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LABOR MARKET REVIEW

WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS BORDERPLEX

We are pleased to present the Labor Market Review that examines how the workforce area performed during October 2019.

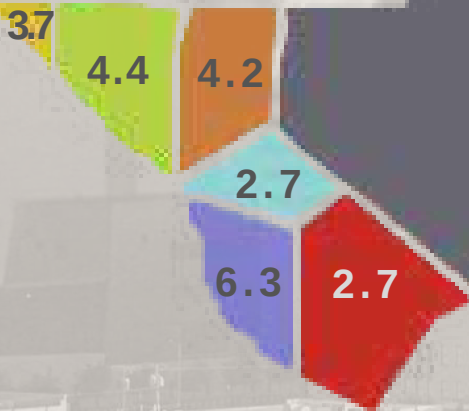
The information presented in this newsletter was gathered from federal and state sources and pertains to the El Paso MSA, the Workforce Solutions Borderplex region, and the City of El Paso.

We look forward to performing to your highest standards in communicating pertinent information regarding the workforce as it relates to our objectives at WSB.

If there is additional information that you would like to see presented here, please send your comments and suggestions to bianca.cervantes@borderplexjobs.com.

3.7%
EL PASO MSA
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

TEXAS
3.3%



BORDERPLEX COUNTIES

Brewster
Culberson
El Paso
Hudspeth
Jeff Davis
Presidio

El Paso City, 3.5
Socorro City, 3.8

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE LABOR FORCE

In October 2019, 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 October 2019 was at 3.5% which signified a 0.1% decrease from the previous month. In addition, the unemployment rate for the city of El Paso decreased by 0.4% since last year. The unemployment rate for the city of El Paso was higher than the unemployment rate for the state of Texas (3.3%); and higher than the National unemployment rate (3.3%).

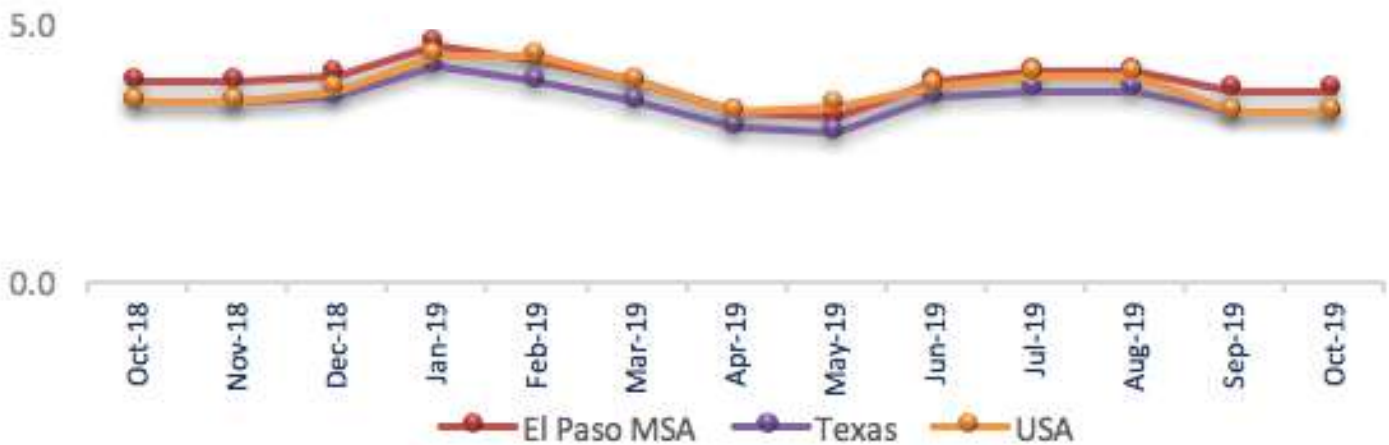
The unemployment rate for El Paso County in October 2019 was 3.7%, which was higher than the unemployment rate for the state of Texas (3.3%), and higher than United States (3.3%).

