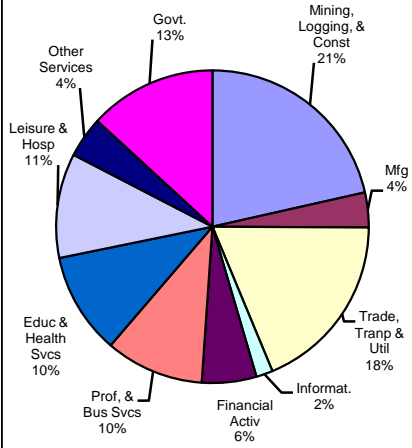
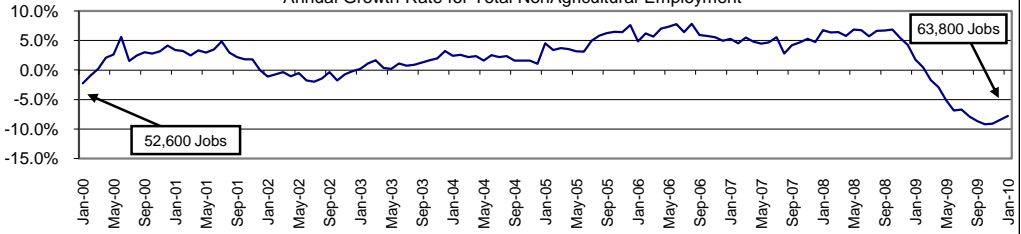


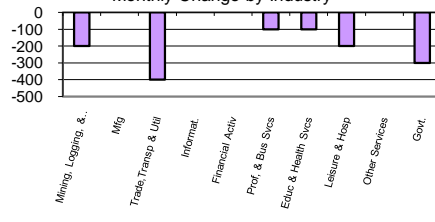
**Industry Composition**



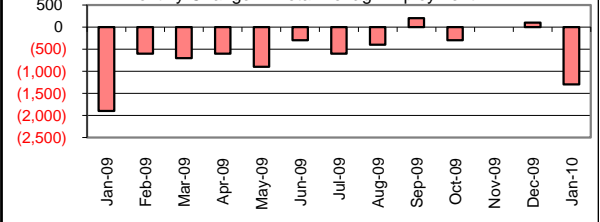
**Annual Growth Rate for Total NonAgricultural Employment**



**Monthly Change by Industry**



**Monthly Change in Total Nonag Employment**



**Employment by Industry**

	Jan-2010		Dec-2009		Jan-2009		Monthly Change		Annual Change	
	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%
Total Nonagricultural	63,800	65,100	69,200	-1,300	-2.0%	-5,400	-7.8%			
Mining, Logging, & Const	13,700	13,900	16,300	-200	-1.4%	-2,600	-16.0%			
Manufacturing	2,300	2,300	2,800	0	0.0%	-500	-17.9%			
Trade, Transp., & Utilities	11,900	12,300	13,100	-400	-3.3%	-1,200	-9.2%			
Information	1,100	1,100	1,200	0	0.0%	-100	-8.3%			
Financial Activities	3,600	3,600	3,700	0	0.0%	-100	-2.7%			
Profes., & Business Services	6,500	6,600	7,700	-100	-1.5%	-1,200	-15.6%			
Education & Health Services	6,700	6,800	6,300	-100	-1.5%	400	6.4%			
Leisure & Hospitality	6,900	7,100	6,900	-200	-2.8%	0	0.0%			
Other Services	2,700	2,700	2,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%			
Government	8,400	8,700	8,500	-300	-3.5%	-100	-1.2%			

**Size Class of Industries**

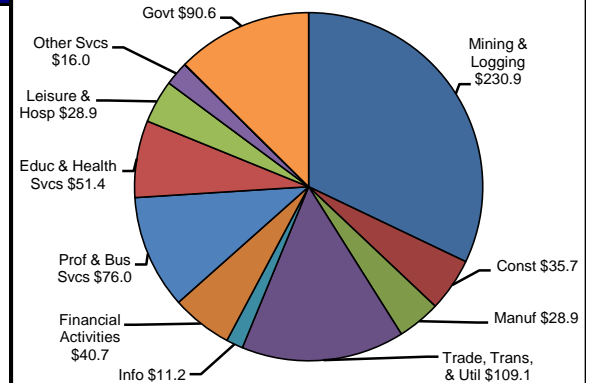
as of September 2009

Size Class	Employees Per Firm	Number of Firms	Employment in Size Class	% of Total Employment
9	1000+	2	4789	7.4%
8	500-999	8	6302	9.8%
7	250-499	16	5148	8.0%
6	100-249	72	10575	16.4%
5	50-99	140	9745	15.1%
4	20-49	405	12076	18.8%
3	10-19	488	6589	10.2%
2	5-9	790	5143	8.0%
1	1-4	1944	4001	6.2%
0	0	362	0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>4227</b>	<b>64368</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Comments for January 2010**

The Midland MSA lost -1,300 jobs over the month in Total Nonagricultural Employment. This decrease was less than last year's decrease of -1,900 jobs, but was greater than the five-year average decrease of -1,000 jobs. The annual growth rate for the Midland MSA was -7.8 percent. Employment dropped -4.1 percent in the Retail Trade industry, as area stores decreased staff due to the end of the holiday shopping season. This seasonal decrease was also the fifth over-the-month decrease in the previous twelve months. For the year, Retail Trade decreased -5.3 percent in employment. The Leisure and Hospitality industry decreased by -200 jobs. Leisure and Hospitality remained relatively stable over the year, with no employment changes recorded.

**3rd Quarter Wages by Industry (in millions)**



**Unemployment Information** (all estimates are in thousands)

	Midland MSA				Texas (Actual)				United States (Actual)			
	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	% Rate	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	% Rate	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	% Rate
Jan-10	73.9	69.3	4.6	6.2	12,094.1	11,049.8	1,044.4	8.6	152,957.0	136,809.0	16,147.0	10.6
Dec-09	73.6	69.4	4.2	5.7	12,027.7	11,069.9	957.8	8.0	152,693.0	137,953.0	14,740.0	9.7
Jan-09	75.3	72.3	3.0	4.0	11,738.2	10,937.5	800.6	6.8	153,445.0	140,436.0	13,009.0	8.5