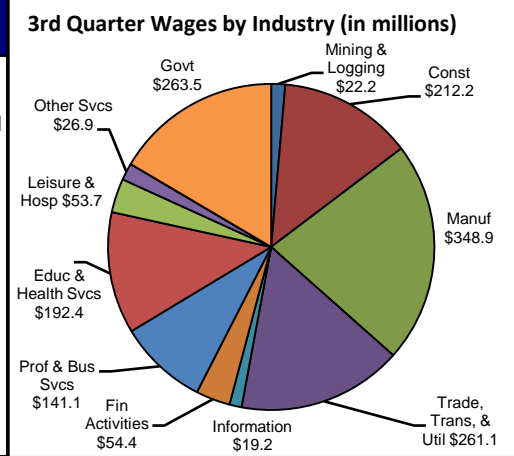


Industry	Employment			Monthly Change		Annual Change	
	Jan-2010	Dec-2009	Jan-2009	Actual	%	Actual	%
Total Nonagricultural	154,600	156,800	164,200	-2,200	-1.4%	-9,600	-5.9%
Mining, Logging, & Const	16,400	16,700	21,000	-300	-1.8%	-4,600	-21.9%
Manufacturing	19,100	19,200	21,500	-100	-0.5%	-2,400	-11.2%
Trade, Transp., & Utilities	30,200	31,200	31,400	-1,000	-3.2%	-1,200	-3.8%
Information	1,700	1,700	1,900	0	0.0%	-200	-10.5%
Financial Activities	5,600	5,700	5,700	-100	-1.8%	-100	-1.8%
Profes., & Business Svcs	12,500	12,600	14,200	-100	-0.8%	-1,700	-12.0%
Education & Health Svcs	22,700	22,900	22,300	-200	-0.9%	400	1.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	14,200	14,400	14,300	-200	-1.4%	-100	-0.7%
Other Services	5,500	5,500	5,600	0	0.0%	-100	-1.8%
Government	26,700	26,900	26,300	-200	-0.7%	400	1.5%

Size Class	Employees Per Firm	Number of Firms	Employment in Size Class	% of Total Employment
9	1000+	16	26644	17.6%
8	500-999	23	16645	11.0%
7	250-499	56	18819	12.4%
6	100-249	165	25001	16.5%
5	50-99	276	19084	12.6%
4	20-49	635	19441	12.8%
3	10-19	863	11629	7.7%
2	5-9	1215	8011	5.3%
1	1-4	2959	6295	4.2%
0	0	475	0	0.0%
TOTAL		6683	151569	100.0%

Comments for January 2010

Total Nonagricultural Employment in the Beaumont-Port Arthur MSA lost -2,200 jobs in January. Since January 2009, the MSA lost -9,600 positions or -5.9 percent. The employment loss was primarily caused by Retail Trade and Mining, Logging, and Construction, with declines of -800 and -300, respectively. The decline in Retail trade was mainly due to stores reducing staff following the holiday season. While Education and Health Services and Government both had losses of -200 each, both had positive annual growth rates. Education and Health Services gained 400 jobs since January 2009, with an annual growth rate of 1.8 percent. Government had an annual growth rate of 1.5 percent. Manufacturing, Wholesale Trade, Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities, and Professional and Business Services had over-the-month decreases of -100 positions each.



Unemployment Information (all estimates are in thousands)

	Beaumont-Port Arthur MSA				Texas (Actual)				United States (Actual)			
	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	% Rate	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	% Rate	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	% Rate
Jan-2010	185.8	165.3	20.5	11.0	12,094.1	11,049.8	1,044.4	8.6	152,957.0	136,809.0	16,147.0	10.6
Dec-2009	184.3	165.2	19.1	10.4	12,027.7	11,069.9	957.8	8.0	152,693.0	137,953.0	14,740.0	9.7
Jan-2009	184.9	169.2	15.7	8.5	11,738.2	10,937.5	800.6	6.8	153,445.0	140,436.0	13,009.0	8.5