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INTRODUCTION

As part of its Labor Market Information Program, the Louisiana Department of Labor, Office of Occupational Information Services issues quarterly and annual releases of employment and total wages paid by employers subject to the Louisiana Employment Security Law. The releases are based on the quarterly tax reports received from these employers.

The employment and wage data are used in many ways. Employers seeking new plant sites want a ready measure of employment and wages for use in comparing potential locations. Market researchers use the data for market and consumer analyses. Both governmental and private organizations make extensive use of the data in the planning, administration, and evaluation of manpower programs and policies.

In order to provide accurate information, the data provided in this publication goes through an extensive review and verification process by this office, as well as our regional and national offices. This process begins approximately six weeks after the due date of the quarterly unemployment insurance tax report. We regret that this information is not timelier.

The information contained in this publication represents the most recent and comprehensive data that is available from any source for each parish in the state. There is, however, a limitation to the data. Complete information by parish is not possible at this time due to our inability to get an establishment level breakout for all "multiple worksite" employers.

Multiple worksite employers are those who have employees in two or more establishments, with total employment of 10 or more in the secondary locations, and report their state total of employment and wages. Thanks to the cooperation of many multiple worksite employers who have furnished this agency with establishment breakouts, unallocated employment and wages have been greatly reduced in recent years.

Units or total units, referred to in the tables of this publication, represent the number of establishments in the industry and/or parish. Monthly employment figures represent workers on the payroll that includes the 12th of the month. Quarterly employment figures are averages of the three monthly figures in the quarter.

The tables in this quarterly report are available on our web site in an Excel format. Data tables available are those from first quarter 1999 through the current quarter. You may access this information at www.laworks.net/Downloads/Downloads_LMI.asp#EmployWageQtr.

Due to the conversion to the **North American Industry Classification System (NAICS)**, this data should not be compared to data in publications prior to first quarter 2001. For more information about NAICS, please refer to the information on our web site at www.laworks.net/Downloads/LMI/NAICSoverture.pdf.

The data published in these quarterly reports are subject to revision, which will be reflected in the annual publication for each year.



**LOUISIANA
FIRST QUARTER 2006 EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES
SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW**



The average quarterly employment for Louisiana during first quarter 2006 was 1,768,882, an increase of 0.3% from the fourth quarter 2005, and a decrease of 4.9% from the same period in 2005. Employment increased in nine of the 20 NAICS sectors from the fourth quarter 2005. The largest percentage increase of 5.7% was in professional and technical services. Average quarterly employment by NAICS sector and subsector is shown in the table “Louisiana Statewide” beginning on page 6.

Industry and parish code changes resulting from the annual Industry Verification Survey, completed by employers, are reflected in the data for first quarter 2006. Therefore, significant changes may have occurred in industry and parish data.

Health care and social assistance was the leading industry in the state with 245,799 employees, or 13.9% of total employment. RLMA one was the leading region with 456,139 employees, or 25.8% of total employment.

Average quarterly employment data for first quarter 2006, fourth quarter 2005, first quarter 2005, and the percent change for the major industry sectors is shown in the table “Louisiana Average Employment and Units” on page 3. Louisiana’s average employment distribution by RLMA and NAICS sectors can be found in the charts on pages 5 and 11, respectively.

Total wages increased 7% from the same period in 2005, and decreased 1.6% from the fourth quarter 2005. The average weekly wage for first quarter 2006 was \$697.

Average weekly wage data for each RLMA is listed in the following table. Average weekly wage data by NAICS sector and subsector is shown in the table “Louisiana Statewide” beginning on page 6.

Parish	Avg. Wkly. Wage
RLMA 1	\$ 834
RLMA 2	686
RLMA 3	698
RLMA 4	678
RLMA 5	660
RLMA 6	548
RLMA 7	602
RLMA 8	558

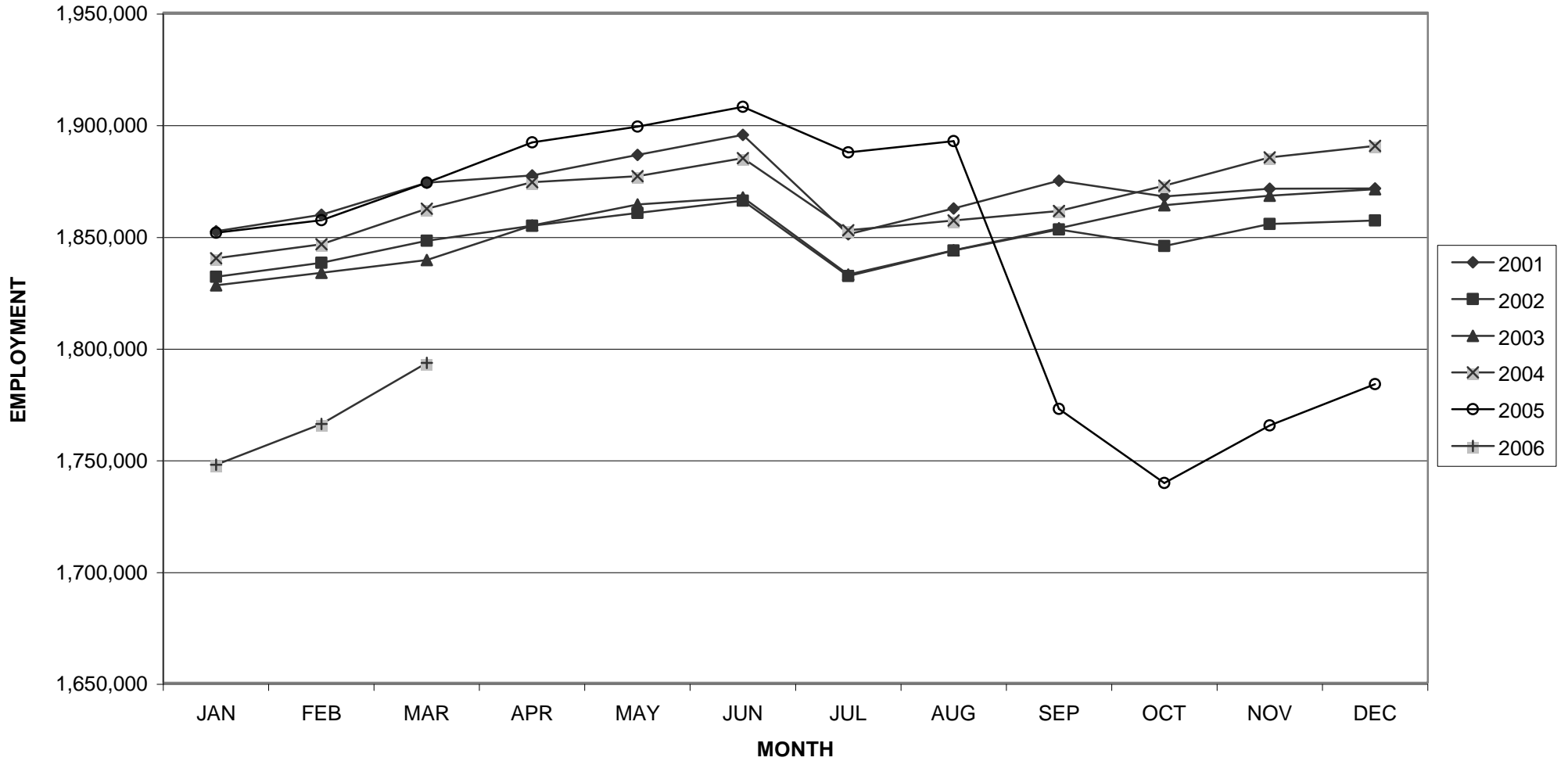
The number of reporting units for first quarter 2006 was 121,599, an increase of 704 units, or 0.6% from the fourth quarter 2005, and an increase of 3,601 units, or 3.1% from the same period in 2005. The number of reporting units for first quarter 2006, fourth quarter 2005, first quarter 2005, and the percent change for the major industry sectors is shown in the table “Louisiana Average Employment and Units” on page 3.

Due to the conversion to NAICS, this data should not be compared to data in publications prior to 2001.

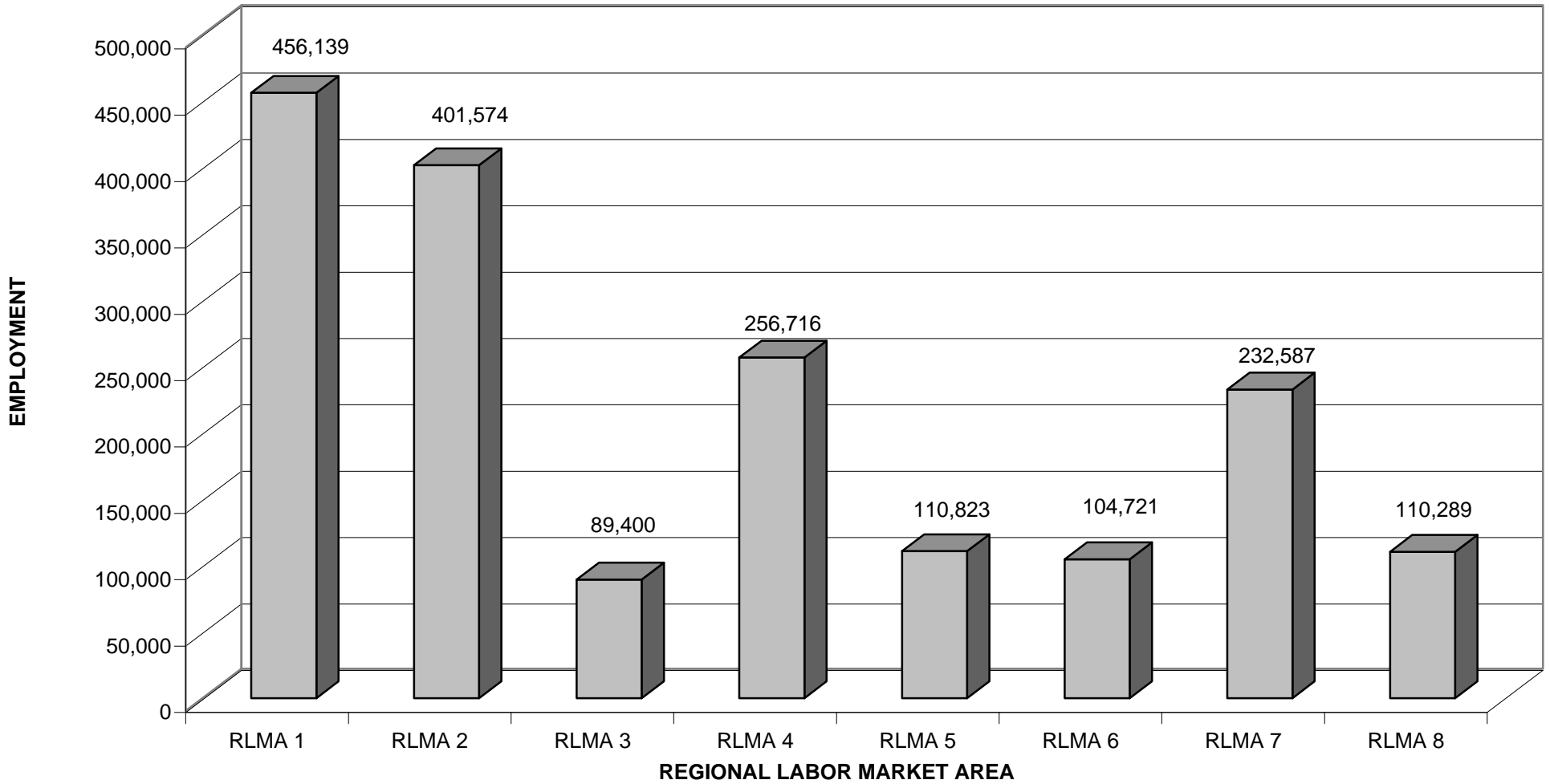
LOUISIANA AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT AND UNITS
SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
FIRST QUARTER 2006, FOURTH QUARTER 2005, AND FIRST QUARTER 2005

	QTR 2006-1 Employment	QTR 2005-4 Employment	QTR 2005-1 Employment	% Change From Prev. Qtr.	% Change From Prev. Year	QTR 2006-1 Units	QTR 2005-4 Units	QTR 2005-1 Units	% Change From Prev. Qtr.	% Change From Prev. Year
TOTAL	1,768,882	1,762,757	1,860,746	0.3%	-4.9%	121,599	120,895	117,998	0.6%	3.1%
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	9,680	11,988	10,035	-19.3%	-3.5%	1,555	1,570	1,552	-1.0%	0.2%
Mining	43,489	43,097	41,438	0.9%	4.9%	1,567	1,555	1,526	0.8%	2.7%
Utilities	14,697	15,160	14,998	-3.1%	-2.0%	831	838	837	-0.8%	-0.7%
Construction	136,256	129,868	122,968	4.9%	10.8%	11,177	10,814	10,193	3.4%	9.7%
Manufacturing	148,754	147,421	152,867	0.9%	-2.7%	4,237	4,205	4,172	0.8%	1.6%
Wholesale trade	71,065	71,664	74,039	-0.8%	-4.0%	8,007	7,946	7,836	0.8%	2.2%
Retail trade	216,653	212,381	223,045	2.0%	-2.9%	17,161	17,208	17,098	-0.3%	0.4%
Transportation and warehousing	74,879	74,939	78,279	-0.1%	-4.3%	4,652	4,597	4,446	1.2%	4.6%
Information	30,723	29,755	33,524	3.3%	-8.4%	1,759	1,808	1,742	-2.7%	1.0%
Finance and insurance	60,447	61,887	61,552	-2.3%	-1.8%	8,368	8,231	8,125	1.7%	3.0%
Real estate and rental and leasing	32,583	33,237	35,348	-2.0%	-7.8%	5,253	5,192	5,084	1.2%	3.3%
Professional and technical services	78,440	74,194	77,642	5.7%	1.0%	12,680	12,506	12,122	1.4%	4.6%
Management of companies and enterprises	20,310	19,964	22,289	1.7%	-8.9%	575	572	566	0.5%	1.6%
Administrative and waste services	93,740	93,305	92,367	0.5%	1.5%	6,095	6,068	5,753	0.4%	5.9%
Educational services	162,376	164,648	184,719	-1.4%	-12.1%	1,029	1,023	990	0.6%	3.9%
Health care and social assistance	245,799	251,782	266,782	-2.4%	-7.9%	11,604	11,620	11,292	-0.1%	2.8%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	36,599	38,664	44,544	-5.3%	-17.8%	1,520	1,531	1,510	-0.7%	0.7%
Accommodation and food services	148,047	140,493	169,073	5.4%	-12.4%	8,200	8,204	8,148	0.0%	0.6%
Other services, except public administration	45,074	46,542	50,452	-3.2%	-10.7%	10,295	10,478	10,449	-1.7%	-1.5%
Public administration	96,140	98,555	102,125	-2.5%	-5.9%	3,132	3,129	3,112	0.1%	0.6%

**LOUISIANA MONTHLY EMPLOYMENT
SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
2001 THROUGH 2006**



**LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT DISTRIBUTION
BY REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA - FIRST QUARTER 2006
EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW**



**LOUISIANA STATEWIDE EMPLOYMENT AND TOTAL WAGES
PAID BY EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
BY MAJOR INDUSTRY SECTOR - FIRST QUARTER 2006**

INDUSTRY GROUP	NAICS CODE	UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVG. WKLY. WAGE \$
STATE TOTALS **		121,599	1,747,593	1,765,886	1,793,167	1,768,882	16,019,308,521	697
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	1,555	9,467	9,478	10,095	9,680	61,668,752	490
Crop production	111	550	3,549	3,530	3,987	3,689	17,855,007	372
Animal production	112	120	824	882	935	880	4,691,223	410
Forestry and logging	113	495	3,318	3,252	3,289	3,286	27,348,481	640
Fishing, hunting and trapping	114	53	200	203	213	205	992,166	372
Agriculture and forestry support activities	115	337	1,576	1,611	1,671	1,619	10,781,875	512
Mining	21	1,567	43,124	43,489	43,853	43,489	827,019,981	1,463
Oil and gas extraction	211	349	7,303	7,383	7,350	7,345	233,597,989	2,446
Mining, except oil and gas	212	66	1,325	1,335	1,303	1,321	42,868,750	2,496
Support activities for mining	213	1,152	34,496	34,771	35,200	34,822	550,553,242	1,216
Utilities	22	831	14,711	14,694	14,686	14,697	199,903,478	1,046
Utilities	221	831	14,711	14,694	14,686	14,697	199,903,478	1,046
Construction	23	11,177	134,039	135,670	139,058	136,256	1,339,440,816	756
Construction of buildings	236	3,097	25,158	25,938	26,935	26,010	273,829,008	810
Heavy and civil engineering construction	237	1,334	45,261	45,708	46,359	45,776	457,516,254	769
Specialty trade contractors	238	6,746	63,620	64,024	65,764	64,469	608,095,554	726
Manufacturing	31-33	4,237	148,181	148,441	149,640	148,754	2,007,536,226	1,038
Food manufacturing	311	423	15,242	14,827	15,061	15,043	115,634,496	591
Beverage and tobacco product manufacturing	312	46	2,196	2,229	2,264	2,230	21,557,529	744
Textile mills	313	19	482	487	476	482	5,344,660	853
Textile product mills	314	85	871	895	892	886	5,460,361	474
Apparel manufacturing	315	54	599	587	578	588	3,201,623	419

