



# Washington County, TX

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## Report Parameters

### 1 County

48477 Washington County, TX

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### Class of Worker

QCEW Employees, Non-QCEW Employees, and Self-Employed

The information in this report pertains to the chosen geographical area.

# Economy Overview

37,007

Population (2023)

Population **grew by 1,522** over the last 5 years and is projected to **grow by 1,832** over the next 5 years.

18,686

Total Regional Employment

Jobs **grew by 1,121** over the last 5 years and are projected to **grow by 1,201** over the next 5 years.

\$70.0K

Median Household Income (2022)

Median household income is **\$5.1K below** the national median household income of \$75.1K.

## Takeaways

- As of 2023 the region's population **increased by 4.3%** since 2018, growing by 1,522. Population is expected to **increase by 5.0%** between 2023 and 2028, adding 1,832.
- From 2018 to 2023, jobs **increased by 6.4%** in Washington County, TX from 17,565 to **18,686**. This change **outpaced the national growth rate of 4.5% by 1.9%**. As the number of jobs increased, the **labor force participation rate increased from 51.7% to 54.5% between 2018 and 2023**.
- Concerning educational attainment, **19.8% of Washington County, TX residents possess a Bachelor's Degree** (1.4% below the national average), and **7.6% hold an Associate's Degree** (1.2% below the national average).
- The top three industries in 2023 are Education and Hospitals (Local Government), Restaurants and Other Eating Places, and State Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals.

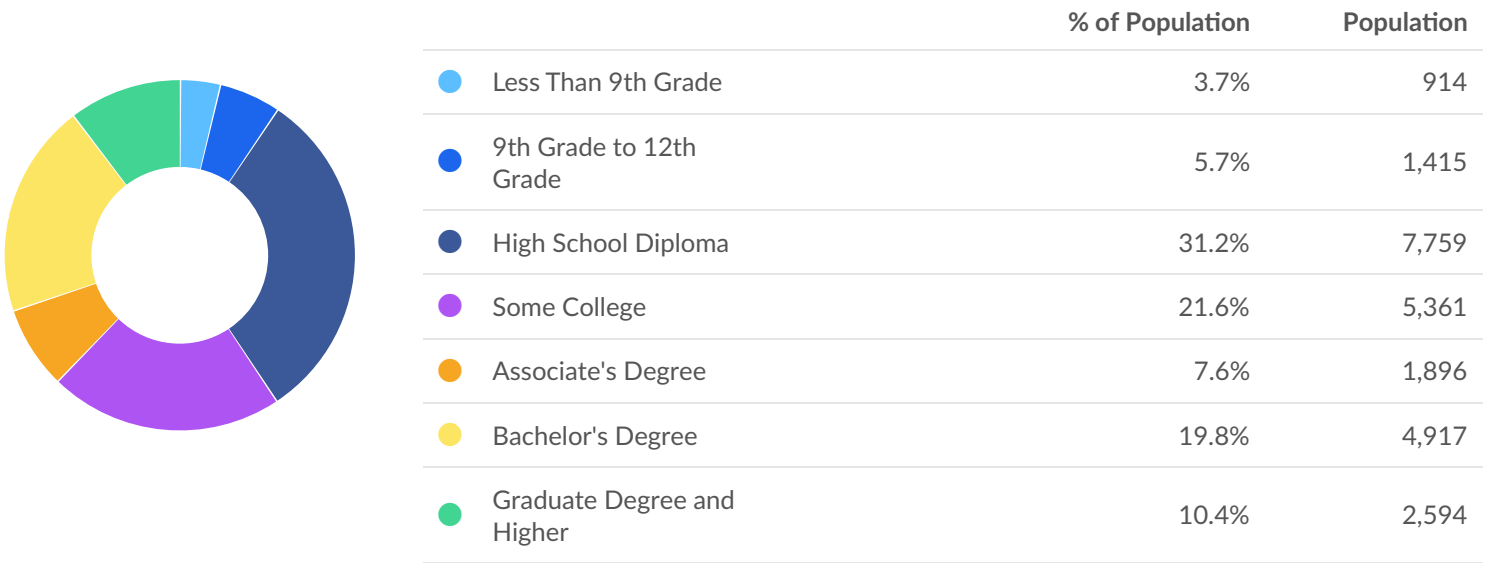
	Population (2024)	Labor Force (Oct 2024)	Jobs (2023)	Cost of Living	GRP	Imports	Exports
Region	37,398	16,567	18,686	97.2	\$2.41B	\$4.26B	\$3.64B
State	30,912,083	15,573,852	15,556,347	96.6	\$2.58T	\$1.50T	\$2.03T

## Oct 2024 Labor Force Breakdown



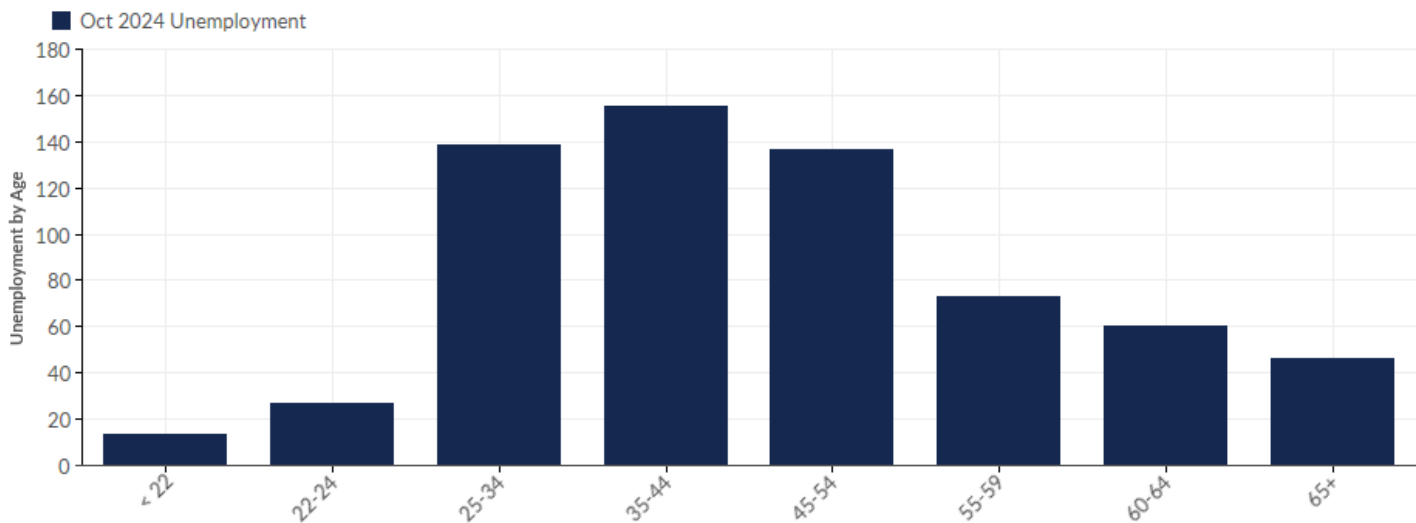
## Educational Attainment

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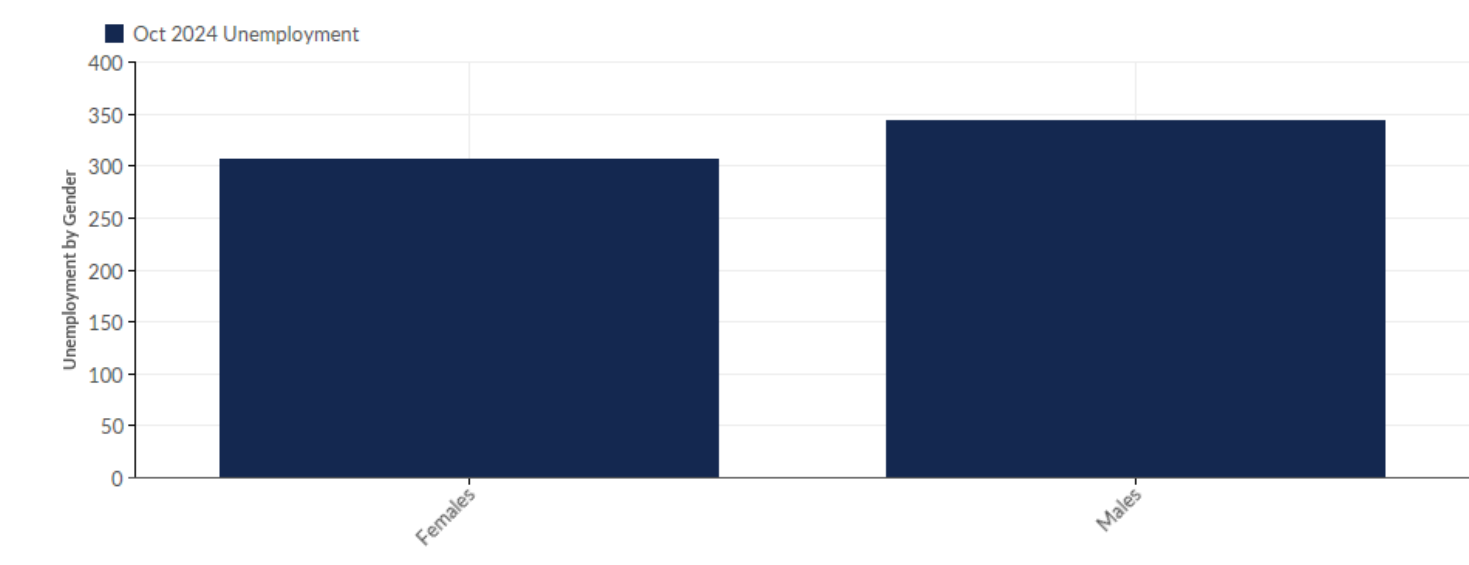
# Unemployment by Demographics

