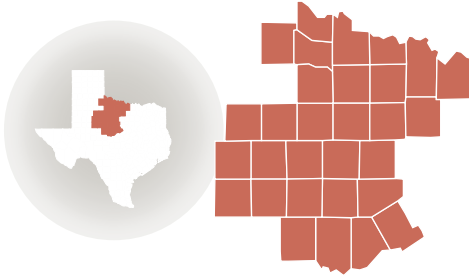


# REGIONAL SNAPSHOT

## NORTHWEST REGION



# \$24.8 Billion

**NORTHWEST REGION  
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT,  
2020**

1.4 PERCENT OF TEXAS' GDP OF \$1.8 TRILLION.

The 30-county Northwest region covers about 27,600 square miles, stretching from Oklahoma south to the Colorado River and abutting Big Spring in the west and the Fort Worth metro in the east.

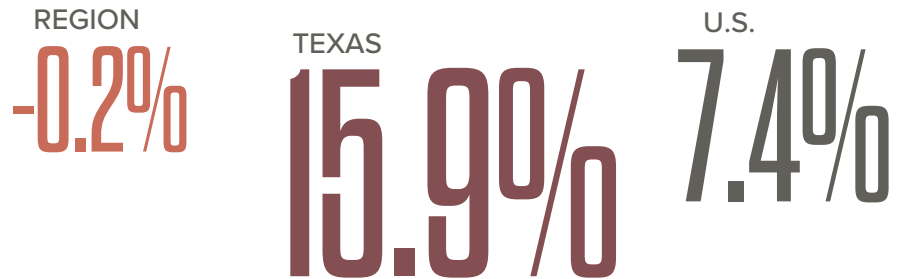
The region includes two metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs): the Abilene MSA, comprising Callahan, Jones and Taylor counties, and the Wichita Falls MSA, comprising Archer, Clay and Wichita counties.

### NORTHWEST REGION COUNTIES:

ARCHER	COLEMAN	FOARD	KENT	RUNNELS	TAYLOR
BAYLOR	COMANCHE	HARDEMAN	KNOX	SCURRY	THROCKMORTON
BROWN	COTTLE	HASKELL	MITCHELL	SHACKELFORD	WICHITA
CALLAHAN	EASTLAND	JACK	MONTAGUE	STEPHENS	WILBARGER
CLAY	FISHER	JONES	NOLAN	STONEWALL	YOUNG

## POPULATION CHANGE

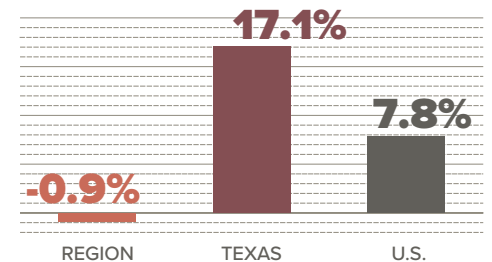
The region's population remained relatively constant between 2010 and 2020. Taylor County led regional population gains during this period at 8.9 percent.



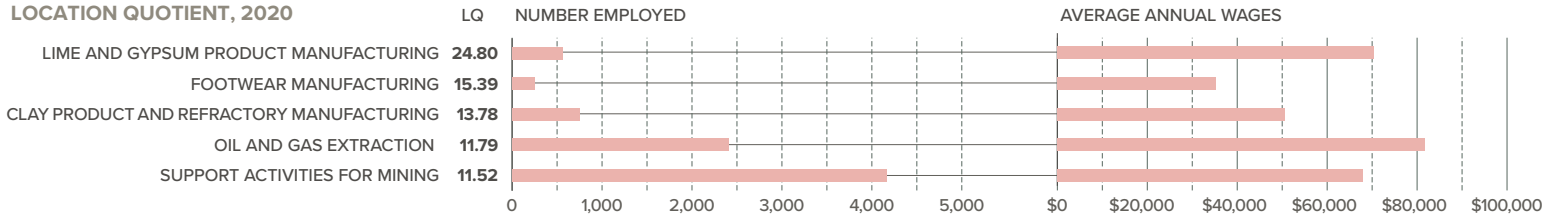
## JOBS & WAGES

Nearly 225,000 people were employed in the region in 2020. Several manufacturing industries have a location quotient (LQ) of 1.25 or higher, indicating the region has a competitive advantage in those industries. Health care industries led regional job growth between 2015 and 2020.

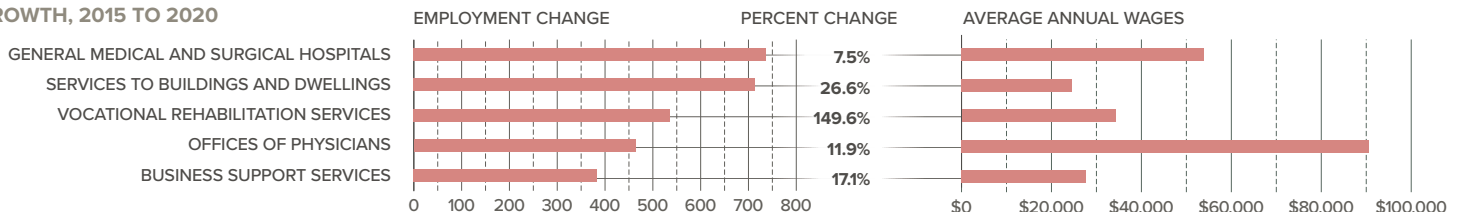
PERCENT CHANGE IN TOTAL JOBS, 2010 TO 2020



### TOP INDUSTRIES BY LOCATION QUOTIENT, 2020



### INDUSTRIES WITH LARGEST TOTAL JOBS GROWTH, 2015 TO 2020



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THE GULF COAST REGION IS ONE OF THE COMPTROLLER'S 12 ECONOMIC REGIONS.

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