Highlights of the Labor Force (continued)

		October 2019				September 2019				October 2018			
		Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
Texas	State	14,189,091	13,721,100	467,991	3.3	14,113,138	13,641,611	471,527	3.3	13,901,088	13,411,884	489,204	3.5
El Paso	MSA	366,308	352,762	13,546	3.7	363,918	350,389	13,529	3.7	362,407	348,095	14,312	3.9
Borderplex	WDA	375,831	361,896	13,935	3.7	373,374	359,443	13,931	3.7	371,539	356,863	14,676	4
Brewster	County	4,198	4,084	114	2.7	4,160	4,039	121	2.9	4,041	3,916	125	3.1
Culberson	County	1,019	976	43	4.2	1,028	985	43	4.2	970	942	28	2.9
El Paso	County	364,590	351,120	13,470	3.7	362,222	348,779	13,443	3.7	360,743	346,504	14,239	3.9
Hudspeth	County	1,718	1,642	76	4.4	1,696	1,610	86	5.1	1,664	1,591	73	4.4
Jeff Davis	County	1,064	1,035	29	2.7	1,109	1,079	30	2.7	1,071	1,041	30	2.8
Presidio	County	3,242	3,039	203	6.3	3,159	2,951	208	6.6	3,050	2,869	181	5.9
El Paso	City	304,943	294,164	10,779	3.5	303,052	292,202	10,850	3.6	301,932	290,296	11,636	3.9
Socorro	City	14,398	13,850	548	3.8	14,277	13,758	519	3.6	14,238	13,668	570	4

Unemployment Rate “Not seasonally adjusted”

