

# Career Connect Texas Dashboard v1.5

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# Key Abbreviations & Definitions

## Texas Agencies

### **Texas Workforce Commission ([TWC](#))**

Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) is the state agency charged with overseeing and providing workforce development services to employers and job seekers of Texas. TWC strengthens the Texas economy by providing the workforce development component of the Governor's economic development strategy.

### **Texas Education Agency ([TEA](#))**

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) is the state agency that oversees primary and secondary public education. It is headed by the commissioner of education. The Texas Education Agency improves outcomes for all public school students in the state by providing leadership, guidance, and support to school systems.

### **The Higher Education Coordinating Board ([THECB](#))**

The mission of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) is to provide leadership and coordination for Texas higher education and to promote access, affordability, quality, success, and cost efficiency through 60x30TX, resulting in a globally competitive workforce that positions Texas as an international leader. THECB was created by the Texas Legislature in 1965 to represent the highest authority in the state in matters of public higher education.

## Demand Data

### **North American Industry Classification System ([NAICS](#))**

The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) is the standard used by Federal statistical agencies in classifying business establishments for the purpose of collecting, analyzing, and publishing statistical data related to the U.S. business economy.

### **Standard Occupational Classification ([SOC](#))**

The 2018 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system is a federal statistical standard used by federal agencies to classify workers into occupational categories for the purpose of collecting, calculating, or disseminating data. All workers are classified into one of 867 detailed occupations according to their occupational definition.

## Living Wage

Living Wage is an alternative measure of basic needs. It is a market-based approach that draws upon geographically specific expenditure data related to a family's likely minimum food, childcare, health insurance, housing, transportation, cell phone and

broad band service, funds for civic engagement, and other necessities (e.g., clothing, personal care items, etc.) costs. (Source: [MIT](#))

### **Workforce Development Area ([WDA](#))**

A Workforce Development Board (WDA) is a group of community leaders appointed by local elected officials (County Judges and City Mayors) and charged with planning and oversight responsibilities for workforce programs and services in their area. In Texas, twenty-eight WDAs operate over 180 Local Workforce Solutions offices. The majority of each WDA is represented by members of the local business community. In all, WDA membership includes individuals representing business and industry, economic development agencies, community-based organizations, education, organized labor, public assistance agencies and more.

### **Supply Data**

#### **Classification of Instructional Programs ([CIP](#))**

The Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) provides a taxonomic scheme that supports the accurate tracking and reporting of fields of study and program completions activity.

# Overview

## North Star Data

### **TOTAL POPULATION (2020)**

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### **UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (2022)**

*Source:* [Texas Labor Market Information Local Area Unemployment Statistics \(LAUS\)](#)

- Unemployment rate was retrieved from [Texas Labor Market Information's Local Area Unemployment Statistics \(LAUS\)](#). Data includes the geographical areas of Texas, Workforce Development Area (WDA), County, and Metropolitan Statistical Area.
- The data shown represents the average annual unemployment rate for 2022. In future versions of this dashboard, when an API is available, it would be ideal to make this a monthly data snapshot of unemployment rate since updated data is released monthly.

### **CIVILIAN LABOR PARTICIPATION (2022)**

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### **LIVING WAGE (2023)**

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- Family sustaining wage was not available by Workforce Development Area (WDA). Statewide data is displayed with WDA data.

### **POPULATION 25 YEARS OR OLDER (2021)**

*Source:* [Census American Community Survey 2021 5-year Estimates S1501 | Educational Attainment](#)

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### **ASSOCIATE DEGREE HOLDERS 25 YEARS OR OLDER (2021)**

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### **BACHELOR'S DEGREE HOLDERS 25 YEARS OR OLDER (2021)**

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## **Texas Labor Demand**

### **INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT (2022)**

[Source: Texas Labor Market Information Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages \(QCEW\)](#)

- Industry employment was retrieved from Texas Labor Market Information's Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW). Data includes the geographical areas of Texas, Workforce Development Area (WDA), County, and Metropolitan Statistical Area. Industry data (NAICS) was retrieved by 2-digit NAICS code.
- The dashboard shows an annual average employment by industry. Data is available by quarter but the release data for each reference period has a 4–5-month lag. Future versions of this dashboard could include quarterly industry employment updates.
  - In order to show annual industry employment, we calculated an average across each industry for each geographic area. This required having four quarters of data to analyze.