**Due to unclassified and non-publishable data major divisions may not total to the state figure.

**LOUISIANA STATEWIDE EMPLOYMENT AND TOTAL WAGES
PAID BY EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
BY MAJOR INDUSTRY SECTOR - FIRST QUARTER 2006**

INDUSTRY GROUP	NAICS CODE	UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVG. WKLY. WAGE \$
Leather and allied product manufacturing	316	11	83	82	72	79	890,475	867
Wood product manufacturing	321	192	8,675	8,678	8,710	8,688	81,402,363	721
Paper manufacturing	322	83	9,323	9,235	9,195	9,251	147,452,716	1,226
Printing and related support activities	323	354	3,078	3,115	3,191	3,128	23,998,982	590
Petroleum and coal products manufacturing	324	112	10,132	10,228	10,254	10,205	253,324,116	1,910
Chemical manufacturing	325	330	22,449	22,441	22,391	22,427	489,171,035	1,678
Plastics and rubber products manufacturing	326	151	4,973	5,015	5,011	5,000	58,722,569	903
Nonmetallic mineral product manufacturing	327	245	6,275	6,314	6,386	6,325	60,787,627	739
Primary metal manufacturing	331	48	2,914	2,923	2,919	2,919	36,571,446	964
Fabricated metal product manufacturing	332	716	16,533	16,777	17,228	16,846	184,289,722	842
Machinery manufacturing	333	361	13,316	13,352	13,582	13,417	159,831,425	916
Computer and electronic product manufacturing	334	125	2,253	2,272	2,269	2,265	28,045,593	952
Electrical equipment and appliance manufacturing	335	45	1,122	1,133	1,143	1,133	15,301,244	1,039
Transportation equipment manufacturing	336	239	21,966	22,152	22,196	22,105	276,954,109	964
Furniture and related product manufacturing	337	239	1,468	1,467	1,523	1,486	9,914,934	513
Miscellaneous manufacturing	339	359	4,231	4,232	4,299	4,254	29,679,201	537
Wholesale trade	42	8,007	70,448	71,023	71,723	71,065	887,540,405	961
Merchant wholesalers, durable goods	423	3,662	36,284	36,663	37,035	36,661	455,907,413	957
Merchant wholesalers, nondurable goods	424	1,788	25,263	25,457	25,691	25,470	290,893,044	879
Electronic markets and agents and broker	425	2,557	8,901	8,903	8,997	8,934	140,739,948	1,212
Retail trade	44-45	17,161	214,431	215,556	219,973	216,653	1,269,746,283	451
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	441	1,924	27,068	27,193	27,487	27,249	266,651,777	753
Furniture and home furnishings stores	442	847	7,570	7,786	7,840	7,732	57,496,353	572
Electronics and appliance stores	443	734	6,350	6,219	6,316	6,295	44,757,429	547
Building material and garden supply stores	444	1,346	20,029	21,096	21,795	20,973	164,726,584	604
Food and beverage stores	445	2,395	35,771	36,361	37,104	36,412	157,027,628	332
Health and personal care stores	446	1,452	13,439	13,544	13,655	13,546	97,887,989	556

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BY MAJOR INDUSTRY SECTOR - FIRST QUARTER 2006**

INDUSTRY GROUP	NAICS CODE	UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVG. WKLY. WAGE \$
Gasoline stations	447	2,262	16,993	17,197	17,461	17,217	65,478,309	293
Clothing and clothing accessories stores	448	2,130	17,567	17,461	17,692	17,573	68,955,563	302
Sporting goods, hobby, book and music stores	451	694	6,820	6,849	6,829	6,833	26,035,079	293
General merchandise stores	452	1,046	49,959	48,880	50,811	49,883	247,798,787	382
Miscellaneous store retailers	453	1,997	10,939	11,014	11,033	10,995	59,248,468	415
Nonstore retailers	454	334	1,926	1,956	1,950	1,944	13,682,317	541
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	4,652	74,237	74,487	75,913	74,879	845,370,404	868
Air transportation	481	121	2,762	2,802	2,815	2,793	37,814,345	1,041
Rail transportation	482	3	*	*	*	*	*	*
Water transportation	483	222	7,543	7,551	7,745	7,613	109,541,146	1,107
Truck transportation	484	1,943	17,753	17,844	18,047	17,881	157,415,702	677
Transit and ground passenger transportation	485	211	2,655	2,764	3,019	2,813	18,246,677	499
Pipeline transportation	486	180	2,274	2,266	2,379	2,306	47,772,430	1,594
Scenic and sightseeing transportation	487	44	341	316	321	326	2,200,052	519
Support activities for transportation	488	1,025	19,617	19,832	20,172	19,874	241,973,669	937
Postal service	491	476	*	*	*	*	*	*
Couriers and messengers	492	201	4,964	4,888	5,056	4,969	46,017,660	712
Warehousing and storage	493	226	6,876	6,769	6,947	6,864	69,564,728	780
Information	51	1,759	29,988	30,154	32,026	30,723	326,060,840	816
Publishing industries, except Internet	511	289	4,707	4,756	4,822	4,762	46,668,634	754
Motion picture and sound recording industries	512	219	3,327	3,418	5,104	3,950	21,980,324	428
Broadcasting, except Internet	515	171	4,529	4,524	4,549	4,534	47,289,010	802
Internet publishing and broadcasting	516	27	70	78	80	76	971,088	983
Telecommunications	517	716	12,752	12,778	12,862	12,797	172,941,151	1,040
ISPs, search portals, and data processing	518	236	1,805	1,792	1,796	1,798	21,891,377	937
Other information services	519	101	2,798	2,808	2,813	2,806	14,319,256	393

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INDUSTRY GROUP	NAICS CODE	UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVG. WKLY. WAGE \$
Finance and insurance	52	8,368	60,731	60,464	60,145	60,447	743,302,328	946
Monetary authorities - central bank	521	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Credit intermediation and related activities	522	4,161	33,325	33,277	33,413	33,338	330,104,794	762
Securities, commodity contracts, investments	523	892	3,757	3,737	3,749	3,748	101,669,244	2,087
Insurance carriers and related activities	524	3,210	23,120	22,907	22,449	22,825	305,366,571	1,029
Funds, trusts, and other financial vehicles	525	104	*	*	*	*	*	*
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	5,253	32,242	32,483	33,024	32,583	304,426,261	719
Real estate	531	3,512	13,253	13,338	13,557	13,383	93,574,304	538
Rental and leasing services	532	1,689	18,642	18,794	19,098	18,845	205,757,612	840
Lessors of nonfinancial intangible assets	533	52	347	351	369	356	5,094,345	1,101
Professional and technical services	54	12,680	77,585	78,833	78,903	78,440	886,746,868	870
Professional and technical services	541	12,680	77,585	78,833	78,903	78,440	886,746,868	870
Management of companies and enterprises	55	575	20,226	20,253	20,450	20,310	316,838,917	1,200
Management of companies and enterprises	551	575	20,226	20,253	20,450	20,310	316,838,917	1,200
Administrative and waste services	56	6,095	91,910	93,369	95,942	93,740	748,636,267	614
Administrative and support services	561	5,515	82,101	83,739	86,095	83,978	645,593,417	591
Waste management and remediation service	562	580	9,809	9,630	9,847	9,762	103,042,850	812
Educational services	61	1,029	160,289	162,833	164,007	162,376	1,243,601,493	589
Educational services	611	1,029	160,289	162,833	164,007	162,376	1,243,601,493	589
Health care and social assistance	62	11,604	244,789	245,161	247,447	245,799	1,993,343,006	624
Ambulatory health care services	621	7,917	72,184	73,071	73,783	73,013	705,868,014	744
Hospitals	622	339	96,880	96,036	96,867	96,594	935,837,947	745
Nursing and residential care facilities	623	871	43,877	44,025	44,487	44,130	207,113,449	361
Social assistance	624	2,477	31,848	32,029	32,310	32,062	144,523,596	347

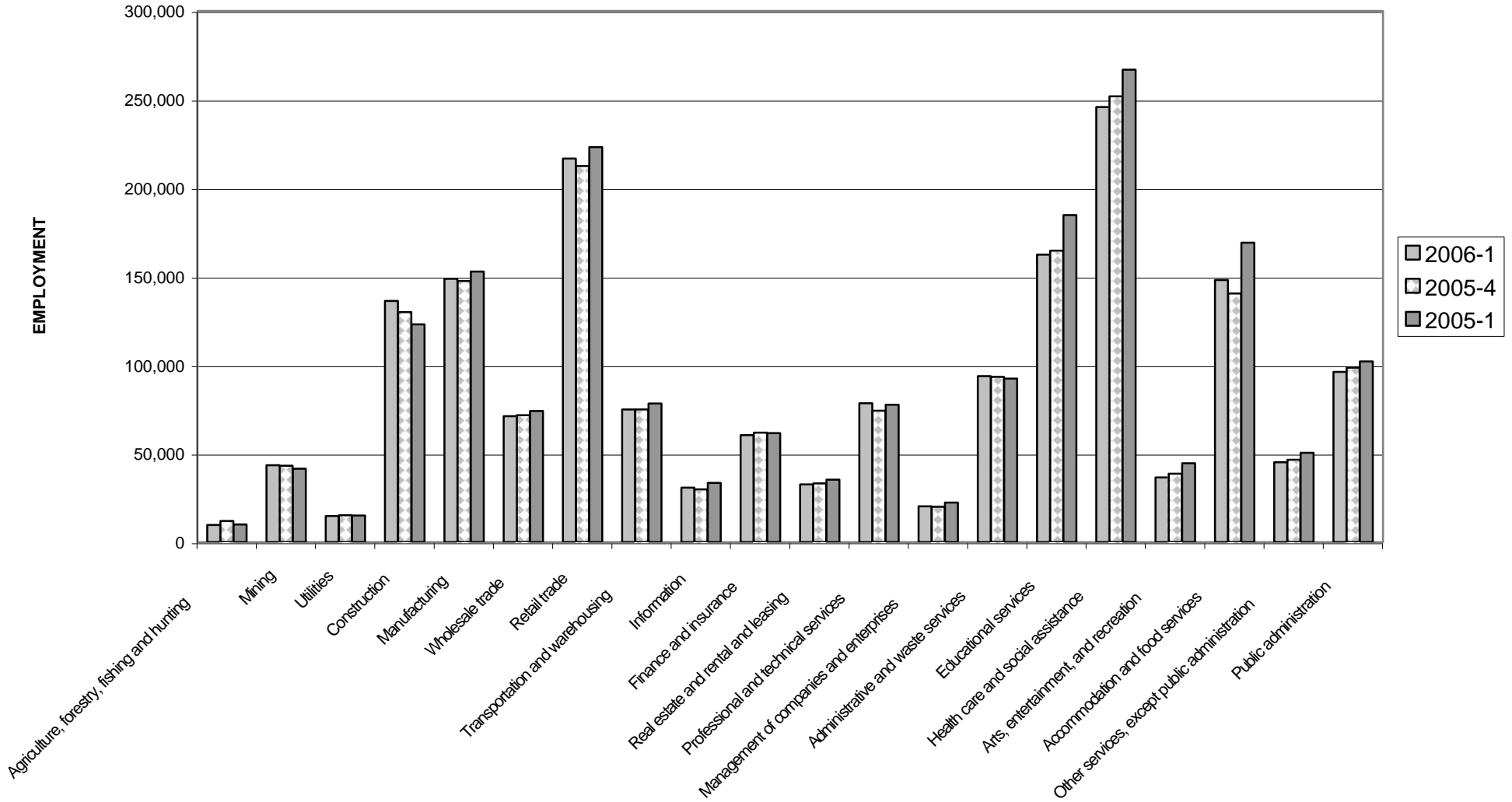
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INDUSTRY GROUP	NAICS CODE	UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVG. WKLY. WAGE \$
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	1,520	34,580	37,101	38,116	36,599	239,155,775	503
Performing arts and spectator sports	711	362	2,899	3,274	3,859	3,344	52,052,769	1,197
Museums, historical sites, zoos, and parks	712	132	2,829	2,839	2,966	2,878	14,269,019	381
Amusements, gambling, and recreation	713	1,026	28,852	30,988	31,291	30,377	172,833,987	438
Accommodation and food services	72	8,200	143,661	148,126	152,353	148,047	522,270,385	271
Accommodation	721	849	20,421	20,267	20,591	20,426	116,322,051	438
Food services and drinking places	722	7,351	123,240	127,859	131,762	127,620	405,948,334	245
Other services, except public administration	81	10,295	44,283	45,053	45,886	45,074	292,229,403	499
Repair and maintenance	811	3,648	19,685	19,893	20,335	19,971	158,145,332	609
Personal and laundry services	812	2,260	14,603	14,986	15,196	14,928	73,216,101	377
Membership associations and organization	813	1,187	7,982	8,155	8,307	8,148	52,764,891	498
Private households	814	3,200	2,013	2,019	2,048	2,027	8,103,079	308
Public administration	92	3,132	95,879	96,099	96,443	96,140	926,953,541	742
Executive, legislative and general government	921	869	16,177	16,182	16,198	16,186	131,738,515	626
Justice, public order, and safety activities	922	1,043	49,565	49,802	50,199	49,855	449,744,495	694
Administration of human resource program	923	281	8,199	8,156	8,143	8,166	92,843,669	875
Administration of environmental programs	924	355	6,667	6,637	6,642	6,649	67,635,997	782
Community and housing program administration	925	70	979	968	967	971	8,961,483	710
Administration of economic programs	926	469	9,052	9,080	8,902	9,011	108,832,450	929
Space research and technology	927	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
National security and international affairs	928	43	*	*	*	*	*	*
Unclassified establishments	99	1,902	2,792	3,119	3,484	3,132	37,517,092	921

*Data non-publishable

**LOUISIANA STATEWIDE
EMPLOYMENT BY NAICS SECTOR
FIRST QUARTER 2006, FOURTH QUARTER 2005, AND FIRST QUARTER 2005**



**LOUISIANA STATEWIDE AND MSA
AVERAGE QUARTERLY EMPLOYMENT
BY MAJOR INDUSTRY SECTOR - FIRST QUARTER 2006
EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW**

INDUSTRY GROUP	NAICS CODE	LA	ALEX	B.R.	HOUMA	LAF	L.C.	MON	N.O.	S'PORT
TOTALS **		1,768,882	62,520	352,138	85,129	136,468	85,699	75,775	449,262	171,535
AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING, AND HUNTING	11	9,680	857	870	371	199	191	259	353	398
MINING	21	43,489	71	1,395	5,843	14,410	1,244	127	7,991	3,451
UTILITIES	22	14,697	593	2,971	382	536	633	615	4,587	1,505
CONSTRUCTION	23	136,256	4,617	40,383	5,555	6,998	10,588	3,915	32,597	9,464
MANUFACTURING	31-33	148,754	3,819	25,510	8,360	8,898	8,873	8,810	33,395	13,911
WHOLESALE TRADE	42	71,065	2,246	12,772	2,469	6,281	2,688	2,814	22,098	6,723
RETAIL TRADE	44-45	216,653	7,869	41,387	10,678	17,466	10,746	9,882	51,880	20,857
TRANSPORTATION AND WAREHOUSING	48-49	74,879	1,468	10,969	8,270	4,395	3,540	1,954	23,511	5,488
INFORMATION	51	30,723	1,069	6,545	833	3,309	1,175	1,869	8,252	3,284
FINANCE AND INSURANCE	52	60,447	1,857	13,105	1,980	3,621	1,853	3,891	17,466	4,508
REAL ESTATE & RENTAL AND LEASING	53	32,583	852	5,359	3,383	4,364	1,149	1,141	7,809	2,646
PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL SERVICES	54	78,440	1,817	17,702	1,996	7,089	3,564	2,681	27,685	6,887
MANAGEMENT OF COMPANIES AND ENTERPRISES	55	20,310	455	3,920	1,400	2,870	523	1,425	6,119	1,803
ADMINISTRATIVE AND WASTE SERVICES	56	93,740	3,372	20,298	4,948	5,608	3,011	3,137	30,453	9,601
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	61	162,376	5,467	34,797	6,724	9,031	6,795	7,409	36,192	14,480
HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE	62	245,799	15,393	42,217	9,868	19,438	10,947	13,148	51,673	31,497
ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT & RECREATION	71	36,599	330	4,664	664	1,815	1,742	729	8,960	9,580
ACCOMMODATION & FOOD SERVICES	72	148,047	4,728	27,760	6,474	13,020	9,970	6,021	43,287	14,045
OTHER SERVICES (EXCEPT PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION)	81	45,074	1,435	10,449	2,067	3,181	2,057	2,474	10,973	4,432
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION	92	96,140	4,149	28,690	2,811	3,783	4,342	3,404	23,141	6,941

