

Karnes County Job Report December 2011

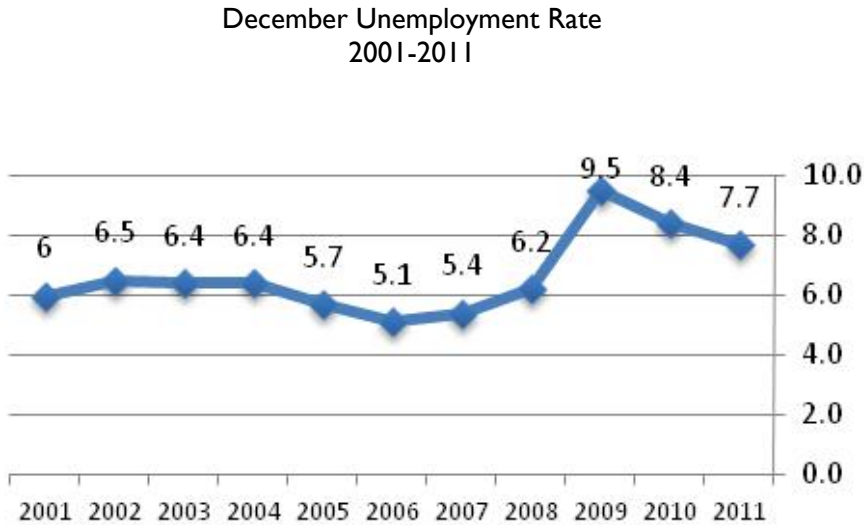
Workforce Solutions Alamo released information today indicating that the Karnes County unemployment rate decreased to 7.7 percent in December, down from 8.0 percent reported in November.

Karnes County’s unemployment rate was higher than the overall jobless rate of 6.7 percent for the 12-county Workforce Solutions Alamo area, which includes Atascosa, Bandera, Comal, Frio, Gillespie, Guadalupe, Karnes, Kendall, Kerr, Medina and Wilson counties. Gillespie County registered the lowest unemployment rate in December amongst the counties at 4.1%, while Karnes County registered the highest rate at 7.7%.

Comparing the Workforce Solutions Alamo metro area to the state and nation, the Texas unadjusted (actual) unemployment rate decreased to 7.2 percent in December, down from 7.5 percent in November. The nation’s unadjusted (actual) unemployment rate increased slightly to 8.3 percent in December, up from 8.2 percent reported in October. Comparatively, the state and nation release seasonally adjusted unemployment rates with Texas decreasing to 7.8 percent in December and the nation’s unemployment rate decreasing to 8.5 percent.

Labor Force Data

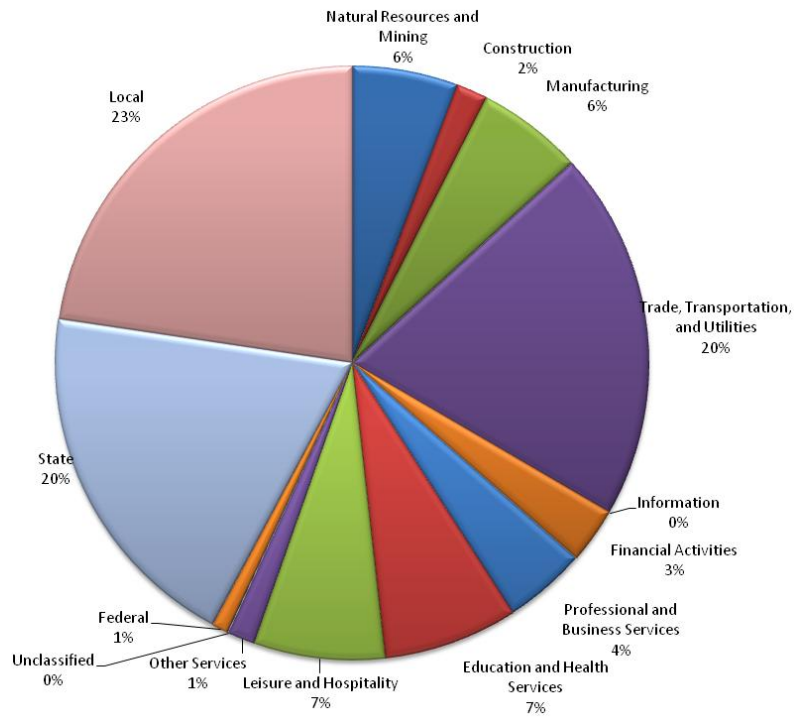
Year	Employment Type	Stats
2011	Labor Force	5392
2011	Employment	4978
2011	Unemployed	414
2011	Rate	7.7
2010	Labor Force	5427
2010	Employment	4970
2010	Unemployed	457
2010	Rate	8.4
2009	Labor Force	5490
2009	Employment	4968
2009	Unemployed	522
2009	Rate	9.5



Karnes County Employment by Industry– Second Quarter 2011

County Employment by Industry	Q2 2010	Q2 2011	Difference
Total Non-Farm Employment	3,743	3,789	46
Natural Resources and Mining	152	218	66
Construction	68	65	3
Manufacturing	223	219	4
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	646	761	115
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Financial Activities	112	115	3
Professional and Business Services	191	170	21
Education and Health Services	286	277	9
Leisure and Hospitality	244	271	27
Other Services	63	56	7
Unclassified	14	3	11
Federal	35	33	2
State	788	740	48
Local	918	857	61

WHEN THERE WAS NO EMPLOYMENT REPORTED IN A COUNTY IN ONE OF THE INDUSTRY GROUPS, A '0' IS SHOWN. WHEN ONE EMPLOYER COMPRISES 80% OR MORE OF THE EMPLOYMENT FOR AN INDUSTRY GROUP IN A COUNTY, A DASH (-) IS SHOWN. THE EMPLOYMENT FOR THAT INDUSTRY IS INCLUDED IN '(L) - UNCLASSIFIED' SO AS NOT TO REVEAL INFORMATION ABOUT INDIVIDUAL ESTABLISHMENTS



County	2nd Qtr 2010 AWW*	1ST Qtr 2011 AWW*	2nd Qtr 2011 AWW*	Qtr. Difference	Annual Difference
KARNES	\$577.91	\$592.89	\$606.47	\$13.58	\$28.56

Data Sources: TWC, Tracer2, Sites on Texas