## Unemployment by Age



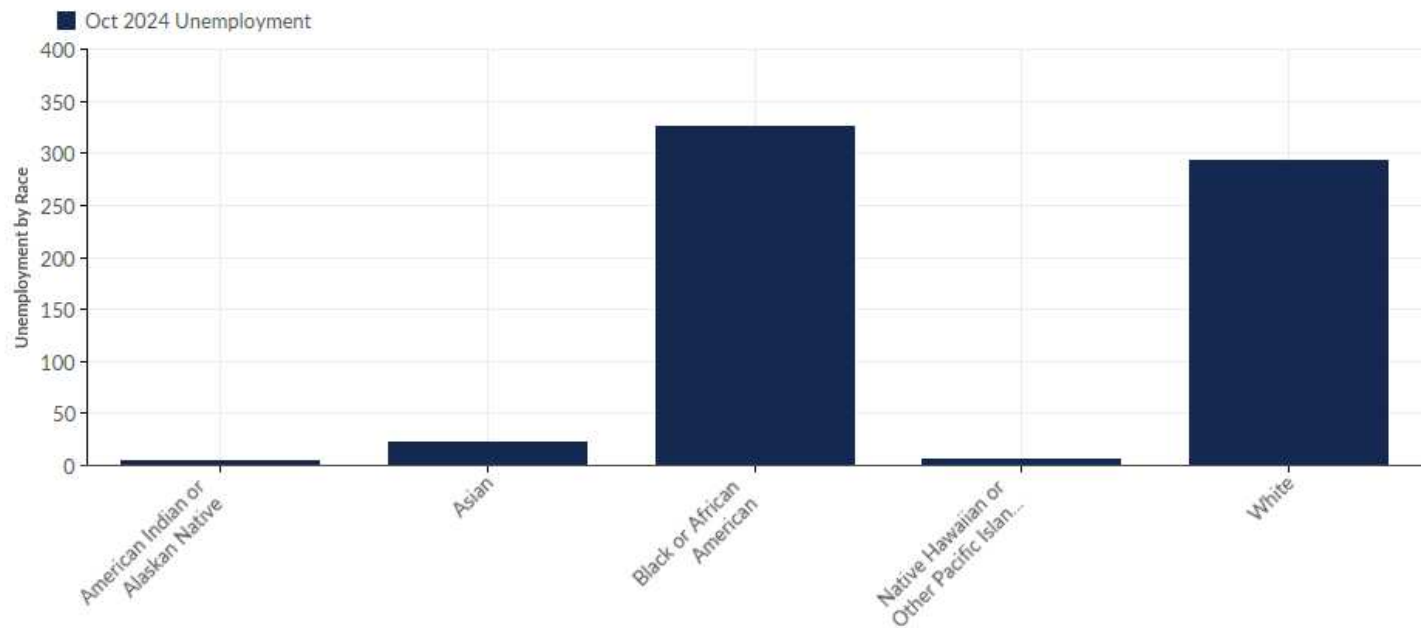
Age	Unemployment (Oct 2024)	% of Unemployed
< 22	14	2.15%
22-24	27	4.15%
25-34	139	21.38%
35-44	155	23.85%
45-54	137	21.08%
55-59	73	11.23%
60-64	60	9.23%
65+	46	7.08%
Total	650	100.00%

## Unemployment by Gender



Gender	Unemployment (Oct 2024)	% of Unemployed
Females	306	47.08%
Males	344	52.92%
Total	650	100.00%

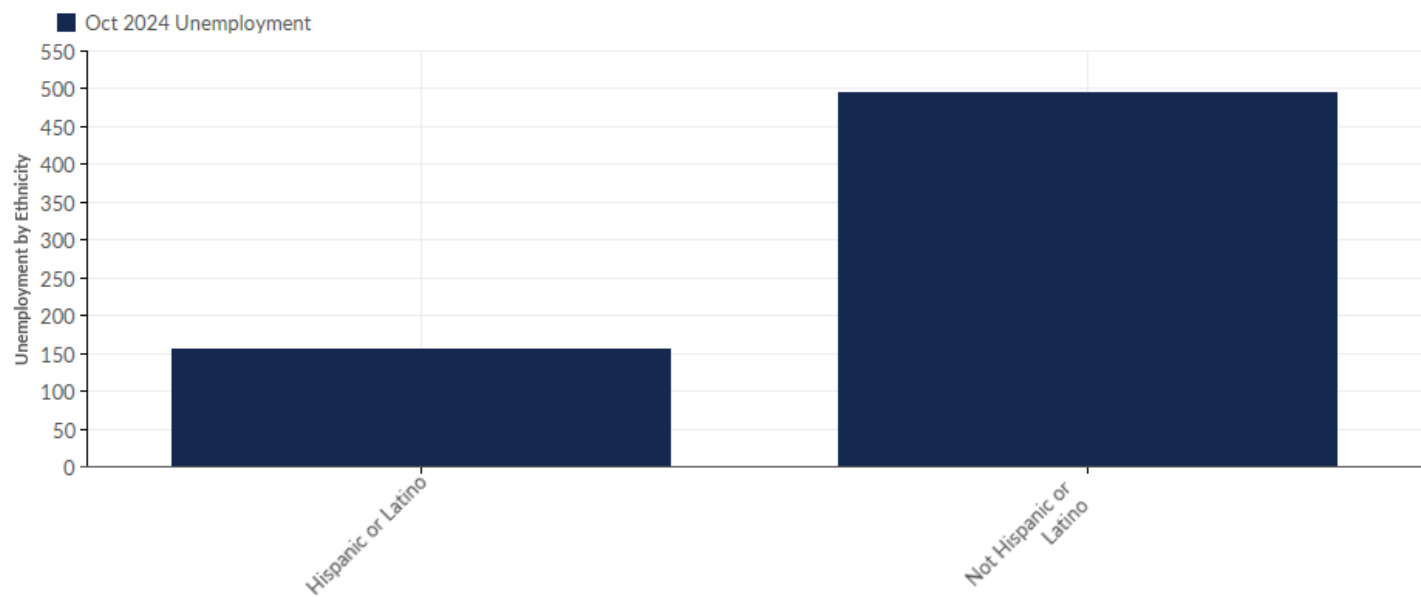
## Unemployment by Race



Race	Unemployment (Oct 2024)	% of Unemployed
American Indian or Alaskan Native	4	0.62%
Asian	23	3.54%
Black or African American	325	50.00%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	5	0.77%
White	292	44.92%
Total	650	100.00%



## Unemployment by Ethnicity

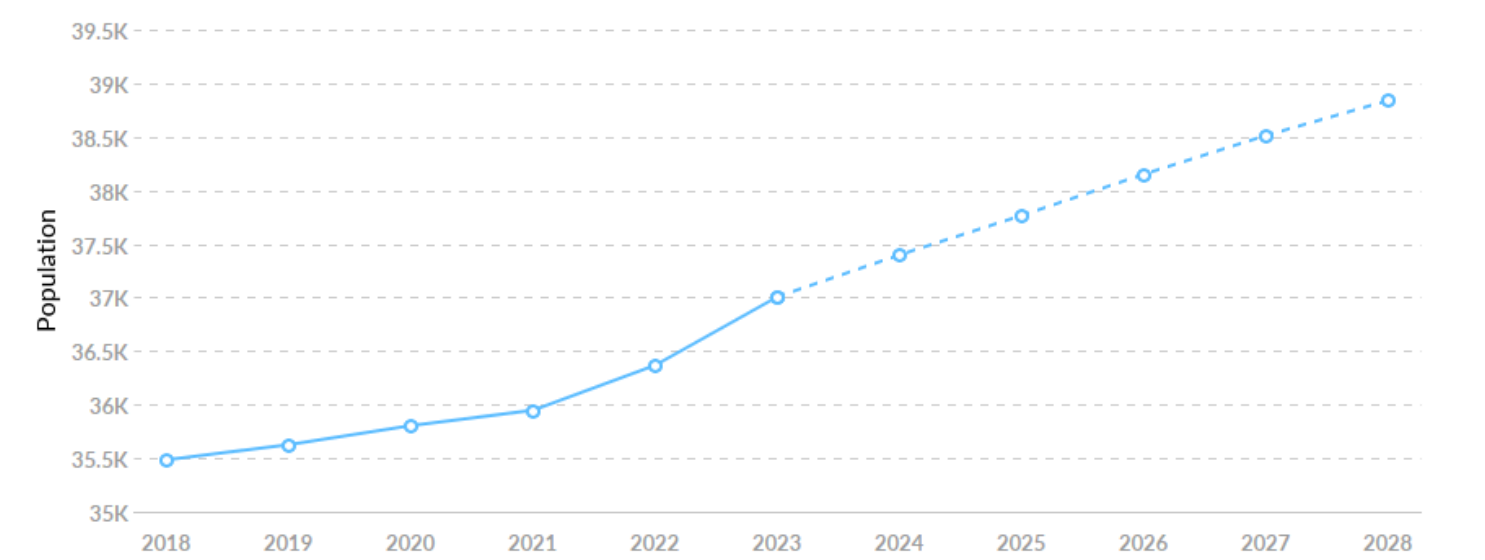


Ethnicity	Unemployment (Oct 2024)	% of Unemployed
Hispanic or Latino	156	24.00%
Not Hispanic or Latino	494	76.00%
Total	650	100.00%