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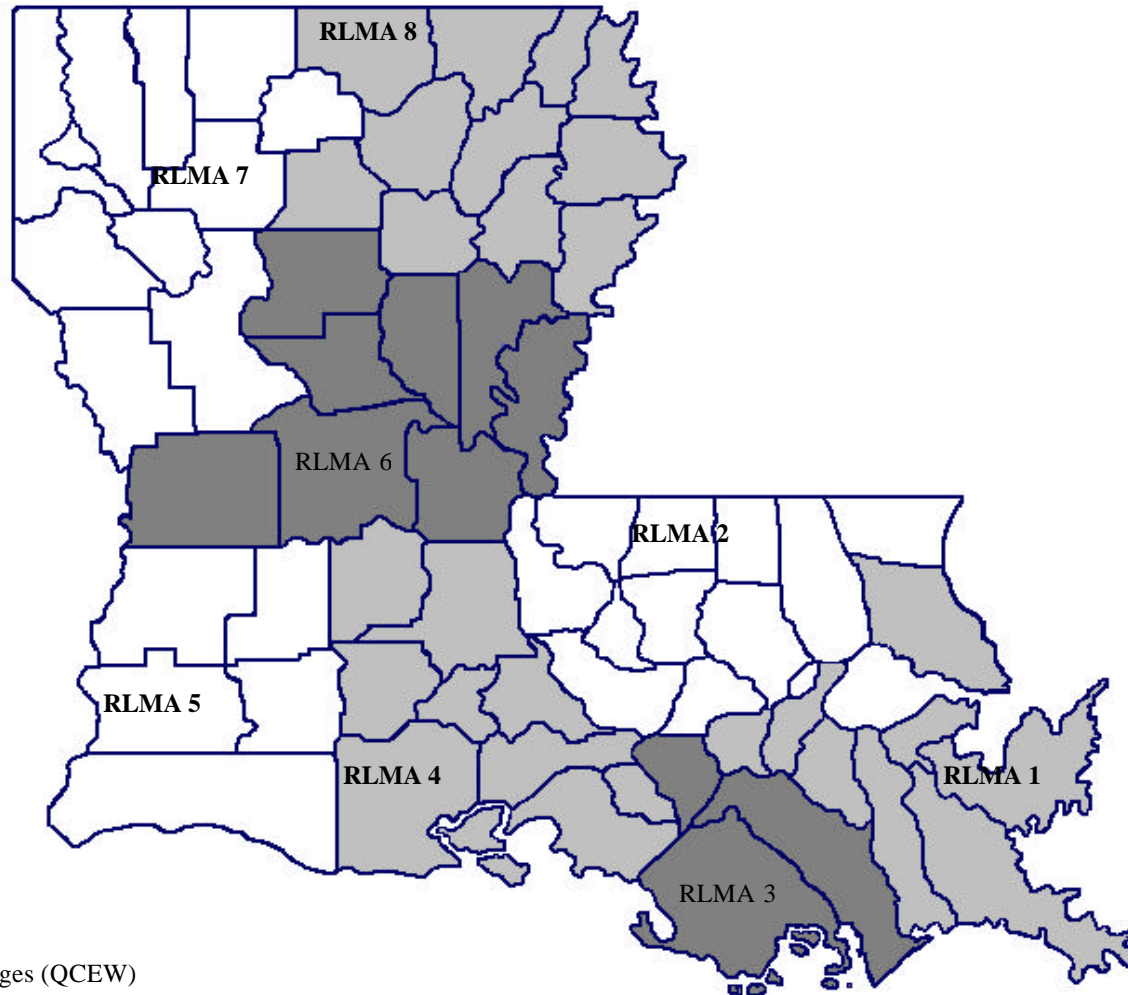
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**LOUISIANA STATEWIDE AND MSA
AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE
BY MAJOR INDUSTRY SECTOR - FIRST QUARTER 2006
EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW**

INDUSTRY GROUP	NAICS CODE	LA	ALEX	B.R.	HOUMA	LAF	L.C.	MON	N.O.	S'PORT
TOTALS		\$697	\$591	\$707	\$700	\$704	\$699	\$579	\$832	\$625
AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING, AND HUNTING	11.00	490	595	453	428	431	619	567	452	631
MINING	21	1,463	1,175	1,036	1,274	1,389	1,169	731	2,225	1,275
UTILITIES	22	1,046	1,054	1,052	816	749	881	876	1,222	1,210
CONSTRUCTION	23	756	650	804	850	718	703	534	866	612
MANUFACTURING	31-33	1,038	832	1,343	853	725	1,557	822	1,114	930
WHOLESALE TRADE	42	961	648	1,059	819	900	939	835	1,162	870
RETAIL TRADE	44-45	451	414	448	431	443	424	392	533	443
TRANSPORTATION AND WAREHOUSING	48-49	868	790	801	1,043	747	765	732	946	789
INFORMATION	51	816	653	861	752	668	773	802	929	749
FINANCE AND INSURANCE	52	946	707	944	846	993	765	785	1,157	791
REAL ESTATE & RENTAL AND LEASING	53	719	440	625	888	906	647	478	755	527
PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL SERVICES	54	870	630	930	824	859	807	661	1,022	646
MANAGEMENT OF COMPANIES AND ENTERPRISES	55	1,200	2,366	1,262	832	1,301	826	1,571	1,281	843
ADMINISTRATIVE AND WASTE SERVICES	56	614	376	530	451	490	621	408	804	398
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	61	589	485	605	468	613	617	500	725	554
HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE	62	624	666	595	647	589	597	558	761	696
ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT & RECREATION	71	503	238	387	320	277	447	253	772	498
ACCOMMODATION & FOOD SERVICES	72	271	210	238	244	249	333	207	355	230
OTHER SERVICES (EXCEPT PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION)	81	499	412	520	571	488	444	371	583	424
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION	92	742	774	787	608	709	626	657	867	796

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Louisiana Regional Labor Market Areas (RLMAs)



Louisiana Department of Labor
Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW)



**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 1
FIRST QUARTER 2006 EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES
SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW**



Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard,
St. Charles, St. James, St. John the Baptist, St. Tammany

The average quarterly employment for RLMA 1 during first Quarter 2006 was 456,139, an increase of 3.2% from the fourth quarter 2005, and a decrease of 23.6% from the same period in 2005. Employment increased in nine of the 20 NAICS sectors from the fourth quarter 2005. The largest percentage increase of 17.1% was in accommodation and food services.

Average quarterly employment data for first quarter 2006, fourth quarter 2005, first quarter 2005, and the percent change for the major industry sectors are shown in the table “Regional Labor Market Area 1” on page 16. Retail trade was the leading industry in RLMA 1 with 52,494 employees, or 11.5% of total employment. Jefferson was the leading parish with 183,587 employees, or 40.2% of total employment.

Total wages decreased 7.0% from the same period in 2005, and increased 0.4% from the fourth quarter 2005, for an average weekly wage of \$834. Plaquemines parish had the highest average weekly wage of \$1,003.

Average weekly wage data for each parish in RLMA 1 is listed in the table below. Average weekly wage data for all parishes within each NAICS sector is shown in the table “Regional Labor Market Area 1” beginning on page 19.

Parish	Avg. Wkly. Wage
Jefferson	\$ 752
Orleans	977
Plaquemines	1,003
St. Bernard	904
St. Charles	992
St. James	935
St. John the Baptist	754
St. Tammany	662

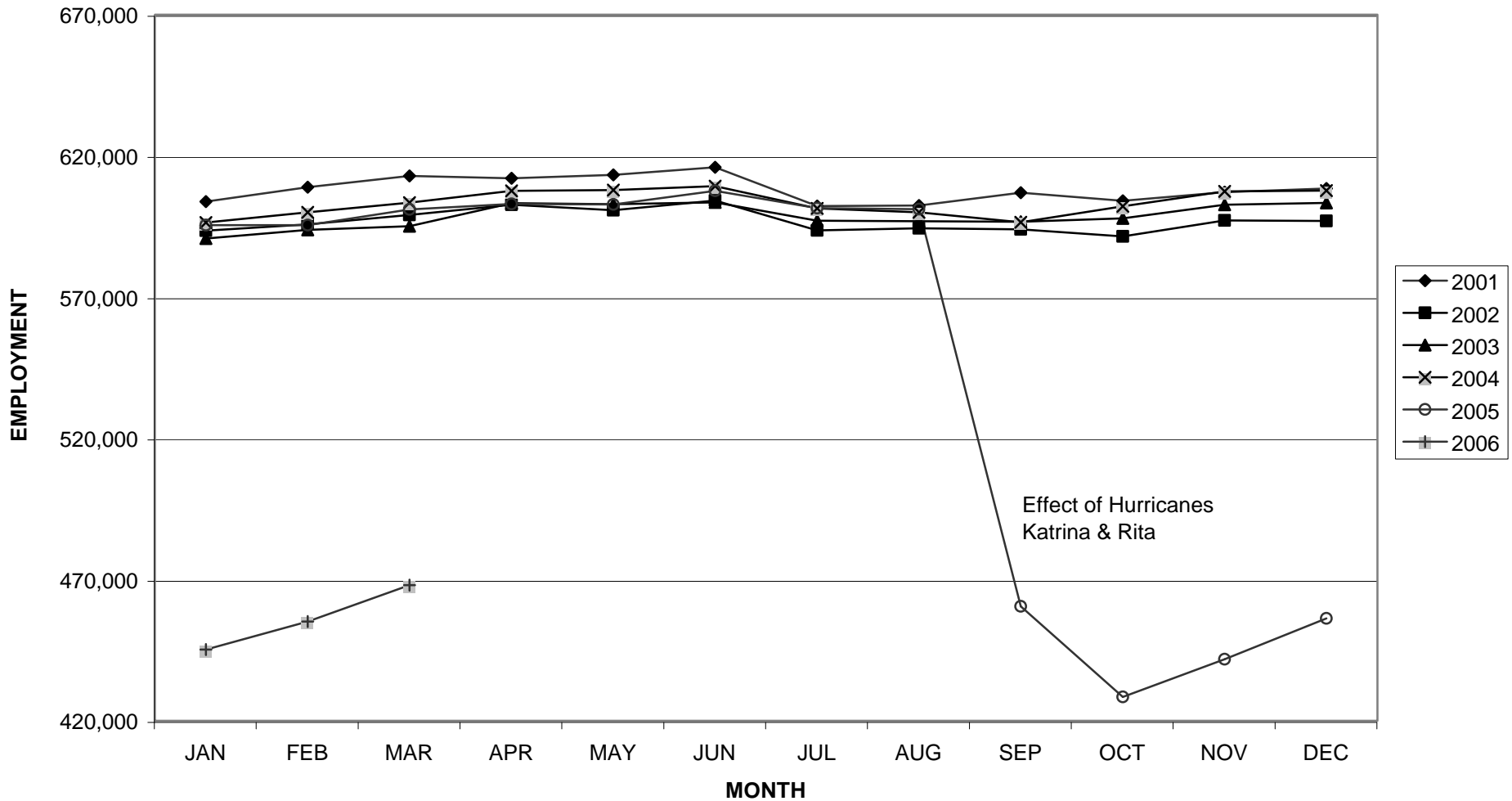
The number of reporting units in RLMA 1 for first quarter 2006 was 37,332.

Due to the conversion to NAICS, this data should not be compared to data in publications prior to 2001.

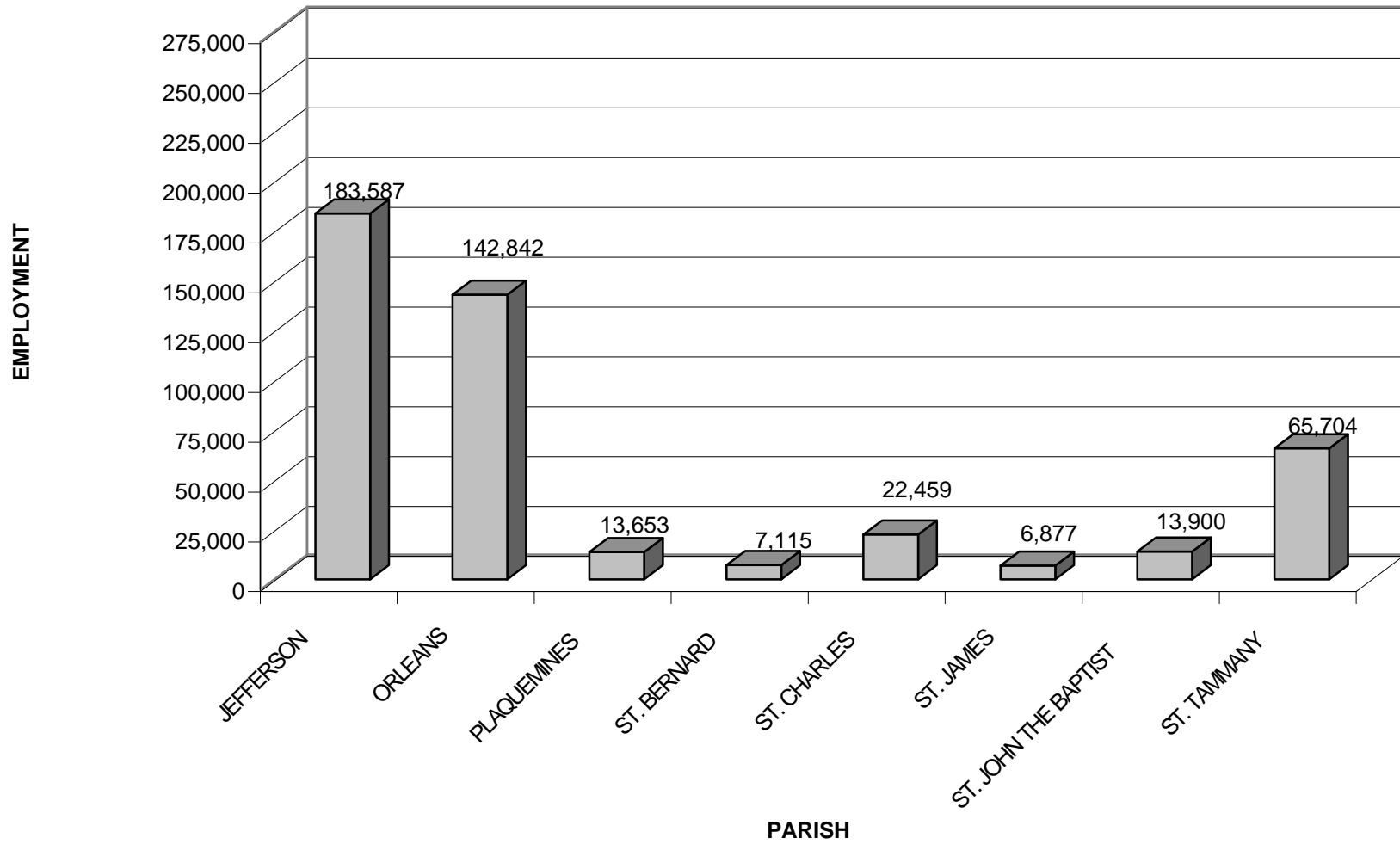
REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 1
AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT AND UNITS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
FIRST QUARTER 2006, FOURTH QUARTER 2005, AND FIRST QUARTER 2005

	QTR 2006-1 Employment	QTR 2005-4 Employment	QTR 2005-1 Employment	% Change From Prev. Qtr.	% Change From Prev. Year	QTR 2006-1 Units	QTR 2005-4 Units	QTR 2005-1 Units	% Change From Prev. Qtr.	% Change From Prev. Year
TOTAL	456,139	442,145	597,310	3.2%	-23.6%	37,332	37,678	37,155	-0.9%	0.5%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting	508	551	559	-7.8%	-9.1%	114	117	114	-2.6%	0.0%
Mining	7,992	8,566	8,399	-6.7%	-4.8%	266	271	265	-1.8%	0.4%
Utilities	4,614	4,982	4,932	-7.4%	-6.4%	117	118	119	-0.8%	-1.7%
Construction	32,759	29,141	31,186	12.4%	5.0%	3,245	3,073	2,839	5.6%	14.3%
Manufacturing	35,976	34,848	41,136	3.2%	-12.5%	1,148	1,160	1,167	-1.0%	-1.6%
Wholesale Trade	22,154	22,197	25,398	-0.2%	-12.8%	2,915	2,926	2,924	-0.4%	-0.3%
Retail Trade	52,494	46,770	68,151	12.2%	-23.0%	4,844	5,010	5,047	-3.3%	-4.0%
Transportation and Warehousing	23,938	23,341	28,936	2.6%	-17.3%	1,302	1,308	1,283	-0.5%	1.5%
Information	8,276	8,077	11,304	2.5%	-26.8%	573	598	591	-4.2%	-3.0%
Finance and Insurance	17,604	18,343	21,380	-4.0%	-17.7%	2,431	2,415	2,434	0.7%	-0.1%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	7,944	8,440	11,485	-5.9%	-30.8%	1,605	1,630	1,619	-1.5%	-0.9%
Professional and Technical Services	27,743	25,961	29,951	6.9%	-7.4%	4,569	4,553	4,451	0.4%	2.7%
Mgmt. of Companies and Enterprises	6,206	6,338	8,619	-2.1%	-28.0%	189	193	190	-2.1%	-0.5%
Administrative and Waste Services	30,737	27,990	37,116	9.8%	-17.2%	2,182	2,196	2,102	-0.6%	3.8%
Educational Services	36,963	37,418	56,706	-1.2%	-34.8%	352	354	342	-0.6%	2.9%
Health Care and Social Assistance	52,190	56,197	78,554	-7.1%	-33.6%	3,390	3,447	3,438	-1.7%	-1.4%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	9,014	9,688	15,105	-7.0%	-40.3%	521	543	546	-4.1%	-4.6%
Accommodation and Food Services	43,597	37,231	70,614	17.1%	-38.3%	3,116	3,164	3,150	-1.5%	-1.1%
Other Services, except Public Administration	11,024	10,825	16,916	1.8%	-34.8%	3,287	3,451	3,528	-4.8%	-6.8%
Public Administration	23,567	24,348	29,956	-3.2%	-21.3%	482	483	477	-0.2%	1.0%

