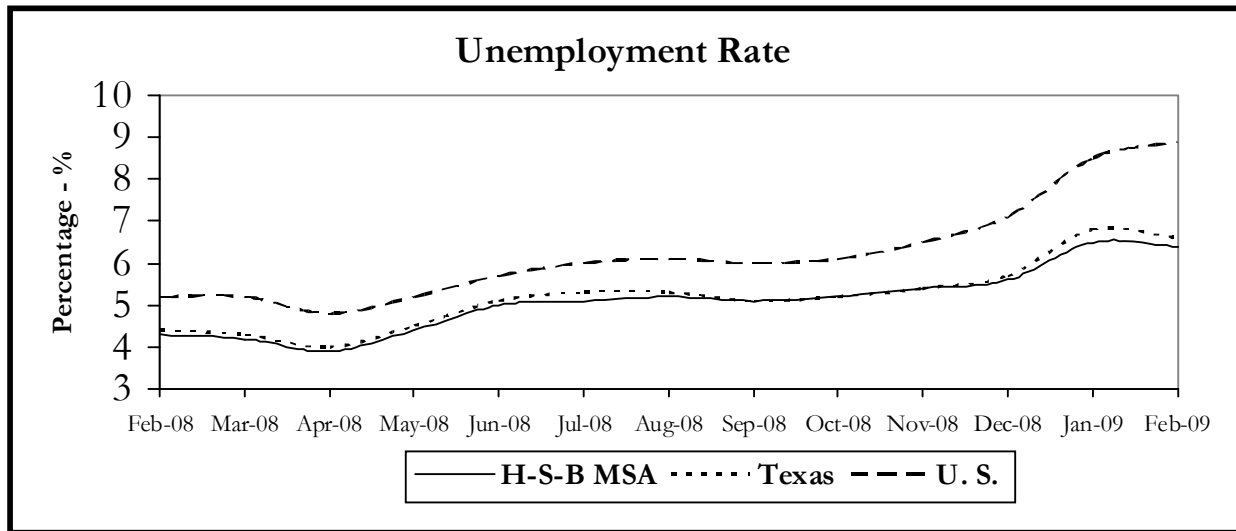


February 2009 Data

The unemployment rate in the Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown Metropolitan Statistical Area (H-S-B MSA) dropped slightly to 6.4 percent in February. The number of unemployed in the H-S-B MSA has grown by over 60,000 since February 2008. Despite a rate that is considerably higher than 4.3 percent one year earlier, it remains lower than the state's 6.6 percent rate and the nation's 8.9 percent rate. The H-S-B MSA continues to feel the effects of the recent economic downturn suffering a loss in February for the first time since the current time series began in 2000, down 2,300 jobs or -0.1 percent. The loss of jobs was enough to cause the MSA to report an over-the-year decline of 6,300 jobs, down -0.2 percent. This was the first over-the-year loss for the H-S-B MSA since February 2004. Over-the-year job growth has been declining ever since it peaked in June 2007 when the MSA was up 111,700 jobs or 4.6 percent. For more detailed job growth information see the Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown Industry Comments report located at www.wrksolutions.com.

	FEB 2009	JAN 2009	FEB 2008
Civilian Labor Force	2,794,979	2,804,066	2,737,582
Total Employment	2,614,958	2,621,276	2,619,853
Unemployed	180,021	182,790	117,729
Unemployment Rate	6.4%	6.5%	4.3%
Comparative Actual Rates			
Texas	6.6%	6.8%	4.4%
U.S.	8.9%	8.5%	5.2%



The Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown MSA includes the following counties: Austin, Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Liberty, Montgomery, San Jacinto and Waller. Estimates reflect actual (not seasonal adjusted) data. Civilian Labor Force includes wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family, domestics in private households, agricultural workers, workers involved in labor disputes and the unemployed, all by place of residence. Source: Texas Workforce Commission in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. All Data Subject To Revision.