# Historic & Projected Trends

## Population Trends

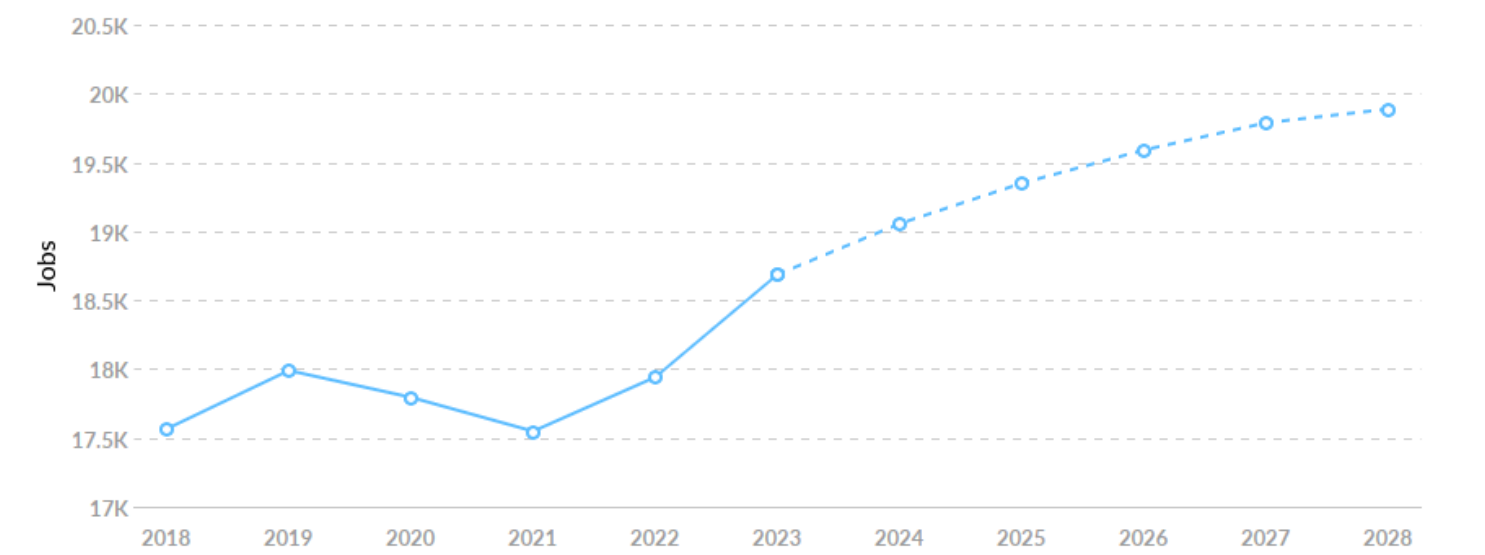
As of 2023 the region's population **increased by 4.3%** since 2018, growing by 1,522. Population is expected to **increase by 5.0%** between 2023 and 2028, adding 1,832.



Timeframe	Population
2018	35,485
2019	35,626
2020	35,804
2021	35,947
2022	36,368
2023	37,007
2024	37,398
2025	37,766
2026	38,151
2027	38,513
2028	38,839

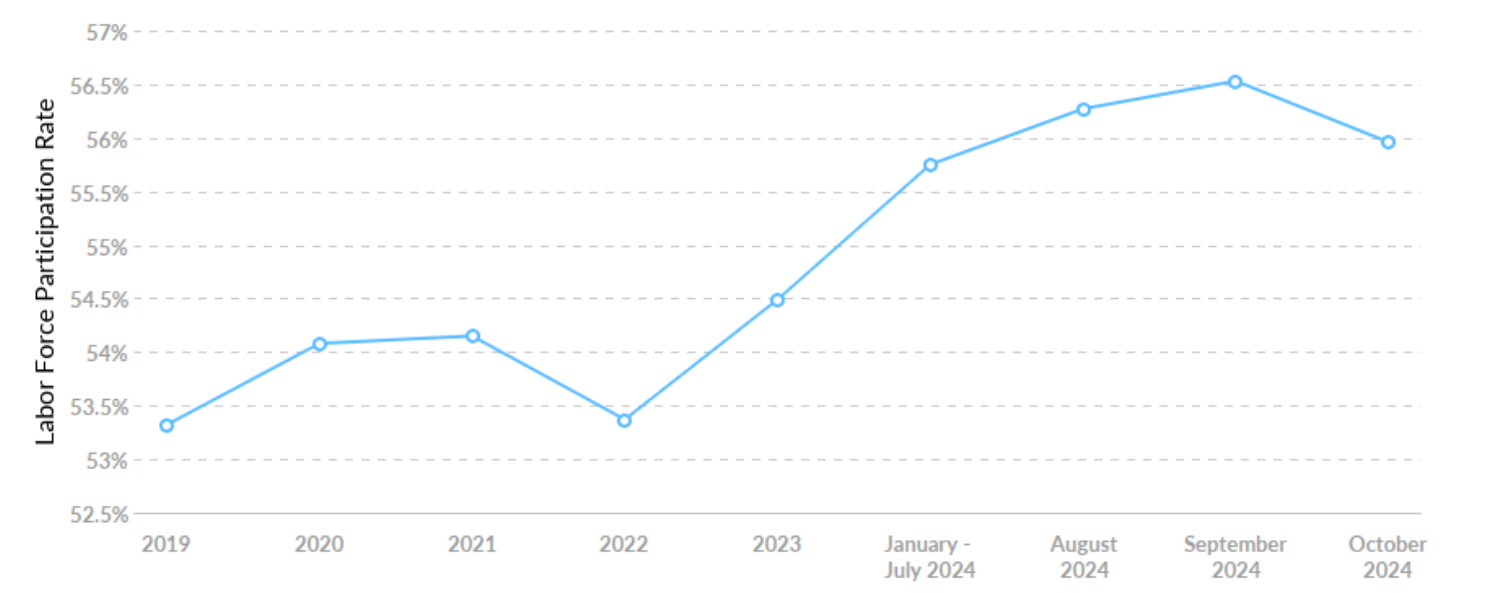
## Job Trends

From 2018 to 2023, jobs increased by 6.4% in Washington County, TX from 17,565 to 18,686. This change **outpaced the national growth rate of 4.5% by 1.9%.**



Timeframe	Jobs
2018	17,565
2019	17,989
2020	17,794
2021	17,548
2022	17,941
2023	18,686
2024	19,055
2025	19,349
2026	19,590
2027	19,788
2028	19,887

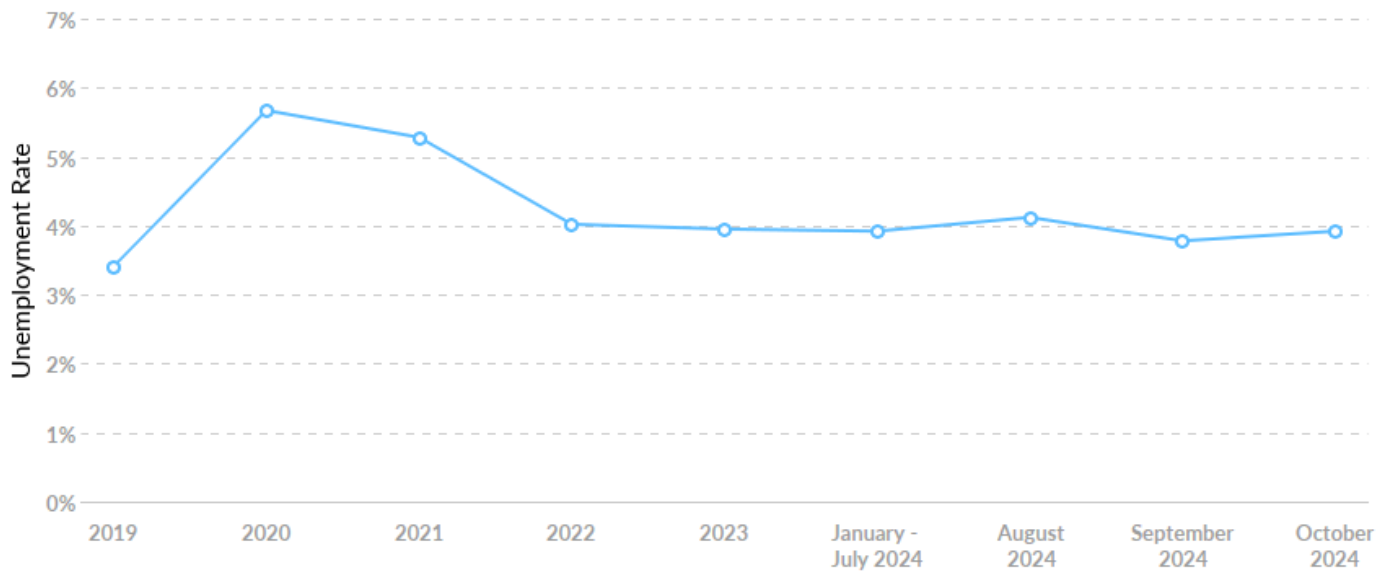
## Labor Force Participation Rate Trends



Timeframe	Labor Force Participation Rate
2019	53.32%
2020	54.08%
2021	54.15%
2022	53.37%
2023	54.49%
January - July 2024	55.75%
August 2024	56.27%
September 2024	56.53%
October 2024	55.96%

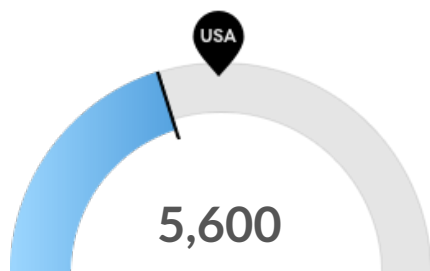
## Unemployment Rate Trends

Washington County, TX had an October 2024 unemployment rate of 3.92%, **increasing from 3.41% 5 years before.**



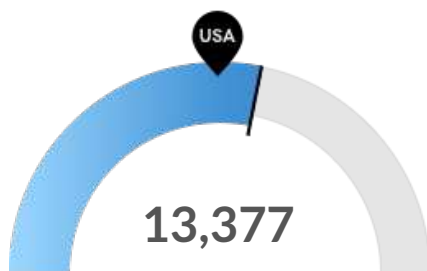
Timeframe	Unemployment Rate
2019	3.41%
2020	5.67%
2021	5.28%
2022	4.02%
2023	3.95%
January - July 2024	3.92%
August 2024	4.12%
September 2024	3.78%
October 2024	3.92%

## Population Characteristics



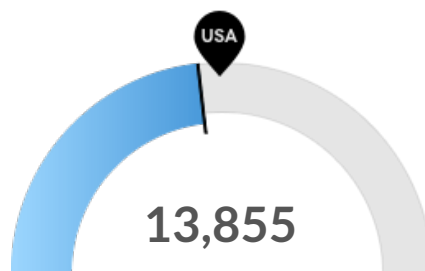
**Millennials**

Washington County, TX has 5,600 millennials (ages 25-39). The national average for an area this size is 7,519.



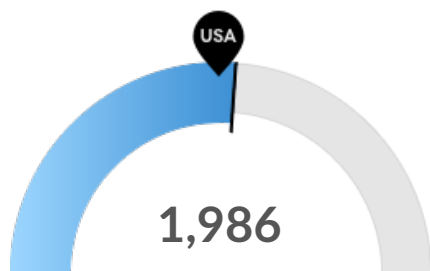
**Retiring Soon**

Retirement risk is high in Washington County, TX. The national average for an area this size is 11,172 people 55 or older, while there are 13,377 here.