**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 1
MONTHLY EMPLOYMENT SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
2001 THROUGH 2006**



**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 1
EMPLOYMENT DISTRIBUTION BY PARISH - FIRST QUARTER 2006
EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW**



**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 1
EMPLOYMENT AND TOTAL WAGES PAID BY EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE
LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
UNITS, MONTHLY AND AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL AND AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES
BY RLMA, BY PARISH, AND INDUSTRY SECTOR - FIRST QUARTER 2006**

	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 1		37,332	445,224	455,153	468,039	456,139	4,945,622,689	834
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	114	483	509	533	508	3,016,065	457
Mining	21	266	7,897	7,977	8,102	7,992	231,128,823	2,225
Utilities	22	117	4,621	4,608	4,614	4,614	73,045,673	1,218
Construction	23	3,245	32,068	32,593	33,615	32,759	368,046,830	864
Manufacturing	31-33	1,148	35,640	36,073	36,214	35,976	537,527,937	1,149
Wholesale trade	42	2,915	21,863	22,186	22,413	22,154	334,647,576	1,162
Retail trade	44-45	4,844	51,010	52,457	54,015	52,494	361,856,742	530
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	1,302	23,517	23,747	24,550	23,938	293,747,688	944
Information	51	573	7,635	7,824	9,370	8,276	99,847,430	928
Finance and insurance	52	2,431	17,566	17,555	17,691	17,604	263,783,260	1,153
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	1,605	7,775	7,961	8,095	7,944	77,989,268	755
Professional and technical services	54	4,569	27,161	27,986	28,081	27,743	368,577,578	1,022
Management of companies and enterprises	55	189	6,120	6,149	6,349	6,206	102,979,337	1,276
Administrative and waste services	56	2,182	29,531	30,733	31,947	30,737	320,281,291	802
Educational services	61	352	36,310	36,866	37,714	36,963	346,486,752	721
Health care and social assistance	62	3,390	52,115	51,554	52,902	52,190	514,487,961	758
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	521	7,422	9,332	10,289	9,014	90,073,018	769
Accommodation and food services	72	3,116	41,505	43,603	45,682	43,597	200,755,546	354
Other services, except public administration	81	3,287	10,569	11,084	11,419	11,024	83,342,150	582
Public administration	92	482	23,634	23,548	23,520	23,567	263,990,339	862

Note: Due to unclassified and non-publishable data, major divisions may not total to parish or RLMA.

**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 1
EMPLOYMENT AND TOTAL WAGES PAID BY EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE
LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
UNITS, MONTHLY AND AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL AND AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES
BY RLMA, BY PARISH, AND INDUSTRY SECTOR - FIRST QUARTER 2006**

	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
JEFFERSON		14,388	179,298	183,434	188,030	183,587	1,794,049,920	752
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	19	63	67	63	64	332,630	400
Mining	21	76	1,714	1,721	1,829	1,755	40,756,663	1,786
Utilities	22	30	1,523	1,529	1,531	1,528	21,697,696	1,092
Construction	23	1,403	12,739	13,007	13,304	13,017	143,707,062	849
Manufacturing	31-33	490	15,030	15,215	15,182	15,142	167,962,376	853
Wholesale trade	42	1,288	11,137	11,322	11,446	11,302	161,125,084	1,097
Retail trade	44-45	1,887	26,531	27,286	28,007	27,275	197,888,716	558
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	483	7,693	7,765	7,877	7,778	87,827,594	869
Information	51	217	2,882	2,968	2,982	2,944	40,783,319	1,066
Finance and insurance	52	1,049	8,354	8,345	8,415	8,371	112,635,571	1,035
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	655	3,806	3,917	4,003	3,909	39,255,889	772
Professional and technical services	54	1,630	9,040	9,390	9,514	9,315	119,667,866	988
Management of companies and enterprises	55	78	2,311	2,366	2,440	2,372	35,611,057	1,155
Administrative and waste services	56	913	12,665	13,525	14,085	13,425	97,213,358	557
Educational services	61	109	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	1,318	23,418	23,412	24,088	23,639	235,780,992	767
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	169	3,721	3,862	4,023	3,869	57,836,276	1,150
Accommodation and food services	72	1,088	15,143	16,389	17,225	16,252	67,947,525	322
Other services, except public administration	81	1,174	4,854	4,973	5,068	4,965	38,973,880	604
Public administration	92	103	5,995	5,954	5,943	5,964	64,158,595	828

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LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
UNITS, MONTHLY AND AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL AND AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES
BY RLMA, BY PARISH, AND INDUSTRY SECTOR - FIRST QUARTER 2006**

	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
ORLEANS		12,058	138,068	142,389	148,070	142,842	1,814,932,896	977
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	13	44	46	47	46	254,018	425
Mining	21	75	3,729	3,737	3,696	3,721	142,594,044	2,948
Utilities	22	26	1,563	1,544	1,540	1,549	26,319,364	1,307
Construction	23	566	7,091	7,247	7,442	7,260	94,063,795	997
Manufacturing	31-33	258	6,313	6,422	6,518	6,418	90,475,755	1,084
Wholesale trade	42	706	4,344	4,427	4,473	4,415	73,781,438	1,286
Retail trade	44-45	1,605	7,692	8,426	8,902	8,340	60,220,675	555
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	319	8,865	9,091	9,624	9,193	114,774,721	960
Information	51	212	3,318	3,408	4,911	3,879	38,186,018	757
Finance and insurance	52	661	5,833	5,863	5,876	5,857	110,321,872	1,449
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	520	1,872	1,956	1,972	1,933	18,590,288	740
Professional and technical services	54	1,783	13,289	13,646	13,572	13,502	197,935,530	1,128
Management of companies and enterprises	55	56	2,464	2,449	2,505	2,473	51,289,417	1,595
Administrative and waste services	56	669	10,247	10,182	10,529	10,319	158,347,258	1,180
Educational services	61	153	14,157	14,793	14,978	14,643	192,647,791	1,012
Health care and social assistance	62	1,066	13,506	12,791	13,266	13,188	146,321,872	853
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	194	2,441	4,132	4,860	3,811	26,768,403	540
Accommodation and food services	72	1,270	16,346	17,014	17,980	17,113	97,969,350	440
Other services, except public administration	81	1,422	3,238	3,551	3,741	3,510	26,821,531	588
Public administration	92	150	11,430	11,375	11,315	11,373	142,720,317	965

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EMPLOYMENT AND TOTAL WAGES PAID BY EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE
LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
UNITS, MONTHLY AND AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL AND AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES
BY RLMA, BY PARISH, AND INDUSTRY SECTOR - FIRST QUARTER 2006**

	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
PLAQUEMINES		861	13,356	13,686	13,918	13,653	177,970,187	1,003
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	15	43	43	45	44	206,079	360
Mining	21	60	1,655	1,715	1,762	1,711	32,927,356	1,480
Utilities	22	3	*	*	*	*	*	*
Construction	23	88	1,457	1,472	1,489	1,473	18,789,758	981
Manufacturing	31-33	61	1,793	1,827	1,834	1,818	31,639,329	1,339
Wholesale trade	42	82	643	639	644	642	7,795,657	934
Retail trade	44-45	72	371	381	411	388	3,553,135	704
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	100	1,745	1,770	1,787	1,767	23,441,766	1,020
Information	51	3	36	38	38	37	339,761	706
Finance and insurance	52	30	99	104	104	102	872,494	658
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	63	478	484	487	483	5,576,811	888
Professional and technical services	54	62	388	427	427	414	5,495,816	1,021
Management of companies and enterprises	55	3	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	45	831	934	911	892	14,284,594	1,232
Educational services	61	6	1,086	1,085	1,103	1,091	9,325,107	657
Health care and social assistance	62	39	383	409	430	407	2,867,986	542
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	8	6	6	11	8	37,253	358
Accommodation and food services	72	50	618	604	633	618	4,490,521	559
Other services, except public administration	81	48	181	189	196	189	2,041,991	831
Public administration	92	19	1,365	1,385	1,430	1,393	12,031,721	664

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EMPLOYMENT AND TOTAL WAGES PAID BY EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE
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UNITS, MONTHLY AND AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL AND AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES
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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
ST. BERNARD		1,107	6,960	7,078	7,306	7,115	83,599,159	904
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mining	21	7	60	60	64	61	1,270,700	1,602
Utilities	22	4	97	93	93	94	1,414,865	1,158
Construction	23	157	1,872	1,918	2,001	1,930	23,405,649	933
Manufacturing	31-33	63	1,242	1,270	1,298	1,270	21,653,411	1,312
Wholesale trade	42	62	298	298	303	300	4,323,639	1,109
Retail trade	44-45	143	597	557	649	601	2,809,131	360
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	55	585	573	582	580	7,218,635	957
Information	51	14	51	51	50	51	964,738	1,455
Finance and insurance	52	51	111	107	96	105	1,033,851	757
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	49	47	47	48	47	449,093	735
Professional and technical services	54	77	128	134	148	137	1,173,055	659
Management of companies and enterprises	55	6	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	39	243	249	262	251	2,685,870	823
Educational services	61	5	345	343	352	347	1,820,255	404
Health care and social assistance	62	126	389	405	425	406	3,886,680	736
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	21	45	49	52	49	307,595	483
Accommodation and food services	72	100	87	155	111	118	524,682	342
Other services, except public administration	81	79	118	128	126	124	803,621	499
Public administration	92	28	578	573	575	575	7,034,779	941

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
ST. CHARLES		1,111	22,255	22,344	22,779	22,459	289,772,305	992
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	3	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mining	21	4	*	*	*	*	*	*
Utilities	22	14	789	790	786	788	14,573,905	1,423
Construction	23	158	3,287	3,144	3,360	3,264	34,375,505	810
Manufacturing	31-33	46	4,414	4,410	4,401	4,408	111,663,036	1,949
Wholesale trade	42	120	1,918	1,913	1,921	1,917	25,265,834	1,014
Retail trade	44-45	122	1,444	1,465	1,524	1,478	10,008,990	521
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	85	1,555	1,463	1,561	1,526	20,156,739	1,016
Information	51	10	136	135	136	136	1,451,500	821
Finance and insurance	52	53	296	297	304	299	2,887,257	743
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	45	292	274	276	281	3,586,945	982
Professional and technical services	54	106	649	685	671	668	7,322,043	843
Management of companies and enterprises	55	5	84	83	82	83	1,123,706	1,041
Administrative and waste services	56	74	1,965	2,173	2,212	2,117	18,308,432	665
Educational services	61	7	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	76	1,317	1,366	1,362	1,348	8,423,583	481
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	23	148	159	159	155	465,682	231
Accommodation and food services	72	65	870	892	913	892	2,612,813	225
Other services, except public administration	81	56	251	257	262	257	2,386,413	714
Public administration	92	31	707	703	704	705	7,282,626	795

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
ST. JAMES		396	6,846	6,863	6,922	6,877	83,631,385	935
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	27	139	153	174	155	943,555	468
Mining	21	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Utilities	22	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Construction	23	31	161	181	142	161	1,238,377	592
Manufacturing	31-33	28	2,594	2,578	2,570	2,581	53,840,292	1,605
Wholesale trade	42	11	56	56	56	56	766,022	1,052
Retail trade	44-45	52	624	604	614	614	2,642,117	331
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	41	425	423	432	427	4,710,999	849
Information	51	4	23	25	25	24	152,269	488
Finance and insurance	52	26	136	138	141	138	991,660	553
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	10	130	135	138	134	1,327,572	762
Professional and technical services	54	19	57	57	58	57	594,601	802
Management of companies and enterprises	55	6	88	87	85	87	1,049,475	928
Administrative and waste services	56	20	281	285	286	284	1,971,290	534
Educational services	61	5	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	31	508	520	524	517	3,342,031	497
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	6	52	54	58	55	208,129	291
Accommodation and food services	72	29	298	299	332	310	714,604	177
Other services, except public administration	81	20	50	52	51	51	206,033	311
Public administration	92	26	425	422	431	426	3,152,401	569

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST		847	13,760	13,864	14,077	13,900	136,243,569	754
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	4	48	48	53	50	207,968	320
Mining	21	5	457	464	460	460	5,664,755	947
Utilities	22	7	152	152	152	152	2,408,454	1,219
Construction	23	84	1,089	1,124	1,175	1,129	11,233,073	765
Manufacturing	31-33	30	2,200	2,206	2,233	2,213	40,189,941	1,397
Wholesale trade	42	43	557	584	598	580	7,164,664	950
Retail trade	44-45	123	1,851	1,832	1,882	1,855	11,196,044	464
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	53	973	962	964	966	10,235,168	815
Information	51	17	167	169	171	169	2,095,348	954
Finance and insurance	52	56	292	272	259	274	3,501,701	983
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	35	177	187	188	184	1,281,079	536
Professional and technical services	54	58	285	288	285	286	2,298,873	618
Management of companies and enterprises	55	3	84	84	85	84	736,764	675
Administrative and waste services	56	60	956	943	1,019	973	9,804,248	775
Educational services	61	9	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	71	1,242	1,241	1,241	1,241	8,969,854	556
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	18	157	190	195	181	643,659	274
Accommodation and food services	72	65	1,130	1,159	1,151	1,147	3,169,518	213
Other services, except public administration	81	62	258	267	265	263	1,567,433	458
Public administration	92	37	502	506	513	507	4,364,915	662

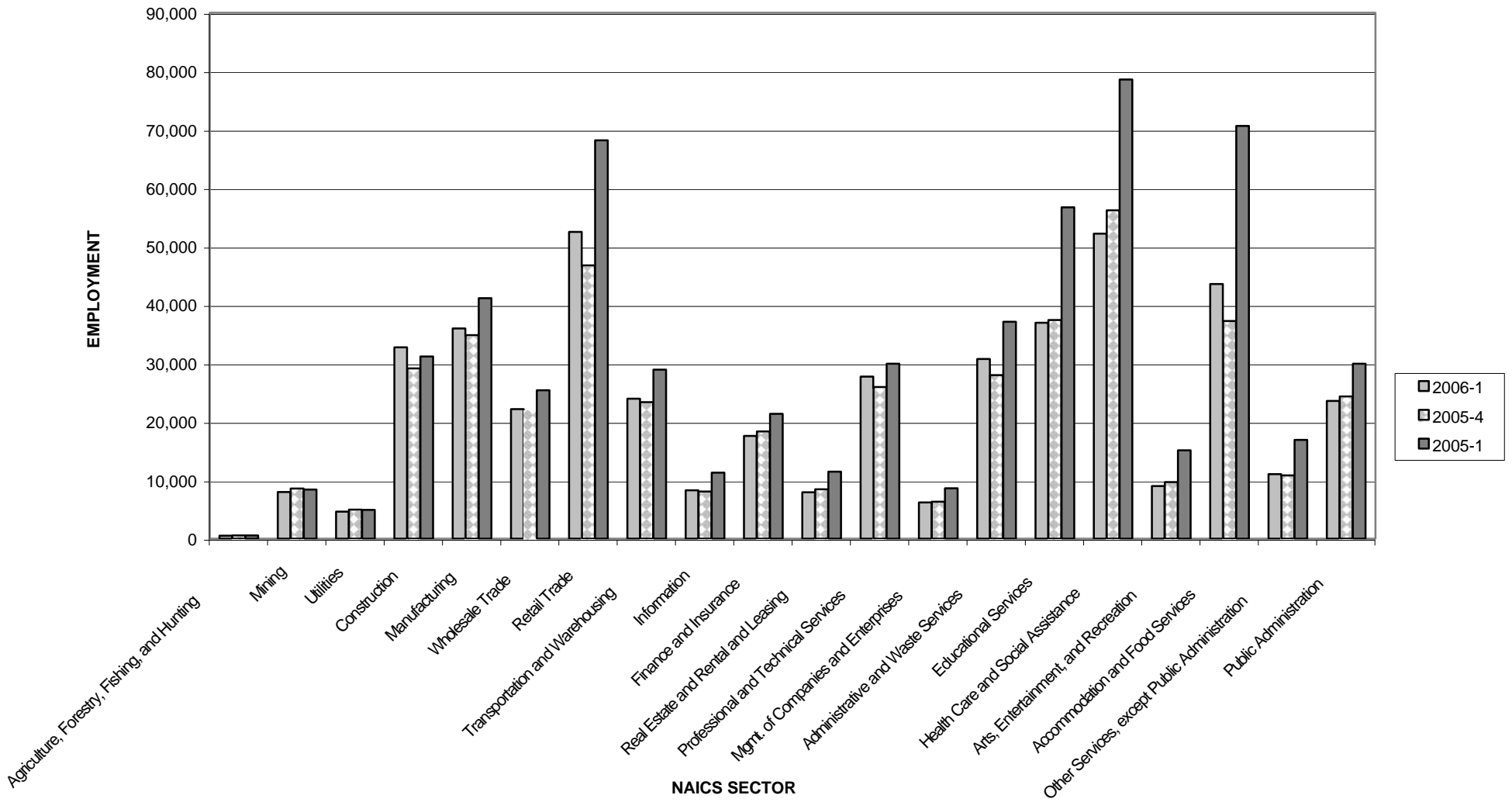
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LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
ST. TAMMANY		6,564	64,681	65,495	66,937	65,704	565,423,268	662
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	32	141	147	145	144	1,039,953	556
Mining	21	38	237	240	249	242	6,268,979	1,993
Utilities	22	31	396	402	413	404	5,616,244	1,069
Construction	23	758	4,372	4,500	4,702	4,525	41,233,611	701
Manufacturing	31-33	172	2,054	2,145	2,178	2,126	20,103,797	727
Wholesale trade	42	603	2,910	2,947	2,972	2,943	54,425,238	1,423
Retail trade	44-45	840	11,900	11,906	12,026	11,944	73,537,934	474
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	166	1,676	1,700	1,723	1,700	25,382,066	1,149
Information	51	96	1,022	1,030	1,057	1,036	15,874,477	1,179
Finance and insurance	52	505	2,445	2,429	2,496	2,457	31,538,854	987
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	228	973	961	983	972	7,921,591	627
Professional and technical services	54	834	3,325	3,359	3,406	3,363	34,089,794	780
Management of companies and enterprises	55	32	932	926	998	952	10,986,607	888
Administrative and waste services	56	362	2,343	2,442	2,643	2,476	17,666,241	549
Educational services	61	58	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	663	11,352	11,410	11,566	11,443	104,894,963	705
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	82	852	880	931	888	3,806,021	330
Accommodation and food services	72	449	7,013	7,091	7,337	7,147	23,326,533	251
Other services, except public administration	81	426	1,619	1,667	1,710	1,665	10,541,248	487
Public administration	92	88	2,632	2,630	2,609	2,624	23,244,985	681

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**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 1
EMPLOYMENT BY NAICS SECTOR
FIRST QUARTER 2006, FOURTH QUARTER 2005, AND FIRST QUARTER 2005**





**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 2
FIRST QUARTER 2006 EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES
SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
LAW**



Ascension, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Iberville,
Livingston, Pointe Coupee, St. Helena, Tangipahoa,
Washington, West Baton Rouge, West Feliciana

The average quarterly employment for RLMA 2 during first quarter 2006 was 401,574, a decrease of 0.3% from the fourth quarter 2005, and an increase of 5.4% from the same period in 2005. Employment increased in six of the 20 NAICS sectors, from the fourth quarter 2005. The largest percentage increase of 5.6% was in two sectors: construction, and professional and technical services.