Unemployment Rate Comparison

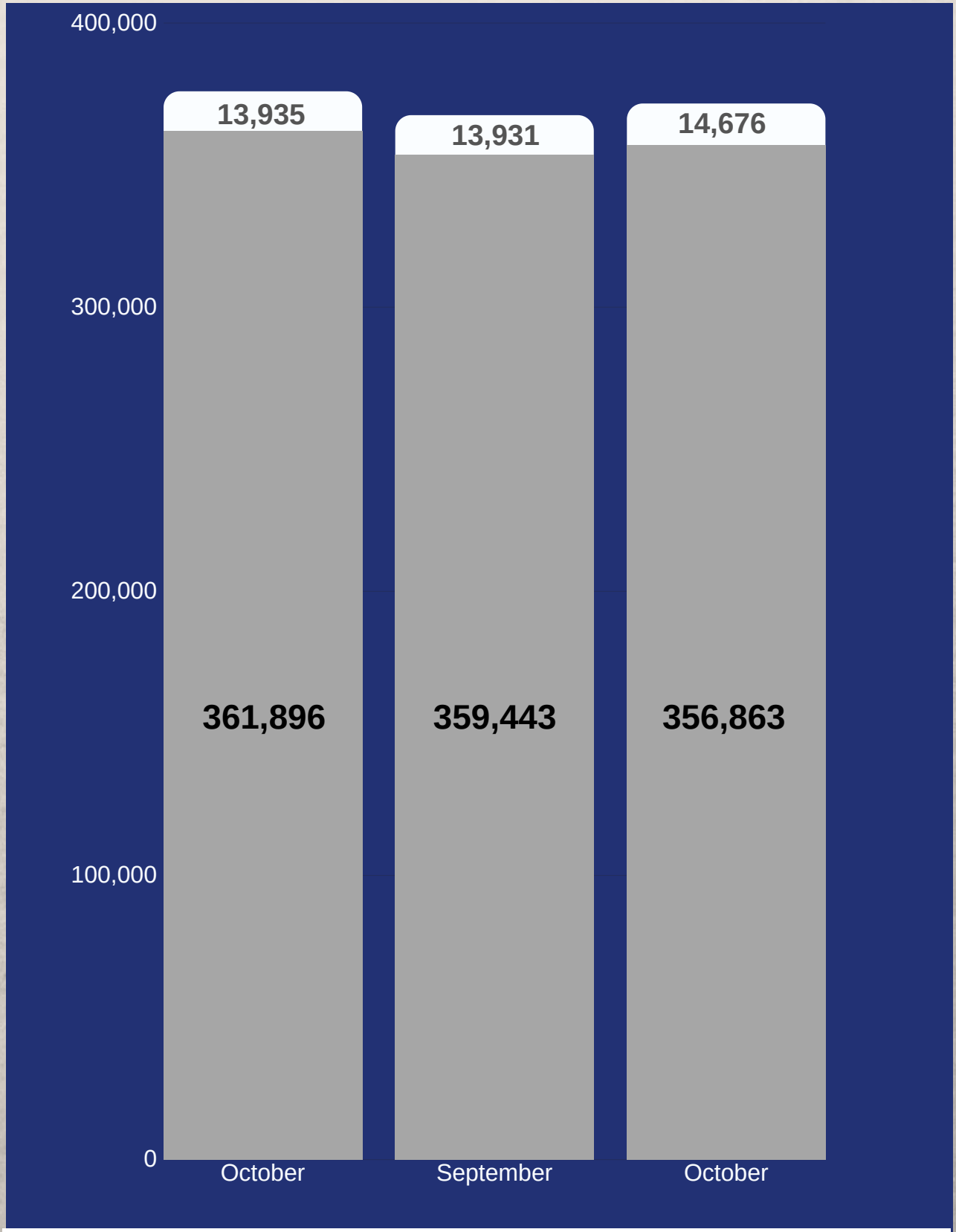


Labor Force for the Borderplex area (Brewster, Culberson, Jeff Davis, Hudspeth, Presidio and El Paso county) in October 2019 was 375,831, which indicates an increase of 2,457 from the previous month. Over the year, Labor Force increased by 4,292.

The number of employed in the Borderplex area for the month of October 2019 was 361,896, which reflects an increase of 2,453 from the previous month. Over the year, the number of employed increased by 5,033.

The number of unemployed in the Borderplex area for the month of October 2019 was 13,935, which indicates a decrease of 4 from the previous month. Over the year, the number of unemployed decreased by 741.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE COMPARISON



Employment



Unemployment

EMPLOYMENT BY SECTORS FOR EL PASO MSA

2,700 JOBS ADDED IN OCTOBER; 4,300 TOTAL JOBS ADDED OVER THE PAST YEAR

Area	Industry	Oct-19	Sep-19	Monthly		Yearly		
				Oct-18	Change	Monthly %	Change	Yearly %
El Paso	Total Nonfarm	324,700	322,000	320,400	2,700	0.8%	4300	1.3%
El Paso	Total Private	250,400	248,900	247,100	1,500	0.6%	3300	1.3%
El Paso	Goods Producing	33,800	34,000	32,800	-200	-0.6%	1000	3.0%
El Paso	Mining, Logging and Construction	17,400	17,500	16,300	-100	-0.6%	1100	6.7%
El Paso	Manufacturing	16,400	16,500	16,500	-100	-0.6%	-100	-0.6%
El Paso	Service-Providing	290,900	288,000	287,600	2,900	1.0%	3300	1.1%
El Paso	Private Service Providing	216,600	214,900	214,300	1,700	0.8%	2300	1.1%
El Paso	Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	68,600	68,100	69,100	500	0.7%	-500	-0.7%
El Paso	Wholesale Trade	12,500	12,400	12,200	100	0.8%	300	2.5%
El Paso	Retail Trade	39,000	38,700	40,200	300	0.8%	-1200	-3.0%
El Paso	General Merchandise Stores	9,900	9,800	10,200	100	1.0%	-300	-2.9%
El Paso	Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	17,100	17,000	16,700	100	0.6%	400	2.4%
El Paso	Information	4,500	4,500	4,500	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
El Paso	Financial Activities	13,100	13,100	12,700	0	0.0%	400	3.1%
El Paso	Professional and Business Services	35,900	34,700	36,000	1,200	3.5%	-100	-0.3%
El Paso	Administrative and Support and Waste Management and I	26,100	25,200	26,100	900	3.6%	0	0.0%
El Paso	Employment Services	5,600	5,600	6,100	0	0.0%	-500	-8.2%
El Paso	Education and Health Services	48,200	47,900	46,900	300	0.6%	1300	2.8%
El Paso	Leisure and Hospitality	37,100	37,400	36,100	-300	-0.8%	1000	2.8%
El Paso	Other Services	9,200	9,200	9,000	0	0.0%	200	2.2%
El Paso	Government	74,300	73,100	73,300	1,200	1.6%	1000	1.4%
El Paso	Federal Government	13,300	13,200	13,000	100	0.8%	300	2.3%
El Paso	State Government	12,100	11,700	11,900	400	3.4%	200	1.7%
El Paso	Local Government	48,900	48,200	48,400	700	1.5%	500	1.0%