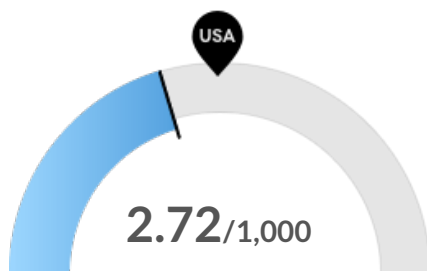
**Racial Diversity**

Racial diversity is low in Washington County, TX. The national average for an area this size is 15,412 racially diverse people, while there are 13,855 here.



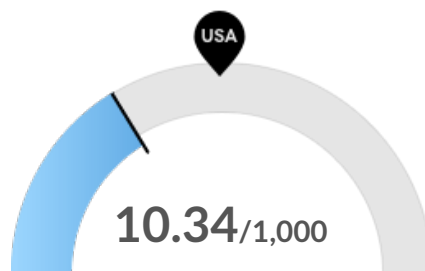
**Veterans**

Washington County, TX has 1,986 veterans. The national average for an area this size is 1,859.



**Violent Crime**

Washington County, TX has 2.72 violent crimes per 1,000 people. The national rate is 3.6 per 1,000 people.

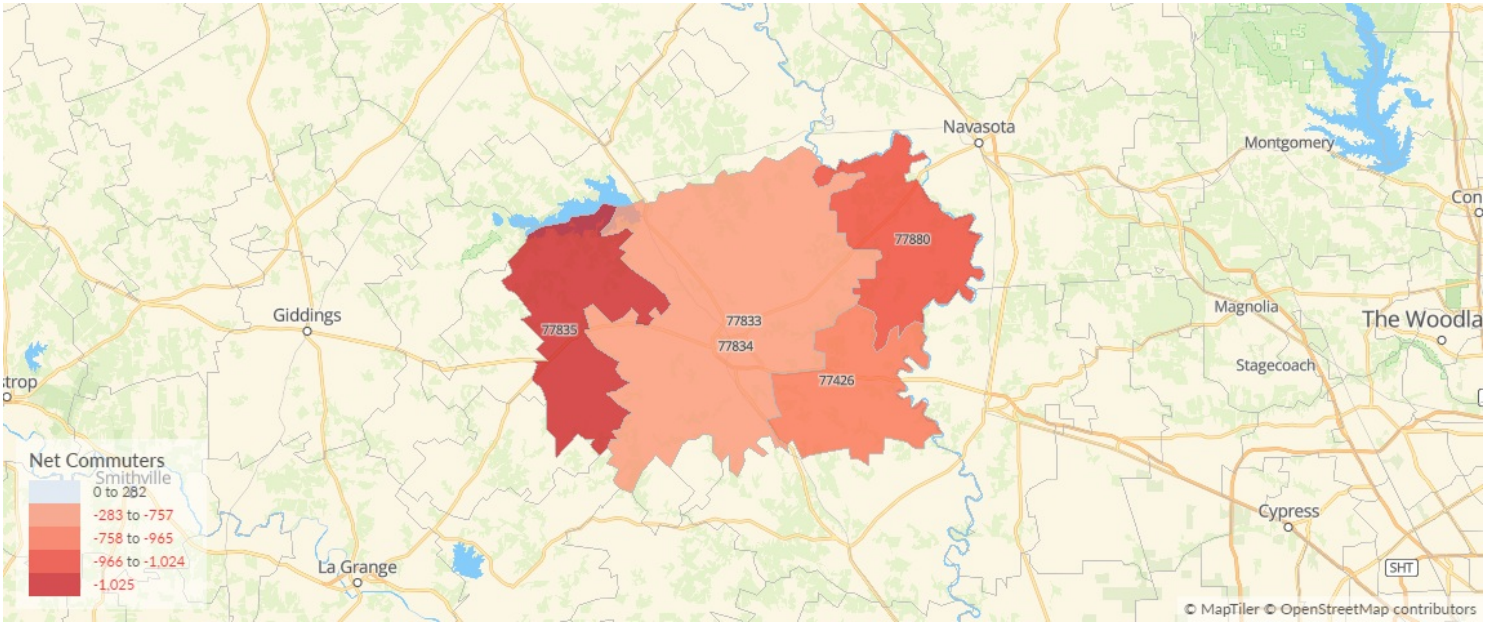


**Property Crime**

Washington County, TX has 10.34 property crimes per 1,000 people. The national rate is 18.22 per 1,000 people.

## Place of Work vs Place of Residence

Understanding where talent in Washington County, TX currently works compared to where talent lives can help you optimize site decisions.



### Where Talent Works

ZIP	Name	2023 Employment
77833	Brenham, TX (in Washin...	16,822
77426	Chappell Hill, TX (in Wa...	697
77835	Burton, TX (in Washingt...	589
77880	Washington, TX (in Was...	338
77834	Brenham, TX (in Washin...	241

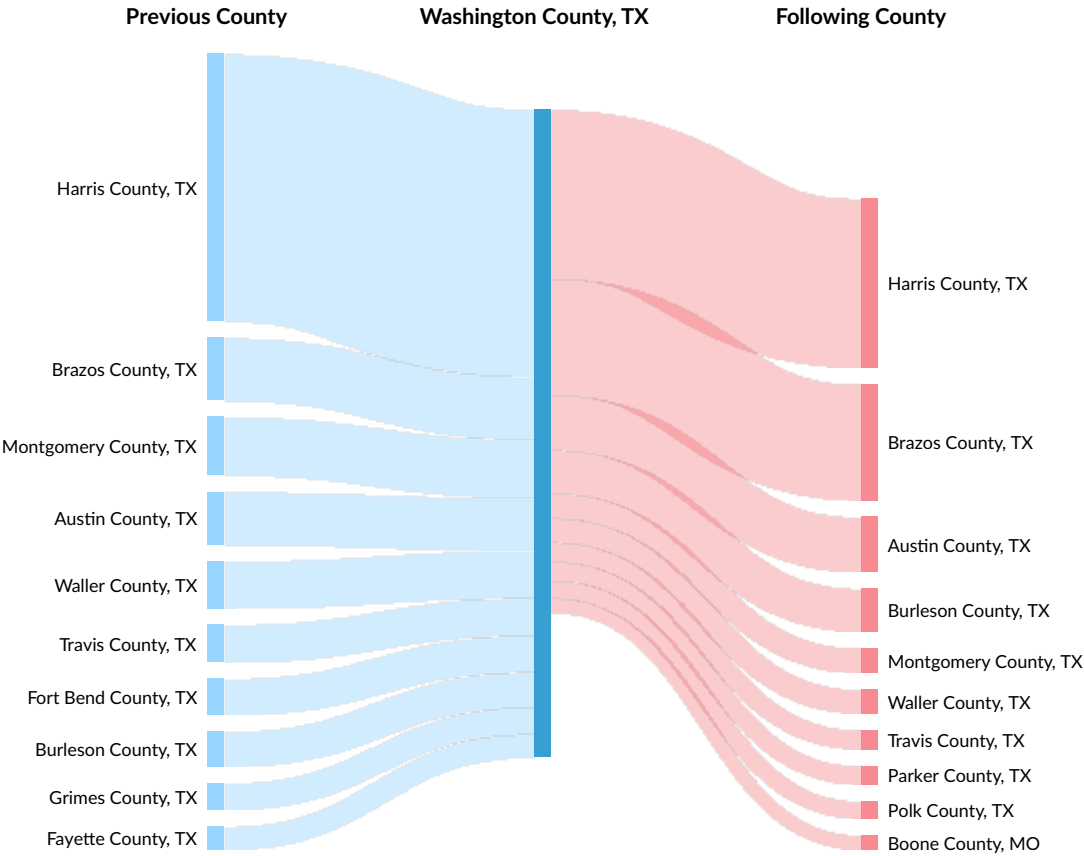
### Where Talent Lives

ZIP	Name	2023 Workers
77833	Brenham, TX (in Washin...	17,105
77835	Burton, TX (in Washingt...	1,614
77426	Chappell Hill, TX (in Wa...	1,455
77880	Washington, TX (in Was...	1,304
77834	Brenham, TX (in Washin...	241

# Inbound and Outbound Migration

The table below analyzes past and current residents of Washington County, TX. The left column shows residents of other counties migrating to Washington County, TX. The right column shows residents migrating from Washington County, TX to other counties.

As of 2022, 426 people have migrated from Harris County, TX to Washington County, TX. In the same year, 270 people left Washington County, TX migrating to Harris County, TX. The total Net Migration for Washington County, TX in 2022 was 350.



Top Previous Counties	Migrations
Harris County, TX	426
Brazos County, TX	100
Montgomery County, TX	93
Austin County, TX	84
Waller County, TX	75