Average quarterly employment data for first quarter 2006, fourth quarter 2005, first quarter 2005, and the percent change for the major industry sectors are shown in the table “Regional Labor Market Area 2” on page 30. Health care and social assistance was the leading industry in RLMA 2 with 51,574 employees, or 12.8% of total employment. East Baton Rouge was the leading parish with 257,933 employees, or 64.2% of total employment.

Total wages increased 14.7% from the same period in 2005, and decreased 0.2% from the fourth quarter 2005, for an average weekly wage of \$686. Iberville parish had the highest average weekly wage of \$937.

Average weekly wage data for each parish in RLMA 2 is listed in the table below. The average weekly wage data for all parishes within each NAICS sector is shown in the table “Regional Labor Market Area 2” beginning on page 33.

Parish	Avg. Wkly. Wage
Ascension	\$ 750
East Baton Rouge	709
East Feliciana	559
Iberville	937
Livingston	539
Pointe Coupee	527
St. Helena	493
Tangipahoa	531
Washington	562
West Baton Rouge	702
West Feliciana	781

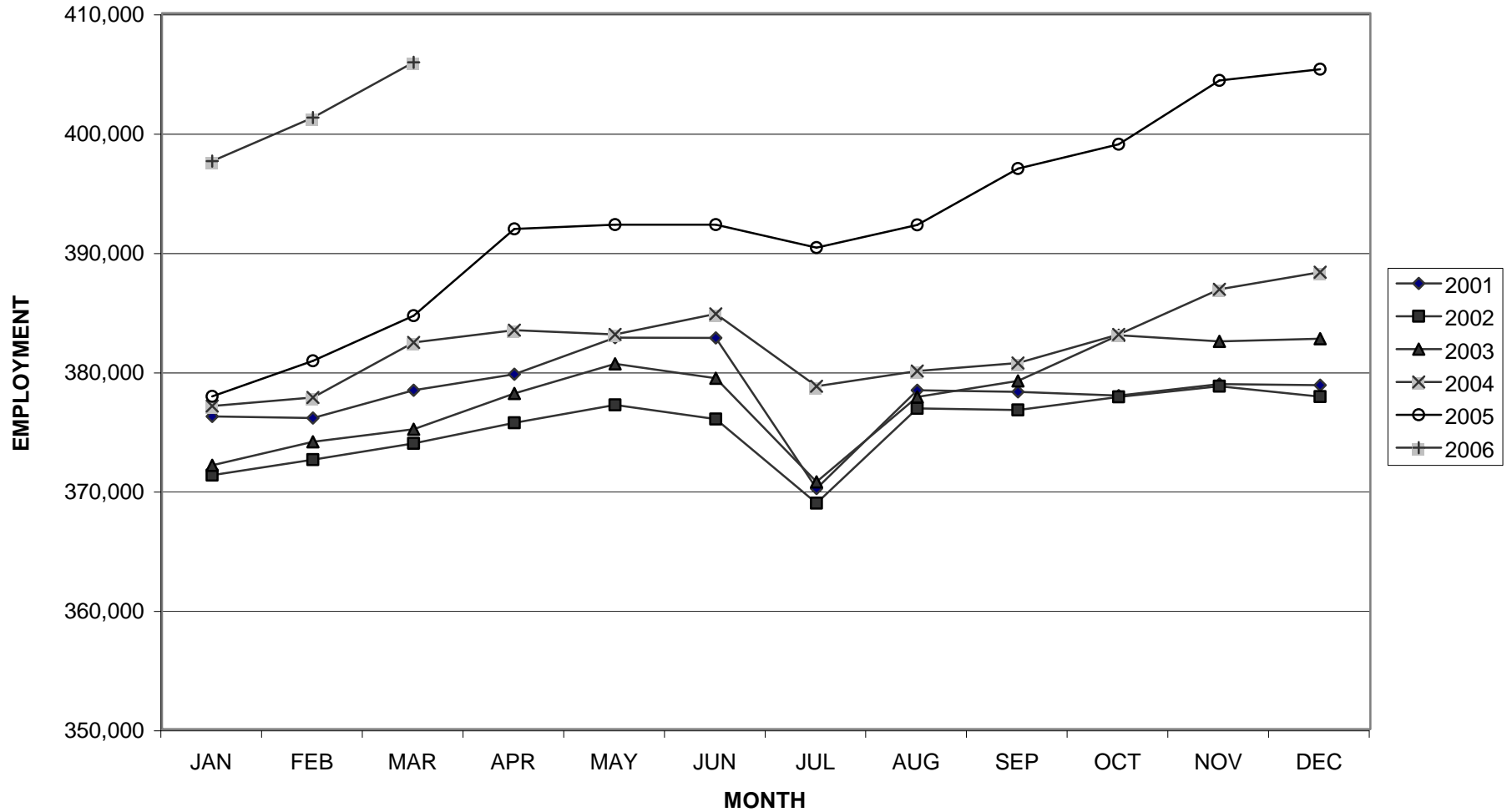
The number of reporting units in RLMA 2 for first quarter 2006 was 23,115.

Due to the conversion to NAICS, this data should not be compared to data in publications prior to 2001.

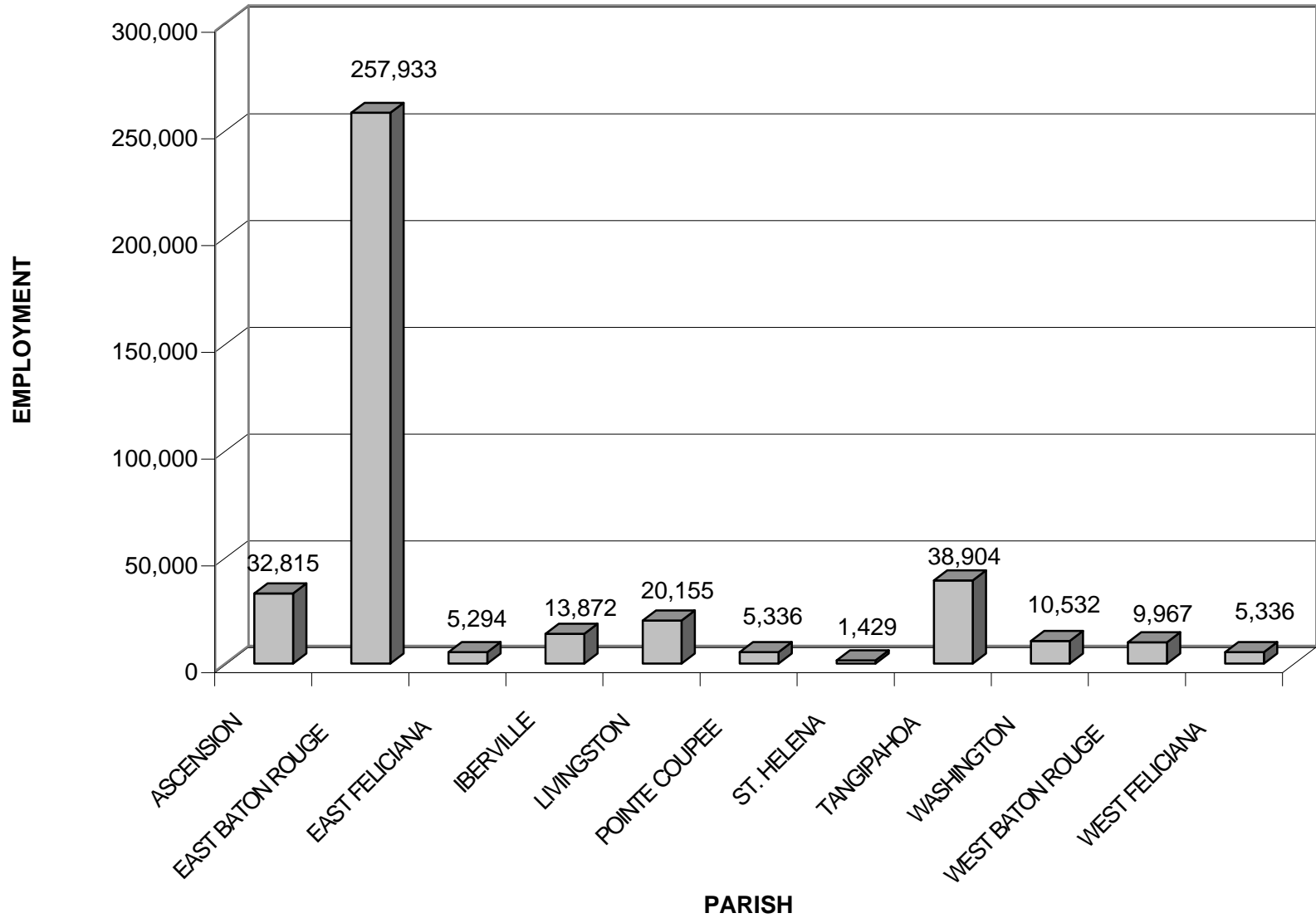
REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 2
AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT AND UNITS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
FIRST QUARTER 2006, FOURTH QUARTER 2005, AND FIRST QUARTER 2005

	QTR 2006-1 Employment	QTR 2005-4 Employment	QTR 2005-1 Employment	% Change From Prev. Qtr.	% Change From Prev. Year	QTR 2006-1 Units	QTR 2005-4 Units	QTR 2005-1 Units	% Change From Prev. Qtr.	% Change From Prev. Year
TOTAL	401,574	402,890	381,135	-0.3%	5.4%	23,115	22,715	22,063	1.8%	4.8%
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	1,180	1,320	1,242	-10.6%	-5.0%	176	175	171	0.6%	2.9%
Mining	1,570	1,754	1,539	-10.5%	2.0%	90	91	86	-1.1%	4.7%
Utilities	3,361	3,415	3,374	-1.6%	-0.4%	141	142	142	-0.7%	-0.7%
Construction	43,214	40,916	36,480	5.6%	18.5%	2,318	2,229	2,102	4.0%	10.3%
Manufacturing	29,793	29,857	30,121	-0.2%	-1.1%	855	847	846	0.9%	1.1%
Wholesale trade	14,537	14,686	14,594	-1.0%	-0.4%	1,593	1,561	1,538	2.0%	3.6%
Retail trade	49,357	49,875	44,805	-1.0%	10.2%	3,296	3,249	3,188	1.4%	3.4%
Transportation and warehousing	12,863	13,601	12,852	-5.4%	0.1%	764	754	740	1.3%	3.2%
Information	7,251	7,109	7,563	2.0%	-4.1%	324	330	325	-1.8%	-0.3%
Finance and insurance	14,804	14,377	13,919	3.0%	6.4%	1,660	1,620	1,626	2.5%	2.1%
Real estate and rental and leasing	5,821	5,798	5,584	0.4%	4.2%	929	890	856	4.4%	8.5%
Professional and technical services	18,597	17,603	16,990	5.6%	9.5%	2,597	2,548	2,444	1.9%	6.3%
Management of companies and enterprises	4,112	4,242	4,177	-3.1%	-1.6%	126	123	120	2.4%	5.0%
Administrative and waste services	21,950	22,870	19,363	-4.0%	13.4%	1,183	1,166	1,104	1.5%	7.2%
Educational services	41,289	42,184	41,090	-2.1%	0.5%	243	241	232	0.8%	4.7%
Health care and social assistance	51,574	51,913	48,732	-0.7%	5.8%	2,087	2,064	1,956	1.1%	6.7%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	4,931	4,998	4,698	-1.3%	5.0%	239	232	226	3.0%	5.8%
Accommodation and food services	32,102	31,672	30,692	1.4%	4.6%	1,543	1,520	1,511	1.5%	2.1%
Other services, except public administration	11,814	12,706	12,124	-7.0%	-2.6%	2,117	2,106	2,071	0.5%	2.2%
Public administration	31,050	31,548	30,918	-1.6%	0.4%	624	621	610	0.5%	2.3%

**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 2
MONTHLY EMPLOYMENT SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
2001 THROUGH 2006**



**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 2
 EMPLOYMENT DISTRIBUTION BY PARISH - FIRST QUARTER 2006
 EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW**



**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 2
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LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 2		23,115	397,592	401,242	405,889	401,574	3,582,421,127	686
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	176	1,132	1,173	1,234	1,180	6,915,420	451
Mining	21	90	1,547	1,583	1,579	1,570	20,496,552	1,004
Utilities	22	141	3,349	3,376	3,357	3,361	45,642,049	1,045
Construction	23	2,318	42,579	43,122	43,940	43,214	441,663,697	786
Manufacturing	31-33	855	29,701	29,679	29,999	29,793	484,029,699	1,250
Wholesale trade	42	1,593	14,436	14,535	14,641	14,537	190,759,717	1,009
Retail trade	44-45	3,296	49,137	48,923	50,010	49,357	284,844,438	444
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	764	12,757	12,832	12,999	12,863	129,478,952	774
Information	51	324	7,185	7,238	7,331	7,251	80,233,846	851
Finance and insurance	52	1,660	14,953	14,801	14,659	14,804	183,455,431	953
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	929	5,800	5,789	5,875	5,821	46,320,933	612
Professional and technical services	54	2,597	18,345	18,720	18,727	18,597	221,198,696	915
Management of companies and enterprises	55	126	4,127	4,105	4,103	4,112	66,012,388	1,235
Administrative and waste services	56	1,183	21,484	21,897	22,470	21,950	152,383,203	534
Educational services	61	243	40,954	41,437	41,475	41,289	318,907,553	594
Health care and social assistance	62	2,087	51,267	51,466	51,988	51,574	393,661,653	587
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	239	4,798	4,995	5,001	4,931	24,296,174	379
Accommodation and food services	72	1,543	31,208	32,270	32,829	32,102	98,148,419	235
Other services, except public administration	81	2,117	11,689	11,853	11,900	11,814	77,770,794	506
Public administration	92	624	30,776	31,042	31,331	31,050	311,354,734	771

Note: Due to unclassified and non-publishable data, major divisions may not total to parish or RLMA.