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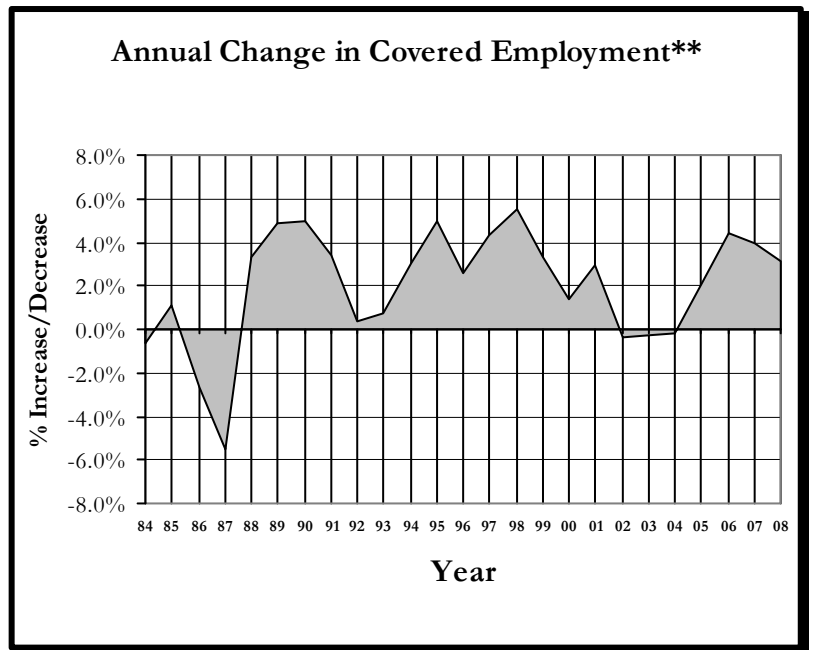
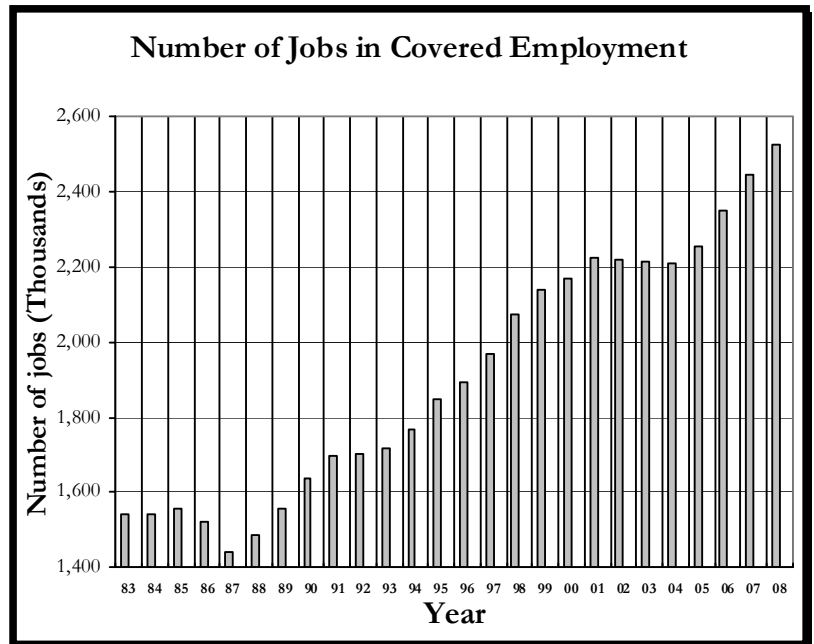
NON-AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

Industrial Sector	Number of Jobs					Annual Chg		Avg
	FEB 2009	JAN 2009	FEB 2008	Monthly Chg Actual	%	Actual	%	Wkly Wage*
Total Employment	2,574,500	2,576,800	2,580,800	-2,300	-0.1%	-6,300	-0.2%	\$1,111
Mining and Logging	93,000	93,000	87,000	0	0.0%	6,000	6.9%	\$3,462
Construction	200,400	199,500	204,500	900	0.5%	-4,100	-2.0%	\$1,101
Manufacturing	240,600	241,200	238,000	-600	-0.2%	2,600	1.1%	\$1,531
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	518,300	523,000	525,500	-4,700	-0.9%	-7,200	-1.4%	\$994
Information	35,600	35,500	36,800	100	0.3%	-1,200	-3.3%	\$1,330
Financial Activities	141,600	141,300	144,500	300	0.2%	-2,900	-2.0%	\$1,594
Professional & Business Services	367,500	378,300	379,400	-10,800	-2.9%	-11,900	-3.1%	\$1,255
Education & Health Services	291,400	288,200	281,700	3,200	1.1%	9,700	3.4%	\$814
Leisure & Hospitality	227,300	222,400	227,100	4,900	2.2%	200	0.1%	\$362
Other Services	90,500	89,700	90,700	800	0.9%	-200	-0.2%	\$608
Government	368,300	364,700	365,600	3,600	1.0%	2,700	0.7%	\$851
Federal Government	29,300	29,500	28,800	-200	-0.7%	500	1.7%	\$1,344
State Government	71,000	70,600	70,900	400	0.6%	100	0.1%	\$987
Local Government	268,000	264,600	265,900	3,400	1.3%	2,100	0.8%	\$751