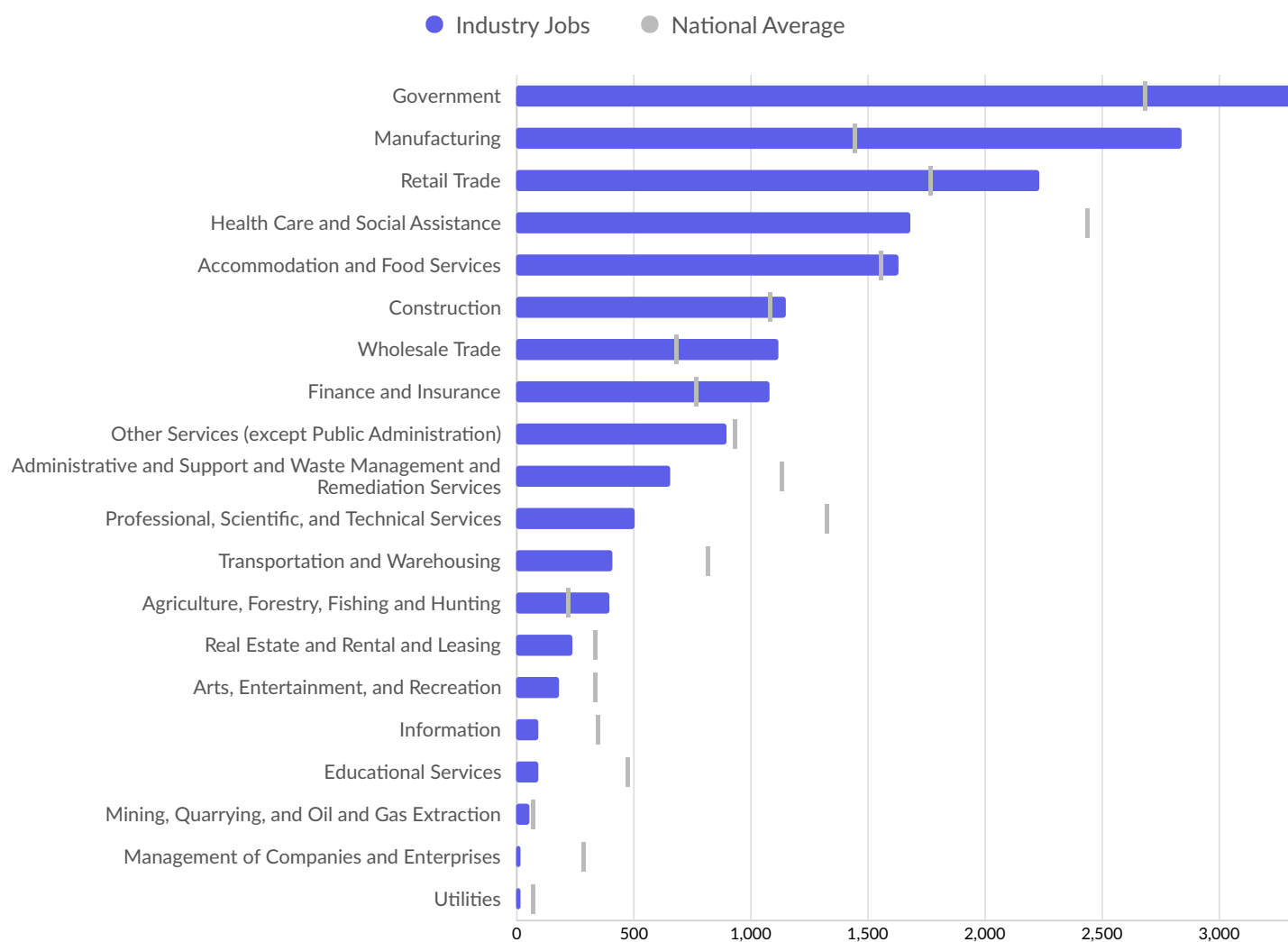


Top Previous Counties	Migrations
Travis County, TX	60
Fort Bend County, TX	58
Burleson County, TX	56
Grimes County, TX	43
Fayette County, TX	37
Bexar County, TX	30
Brazoria County, TX	22
Bell County, TX	16
Webb County, TX	15
Wharton County, TX	14
Top Following Counties	Migrations
Harris County, TX	270
Brazos County, TX	185
Austin County, TX	88
Burleson County, TX	69
Montgomery County, TX	40
Waller County, TX	38
Travis County, TX	31
Parker County, TX	30
Polk County, TX	28
Boone County, MO	24
Williamson County, TX	21
Lubbock County, TX	19
San Diego County, CA	19
Ector County, TX	18

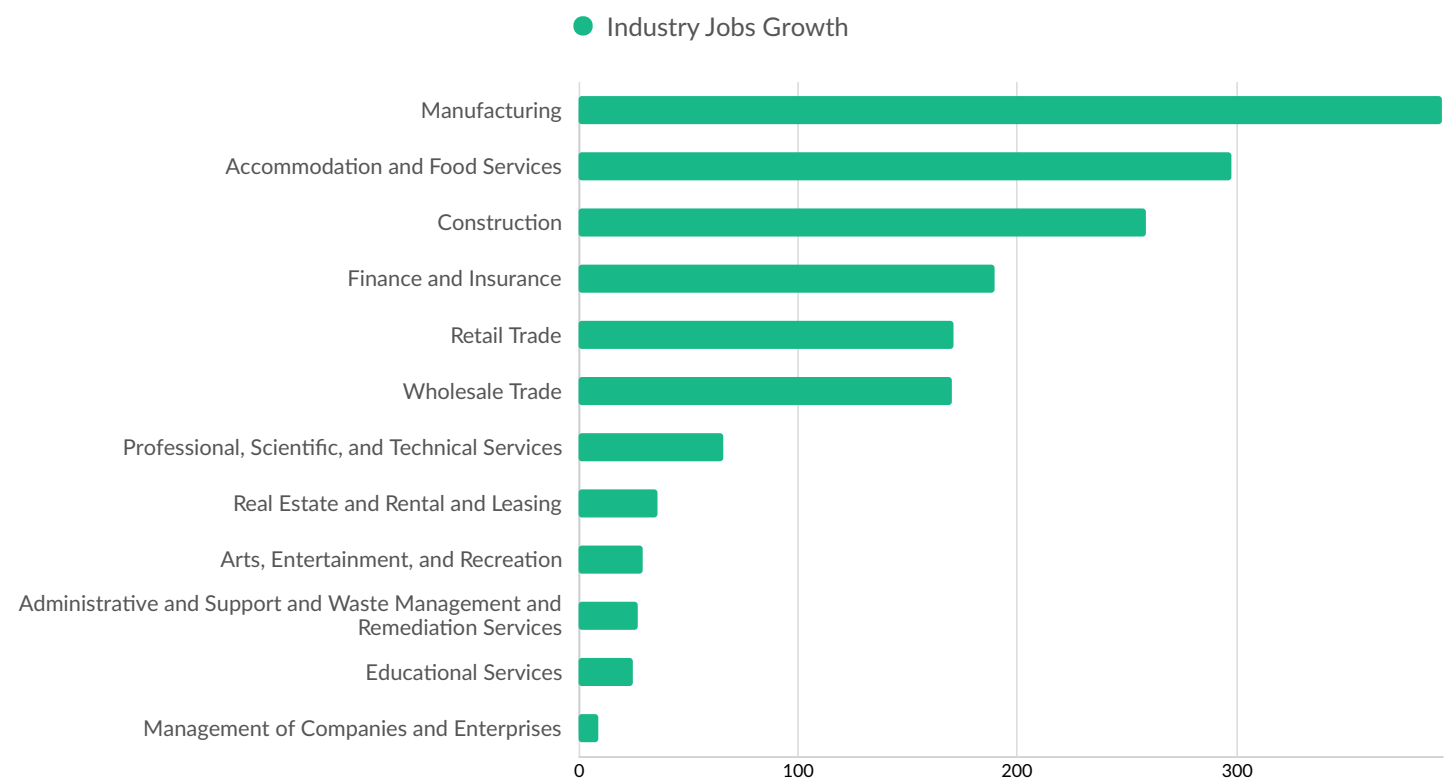
Top Following Counties	Migrations
Shelby County, AL	18