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
ASCENSION		2,102	32,489	32,666	33,291	32,815	319,833,960	750
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	19	95	121	134	117	558,477	367
Mining	21	7	423	425	424	424	4,107,001	745
Utilities	22	17	201	201	202	201	2,191,162	839
Construction	23	290	4,993	4,798	4,839	4,877	45,516,399	718
Manufacturing	31-33	108	4,719	4,753	4,746	4,739	99,100,748	1,609
Wholesale trade	42	180	1,340	1,348	1,361	1,350	16,284,973	928
Retail trade	44-45	334	5,072	5,068	5,134	5,091	26,126,818	395
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	89	1,362	1,390	1,374	1,375	14,831,106	830
Information	51	25	433	441	433	436	4,898,086	864
Finance and insurance	52	127	746	748	767	754	7,578,493	773
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	95	691	693	711	698	6,884,747	759
Professional and technical services	54	169	1,127	1,142	1,201	1,157	17,470,084	1,161
Management of companies and enterprises	55	11	113	109	116	113	1,813,053	1,234
Administrative and waste services	56	119	1,771	1,866	2,197	1,945	16,115,468	637
Educational services	61	17	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	139	2,266	2,278	2,284	2,276	14,466,845	489
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	16	162	173	187	174	449,439	199
Accommodation and food services	72	140	2,587	2,655	2,653	2,632	7,473,591	218
Other services, except public administration	81	157	992	995	1,009	999	6,779,148	522
Public administration	92	41	696	693	705	698	6,219,807	685

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
EAST BATON ROUGE		13,622	255,652	257,887	260,261	257,933	2,377,777,377	709
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	24	129	132	130	130	986,387	584
Mining	21	38	518	548	540	535	9,110,640	1,310
Utilities	22	34	1,209	1,221	1,216	1,215	15,781,917	999
Construction	23	1,144	28,078	28,390	28,994	28,487	314,033,278	848
Manufacturing	31-33	416	12,352	12,289	12,449	12,363	202,974,246	1,263
Wholesale trade	42	1,042	9,885	9,940	9,970	9,932	139,816,683	1,083
Retail trade	44-45	1,816	29,563	29,175	29,704	29,481	181,444,272	473
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	278	6,186	6,276	6,377	6,280	64,804,358	794
Information	51	214	5,570	5,600	5,687	5,619	64,020,336	876
Finance and insurance	52	1,078	11,077	11,067	11,072	11,072	142,195,951	988
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	607	4,003	4,019	4,053	4,025	29,682,120	567
Professional and technical services	54	1,874	15,158	15,472	15,422	15,351	185,325,774	929
Management of companies and enterprises	55	86	3,607	3,590	3,572	3,590	60,057,185	1,287
Administrative and waste services	56	728	16,405	16,564	16,845	16,605	108,135,286	501
Educational services	61	172	24,610	24,889	24,858	24,786	206,862,561	642
Health care and social assistance	62	1,289	33,464	33,448	33,712	33,541	269,807,634	619
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	136	3,524	3,711	3,659	3,631	19,400,928	411
Accommodation and food services	72	872	20,472	21,301	21,556	21,110	67,139,503	245
Other services, except public administration	81	1,393	8,094	8,204	8,219	8,172	55,043,006	518
Public administration	92	235	21,463	21,731	21,883	21,692	236,748,949	840

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
EAST FELICIANA		306	5,273	5,296	5,314	5,294	38,438,337	559
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	10	36	35	34	35	238,802	525
Mining	21	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Utilities	22	4	14	14	15	14	94,780	521
Construction	23	25	151	164	174	163	1,062,570	501
Manufacturing	31-33	18	326	352	333	337	2,943,022	672
Wholesale trade	42	8	43	42	42	42	325,266	596
Retail trade	44-45	40	399	393	404	399	1,471,247	284
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	24	118	111	109	113	1,244,265	847
Information	51	5	25	25	25	25	192,406	592
Finance and insurance	52	12	114	114	120	116	905,790	601
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	5	15	16	17	16	100,414	483
Professional and technical services	54	28	73	78	75	75	368,518	378
Management of companies and enterprises	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative and waste services	56	11	38	42	38	39	252,189	497
Educational services	61	3	611	609	615	612	3,154,627	397
Health care and social assistance	62	28	2,030	2,025	2,027	2,027	17,524,446	665
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	4	18	20	20	19	111,210	450
Accommodation and food services	72	16	137	138	136	137	313,406	176
Other services, except public administration	81	32	122	125	127	125	644,707	397
Public administration	92	26	986	976	986	983	7,380,416	578

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
IBERVILLE		669	13,727	13,853	14,037	13,872	168,897,957	937
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	28	165	151	162	159	855,468	414
Mining	21	5	104	110	111	108	977,162	696
Utilities	22	11	354	360	348	354	3,639,766	791
Construction	23	62	1,545	1,537	1,606	1,563	13,762,889	677
Manufacturing	31-33	42	3,620	3,630	3,622	3,624	85,351,598	1,812
Wholesale trade	42	27	229	234	232	232	4,385,735	1,454
Retail trade	44-45	91	1,123	1,172	1,198	1,164	5,667,265	375
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	60	955	970	966	964	10,933,783	872
Information	51	10	124	121	125	123	982,841	615
Finance and insurance	52	37	269	256	261	262	2,431,532	714
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	25	125	126	119	123	980,051	613
Professional and technical services	54	46	200	191	180	190	2,545,624	1,031
Management of companies and enterprises	55	7	104	104	107	105	770,754	565
Administrative and waste services	56	33	601	615	615	610	6,643,320	838
Educational services	61	3	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	50	962	966	972	967	5,958,511	474
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	5	90	91	105	95	364,183	295
Accommodation and food services	72	35	420	447	446	438	1,441,551	253
Other services, except public administration	81	41	101	102	104	102	716,671	540
Public administration	92	49	1,739	1,774	1,862	1,792	14,558,890	625

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
LIVINGSTON		1,661	19,706	20,287	20,471	20,155	141,195,175	539
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	17	122	127	130	126	880,824	538
Mining	21	10	118	115	122	118	1,211,339	790
Utilities	22	14	143	143	148	145	1,153,000	612
Construction	23	298	2,612	2,986	2,875	2,824	27,101,289	738
Manufacturing	31-33	66	1,873	1,921	1,986	1,927	22,184,272	886
Wholesale trade	42	87	357	358	369	361	3,479,177	741
Retail trade	44-45	237	3,057	3,090	3,138	3,095	16,197,849	403
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	67	529	536	527	531	4,770,072	691
Information	51	12	163	171	182	172	1,374,586	615
Finance and insurance	52	105	604	605	606	605	5,223,010	664
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	53	149	143	157	150	795,365	408
Professional and technical services	54	136	543	561	571	558	4,699,219	648
Management of companies and enterprises	55	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	102	544	623	616	594	4,533,275	587
Educational services	61	7	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	126	1,656	1,679	1,685	1,673	8,448,455	388
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	16	278	277	293	283	1,010,978	275
Accommodation and food services	72	109	1,904	1,906	1,983	1,931	4,911,460	196
Other services, except public administration	81	135	544	556	547	549	3,497,317	490
Public administration	92	44	797	773	804	791	5,814,327	565

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
POINTE COUPEE		450	5,322	5,317	5,370	5,336	36,563,782	527
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	27	133	141	140	138	745,658	416
Mining	21	4	129	130	130	130	2,622,084	1,552
Utilities	22	12	338	338	338	338	5,749,911	1,309
Construction	23	45	530	516	518	521	1,803,420	266
Manufacturing	31-33	9	420	410	426	419	3,271,672	601
Wholesale trade	42	16	158	159	158	158	1,223,616	596
Retail trade	44-45	77	849	836	848	844	3,822,289	348
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	25	182	183	180	182	1,872,215	791
Information	51	7	56	57	57	57	376,004	507
Finance and insurance	52	25	150	150	153	151	1,332,368	679
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	11	19	24	24	22	103,729	363
Professional and technical services	54	31	125	126	138	130	1,213,159	718
Management of companies and enterprises	55	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	17	101	102	109	104	696,900	515
Educational services	61	4	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	36	672	686	690	683	4,259,484	480
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	4	29	35	36	33	100,926	235
Accommodation and food services	72	31	342	333	344	340	815,047	184
Other services, except public administration	81	41	91	92	90	91	522,896	442
Public administration	92	27	303	304	297	301	1,968,161	503

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
ST. HELENA		106	1,398	1,430	1,458	1,429	9,166,525	493
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	4	75	78	79	77	342,713	342
Mining	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Utilities	22	3	18	18	18	18	185,567	793
Construction	23	7	74	73	76	74	539,814	561
Manufacturing	31-33	7	132	133	147	137	1,465,844	823
Wholesale trade	42	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Retail trade	44-45	14	137	151	151	146	683,532	360
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	11	69	67	70	69	694,211	774
Information	51	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Finance and insurance	52	6	24	24	24	24	135,751	435
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Professional and technical services	54	4	20	21	22	21	124,989	458
Management of companies and enterprises	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative and waste services	56	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Educational services	61	3	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	11	323	324	327	325	2,062,400	488
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Accommodation and food services	72	4	36	34	35	35	49,051	108
Other services, except public administration	81	9	41	40	42	41	150,439	282
Public administration	92	15	138	139	137	138	657,599	367

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
TANGIPAHOA		2,542	38,330	38,723	39,658	38,904	268,438,709	531
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	34	141	136	137	138	944,722	527
Mining	21	8	100	101	100	100	1,194,877	919
Utilities	22	18	237	239	232	236	3,230,708	1,053
Construction	23	269	2,166	2,161	2,237	2,188	15,385,965	541
Manufacturing	31-33	101	3,030	2,946	3,053	3,010	21,520,875	550
Wholesale trade	42	145	1,567	1,589	1,632	1,596	13,539,220	653
Retail trade	44-45	422	6,192	6,293	6,676	6,387	36,167,869	436
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	100	1,594	1,608	1,721	1,641	13,366,324	627
Information	51	27	584	590	593	589	5,784,835	755
Finance and insurance	52	184	1,519	1,395	1,217	1,377	20,377,856	1,138
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	88	415	408	419	414	2,527,265	470
Professional and technical services	54	208	753	779	774	769	6,037,919	604
Management of companies and enterprises	55	15	190	188	192	190	1,664,110	674
Administrative and waste services	56	102	1,303	1,363	1,332	1,333	10,440,466	602
Educational services	61	26	4,854	5,008	5,015	4,959	34,495,109	535
Health care and social assistance	62	271	7,272	7,359	7,555	7,395	53,279,177	554
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	27	231	230	235	232	692,883	230
Accommodation and food services	72	203	3,543	3,648	3,839	3,677	10,673,618	223
Other services, except public administration	81	184	1,157	1,192	1,201	1,183	6,084,922	396
Public administration	92	83	1,459	1,467	1,474	1,467	10,925,375	573

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
WASHINGTON		784	10,432	10,519	10,646	10,532	76,918,892	562
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	10	158	168	189	172	847,635	379
Mining	21	11	73	75	74	74	512,401	533
Utilities	22	15	150	156	155	154	1,774,831	887
Construction	23	70	612	641	676	643	4,306,330	515
Manufacturing	31-33	36	1,262	1,275	1,284	1,274	17,237,873	1,041
Wholesale trade	42	24	163	171	175	170	1,371,405	621
Retail trade	44-45	152	1,580	1,580	1,589	1,583	7,645,466	372
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	34	257	255	245	252	1,912,496	584
Information	51	12	117	118	116	117	1,191,828	784
Finance and insurance	52	60	328	319	319	322	2,298,934	549
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	16	48	48	49	48	220,968	354
Professional and technical services	54	55	127	128	125	127	1,189,266	720
Management of companies and enterprises	55	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	27	330	317	311	319	2,173,113	524
Educational services	61	5	1,562	1,516	1,519	1,532	10,811,525	543
Health care and social assistance	62	86	1,906	1,974	2,003	1,961	13,750,537	539
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	9	35	35	36	35	151,450	333
Accommodation and food services	72	54	640	665	691	665	1,583,742	183
Other services, except public administration	81	60	183	180	181	181	1,025,629	436
Public administration	92	40	894	887	899	893	6,836,684	589

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
WEST BATON ROUGE		620	9,949	9,906	10,046	9,967	90,991,198	702
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mining	21	3	*	*	*	*	*	*
Utilities	22	7	80	78	80	79	803,184	782
Construction	23	86	1,729	1,718	1,828	1,758	16,919,796	740
Manufacturing	31-33	41	1,245	1,256	1,234	1,245	16,626,203	1,027
Wholesale trade	42	50	595	593	602	597	9,344,461	1,204
Retail trade	44-45	81	936	944	944	941	4,584,392	375
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	63	1,430	1,361	1,353	1,381	13,701,936	763
Information	51	8	96	98	96	97	1,292,061	1,025
Finance and insurance	52	18	69	70	68	69	588,877	656
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	16	314	289	302	302	4,900,991	1,248
Professional and technical services	54	29	180	181	178	180	1,977,041	845
Management of companies and enterprises	55	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	29	203	222	225	217	1,594,800	565
Educational services	61	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	33	386	399	396	394	1,678,005	328
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	17	332	327	334	331	1,467,699	341
Accommodation and food services	72	50	752	759	763	758	2,930,350	297
Other services, except public administration	81	43	285	285	303	291	2,673,343	707
Public administration	92	38	458	454	451	454	3,744,824	635

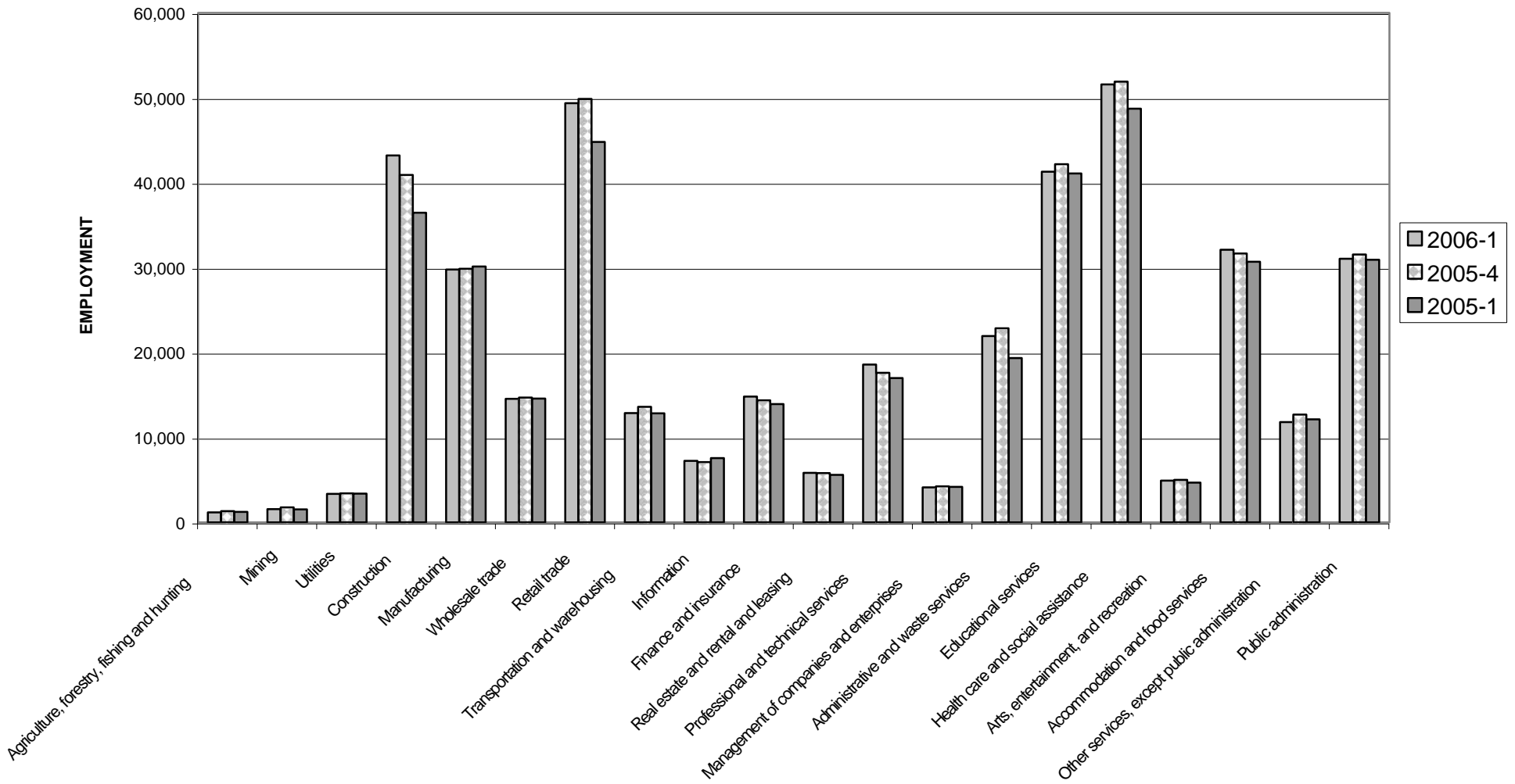
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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
WEST FELICIANA		253	5,314	5,358	5,337	5,336	54,199,215	781
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mining	21	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Utilities	22	6	*	*	*	*	*	*
Construction	23	22	89	138	117	115	1,231,947	824
Manufacturing	31-33	11 *	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wholesale trade	42	12	73	75	75	74	711,548	740
Retail trade	44-45	32	229	221	224	225	1,033,439	353
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	13	75	75	77	76	1,348,186	1,365
Information	51	4	17	17	17	17	120,863	547
Finance and insurance	52	8	53	53	52	53	386,869	561
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	11	18	20	22	20	118,583	456
Professional and technical services	54	17	39	41	41	40	247,103	475
Management of companies and enterprises	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative and waste services	56	13	172	168	168	169	1,727,876	786
Educational services	61	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	18	330	328	337	332	2,426,159	562
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	4	95	92	92	93	529,615	438
Accommodation and food services	72	29	375	384	383	381	817,100	165
Other services, except public administration	81	22	79	82	77	79	632,716	616
Public administration	92	26	*	*	*	*	*	*

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EMPLOYMENT BY NAICS SECTOR
FIRST QUARTER 2006, FOURTH QUARTER 2005, AND FIRST QUARTER 2005**



NAICS SECTOR



**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 3
FIRST QUARTER 2006 EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES
SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW**



Assumption, Lafourche, Terrebonne

The average quarterly employment for RLMA 3 during first quarter 2006 was 89,400, an increase of 0.2% from the fourth quarter 2005, and an increase of 3.5% from the same period in 2005. Employment increased in 11 of the 20 NAICS sectors from the fourth quarter 2005. The largest percentage increase of 9.6% was in professional and technical services.

