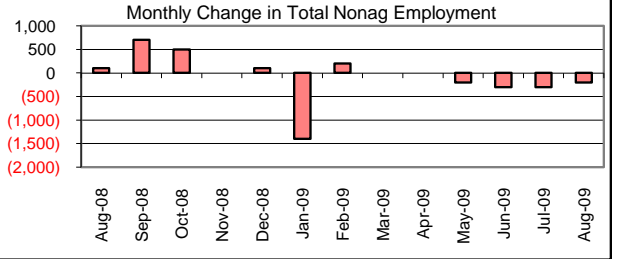
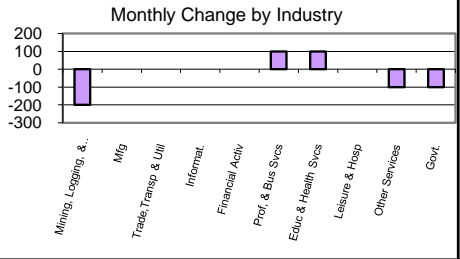
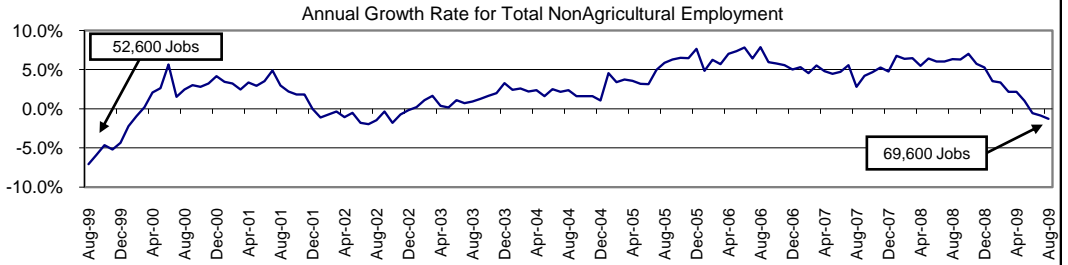
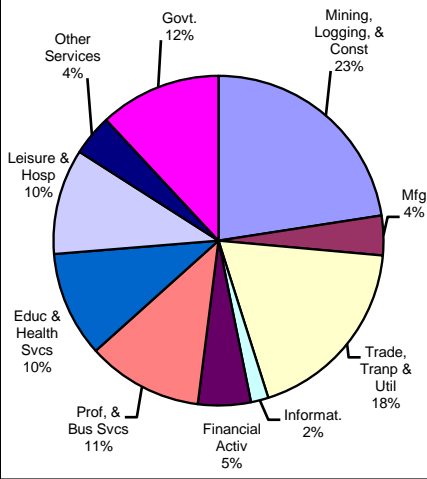


Industry Composition



Employment by Industry

	Employment			Monthly Change		Annual Change	
	Aug-2009	Jul-2009	Aug-2008	Actual	%	Actual	%
Total Nonagricultural	69,600	69,800	70,500	-200	-0.3%	-900	-1.3%
Mining, Logging, & Const	15,700	15,900	16,800	-200	-1.3%	-1,100	-6.6%
Manufacturing	2,700	2,700	3,000	0	0.0%	-300	-10.0%
Trade, Transp., & Utilities	13,000	13,000	13,200	0	0.0%	-200	-1.5%
Information	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	3,600	3,600	3,600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Profes., & Business Services	7,900	7,800	8,000	100	1.3%	-100	-1.3%
Education & Health Service	7,200	7,100	6,900	100	1.4%	300	4.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	7,200	7,200	7,100	0	0.0%	100	1.4%
Other Services	2,800	2,900	2,800	-100	-3.5%	0	0.0%
Government	8,300	8,400	7,900	-100	-1.2%	400	5.1%

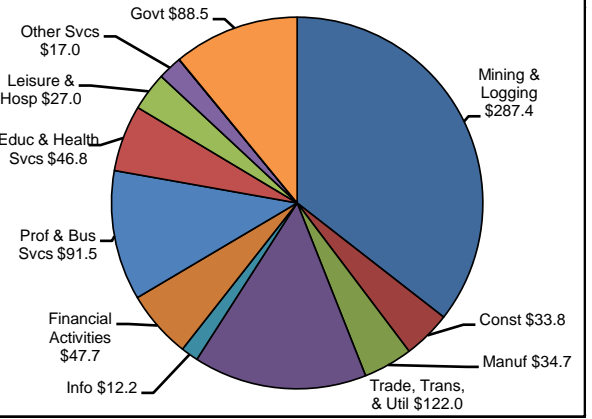
Size Class of Industries as of March 2009

Size Class	Employees Per Firm	Number of Firms	Employment in Size Class	% of Total Employment
9	1000+	3	6229	9.3%
8	500-999	8	5930	8.9%
7	250-499	17	5488	8.2%
6	100-249	80	11312	16.9%
5	50-99	141	9817	14.7%
4	20-49	425	12815	19.1%
3	10-19	461	6249	9.3%
2	5-9	764	4998	7.5%
1	1-4	2000	4143	6.2%
0	0	323	0	0.0%
TOTAL		4222	66981	100.0%

Comments for August 2009

The Midland MSA lost 200 jobs over the month in Total Nonagricultural Employment. The contraction in payroll was the fourth consecutive decrease for the area and the fifth monthly reduction in staff for the year. The August decline was opposite of the five-year average August increase of 500 jobs. Employment decreased -1.3 percent over the past twelve months. The Mining, Logging, and Construction industry lost 200 jobs over the month. The decrease was the seventh over-the-month decrease for the year. Since last August, employment declined by -6.5 percent. Other Services lost 100 jobs in August. This was the first over-the-month employment drop in over two years. For the year starting in January 2009, employment in the industry remained unchanged.

1st 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
Aug-09	78.2	73.5	4.7	6.1	12,061.4	11,079.4	982.0	8.1	154,897.0	140,074.0	14,823.0	9.6
Jul-09	79.2	74.2	5.0	6.3	12,136.6	11,138.2	998.4	8.2	156,255.0	141,055.0	15,201.0	9.7
Aug-08	76.0	73.7	2.3	3.1	11,750.7	11,129.8	620.9	5.3	155,387.0	145,909.0	9,479.0	6.1