## West Texas Region

#### **REGIONAL SNAPSHOT**

The 30-county West Texas region covers about 39,700 square miles, stretching from the cities of Mason and Brady in the east to the Rio Grande just south of Dryden and north to the city of Seminole.

The region contains three metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs): The Midland MSA, the Odessa MSA and the San Angelo MSA.



# \$166.5 Billion

**WEST TEXAS REGION GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT.** 2022

ABOUT 6.9 PERCENT OF TEXAS' GDP OF \$2.4 TRILLION.

#### **WEST TEXAS REGION COUNTIES:**

**ANDREWS BORDEN** COKE CONCHO

CRANE

CROCKETT DAWSON **ECTOR** GAINES GLASSCOCK HOWARD IRION **KIMBLE** LOVING MARTIN

MASON MCCULLOCH MENARD MIDLAND PECOS

REAGAN REEVES **SCHLEICHER STERLING** SUTTON

TERRELL TOM GREEN UPTON WARD WINKLER

## POPULATION CHANGE (2012 TO 2022)

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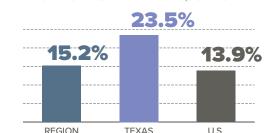
The region's population rose by 7.2 percent between 2012 and 2022, led by gains in the counties of Gaines (21.2 percent), Sterling (19.1 percent), Andrews (13.9 percent) and Midland (16.7 percent).

### **JOBS & WAGES**

The region added nearly 40,000 jobs between 2012 and 2022, a gain of 15.2 percent. Oil and gas extraction and support services for mining stand out as unique to the regional economy. A location quotient (LQ) of 1.25 or higher indicates that the region has a competitive advantage in the industry. Commercial and industrial machinery/equipment leasing and consulting services experienced strong growth in the region in recent years.

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NUMBER EMPLOYED



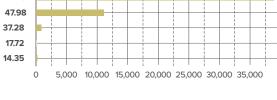
PERCENT CHANGE IN TOTAL JOBS, 2012 TO 2022

**TOP INDUSTRIES BY LOCATION QUOTIENT, 2022** 

> SUPPORT ACTIVITIES FOR MINING 72.23 OIL AND GAS EXTRACTION

PIPELINE TRANSPORTATION OF CRUDE OIL 37.28 SHEEP AND GOAT FARMING

OTHER PIPELINE TRANSPORTATION



AVERAGE ANNUAL WAGES



INDUSTRIES WITH LARGEST TOTAL **JOBS GROWTH, 2012 TO 2022** 

MANAGEMENT, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL CONSULTING SERVICES COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT RENTAL AND LEASING GROCERY AND CONVENIENCE RETAILERS UTILITY SYSTEM CONSTRUCTION TRAVELER ACCOMMODATION



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