Average quarterly employment data for first quarter 2006, fourth quarter 2005, first quarter 2005, and the percent change for the major industry sectors are shown in the table “Regional Labor Market Area 3” on page 47. Retail trade was the leading industry in RLMA 3 with 11,184 employees, or 12.5% of total employment. Terrebonne was the leading parish with 51,850 employees, or 58.0% of total employment.

Total wages increased by 20.2% from the same period in 2005, and decreased 2.5% from the fourth quarter 2005, for an average weekly wage of \$698. Terrebonne parish had the highest average weekly wage of \$712.

Average weekly wage data for each parish in RLMA 3 is listed in the table below. The average weekly wage data for all parishes within each NAICS sector is shown in the table “Regional Labor Market Area 3” beginning on page 50.

Parish	Avg. Wkly. Wage
Assumption	\$ 661
Lafourche	682
Terrebonne	712

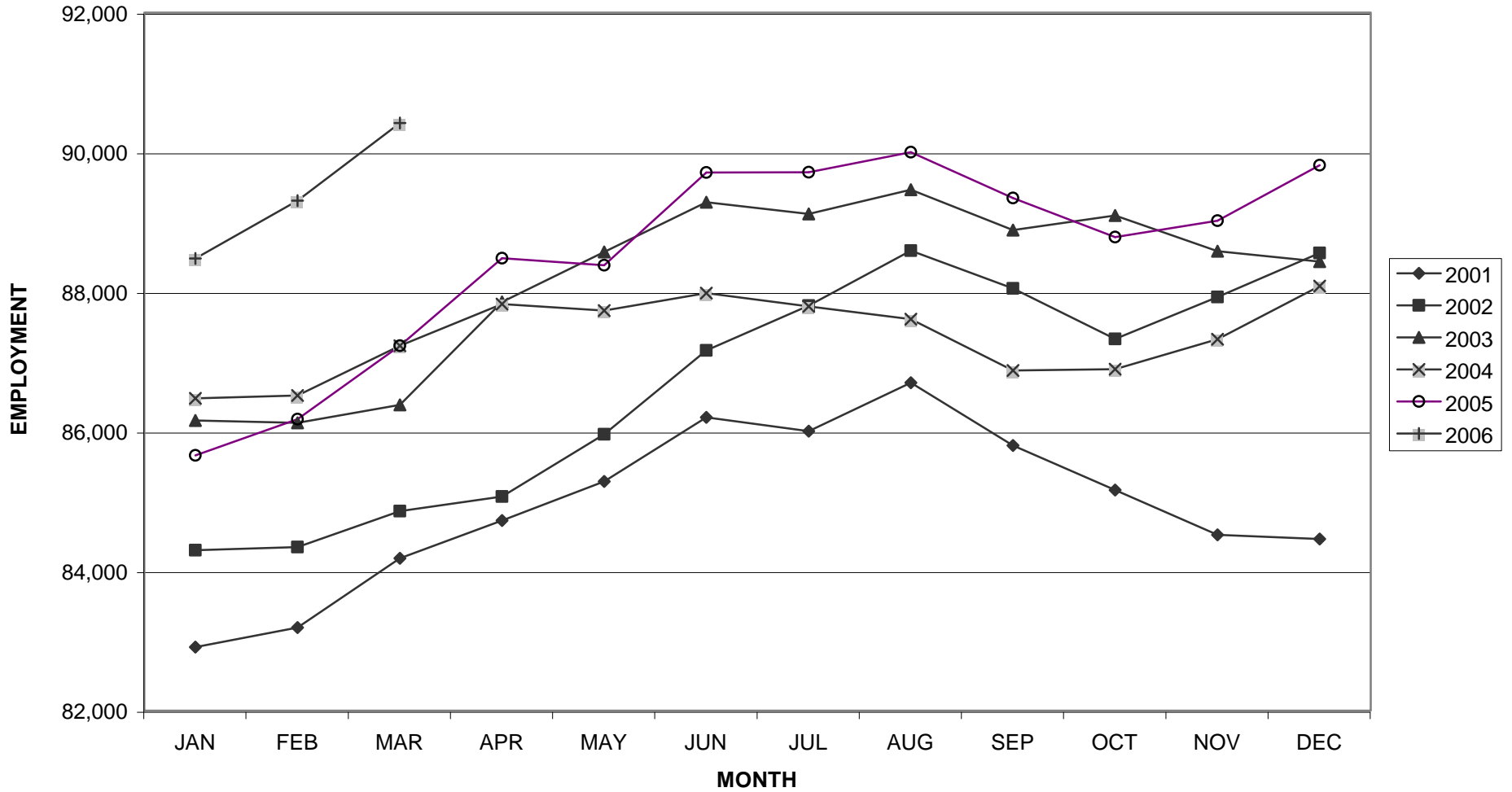
The number of reporting units in RLMA 3 for first quarter 2006 was 5,472.

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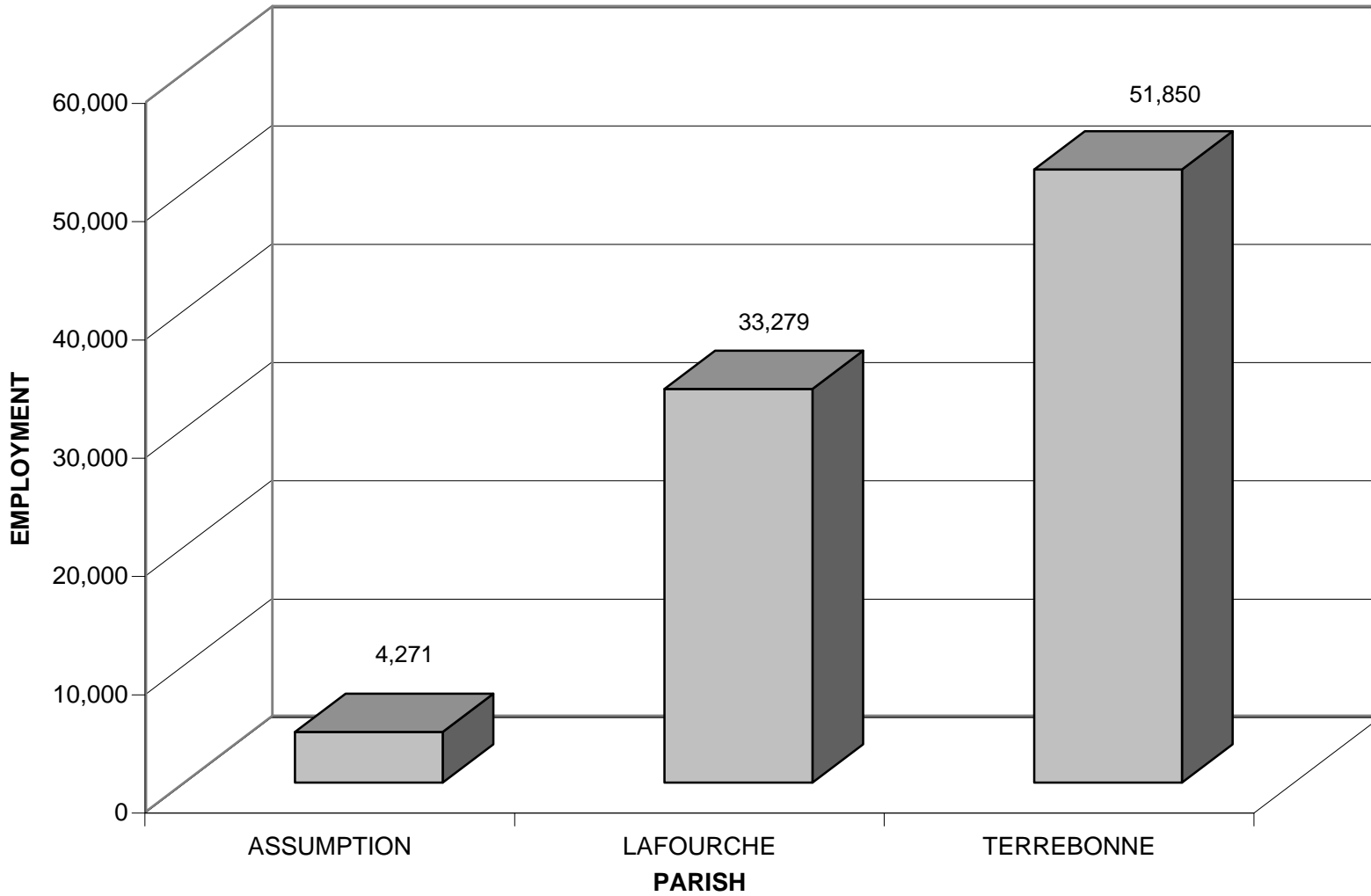
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AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT AND UNITS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
FIRST QUARTER 2006, FOURTH QUARTER 2005, AND FIRST QUARTER 2005

	QTR 2006-1 Employment	QTR 2005-4 Employment	QTR 2005-1 Employment	% Change From Prev. Qtr.	% Change From Prev. Year	QTR 2006-1 Units	QTR 2005-4 Units	QTR 2005-1 Units	% Change From Prev. Qtr.	% Change From Prev. Year
TOTAL	89,400	89,204	86,354	0.2%	3.5%	5,472	5,425	5,366	0.9%	2.0%
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	592	722	651	-18.0%	-9.1%	94	94	97	0.0%	-3.1%
Mining	5,875	5,858	5,384	0.3%	9.1%	160	164	162	-2.4%	-1.2%
Utilities	434	443	436	-2.0%	-0.5%	30	30	29	0.0%	3.4%
Construction	5,840	5,449	4,553	7.2%	28.3%	525	516	496	1.7%	5.8%
Manufacturing	9,307	9,198	9,188	1.2%	1.3%	244	241	239	1.2%	2.1%
Wholesale trade	2,502	2,494	2,325	0.3%	7.6%	282	286	277	-1.4%	1.8%
Retail trade	11,184	11,240	10,758	-0.5%	4.0%	825	820	832	0.6%	-0.8%
Transportation and warehousing	8,573	8,469	7,894	1.2%	8.6%	390	388	371	0.5%	5.1%
Information	865	885	908	-2.3%	-4.7%	59	64	65	-7.8%	-9.2%
Finance and insurance	2,097	2,135	1,980	-1.8%	5.9%	371	358	349	3.6%	6.3%
Real estate and rental and leasing	3,399	3,366	3,230	1.0%	5.2%	291	287	290	1.4%	0.3%
Professional and technical services	2,053	1,874	1,972	9.6%	4.1%	461	453	431	1.8%	7.0%
Management of companies and enterprises	1,400	1,388	1,506	0.9%	-7.0%	22	22	25	0.0%	-12.0%
Administrative and waste services	4,993	5,381	4,765	-7.2%	4.8%	228	223	216	2.2%	5.6%
Educational services	7,508	7,388	8,638	1.6%	-13.1%	31	29	30	6.9%	3.3%
Health care and social assistance	10,342	10,386	10,118	-0.4%	2.2%	470	464	463	1.3%	1.5%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	700	698	740	0.3%	-5.4%	74	76	79	-2.6%	-6.3%
Accommodation and food services	6,575	6,552	6,145	0.4%	7.0%	369	366	382	0.8%	-3.4%
Other services, except public administration	2,109	2,118	2,029	-0.4%	3.9%	381	378	373	0.8%	2.1%
Public administration	2,999	3,055	3,082	-1.8%	-2.7%	146	145	143	0.7%	2.1%

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**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 3
EMPLOYMENT DISTRIBUTION BY PARISH - FIRST QUARTER 2006
EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW**



**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 3
EMPLOYMENT AND TOTAL WAGES PAID BY EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE
LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
UNITS, MONTHLY AND AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL AND AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES
BY RLMA, BY PARISH, AND INDUSTRY SECTOR - FIRST QUARTER 2006**

	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 3		5,472	88,478	89,305	90,418	89,400	811,562,819	698
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	94	543	576	658	592	3,312,722	430
Mining	21	160	5,941	5,789	5,896	5,875	97,494,960	1,277
Utilities	22	30	437	432	434	434	4,857,787	861
Construction	23	525	5,631	5,798	6,090	5,840	63,818,054	841
Manufacturing	31-33	244	9,158	9,304	9,458	9,307	107,521,394	889
Wholesale trade	42	282	2,516	2,493	2,496	2,502	26,456,308	813
Retail trade	44-45	825	11,183	11,145	11,224	11,184	61,927,770	426
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	390	8,437	8,564	8,719	8,573	115,784,513	1,039
Information	51	59	868	867	861	865	8,343,697	742
Finance and insurance	52	371	2,092	2,091	2,107	2,097	22,887,108	840
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	291	3,372	3,395	3,431	3,399	39,109,187	885
Professional and technical services	54	461	2,038	2,066	2,056	2,053	21,749,665	815
Management of companies and enterprises	55	22	1,391	1,400	1,408	1,400	15,141,447	832
Administrative and waste services	56	228	4,899	5,001	5,080	4,993	29,484,574	454
Educational services	61	31	7,452	7,525	7,548	7,508	45,860,911	470
Health care and social assistance	62	470	10,262	10,384	10,381	10,342	84,970,486	632
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	74	697	693	709	700	2,857,511	314
Accommodation and food services	72	369	6,438	6,628	6,658	6,575	20,727,973	243
Other services, except public administration	81	381	2,082	2,119	2,127	2,109	15,559,634	568
Public administration	92	146	2,994	2,986	3,016	2,999	23,318,439	598

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LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
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BY RLMA, BY PARISH, AND INDUSTRY SECTOR - FIRST QUARTER 2006**

	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
ASSUMPTION		337	4,161	4,225	4,428	4,271	36,705,419	661
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	33	201	213	249	221	1,245,104	433
Mining	21	8	32	32	33	32	694,089	1,668
Utilities	22	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Construction	23	33	235	274	344	284	2,465,548	668
Manufacturing	31-33	16	928	921	991	947	14,766,152	1,199
Wholesale trade	42	9	32	33	34	33	172,505	402
Retail trade	44-45	53	503	505	509	506	2,040,125	310
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	35	297	305	307	303	3,680,905	934
Information	51	4	32	33	31	32	200,888	483
Finance and insurance	52	18	116	117	117	117	1,100,937	724
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	9	16	16	16	16	42,099	202
Professional and technical services	54	23	57	57	57	57	374,559	505
Management of companies and enterprises	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative and waste services	56	6	43	45	49	46	495,379	828
Educational services	61	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	21	466	479	479	475	2,013,397	326
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	5	38	34	34	35	92,358	203
Accommodation and food services	72	16	108	98	97	101	218,724	167
Other services, except public administration	81	25	42	39	46	42	220,307	403
Public administration	92	20	188	189	187	188	1,108,379	454

