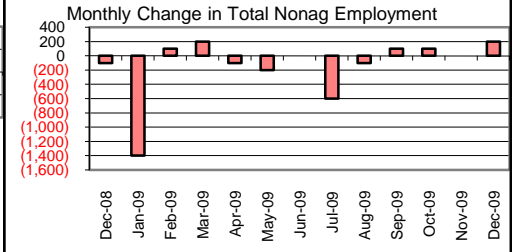
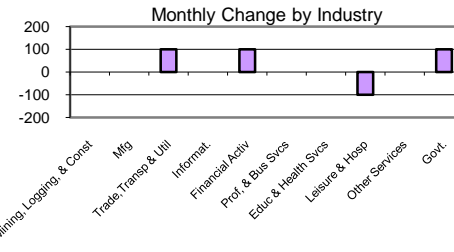
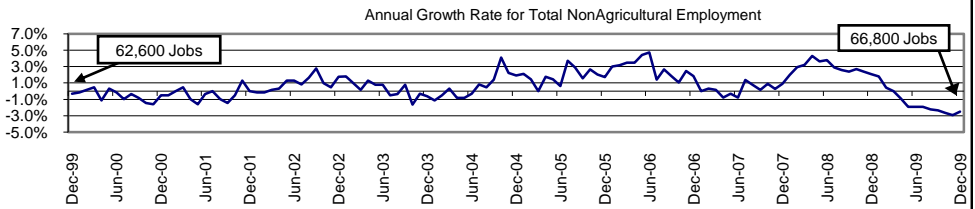
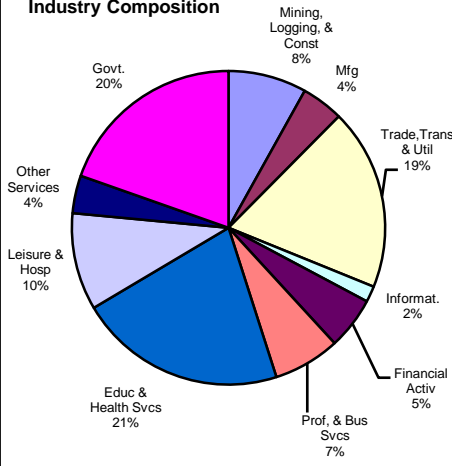


Industry Composition



Employment by Industry

	Employment			Monthly Change		Annual Change	
	Dec-2009	Nov-2009	Dec-2008	Actual	%	Actual	%
Total Nonagricultural	66,800	66,600	68,500	200	0.3%	-1,700	-2.5%
Mining, Logging, & Const	5,400	5,400	6,000	0	0.0%	-600	-10.0%
Manufacturing	2,900	2,900	3,300	0	0.0%	-400	-12.1%
Trade, Transp., & Utilities	12,500	12,400	13,300	100	0.8%	-800	-6.0%
Information	1,100	1,100	1,200	0	0.0%	-100	-8.3%
Financial Activities	3,600	3,500	3,600	100	2.9%	0	0.0%
Profes., & Business Svcs	4,600	4,600	4,800	0	0.0%	-200	-4.2%
Education & Health Svcs	14,300	14,300	14,100	0	0.0%	200	1.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	6,700	6,800	6,900	-100	-1.5%	-200	-2.9%
Other Services	2,600	2,600	2,600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Government	13,100	13,000	12,700	100	0.8%	400	3.2%

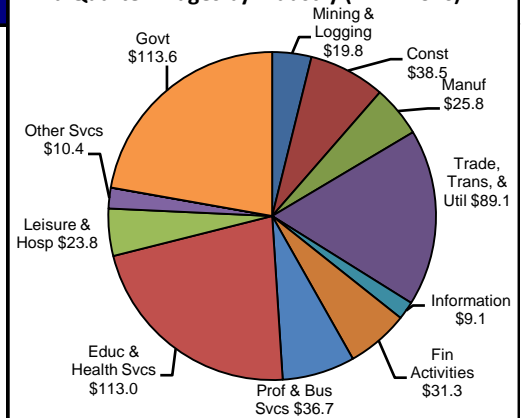
Size Class of Industries as of June 2009

Size Class	Employees Per Firm	Number of Firms	Employment in Size Class	% of Total Employment
9	1000+	7	11119	17.5%
8	500-999	5	3420	5.4%
7	250-499	18	5909	9.3%
6	100-249	79	11170	17.6%
5	50-99	111	7831	12.3%
4	20-49	344	10613	16.7%
3	10-19	441	6022	9.5%
2	5-9	593	3912	6.2%
1	1-4	1583	3439	5.4%
0	0	237	0	0.0%
TOTAL		3418	63435	100.0%

Comments for December 2009

Total Nonagricultural Employment in the Abilene MSA gained 200 jobs in December. Since December 2008, the MSA lost 1,700 jobs or -2.5 percent. The employment gain was primarily due by Retail Trade and Government, with increases of 100 jobs each. For the second consecutive month, Retail Trade gained 100 positions in connection with the holiday shopping season. Federal Government increased by 100 jobs following four months of no over-the-month change. Financial Activities had a small increase for the month. Leisure and Hospitality employment lost 100 positions for December following an increase in November.

2nd Quarter Wages by Industry (in millions)



Unemployment Information (all estimates are in thousands)

	Abilene MSA				Texas (Actual)				United States (Actual)			
	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	% Rate	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	% Rate	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	% Rate
Dec-2009	83.4	78.4	5.0	6.0	12,078.7	11,115.7	963.0	8.0	152,693.0	137,953.0	14,740.0	9.7
Nov-2009	83.8	78.8	5.0	5.9	12,101.2	11,148.9	952.3	7.9	153,539.0	139,132.0	14,407.0	9.4
Dec-2008	82.3	78.9	3.4	4.2	11,788.6	11,120.8	667.9	5.7	154,349.0	143,350.0	10,999.0	7.1