For the 12 largest occupations in Texas, the Dallas-Plano-Irving metropolitan area pays higher wages, on average, than Texas State-wide and the Gulf Coast Texas nonmetropolitan area.

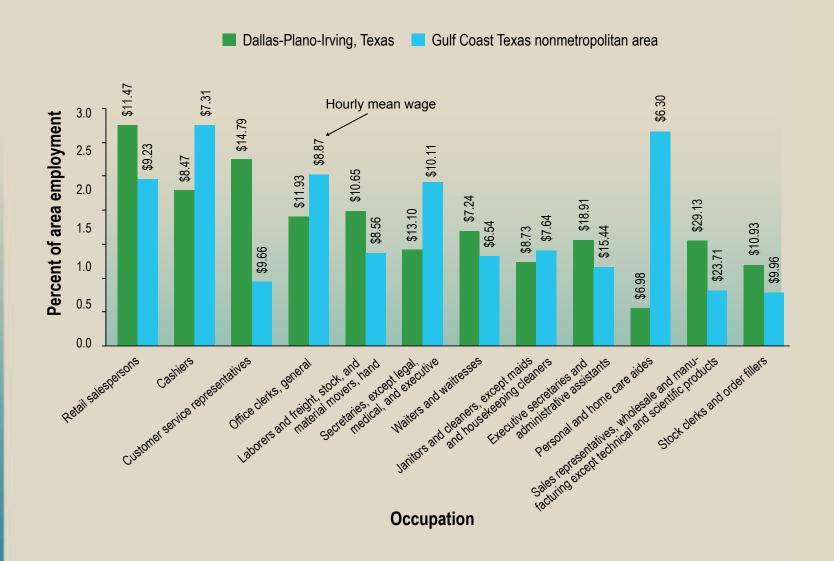
 The Dallas-Plano-Irving metropolitan area paid higher wages, on average, than both Texas State-wide and the Gulf Coast Texas nonmetropolitan area for

the largest occupations in

Texas.

On average, the Gulf Coast
 Texas nonmetropolitan area
 paid the least of these three
 geographic divisions for
 the largest occupations in
 Texas.

Figure 26 Occupational employment and wages in metropolitan and nonmetropolitan areas in Texas, May 2006









- In terms of employment distribution, the Gulf Coast Texas nonmetropolitan area has higher concentrations of personal and home care aides and general office clerks.
- The Dallas-Plano-Irving, Texas Metropolitan Division has higher concentrations of customer service representatives and retail salespersons.