure and Hospitality	37,100	36,200	35,200	900	2.5%	1900	5.4%
El Paso	Other Services	9,900	9,700	9,800	200	2.1%	100	1.0%
El Paso	Government	70,000	72,700	69,100	-2,700	-3.7%	900	1.3%
El Paso	Federal Government	12,900	12,900	12,900	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
El Paso	State Government	10,300	11,300	10,100	-1,000	-8.8%	200	2.0%
El Paso	Local Government	46,800	48,500	46,100	-1,700	-3.5%	700	1.5%

 Super Sectors

Total nonfarm employment for the El Paso MSA in June 2017 was 317,800. This reflected a decrease of -0.2% since the previous month.

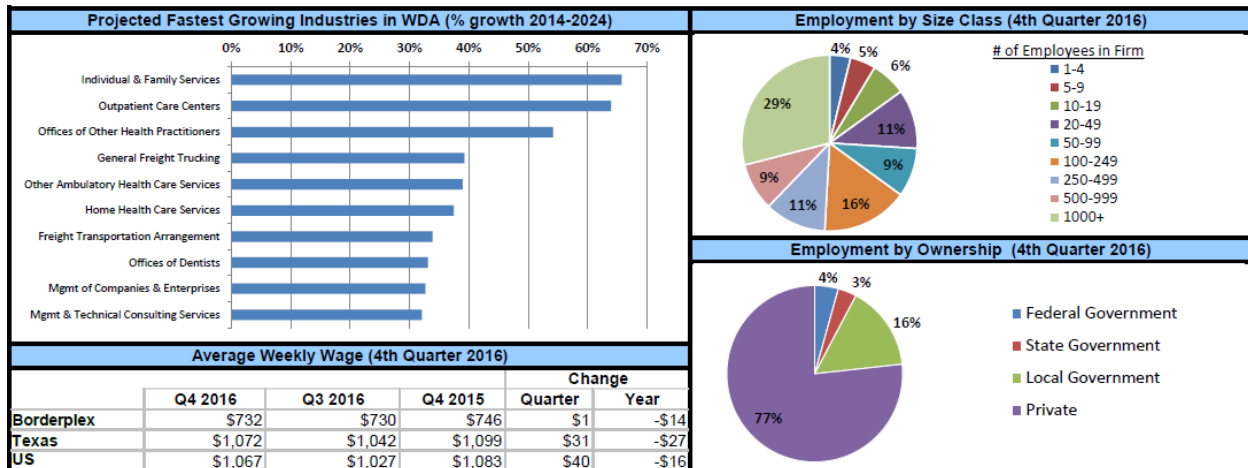
The total nonfarm employment for the El Paso MSA increased by 3.4% from a year ago (June 2016).



The three Super Sectors with the greatest employment for the El Paso MSA in June 2017 were (1) Government; (2) Trade, Transportation, and Utilities; and (3) Education and Health Services. These three Super Sectors represented 58% of the total nonfarm employment.

The three Super Sectors with the least employment for the El Paso MSA in June 2017 were (1) Financial Activities; (2) Other Services and (3) Information. These three Super Sectors represented 9% of the total nonfarm employment.

Fastest Growing Industries, Employment by Size Class and Average Weekly Wages for the Borderplex Area



Sources:

Texas Labor Market Review, Texas Workforce Commission, July 2017
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