## **Texas Labor Supply**

### **2-YEAR ENROLLMENT BY PROGRAM (2022)**

[Source: Texas High Education Coordinating Board Accountability System](#)

- User can toggle between Community College Campus and District data. For some years, individual college campus data is not available and is only available at the district level.
- Data is updated annually and disaggregated by program (CIP).
- Data on enrollment for a Bachelor's or 4-year degree were not included in the current dashboard, but will be added in a future version.

# Labor Demand by Industry

## North Star Data

### **TOTAL POPULATION (2020)**

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### **CIVILIAN LABOR PARTICIPATION (2022)**

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### **LIVING WAGE DATA**

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### **CURRENT EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY**

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  - In order to show annual industry employment, we calculated an average across each industry for each geographic area. This required having four quarters of data to analyze.
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### **PROJECTED EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY**

*Source:* [Texas Labor Market Information Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics \(OEWS\)](#)

- Projected industry employment was retrieved from Texas Labor Market Information’s Projections. Data is only available for the geographical areas of Texas and Workforce Development Area (WDA).
- Industry data (NAICS) was retrieved by 2-digit NAICS code and filtered by All Occupations (SOC 00-0000). This allows the data to be searched at the industry level only.
- This data is updated every two years and includes 10-year projected trends by industry employment. Wage data is not included.

## Labor Demand by Occupation

### North Star Data

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### **CURRENT EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION (2021)**

*Source:* [Texas Labor Market Information Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics \(OEWS\)](#)

- Occupation data was retrieved the Texas Labor Market Information website which is maintained by the Texas Workforce Commission. Detailed occupation information is available at the statewide level, Metro (MSA), and Workforce Development Area (WDA). It is not available by County. This data is updated annually. There is no demographic data (sex, race/ethnicity, age) available with this dataset nor could we find anything readily available.
- Occupation data (SOC) was retrieved by 6-digit SOC code. This includes major (2-digit SOC), broad (4-digit SOC), and detailed (6-digit SOC) occupation types.
  - For the purposes of this dashboard, major and detailed occupations were used with major occupation titles removed from the visualization. This method reduces duplication and provides an actionable level of detail.
  - Occupations are organized by major occupational categories (2-digit SOC) with detailed occupations (6-digit SOC) nested within
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## Talent Supply by Post-Secondary Enrollment

### **North Star Data**

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## **Texas Talent Supply by Post-Secondary Enrollment**

### **ENROLLMENT BY PROGRAM AND ANNUAL TRENDS**

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## Talent Supply by Post-Secondary Completion

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## **Texas Talent Supply by Post-Secondary Completion**

### **DEGREE & CERTIFICATE COMPLETIONS BY PROJECT & ANNUAL TRENDS**

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## Texas Talent Supply by High School

### **North Star Data**

#### **TOTAL POPULATION (2020)**

*Source:* [Decennial Census 2020 P2 | Race](#)

#### **K-12 ENROLLMENT (2021)**

*Source:* [Census American Community Survey 2021 5-year Estimates S1401 | Educational Enrollment](#)

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## **9-12 ENROLLMENT (2021)**

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## **Texas Talent Supply by High School**

### **STATEWIDE ENROLLMENT OF CTE CONCENTRATORS**

Source: [Perkins V Enrollment Data](#)

- Perkins V provides annual data on CTE concentrators, which refers to a secondary student who has earned three (3) or more credits in a single CTE program area, or two (2) credits in a single CTE program area, but only in those program areas where 2 credit sequences at the secondary level are recognized by the State and/or its local eligible recipients. Students who earned two or more credits within a single program of study.
- Perkins data also provides statewide enrollment data disaggregated by race/ethnicity and gender, and student special interest populations.
- Data reported as “n/a” were coded as zero.
- CTE concentrator data is disaggregated by Federal Career Cluster, which is different from the Texas Career Clusters.
- CTE concentrator completion data is not currently available.

## **Texas Talent Supply by High School: P-TECH School Directory**

### **TEXAS COUNTIES WITH P-TECH SCHOOLS**

Source: [Texas Education Agency](#) (TEA)

- Data was provided to Educate Texas from TEA and was not retrieved from a public data source.