SUPER SECTORS ARE HIGHLIGHTED

Total nonfarm employment for the El Paso MSA in October 2019 was 324,700. This reflected an increase of 0.8% since the previous month. The total nonfarm employment for the El Paso MSA increased by 1.3% from a year ago (October 2018).

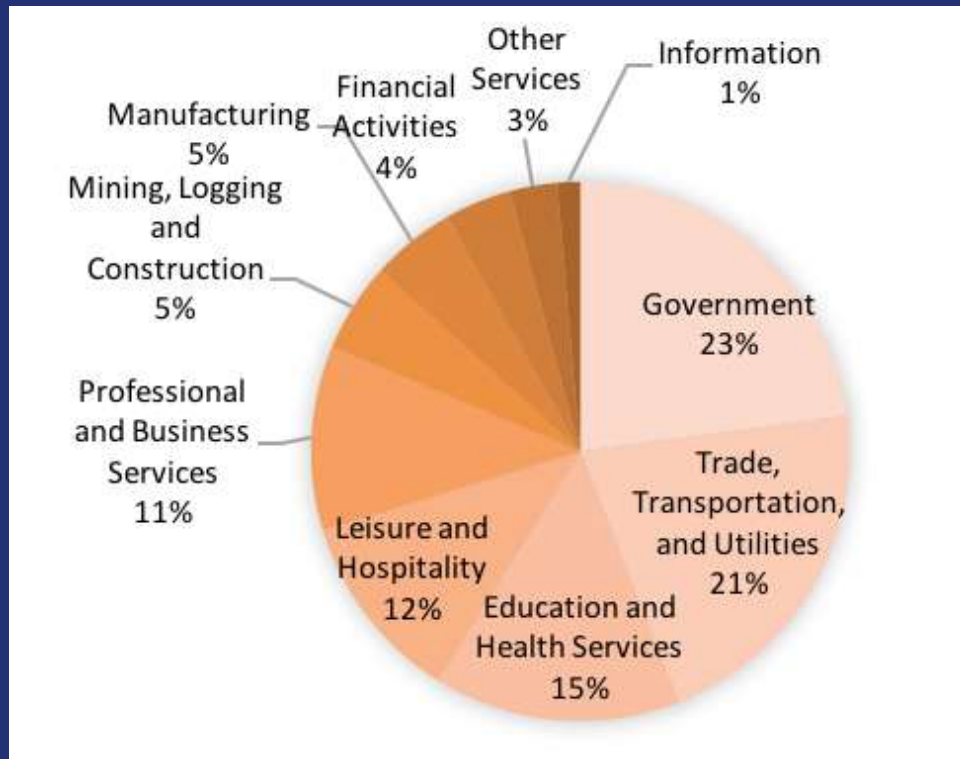


4,300
JOBS ADDED
 IN EL PASO MSA
 OVER PAST YEAR

The three Super Sectors with the most growth over the past year :

1. Mining, Logging & Construction (1,100 jobs added)
2. Financial Activities (400 jobs added)
3. Education & Health Services (1,300 jobs added)

EMPLOYMENT BY SECTORS FOR EL PASO MSA (CONT.)



The three Super Sectors with the greatest employment for the El Paso MSA in October 2019 were

1. Government
2. Trade, Transportation, and Utilities
3. Education & Health Services.

These three Super Sectors represented 59% of the total non-farm employment.

The three Super Sectors with the least employment for the El Paso MSA in October 2019 were

1. Financial Activities
2. Other Services
3. Information

These three Super Sectors represented 8% of the total nonfarm employment

FASTEST-GROWING INDUSTRIES, EMPLOYMENT BY SIZE CLASS AND OWNERSHIP

AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES FOR THE BORDERPLEX AREA



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