

1 April 2022 Seasonally Adjusted Labor Market Data Audio Text

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3 Hello, my name is Mariana Vega, the director for Labor Market Information at the Texas Workforce
4 Commission, and I'm going to highlight some of the information in the 2022 April labor market report.

5 The Texas seasonally adjusted unemployment rate settled at 4.3 percent and has fallen for the 21st time
6 since April 2020. Currently the rate is 1.9 points below the level set one year ago.

7 Texas Total Nonfarm employment reached a new high of 13,284,500 jobs following an increase of
8 62,800 positions in April. Since January 2022, 178,200 positions were added which marked more jobs
9 gained over this timeframe than any previous year.

10 Every major industry grew over the month, led by the Leisure and Hospitality industry with 13,500 jobs.
11 The Education and Health Services industry gained 8,800 jobs. A revision showed that this industry
12 surpassed the February 2020 pre-COVID employment level for the first time in March. Financial
13 Activities added 8,700 jobs over the month.

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15 can find the current labor market report, research industry trends and review customized regional
16 reports to develop your strategic business plan and use industry-based analysis tools to help your
17 business grow.

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20 succeed, use the key words – Texas Labor Market at TWC.Texas.gov.

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