

1 December 2022 Seasonally Adjusted Labor Market Data Audio Text

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4 Hello, my name is Mariana Vega, the director for Labor Market Information at the Texas Workforce  
5 Commission, and I'm going to highlight some of the information in the December 2022 labor market  
6 report.

7 The Texas seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell for the first time in three months to 3.9 percent  
8 after having stood at 4.0 percent since September 2022. The civilian labor force increased by 19,600  
9 persons to reach a series-high 14,613,700 people.

10 The job count moved up by 29,500 jobs as Texas recorded a 14th consecutive employment high at  
11 13,705,500 positions. Since January, Total Nonfarm employment grew by 599,200 jobs. This was slightly  
12 behind the pace set the previous year, but the 2022 tally marked the second most jobs added over this  
13 time frame in series history.

14 Education and Health Services had a strong monthly increase with 12,700 positions and led all major  
15 industries. Financial Activities followed with a gain of 6,300 jobs while the Manufacturing employment  
16 moved up by 5,500 positions to reach the highest job level in that industry since July 2007.

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18 can find the current labor market report, research industry trends, and review customized regional  
19 reports to develop your strategic business plan and use industry-based analysis tools to help your  
20 business grow.

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23 succeed, use the key words – Texas Labor Market at [TWC.Texas.gov](https://TWC.Texas.gov).