*Wages compiled from 1st quarter 2008 contribution and wage reports submitted to the Texas Workforce Commission by employers subject to the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act. Data source: the Texas Workforce Commission, Labor Market and Career Information Department in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor

H-S-B MSA 1983-2008 Covered Employment**

YEAR	JOBS	+/(-)	% +/-
83	1,543,942		
84	1,543,149	(793)	-0.1%
85	1,558,567	15,418	1.0%
86	1,520,335	(38,232)	-2.5%
87	1,442,092	(78,243)	-5.1%
88	1,484,857	42,765	3.0%
89	1,559,345	74,488	5.0%
90	1,639,774	80,429	5.2%
91	1,697,524	57,750	3.5%
92	1,703,986	6,462	0.4%
93	1,715,577	11,591	0.7%
94	1,765,565	49,988	2.9%
95	1,848,950	83,385	4.7%
96	1,894,137	45,187	2.4%
97	1,969,700	75,563	4.0%
98	2,072,673	102,973	5.2%
99	2,138,591	65,918	3.2%
00	2,168,217	29,626	1.4%
01	2,222,119	53,902	2.5%
02	2,217,849	(4,270)	-0.2%
03	2,212,206	(5,643)	-0.3%
04	2,208,703	(3,503)	-0.2%
05	2,252,685	43,982	2.0%
06	2,352,291	99,606	4.4%
07	2,446,228	93,937	4.0%
08	2,523,139	76,911	3.1%



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Gulf Coast** 2007 Wages Released July 2008, next update August 2009*

Std. Occ. Code	Occupation	Average Wage	Employment
13-2011	Accountants & Auditors	30.64	24,530
49-3023	Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics	17.91	11,430
43-3031	Bookkeepers, Acctg and Auditing Clerks	15.76	32,360
49-3031	Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists	17.16	5,090
53-3022	Bus Drivers, School	10.27	8,970
47-2031	Carpenters	15.30	10,870
41-2011	Cashiers	8.18	59,400
17-2051	Civil Engineer	44.14	11,080
15-1051	Computer Systems Analyst	36.54	10,830
47-2061	Construction Laborers	10.38	37,310
35-2012	Cooks, Institution and Cafeteria	10.07	4,670
35-2014	Cooks, Restaurant	9.17	17,110
43-4051	Customer Service Representatives	14.37	49,940
43-9021	Data Entry Keyers	12.02	4,690
47-2111	Electricians	19.89	14,910
43-6011	Executive Secretaries and Administrative Assistants	19.59	41,370
47-1011	First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Construction Trades and Extraction Workers	26.14	15,020
43-1011	First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Office and Administrative Support Workers	23.49	29,610
41-1011	First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Retail Sales Workers	19.59	21,760
35-2021	Food Preparation Workers	8.20	5,820
11-9051	Food Service Managers	26.66	3,020
11-1021	General and Operations Managers	53.65	4,188
49-9041	Industrial Machinery Mechanics	21.37	8,200
53-7051	Industrial Truck and Tractor Operator	12.65	11,160
37-2011	Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	8.74	41,690
53-7062	Laborers and Freight Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	10.13	42,620
29-2061	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses	18.97	12,070
11-9081	Lodging Managers	31.29	460
51-4041	Machinists	16.16	14,410
49-9042	Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	14.18	24,300
11-2021	Marketing Managers	57.14	2,810
31-1012	Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants	10.75	18,790
43-9061	Office Clerks, General	11.37	43,890
29-1051	Pharmacists	48.25	5,100
47-2152	Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters	20.75	9,540
33-3051	Police and Sherriff's Patrol Officers	23.93	13,370
13-1023	Purchasing Agents, Except Wholesale, Retail, and Farm Products	26.65	5,960
43-4171	Receptionists and Information Clerks	11.23	21,180
29-1111	Registered Nurses	30.59	41,380
41-2031	Retail Salespersons	11.47	79,280
41-4011	Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Technical and Scientific Products	39.03	5,920
43-6014	Secretaries, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	13.13	4,644
33-9032	Security Guards	11.29	21,050
43-5071	Shipping, Receiving, and Traffic Clerks	13.03	14,470
43-5081	Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	10.59	32,440
53-3032	Truck Drivers, Heavy an Tractor-Trailer	16.66	31,370
53-3033	Truck Drivers, Light or Delivery Services	13.00	14,980
51-4121	Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	17.29	17,370

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