# Industry Characteristics

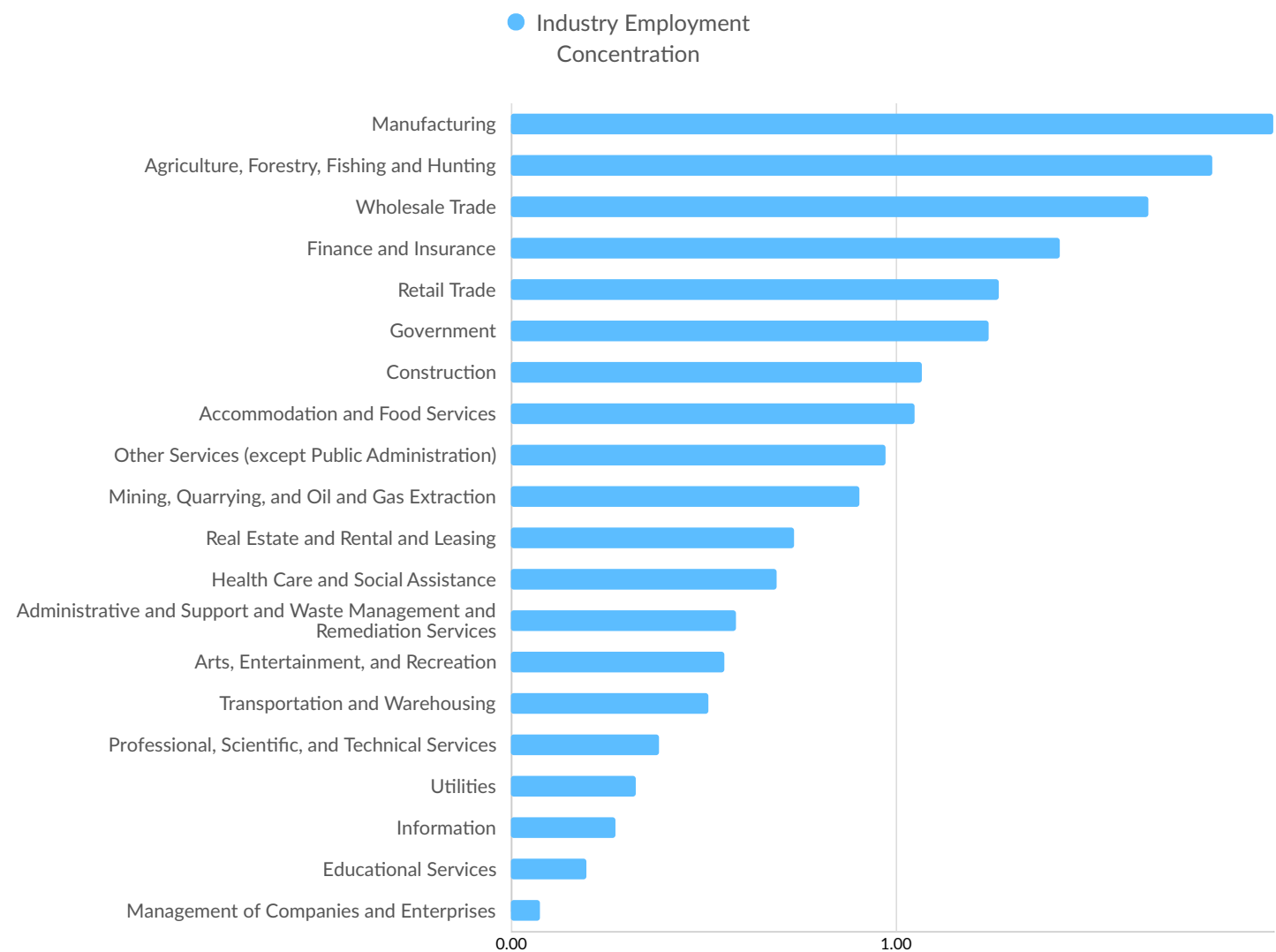
## Largest Industries



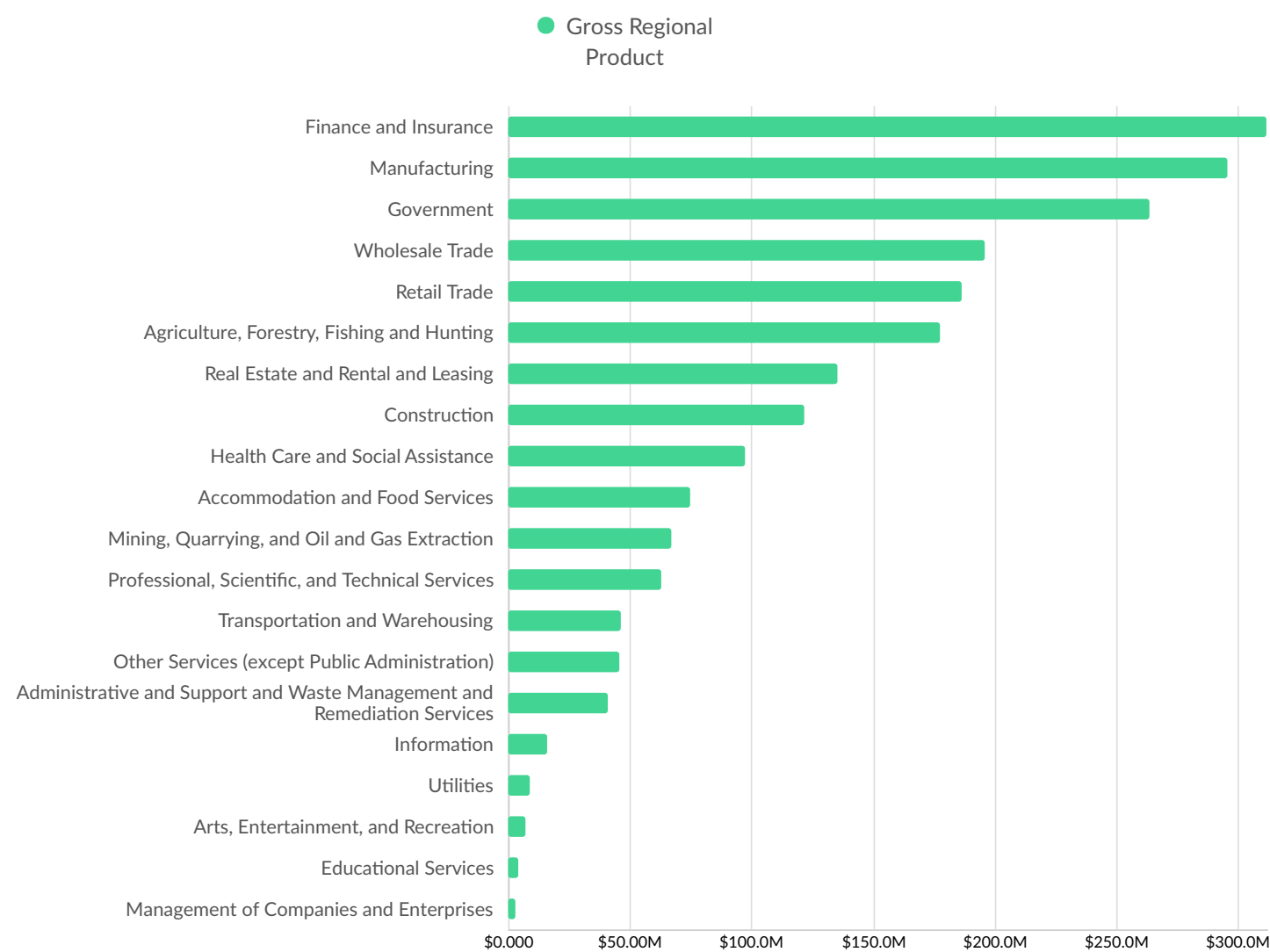
## Top Growing Industries



## Top Industry Employment Concentration



## Top Industry GRP



## Top Industry Earnings



# Business Characteristics

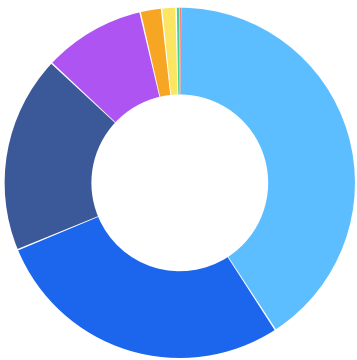
## 3,296 Companies Employ Your Workers

Online profiles for your workers mention 3,296 companies as employers, with the top 10 appearing below. In the last 12 months, 735 companies in Washington County, TX posted job postings, with the top 10 appearing below.

Top Companies	Profiles	Top Companies Posting	Unique Postings
Blinn College	261 <div></div>	Blinn College	250 <div></div>
Brenham I.s.d.	208 <div></div>	Baylor Scott & White Health	149 <div></div>
Germania Insurance	186 <div></div>	Texas Health and Human Servic...	111 <div></div>
Blue Bell Creameries	138 <div></div>	Valmont Industries	70 <div></div>
Baylor Scott & White Health	105 <div></div>	AccentCare	67 <div></div>
City Of Brenham	81 <div></div>	Personnel Services	65 <div></div>
State Of Texas	73 <div></div>	Walmart	57 <div></div>
Brenham Independent School D...	72 <div></div>	Brenham I.s.d.	53 <div></div>
Mic Group	58 <div></div>	Brenham Independent School D...	53 <div></div>
Texas A&M University	57 <div></div>	Regency Integrated Health Servi...	49 <div></div>



## Business Size

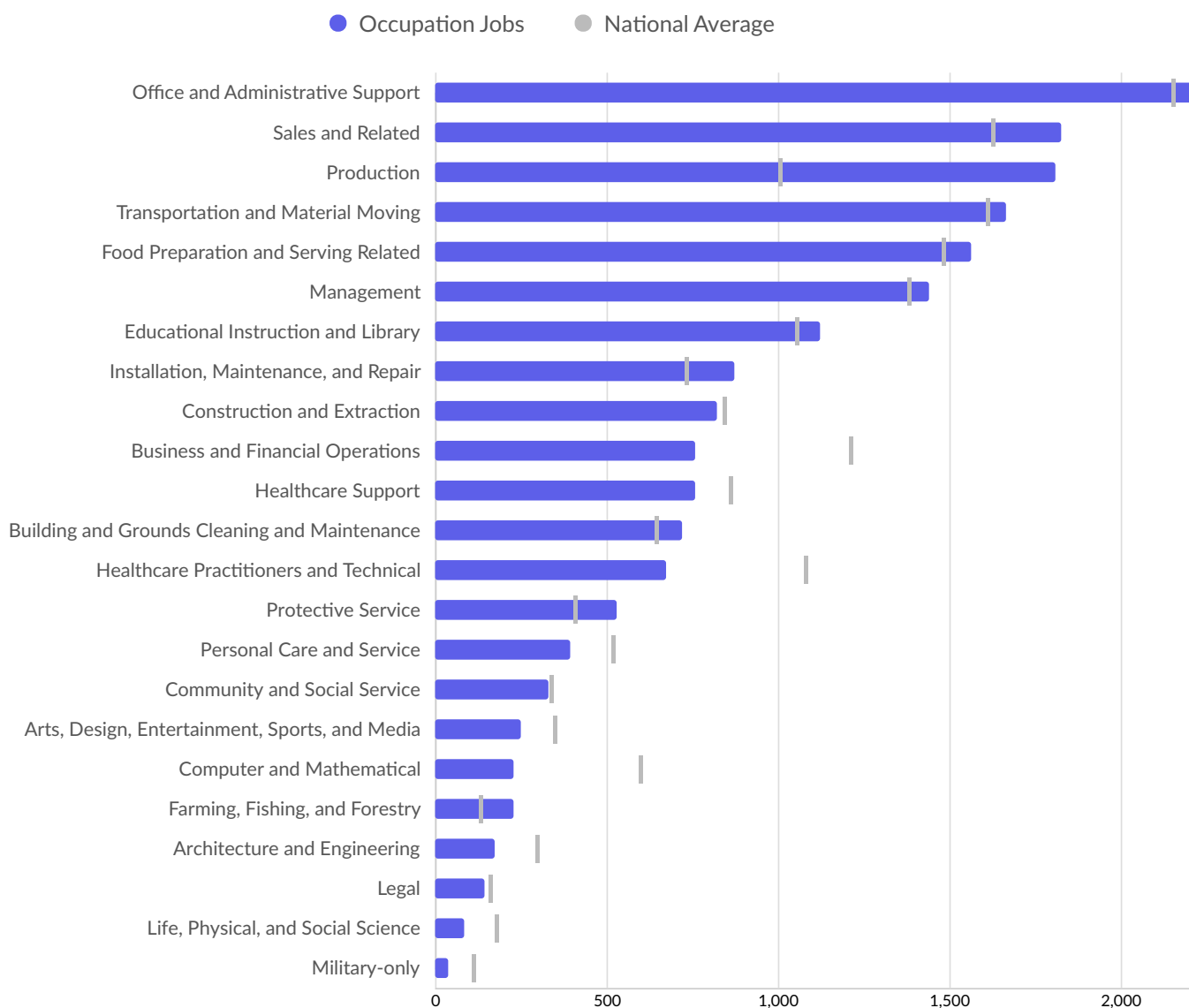


	Percentage	Business Count
1 to 4 employees	40.8%	802
5 to 9 employees	27.9%	550
10 to 19 employees	18.2%	358
20 to 49 employees	9.4%	185
50 to 99 employees	2.0%	39
100 to 249 employees	1.3%	26
250 to 499 employees	0.4%	7
500+ employees	0.1%	1

