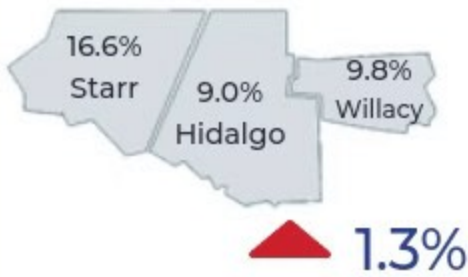


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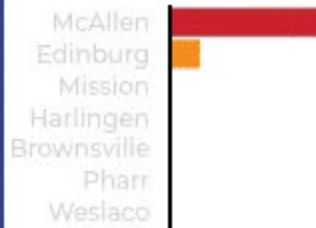
### Unemployment Rates

**Workforce Solutions WDA**  
increased from 8.2% to 9.5%



**Dec-21**

**Jan-22**



Seasonally Adjusted



Indicates a decrease in Unemployment Rate



Indicates an increase in Unemployment Rate

### Employment Change

	McAllen MSA	Brownsville MSA	Laredo MSA	Total Region
Total All Non-Agriculture	-4,700 ▼	-2,300 ▼	-1,400 ▼	-8,400 ▼

Lower Rio WDA Industry Composition		Industry	Employment	% Yearly Change
	1.2%	Natural Resources and Mining	3,434	6.6%
	3.0%	Construction	8,479	10.3%
	2.4%	Manufacturing	6,774	3.3%
	20.1%	Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	57,104	5.5%
	1.1%	Information	3,098	7.5%
	3.1%	Financial Activities	8,853	-1.0%
	7.3%	Professional and Business Services	20,715	12.8%
	44.9%	Education and Health Services	127,875	3.4%
	9.9%	Leisure and Hospitality	28,223	18.2%
	1.6%	Other Services	4,668	15.5%
5.4%	Public Administration	15,479	-1.2%	



TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES

▼ **-3,200**

McAllen MSA -1,500  
Brownsville MSA -700  
Laredo MSA -1,000



GOVERNMENT  
(Public Ed, Law Enforcement)

▼ **-3,100**

McAllen MSA -2,100  
Brownsville MSA -900  
Laredo MSA -100

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### Statewide Overview



### Business Engagement

WFS Business Relations works to address the needs of business by creating and providing value-added strategies and activities designed to support and promote long-term economic stability, competitiveness and regional growth.

### Industry Needs



In efforts to assist local businesses with healthcare professional shortages, WFS has continued to help through special initiatives and Skills Development Fund grants. In January WFS was awarded a \$50,000 Skills Development Fund grant to focus on the healthcare industry.

### Business Needs



**2,150 Job Openings**