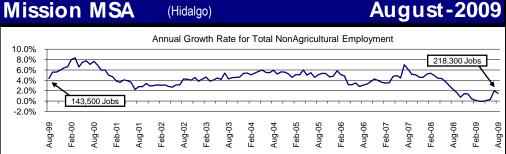
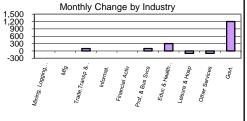
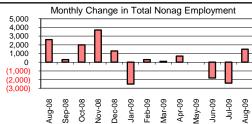
Industry Composition Mining, Logging, & Mrg Const 3% Trade, Trans & Util 21% Other Services 2% Other Services 2% Monthly Change 1,500 1,200

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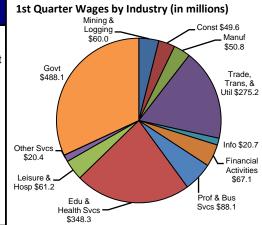




Employment by Industry								Size Class of Industries			as of March 2009	
				Monthly	Change	Annual	Change	Size	Employees Per	Number of	Employment	% of Total
	Aug-2009	Jul-2009	Aug-2008	Actual	%	Actual	%	Class	Firm	Firms	in Size Class	Employment
Total Nonagricultural	218,300	216,800	215,100	1,500	0.7%	3,200	1.5%	9	1000+	26	63248	28.9%
Mining, Logging, & Const	10,100	10,100	10,800	0	0.0%	-700	-6.5%	8	500-999	32	22449	10.3%
Manufacturing	6,300	6,300	7,100	0	0.0%	-800	-11.3%	7	250-499	61	21659	9.9%
Trade, Transp., & Utilities	45,400	45,300	46,000	100	0.2%	-600	-1.3%	6	100-249	197	30631	14.0%
Information	2,200	2,200	2,300	0	0.0%	-100	-4.4%	5	50-99	277	19078	8.7%
Financial Activities	8,700	8,700	8,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	20-49	847	25652	11.7%
Profes., & Business Svcs	13,800	13,700	14,400	100	0.7%	-600	-4.2%	3	10-19	1162	15882	7.3%
Education & Health Svcs	53,400	53,100	51,700	300	0.6%	1,700	3.3%	2	5-9	1764	11666	5.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	19,200	19,300	19,200	-100	-0.5%	0	0.0%	1	1-4	3916	8259	3.8%
Other Services	5,500	5,600	5,700	-100	-1.8%	-200	-3.5%	0	0	670	0	0.0%
Government	53,700	52,500	49,200	1,200	2.3%	4,500	9.2%	TOTAL	_	8952	218524	100.0%

Comments for August 2009

Total Nonagricultural Employment in the McAllen-Edinburg-Mission MSA grew by 1,500 jobs in August. Over the year, the MSA increased by 3,200 jobs. Retail Trade registered an over-themonth job gain of 100 positions. Transportation added 100 jobs over the month, the industry's first positive growth this year. Employment in Education and Health Services increased with the addition 300 jobs over the month. The industry posted a 3.3 percent annual growth rate with the addition of 1,700 jobs over the year. Local Government increased by 1,200 jobs over the month. This industry registered a 9.6 percent annual growth rate and gained 3,800 jobs over the year.



Unemployment Information (all estimates are in thousands)

	McAllen - Edinburg - Mission MSA				Texas (Actual)				United States (Actual)			
	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	% Rate	C.L.F.	Emp. l	Jnemp.	% Rate	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	% Rate
Aug-09	300.1	265.8	34.3	11.4	12,061.4	11,079.4	982.0	8.1	154,897.0	140,074.0	14,823.0	9.6
Jul-09	299.7	265.2	34.5	11.5	12,136.6	11,138.2	998.4	8.2	156,255.0	141,055.0	15,201.0	9.7
Aug-08	280.8	258.4	22.4	8.0	11,750.7	11,129.8	620.9	5.3	155,387.0	145,909.0	9,479.0	6.1