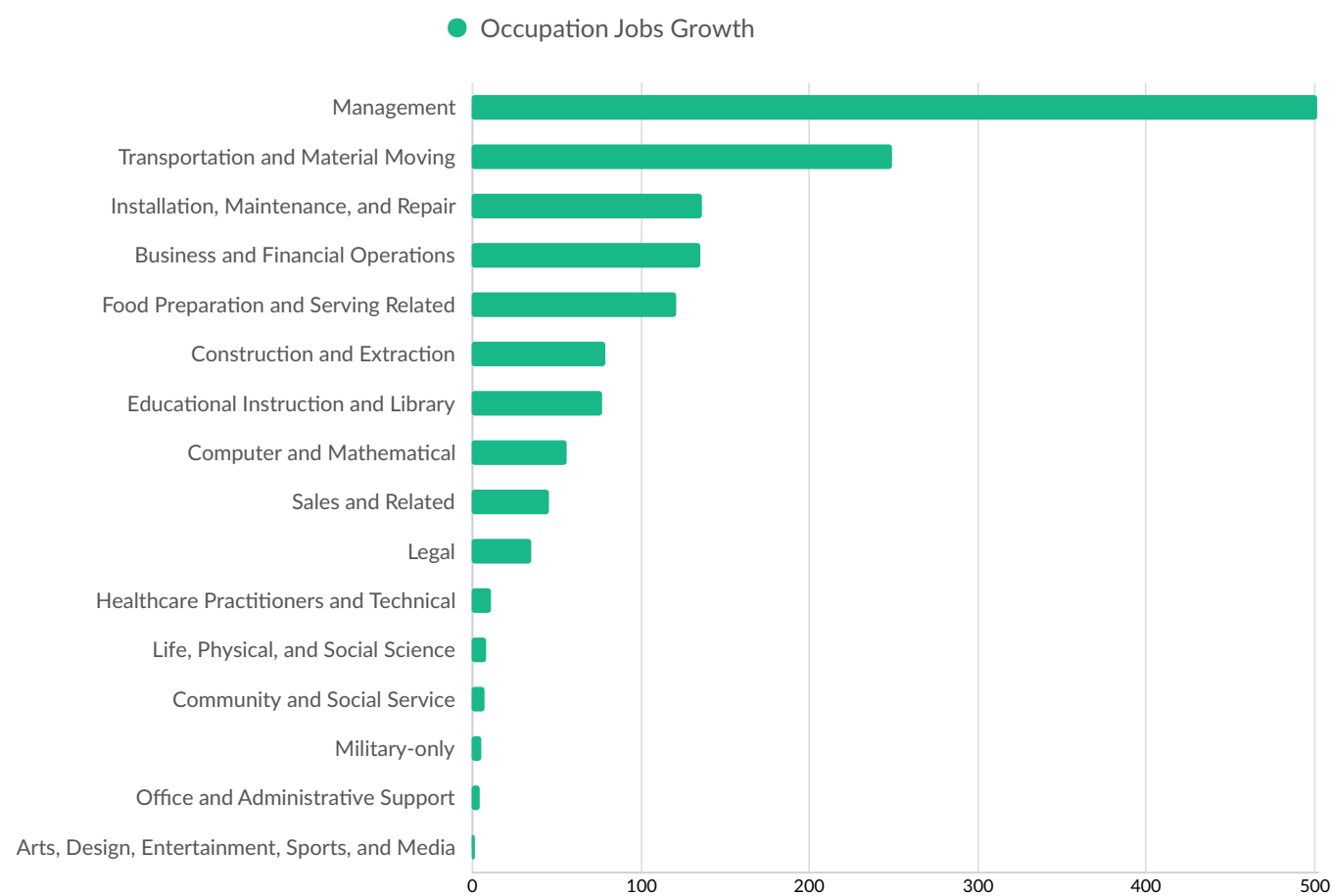
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# Workforce Characteristics

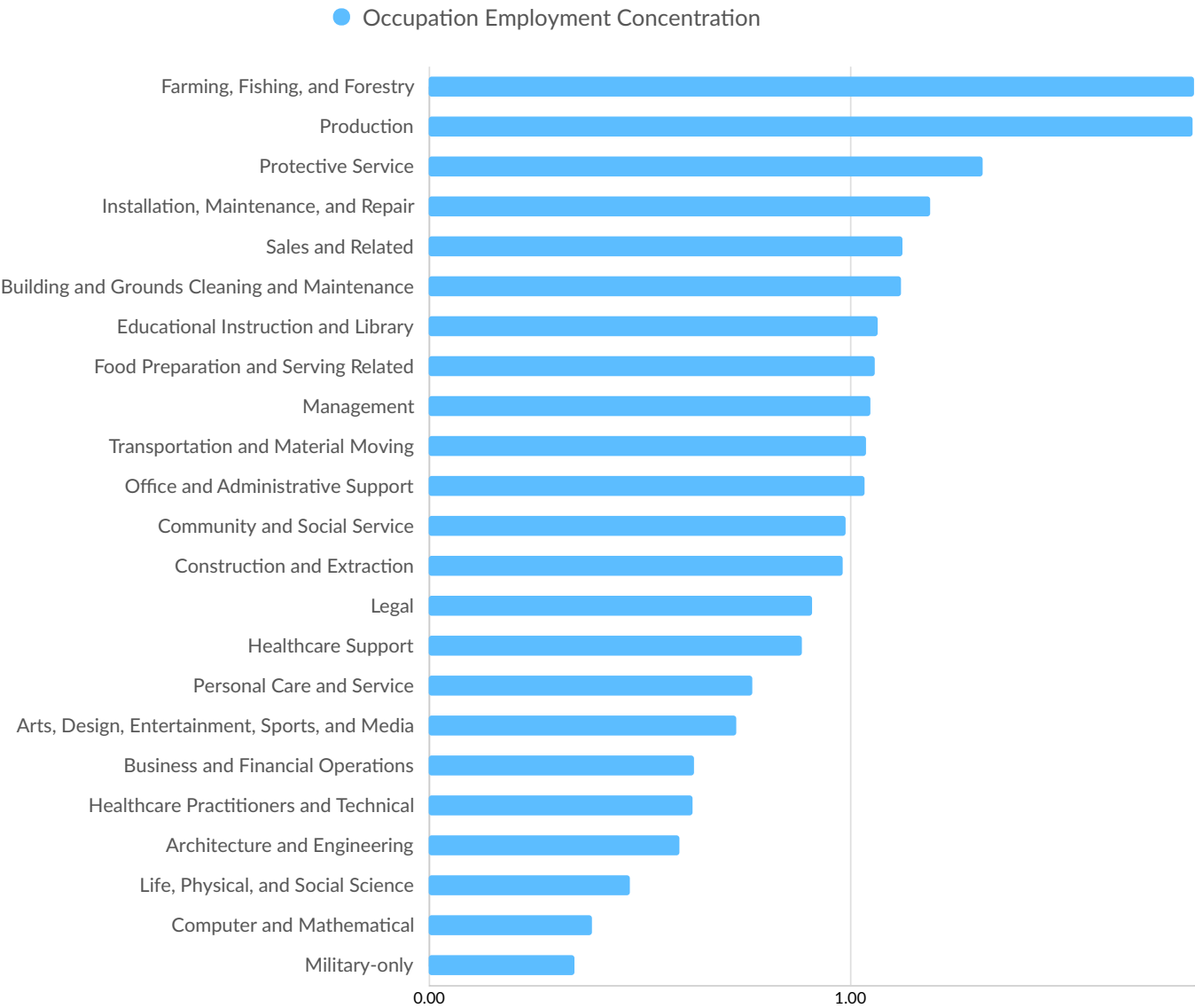
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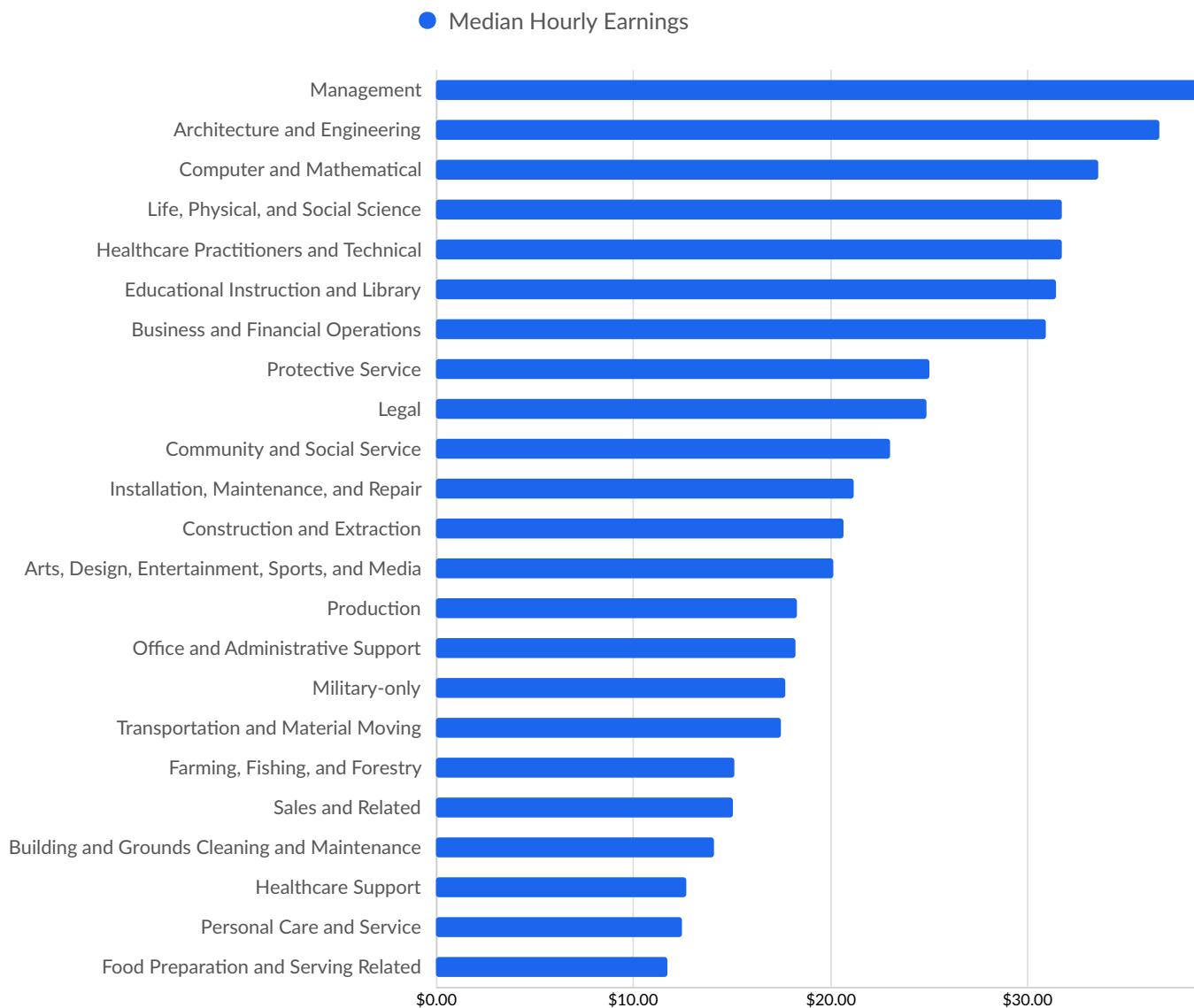
## Top Growing Occupations



