# REGIONAL SNAPSHOT

## CAPITAL



As the state's chief financial officer, I am charged with monitoring the economic health of our state and its regions. The state of Texas has 12 economic regions including the Capital Region.

The 10-county Capital Region covers about 8,600 square miles in central Texas, stretching from Llano to San Marcos and from La Grange to Georgetown. Below we examine demographic and economic statistics that influence the region's economy.

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# **CAPITAL REGION COUNTIES:**

BASTROP **BLANCO BURNET** CALDWELL

FAYETTE

HAYS LEE LLANO TRAVIS WILLIAMSON

## **CONCENTRATED INDUSTRIES:**

- COMPUTER AND **ELECTRONIC PRODUCT** MANUFACTURING
- FUNDS, TRUSTS, AND OTHER FINANCIAL VEHICLES
- DATA PROCESSING, HOSTING AND RELATED SERVICES
- MUSEUMS, HISTORICAL SITES MERCHANT AND SIMILAR INSTITUTIONS
- ADMINISTRATION OF HUMAN RESOURCE PROGRAMS
- ADMINISTRATION OF **ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PROGRAMS**
- HEAVY AND CIVIL **ENGINEERING** CONSTRUCTION
- WHOLESALERS, **DURABLE GOODS**
- •TELECOMMUNICATIONS
- PROFESSIONAL. SCIENTIFIC AND **TECHNICAL SERVICES**

Source: JobsEQ®

# POPULATION GROWTH

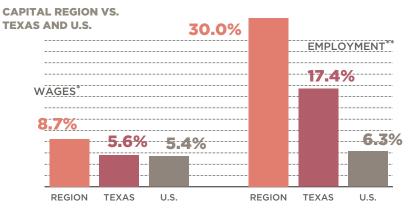
**CAPITAL REGION VS. TEXAS** AND U.S., 2010-2017 REGION

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

The Capital Region's estimated total population in 2017 was 2.1 million, or nearly 8 percent of the state's total population. This is an increase of 22 percent (more than 400,000 people) since the 2010 census.

# JOBS & WAGE CHANGES, 2007-2017

In 2017, the Capital Region accounted for more than 8.5 percent of the state's total employment.



- \* Real rate of change
- \*\*Figures include private and public sector employees with the exception of active-duty military personnel, railroad employees, religious institution employees and the self-employed Sources: JobsEQ and U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

### **REGIONAL RECEIPTS SUBJECT TO SALES TAX** 2007-2017



Source: Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts

Receipts subject to state sales tax directly attributed to the Capital Region trended upward in the past decade with an almost 70 percent climb since the 2009 recession.

#### CONCLUSION

The Capital Region and its 10 counties have many economic variables and challenges that are unique. This region touts a highly educated population with high income and low unemployment.

If this region were a state, it would have the second-highest share of population 25 of 22 percent since 2010, with more than 43 percent of households having incomes over \$75,000.

The Capital Region's local economy has demonstrated strong, steady and consistent growth. The region boasts a large concentration of industries surrounding the technology sector and has maintained a high employment growth rate from 2007 to for the location of its Futures Command will add to this positive economic growth.

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#### THE CAPITAL REGION IS ONE OF THE COMPTROLLER'S 12 ECONOMIC REGIONS.