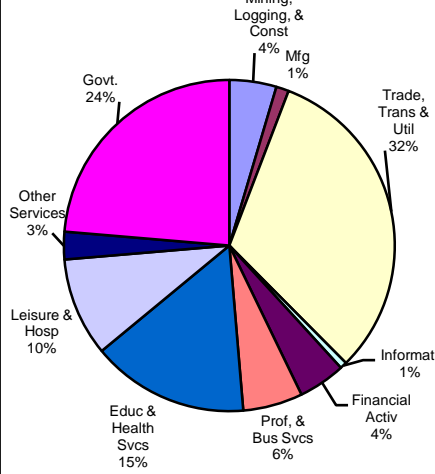
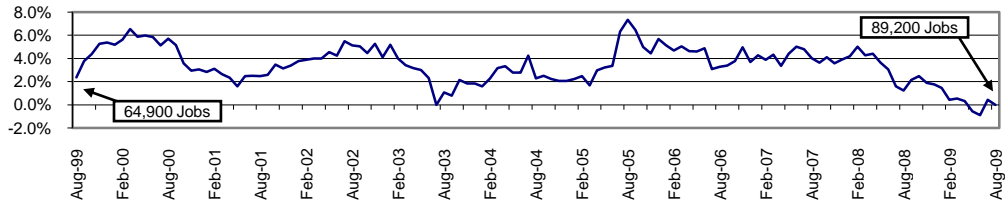


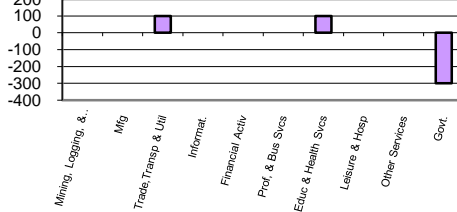
Industry Composition



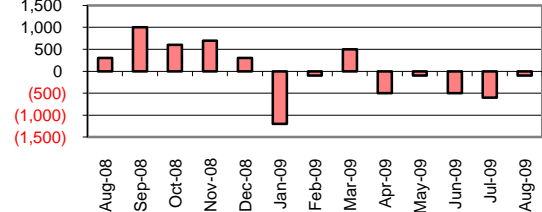
Annual Growth Rate for Total NonAgricultural Employment



Monthly Change by Industry



Monthly Change in Total Nonag Employment



Employment by Industry

	Employment			Monthly Change		Annual Change	
	Aug-2009	Jul-2009	Aug-2008	Actual	%	Actual	%
Total Nonagricultural	89,200	89,300	89,200	-100	-0.1%	0	0.0%
Mining, Logging, & Const	4,100	4,100	4,600	0	0.0%	-500	-10.9%
Manufacturing	1,100	1,100	1,300	0	0.0%	-200	-15.4%
Trade, Transp., & Utilities	28,300	28,200	28,800	100	0.4%	-500	-1.7%
Information	600	600	700	0	0.0%	-100	-14.3%
Financial Activities	4,100	4,100	4,200	0	0.0%	-100	-2.4%
Profes., & Business Svcs	5,200	5,200	5,300	0	0.0%	-100	-1.9%
Education & Health Svcs	13,700	13,600	12,600	100	0.7%	1,100	8.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	8,600	8,600	8,400	0	0.0%	200	2.4%
Other Services	2,400	2,400	2,400	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Government	21,100	21,400	20,900	-300	-1.4%	200	1.0%

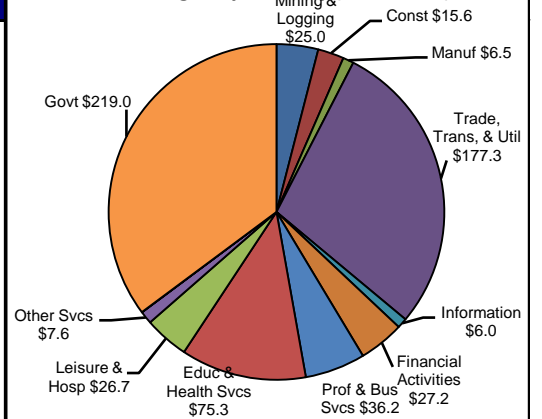
Size Class of Industries as of March 2009

Size Class	Employees Per Firm	Number of Firms	Employment in Size Class	% of Total Employment
9	1000+	8	21927	25.5%
8	500-999	11	7947	9.2%
7	250-499	16	5594	6.5%
6	100-249	78	11899	13.8%
5	50-99	135	9427	11.0%
4	20-49	388	11871	13.8%
3	10-19	574	7697	9.0%
2	5-9	816	5433	6.3%
1	1-4	1945	4193	4.9%
0	0	322	0	0.0%
TOTAL		4293	85988	100.0%

Comments for August 2009

Total Nonagricultural Employment in the Laredo MSA decreased by 100 jobs in August. Mining, Logging, and Construction held steady over the month, but lost 500 jobs or -10.9 percent over the year. Retail Trade, Other Services, State Government, and Federal Government all remained constant in August. Education and Health Services increased by 100 jobs, and gained 1,100 jobs or 8.7 percent over the past twelve months. Local Government lost 300 positions in August. The annual growth rate for the Laredo MSA was 0.0 percent.

1st 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
Aug-09	96.5	87.7	8.8	9.1	12,061.4	11,079.4	982.0	8.1	154,897.0	140,074.0	14,823.0	9.6
Jul-09	97.6	88.4	9.2	9.4	12,136.6	11,138.2	998.4	8.2	156,255.0	141,055.0	15,201.0	9.7
Aug-08	91.7	86.2	5.5	6.0	11,750.7	11,129.8	620.9	5.3	155,387.0	145,909.0	9,479.0	6.1