

Employment Indicators in Selected States
Seasonally Adjusted, September 2008

(Numbers in thousands)

Labor force data	Arkansas			Louisiana			New Mexico		
	Sep. 2007	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008p	Sep. 2007	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008p	Sep. 2007	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008p
Civilian labor force.....	1,370.2	1,373.4	1,379.7	2,002.2	2,048.9	2,053.2	944.1	957.9	958.1
Employed.....	1,294.6	1,307.9	1,311.6	1,924.3	1,952.7	1,947.1	912.2	913.6	919.5
Unemployed.....	75.6	65.5	68.1	78.0	96.2	106.1	31.9	44.3	38.6
Unemployment rate.....	5.5	4.8	4.9	3.9	4.7	5.2	3.4	4.6	4.0
Nonfarm wage and salary employment									
Total.....	1,203.6	1,204.6	1,205.4	1,932.9	1,956.8	1,939.3	845.7	848.4	847.5
Natural Resources & Mining.....	9.7	10.2	10.2	51.2	52.0	52.1	19.3	20.1	20.4
Construction.....	56.0	55.6	55.9	135.8	139.2	137.6	59.1	58.2	57.6
Manufacturing.....	186.7	181.8	181.9	158.5	157.0	156.1	36.8	34.4	34.4
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities..	249.5	249.8	249.6	385.5	386.5	385.9	144.9	146.3	146.0
Information.....	19.9	19.9	19.9	27.4	26.5	26.7	17.3 ¹	16.9 ¹	16.8 ¹
Financial Activities.....	53.4	53.9	53.8	96.7	96.5	96.6	35.3	34.5	34.5
Professional & Business Services..	117.4	118.6	119.0	202.4	204.1	202.0	108.9	108.4	107.5
Education and Health Services.....	154.8	158.2	158.3	249.6	255.3	253.3	111.5	116.0	115.7
Leisure and Hospitality.....	99.9	100.8	100.9	194.6	199.5	196.3	88.2	86.9	87.0
Other Services	45.2	45.7	45.6	69.1	69.7	69.5	29.5	29.2	29.6
Government.....	211.1	210.1	210.3	361.6	370.5	363.2	194.9	197.5	198.0

Labor force data	Oklahoma			Texas		
	Sep. 2007	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008p	Sep. 2007	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008p
Civilian labor force.....	1,734.1	1,745.1	1,757.3	11,520.8	11,744.5	11,788.3
Employed.....	1,659.5	1,675.3	1,691.3	11,027.0	11,159.5	11,184.2
Unemployed.....	74.6	69.9	66.0	493.8	585.1	604.1
Unemployment rate.....	4.3	4.0	3.8	4.3	5.0	5.1
Nonfarm wage and salary employment						
Total.....	1,573.0	1,587.0	1,585.1	10,394.7	10,646.6	10,642.6
Natural Resources & Mining.....	47.2	53.2	54.0	208.0	223.8	226.0
Construction.....	71.8	74.0	75.0	649.2	671.9	670.2
Manufacturing.....	150.5 ¹	151.4 ¹	151.8 ¹	934.3	930.5	927.9
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities..	289.3	290.7	290.4	2,113.7	2,152.2	2,149.5
Information.....	28.4 ¹	28.8 ¹	28.6 ¹	220.1	218.7	217.0
Financial Activities.....	83.9	84.6	84.8	643.5	656.0	653.8
Professional & Business Services..	182.0	180.8	181.3	1,299.7	1,358.0	1,359.1
Education and Health Services.....	193.7	196.8	196.6	1,261.8	1,298.3	1,300.6
Leisure and Hospitality.....	141.2	143.5	142.6	984.1	1,024.4	1,026.0
Other Services	63.3	63.7	63.8	354.8	360.9	361.2
Government.....	319.0	318.6	315.0	1,725.5	1,751.9	1,751.3

p = preliminary for nonfarm employment only; monthly LAUS estimates subject to revision in the spring of each year.

(1) Employment numbers are not seasonally adjusted.

NOTE: Numbers may not sum to totals due to rounding.

Source: BLS Dallas; Establishment and LAUS Surveys; last updated 10/21/2008.