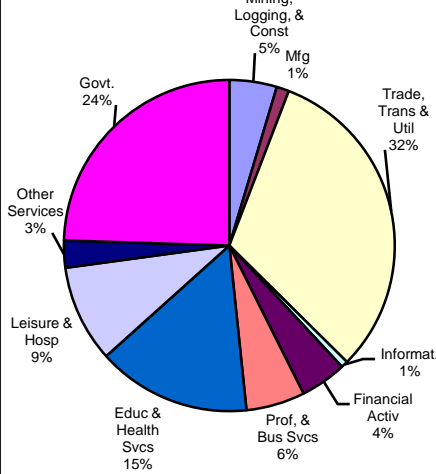
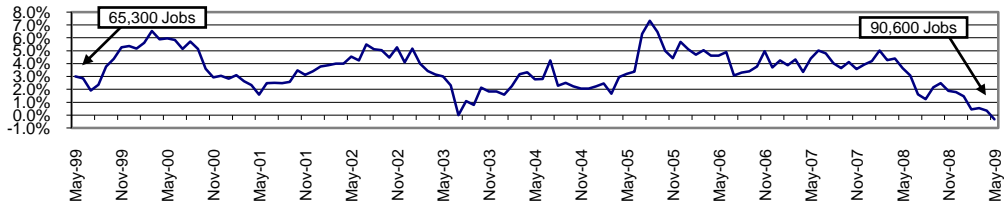


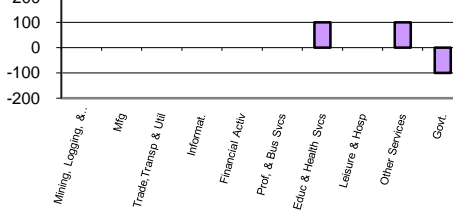
Industry Composition



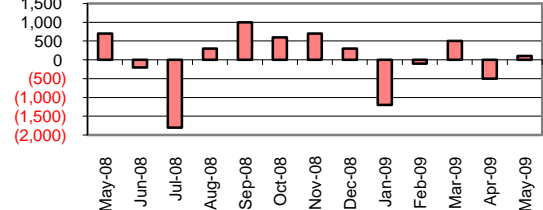
Annual Growth Rate for Total NonAgricultural Employment



Monthly Change by Industry



Monthly Change in Total Nonag Employment



Employment by Industry

	Employment			Monthly Change		Annual Change	
	May-2009	Apr-2009	May-2008	Actual	%	Actual	%
Total Nonagricultural	90,600	90,500	90,900	100	0.1%	-300	-0.3%
Mining, Logging, & Const	4,200	4,200	4,700	0	0.0%	-500	-10.6%
Manufacturing	1,100	1,100	1,300	0	0.0%	-200	-15.4%
Trade, Transp., & Utilities	28,600	28,600	28,300	0	0.0%	300	1.1%
Information	600	600	700	0	0.0%	-100	-14.3%
Financial Activities	4,100	4,100	4,100	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Profes., & Business Svcs	5,200	5,200	5,500	0	0.0%	-300	-5.5%
Education & Health Svcs	13,600	13,500	13,300	100	0.7%	300	2.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	8,600	8,600	8,600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Other Services	2,400	2,300	2,400	100	4.4%	0	0.0%
Government	22,200	22,300	22,000	-100	-0.5%	200	0.9%

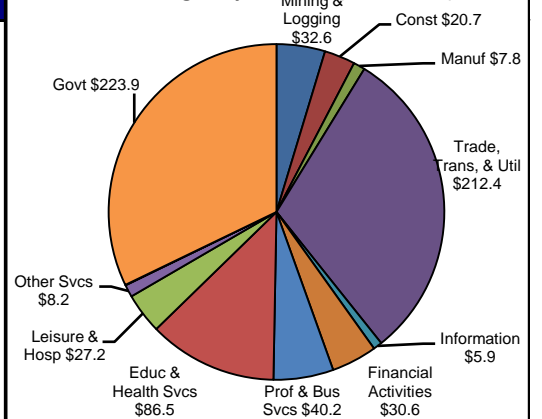
Size Class of Industries as of December 2008

Size Class	Employees Per Firm	Number of Firms	Employment in Size Class	% of Total Employment
9	1000+	9	22623	25.4%
8	500-999	10	7299	8.2%
7	250-499	18	6244	7.0%
6	100-249	87	13272	14.9%
5	50-99	147	10113	11.4%
4	20-49	398	12050	13.5%
3	10-19	564	7573	8.5%
2	5-9	823	5444	6.1%
1	1-4	2022	4366	4.9%
0	0	268	0	0.0%
TOTAL		4346	88984	100.0%

Comments for May 2009

Total Nonagricultural Employment in the Laredo MSA increased by 100 jobs or 0.1 percent in May. Information, Financial Activities, Manufacturing, Mining, Logging and Construction all held steady over the month. Retail Trade decreased by 100 jobs or -0.8 percent over the month. Education and Health Services gained 100 jobs over the month, and has gained 300 jobs or 2.3 percent since May 2008. Leisure and Hospitality employment held steady over the month. Federal Government lost 100 positions in May. The annual growth rate for the Laredo MSA was -0.3 percent, with 300 jobs lost since May 2008.

4th Quarter Wages by Industry (in millions)



Unemployment Information (all estimates are in thousands)

	Laredo MSA				Texas (Actual)				United States (Actual)			
	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	% Rate	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	% Rate	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	% Rate
May-09	95.4	88.0	7.4	7.8	11,920.6	11,098.5	822.0	6.9	154,336.0	140,363.0	13,973.0	9.1
Apr-09	95.1	88.3	6.8	7.2	11,873.4	11,118.9	754.5	6.4	153,834.0	140,586.0	13,248.0	8.6
May-08	92.0	87.5	4.5	4.9	11,639.3	11,120.2	519.1	4.5	154,003.0	145,927.0	8,076.0	5.2