

**IN HONOR OF OUR VETERANS**

Veterans Day originated as "Armistice Day" on Nov. 11, 1919, the first anniversary marking the end of World War I. Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observance, and Nov. 11 became a national holiday beginning in 1938. President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed legislation in 1954 to change the name to Veterans Day as a way to honor those who served in all American wars.



**- Veterans**  
**18.5 million** - military veterans in the United States in 2016;  
**1.6 million** - female veterans in the United States in 2016.  
**- Veterans by age in 2016 - 9.2 million** - 65 and older; **1.6 million** - 35 and younger.

**- Percentage age of veterans by race in 2016: 78.0% - non-Hispanic white; 11.6% - Black; 6.5% - Hispanic; 1.6% - Asian; 0.7% - American Indian or Alaska Native; 0.2% - Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander; and 1.3% - some other race.**

**- When They Served**  
**Gulf War Veterans (8/1990 to 8/2001) - 2,826,221**  
**Gulf War Veterans (9/2001 or later) - 3,617,933**  
**Vietnam era veterans - 7,133,597**

**Korean War veterans - 2,114,860**  
**World War II veterans - 1,358,115**

**- Number of living veterans in 2016 who served during three wartime periods: 65,562** served during the Vietnam Era and both periods of the Gulf War (August 1990 to August 2001 and September 2001 or later);

**25,703** served during World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam Era.

**- Number of living veterans in 2016 who served during two wartime periods: 1,150,328** served during both periods of the Gulf War (August 1990 to August 2001 and September 2001 or later); **85,649** served during the Gulf War (August 1990 to August 2001) and the Vietnam Era;

**140,101** served during the Korean War and the Vietnam Era; and **56,105** served during World War II and the Korean War.

**- States with 1.0 million or more veterans in 2016**  
**California (1.6 ml), Texas (1.5 ml) and Florida (1.4 ml)**

**- Education**  
**28.3%** - Veterans 25 years and older with a bachelor's degree or higher in 2016 (31.5% of nonveterans had a bachelor's degree or higher.)

**- Earnings**  
**\$40,076** - The annual median income of male veterans in 2016, compared with \$35,365 for male nonveterans;  
**\$34,178** - The annual median income of female veterans in 2016, compared with \$23,445 for female nonveterans.

**- Voting**  
**14.4 million** - Veterans voted in the 2016 presidential election.  
**69.6%** of veterans cast a ballot, compared with 60.6% of nonveterans. These rates reflect the citizen voting-age population.

**- Business Owners**  
**398,453** - Number of all U.S. employer firms that are majority owned by veterans.  
**7.2%** - Veteran-owned firms comprise of nation's 5.5 million employer businesses.

Source: **PROFILE AMERICA FACTS FOR FEATURES: CB17-FF.22**

Data may be found at <https://factfinder.census.gov/>

**TEXAS ECONOMIC NUMBERS**

| Industry                          | Oct 2017          | Monthly Change | Annual Change  | Annual % Change |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Total Nonagricultural             | 12,394,900        | 71,500         | 316,100        | 2.6             |
| Private                           | 10,423,900        | 64,100         | 279,300        | 2.8             |
| <b>Goods-Producing</b>            | <b>1,847,900</b>  | <b>6,800</b>   | <b>89,400</b>  | <b>5.1</b>      |
| Mining & Logging                  | 250,700           | 3,200          | 36,400         | 17.0            |
| Construction                      | 720,400           | 4,500          | 17,200         | 2.4             |
| Manufacturing                     | 876,800           | -900           | 35,800         | 4.3             |
| <b>Service-Providing</b>          | <b>10,547,000</b> | <b>64,700</b>  | <b>226,700</b> | <b>2.2</b>      |
| Trade, Transportation & Utilities | 2,458,500         | 10,300         | 30,000         | 1.2             |
| Information                       | 189,900           | -1,300         | -10,700        | -5.3            |
| Financial Activities              | 765,200           | 3,000          | 26,900         | 3.6             |
| Professional & Business Services  | 1,685,900         | 6,300          | 50,000         | 3.1             |
| Education & Health Services       | 1,682,500         | 2,000          | 33,500         | 2.0             |
| Leisure & Hospitality             | 1,345,600         | 34,700         | 41,000         | 3.1             |
| Other Services                    | 448,400           | 2,300          | 19,200         | 4.5             |
| Government                        | 1,971,000         | 7,400          | 36,800         | 1.9             |

Source Texas Labor Market Review

**OCTOBER 2017 EMPLOYMENT**

| Not Seasonally Adjusted | Civilian Labor Force | Employed    | Unemployed | Rate  |
|-------------------------|----------------------|-------------|------------|-------|
| US                      | 160,465,000          | 154,223,000 | 6,242,000  | 4.01% |
| TX                      | 13,392,285           | 12,922,084  | 470,201    | 3.50% |
| D/FW Region             | 3,824,772            | 3,709,966   | 114,806    | 3%    |

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Texas Workforce Commission

**U.S. ECONOMIC NUMBERS**

|  |  |             |              |
|--|--|-------------|--------------|
| Long Term Unemployed (27+ wks.)<br>% of unemployed = 24.8% |  | Oct '17     | 1,621,000    |
| Consumer Price Index                                       |  | Oct '17     | +0.1%        |
| Payroll Employment   |  | Oct '17     | +261,000 (p) |
| Average Hourly Earnings                                    |  | Oct '17     | -\$0.01 (p)  |
| Producer Price Index                                       |  | Oct '17     | +0.4% (p)    |
| Employment Cost Index (ECI)                                |  | 3rd Qtr '17 | +0.7%        |
| Productivity   |  | 3rd Qtr '17 | +1.3%        |
| U.S. Import Price Index                                    |  | Oct '17     | +0.2%        |
| U.S. Export Price Index                                    |  | Oct '17     | 0.0%         |

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