

EMPLOYMENT AND EDUCATION: TEXAS OVER THE DECADE 2010-2020



The Texas Demographic Center has created an interactive swipe map to highlight changes in education and employment indicators between 2010 and 2020 in Texas. We feature some highlights on how Texas ranked among other states on certain indicators as well as how counties fared over the decade.

28th in the Nation

Texas national rank for individuals with a Bachelor's degree or higher in 2020. Texas' national rank improved from 31st to 28th over the decade.

31% with Bachelor's or higher

Percent of population with a Bachelor's degree or higher, representing a 19% increase since 2010.

47th in the Nation

Texas national rank for individuals with an Associate's degree in 2020.

7.4% with Associate's Degree

Percent of population with an Associate's degree, representing a 17% increase since 2010. The percent range of individuals who have earned an Associate's degree went from 0% in Kenedy to 54.5% in Loving County.

5.3% unemployment

The unemployment rate in Texas decreased 1.7 percentage points from 7% in 2010 to 5.3% in 2020. Several counties had a 0% unemployment rate up to 16.4% unemployment rate in Schleicher County.

Willacy, Cottle, Coleman, Sterling and Mitchell

Top Texas counties that experienced the greatest increase in the labor force participation rate between 2010-2020.

Borden, Kent, Menard, Burleson, Coke and Brewster

Top Texas counties that experienced the greatest increase in the percent of individuals with a Bachelor's degree or higher between 2010-2020.

King, Crocket, Sterling, Zavala, and La Salle

Top 5 counties that experienced the greatest increase in the percent of individuals with a high school degree between 2010-2020.

Access swipe map through the Geography/Maps/Interactive tab on our website.