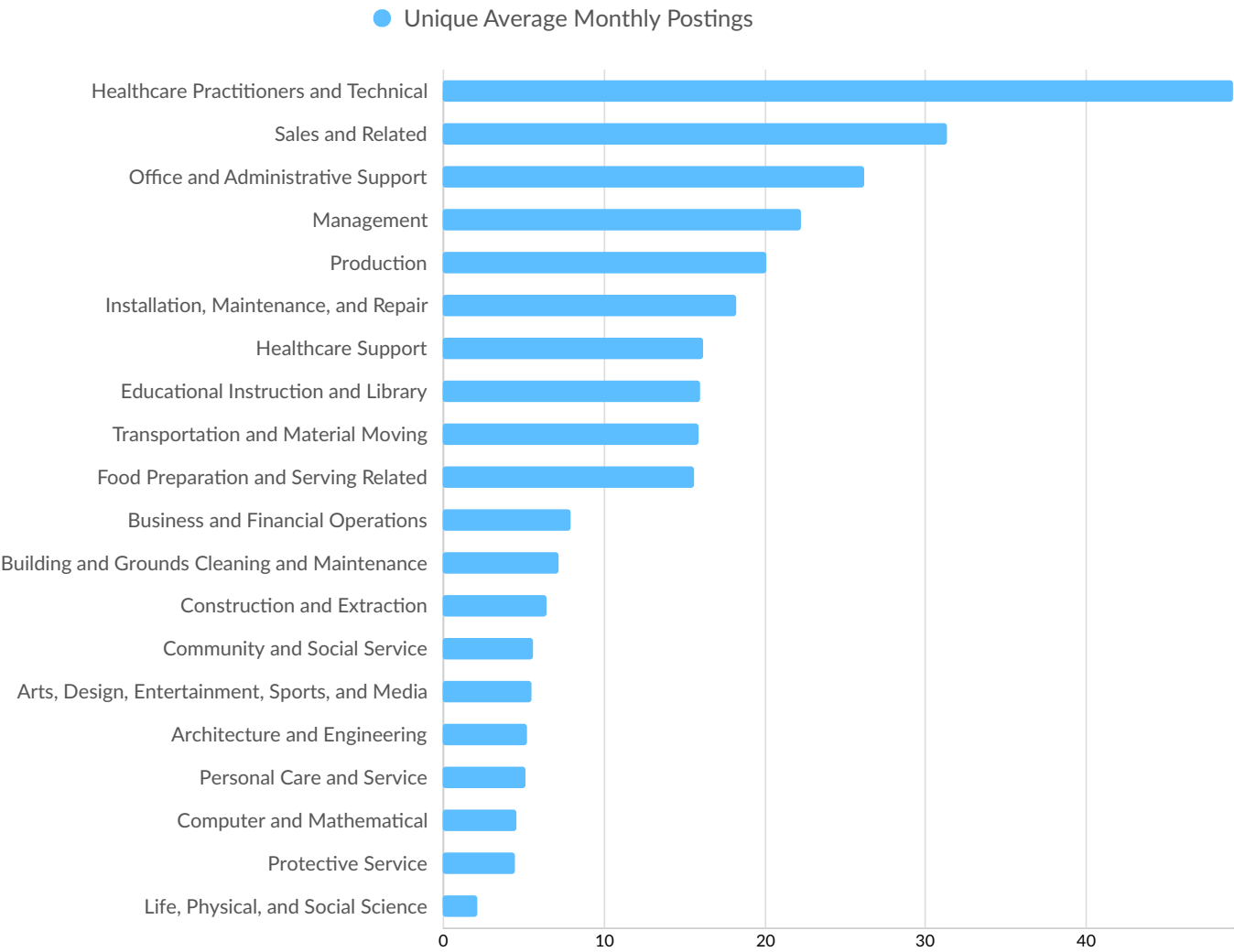
## Top Occupation Employment Concentration



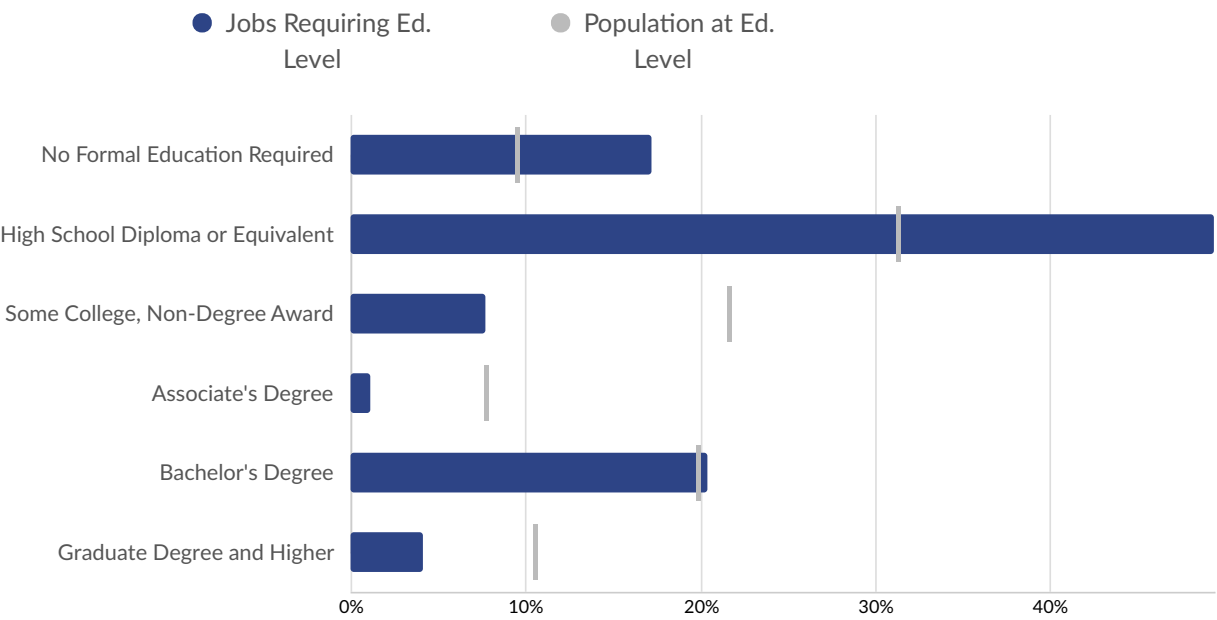
## Top Occupation Earnings



## Top Posted Occupations

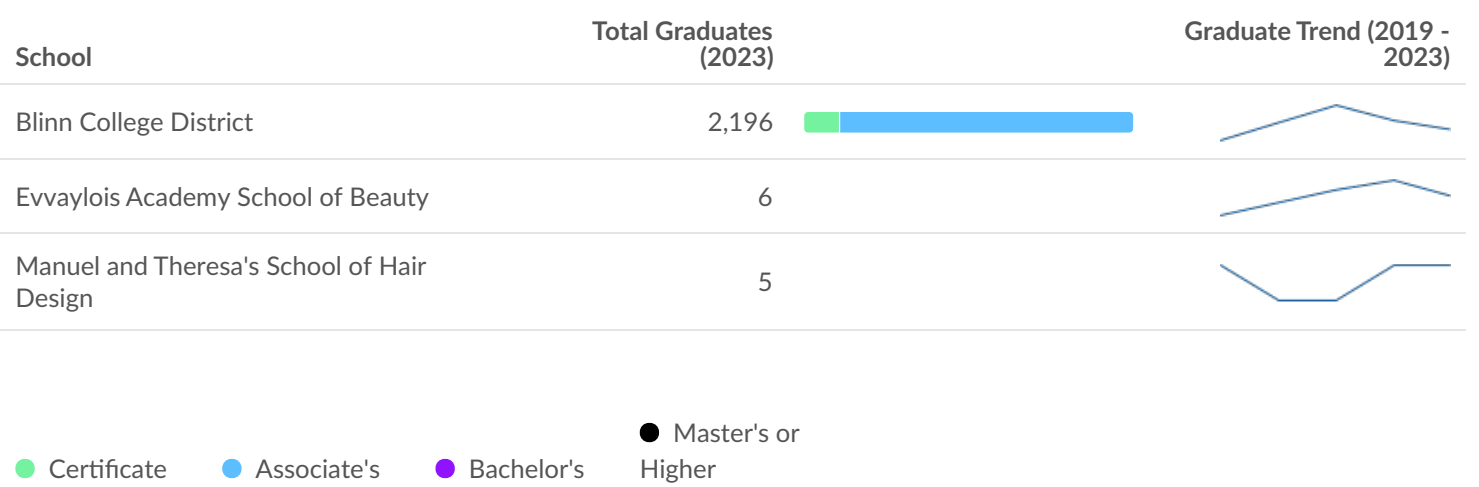


Underemployment



# Educational Pipeline

In 2023, there were 2,207 graduates in Washington County, TX. This pipeline has grown by 28% over the last 5 years. The highest share of these graduates come from "General Studies" (Associate's), "Business/Commerce, General" (Associate's), and "Agriculture, General" (Associate's).





# In-Demand Skills

