## **Gulf Coast Workforce Development Area\*** August 2009 Gulf Coast WDA Texas **CLF Employed** Unemployed Rate **CLF Employed** Unemployed Rate Aug-09 2,902,042 2,659,576 242,466 8.4 Aug-09 12,061,355 11,079,403 981,952 8.1 Jul-09 2,923,496 2,678,616 244,880 8.4 Jul-09 12,136,607 11,138,224 998,383 8.2 2,718,343 11,129,768 Aug-08 2,866,571 148,228 5.2 Aug-08 11,750,624 620,856 5.3 **Historical Unemployment Rates** 10.0 **Gulf Coast** 8.0 Texas 6.0 4.0 2.0 0.0 Oct-03 Aug-09 Aug-04 Feb-07 Mar-09 Jun-00 Mar-04 Jun-05 Jul-07 **Gulf Coast WDA Industry Composition Total WDA Claims** 1st Quarter 2009 Aug-09 Jul-09 Aug-08 OTY 25.0% Initial 22,922 27,221 14,115 8,807 150,524 148,447 75,291 Continued 75,233 20.0% Continued Claims for the Week of the 12th 15.0% Continued 62,605 66,597 25,615 36,990 10.0% **Texas Unemployment Insurance Claims Filed** 5.0% Jul-09 OTY Aug-09 Aug-08 Initial 98.444 112.737 68.139 30,305 0.0% 1,340,360 Education & Health Services Federal Local Natural Resources & Mining Continued 1,404,113 543,681 860,432 Information Nonclassified Other Services Professional & Business Services Transportation & Financial Activities Manufacturing Construction Leisure & Hospitality Continued Claims for the Week of the 12th Continued 295.488 313,137 125,839 169,649 Gulf Coast WDA Average Weekly Wage Trade, 1 **Gulf Coast** WDA Qtr. Chg. Texas 1st Quarter 2009 \$1,072.21 -\$46.19 \$884.74 4th Quarter 2008 \$1,118.40 WDA OTY Chg. \$932.81 \$903.44 1st Quarter 2008 \$1,100.55 -\$28.34 **NAICS Covered Employment Quarterly Data Size Class Employment Composition** 1st Quarter 2009 1st Quarter 2009 Change SUPER SECTOR **Employment** Quarter Year 1.000.000 194,269 -13,710 -10,852 Construction 900,000 Education & Health Services 270,868 1,818 7,999 800,000 29.002 Federal -160 226 700,000 Financial Activities 140,234 -2,347 -3.720 600,000 Information 35,787 -565 -1,342 500,000 Leisure & Hospitality 234,928 2,000 2,525 400,000 279,482 6,756 11,751 Manufacturing 241,095 -5,726-581 300,000 Natural Resources & Mining 96.387 -3 720 2.278 200,000 Nonclassified 1.565 1.089 802 100,000 Other Services 75,464 -891 977 0 Professional & Business Services 370,630 -15,574 -10,354 10-19 20-49 4 5-9 50-99 500-999 100-249 1,000+ State 77,391 275 -337 Trade, Transportation & Utilities 530.705 -19.250 -4.050 Size Class TOTAL -4,678 2,577,807 -50,005 \*Counties in WDA: Austin, Brazoria, Chamers, Colorado, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Walker, Waller, & Wharton Available at http://www.tracer2.com/