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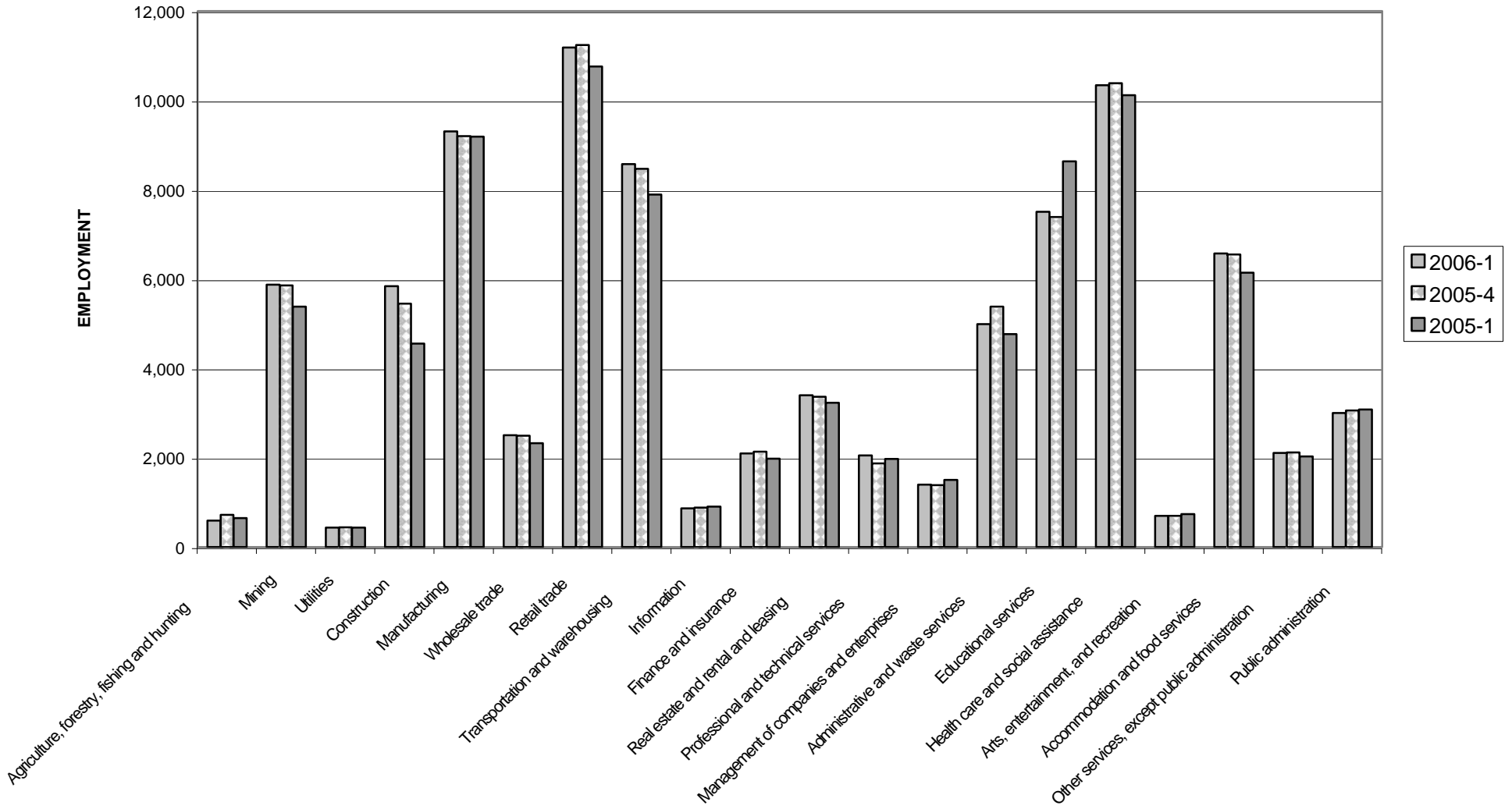
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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
LAFOURCHE		2,038	32,791	33,348	33,697	33,279	295,192,952	682
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	39	182	194	224	200	1,136,645	437
Mining	21	44	643	676	664	661	11,734,754	1,366
Utilities	22	14	166	164	166	165	1,891,330	882
Construction	23	170	1,834	1,915	2,000	1,916	19,595,210	787
Manufacturing	31-33	65	2,616	2,665	2,663	2,648	27,711,934	805
Wholesale trade	42	84	528	533	538	533	4,987,951	720
Retail trade	44-45	292	3,678	3,680	3,728	3,695	19,990,732	416
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	202	5,264	5,366	5,499	5,376	76,984,390	1,102
Information	51	22	317	317	316	317	3,060,635	743
Finance and insurance	52	158	811	805	808	808	8,366,723	797
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	110	1,630	1,630	1,645	1,635	18,965,191	892
Professional and technical services	54	165	674	671	665	670	5,196,858	597
Management of companies and enterprises	55	10	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	85	2,080	2,175	2,219	2,158	8,738,754	311
Educational services	61	12	3,384	3,435	3,447	3,422	26,686,483	600
Health care and social assistance	62	192	3,944	4,005	3,996	3,982	31,231,344	603
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	27	346	344	354	348	1,573,509	348
Accommodation and food services	72	148	1,868	1,948	1,916	1,911	4,620,937	186
Other services, except public administration	81	127	561	570	570	567	2,902,977	394
Public administration	92	64	1,236	1,219	1,226	1,227	9,123,118	572

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LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
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BY RLMA, BY PARISH, AND INDUSTRY SECTOR - FIRST QUARTER 2006**

	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
TERREBONNE		3,097	51,526	51,732	52,293	51,850	479,664,448	712
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	22	160	169	185	171	930,973	419
Mining	21	108	5,266	5,081	5,199	5,182	85,066,117	1,263
Utilities	22	14	218	215	216	216	2,157,064	768
Construction	23	322	3,562	3,609	3,746	3,639	41,757,296	883
Manufacturing	31-33	163	5,614	5,718	5,804	5,712	65,043,308	876
Wholesale trade	42	189	1,956	1,927	1,924	1,936	21,295,852	846
Retail trade	44-45	480	7,002	6,960	6,987	6,983	39,896,913	439
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	153	2,876	2,893	2,913	2,894	35,119,218	933
Information	51	33	519	517	514	517	5,082,174	756
Finance and insurance	52	195	1,165	1,169	1,182	1,172	13,419,448	881
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	172	1,726	1,749	1,770	1,748	20,101,897	885
Professional and technical services	54	273	1,307	1,338	1,334	1,326	16,178,248	939
Management of companies and enterprises	55	12	386	390	394	390	4,634,982	914
Administrative and waste services	56	137	2,776	2,781	2,812	2,790	20,250,441	558
Educational services	61	18	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	257	5,852	5,900	5,906	5,886	51,725,745	676
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	42	313	315	321	316	1,191,644	290
Accommodation and food services	72	205	4,462	4,582	4,645	4,563	15,888,312	268
Other services, except public administration	81	229	1,479	1,510	1,511	1,500	12,436,350	638
Public administration	92	62	1,570	1,578	1,603	1,584	13,086,942	636

**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 3
EMPLOYMENT BY NAICS SECTOR
FIRST QUARTER 2006, FOURTH QUARTER 2005, AND FIRST QUARTER 2005**



NAICS SECTOR



**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 4
FIRST QUARTER 2006 EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES
SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW**



Acadia, Evangeline, Iberia, Lafayette
St. Landry, St. Martin, St. Mary, Vermilion

The average quarterly employment for RLMA 4 during first quarter 2006 was 256,716, a decrease of 0.5% from the fourth quarter 2005, and an increase of 5.5% from the same period in 2005. Employment increased in 10 of the 20 NAICS sectors from the fourth quarter 2005. The largest percentage increase of 6.4% was in mining.

Average quarterly employment data for first quarter 2006, fourth quarter 2005, first quarter 2005, and the percent change for the major industry sectors are shown in the table “Regional Labor Market Area 4” on page 56. Health care and social assistance was the leading industry in RLMA 4 with 34,779 employees, or 13.5% of total employment. Lafayette was the leading parish with 126,516 employees, or 49.3% of total employment.

Total wages increased 19.4% from the same period in 2005, and decreased 4.5% from the fourth quarter 2005, for an average weekly wage of \$678. St. Mary parish had the highest average weekly wage of \$747.

Average weekly wage data for each parish in RLMA 4 is listed in the table below. The average weekly wage data for all parishes within each NAICS sector is shown in the table “Regional Labor Market Area 4” beginning on page 59.

Parish	Avg. Wkly. Wage
Acadia	\$ 601
Evangeline	477
Iberia	724
Lafayette	723
St. Landry	540
St. Martin	468
St. Mary	747
Vermilion	618

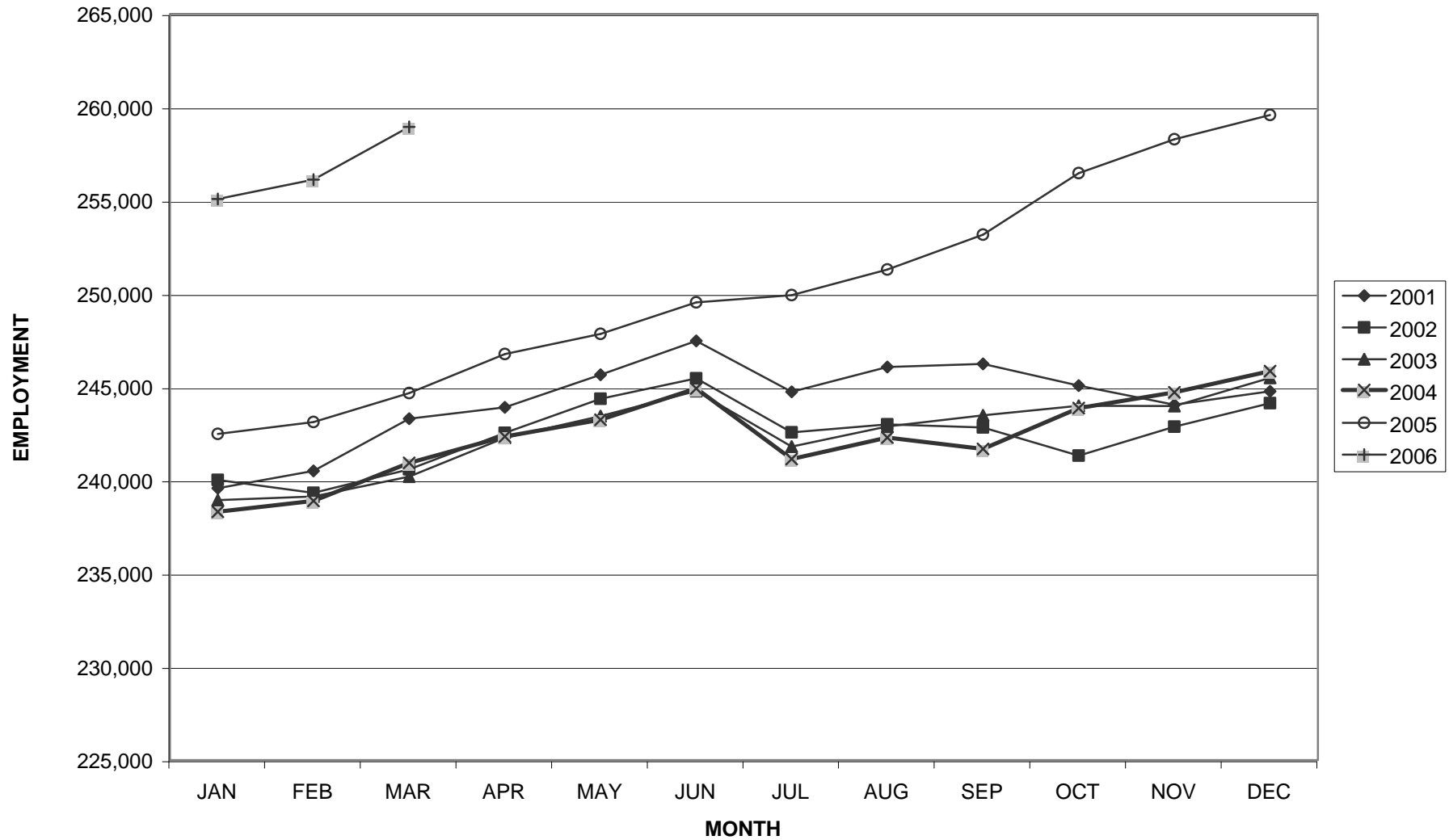
The number of reporting units in RLMA 4 for fourth quarter 2006 was 17,186.

Due to the conversion to NAICS, this data should not be compared to data in publications prior to 2001.

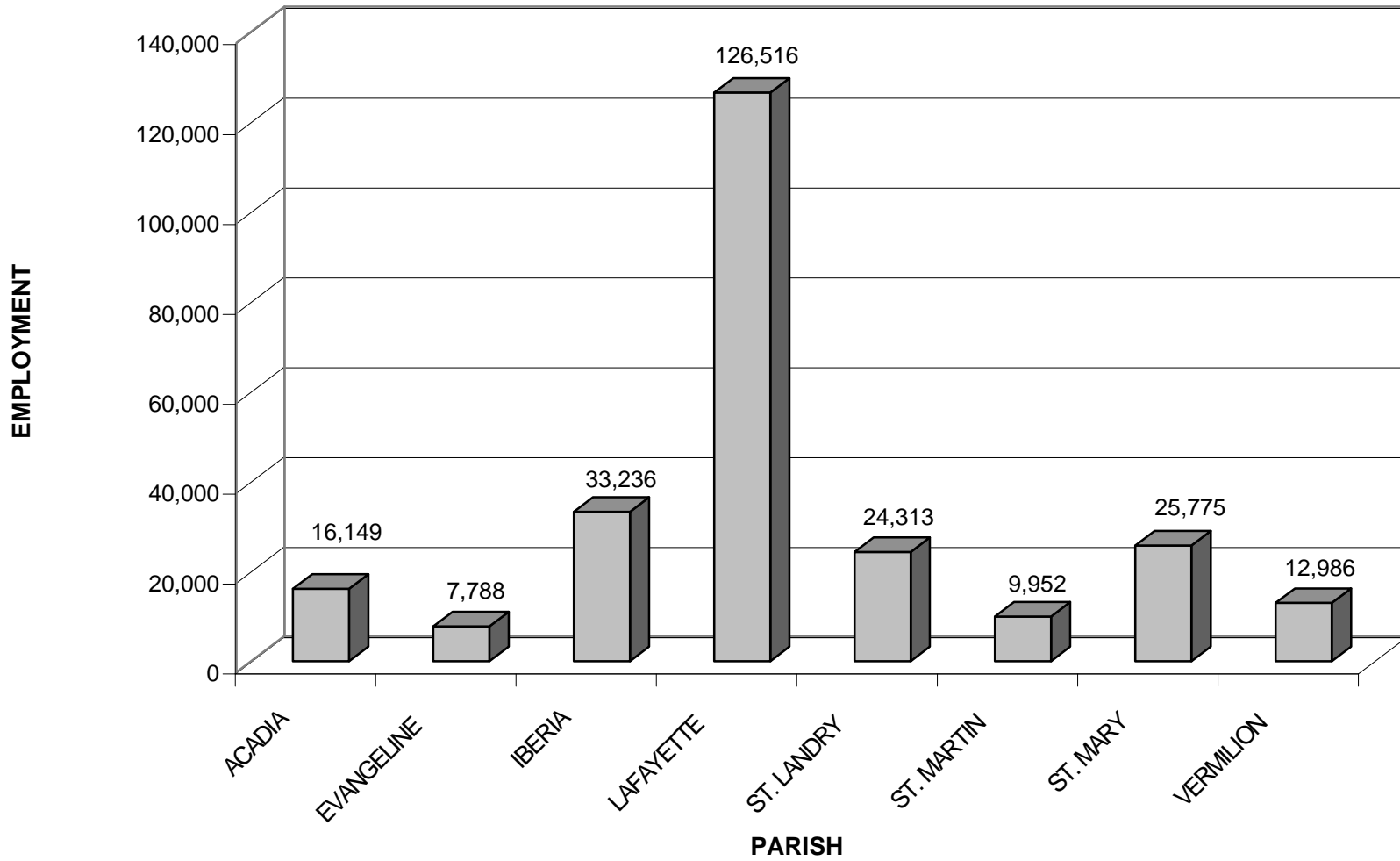
REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 4
AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT AND UNITS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
FIRST QUARTER 2006, FOURTH QUARTER 2005, AND FIRST QUARTER 2005

	QTR 2006-1 Employment	QTR 2005-4 Employment	QTR 2005-1 Employment	% Change From Prev. Qtr.	% Change From Prev. Year	QTR 2006-1 Units	QTR 2005-4 Units	QTR 2005-1 Units	% Change From Prev. Qtr.	% Change From Prev. Year
TOTAL	256,716	258,112	243,429	-0.5%	5.5%	17,186	16,996	16,619	1.1%	3.4%
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	1,259	1,672	1,413	-24.7%	-10.9%	214	210	212	1.9%	0.9%
Mining	21,097	19,824	19,534	6.4%	8.0%	535	532	540	0.6%	-0.9%
Utilities	1,522	1,483	1,501	2.6%	1.4%	147	150	151	-2.0%	-2.6%
Construction	16,536	16,524	15,394	0.1%	7.4%	1,482	1,466	1,417	1.1%	4.6%
Manufacturing	22,119	21,801	20,118	1.5%	9.9%	777	761	742	2.1%	4.7%
Wholesale trade	10,971	11,097	10,743	-1.1%	2.1%	1,034	1,033	1,014	0.1%	2.0%
Retail trade	32,568	33,154	31,083	-1.8%	4.8%	2,506	2,476	2,470	1.2%	1.5%
Transportation and warehousing	12,332	11,946	11,640	3.2%	5.9%	643	620	594	3.7%	8.2%
Information	4,579	4,523	4,614	1.2%	-0.8%	193	198	182	-2.5%	6.0%
Finance and insurance	8,450	9,202	6,737	-8.2%	25.4%	1,161	1,133	1,109	2.5%	4.7%
Real estate and rental and leasing	7,512	7,705	7,392	-2.5%	1.6%	832	812	794	2.5%	4.8%
Professional and technical services	9,578	9,260	9,227	3.4%	3.8%	1,851	1,820	1,759	1.7%	5.2%
Management of companies and enterprises	3,351	3,258	2,965	2.9%	13.0%	76	75	77	1.3%	-1.3%
Administrative and waste services	10,476	11,482	9,380	-8.8%	11.7%	712	719	689	-1.0%	3.3%
Educational services	20,438	20,920	20,727	-2.3%	-1.4%	115	116	113	-0.9%	1.8%
Health care and social assistance	34,779	35,178	33,510	-1.1%	3.8%	1,829	1,808	1,744	1.2%	4.9%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	4,622	4,374	4,523	5.7%	2.2%	219	221	213	-0.9%	2.8%
Accommodation and food services	19,754	19,512	18,366	1.2%	7.6%	941	933	912	0.9%	3.2%
Other services, except public administration	6,236	6,576	6,059	-5.2%	2.9%	1,280	1,291	1,285	-0.9%	-0.4%
Public administration	8,261	8,367	8,280	-1.3%	-0.2%	491	492	503	-0.2%	-2.4%

**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 4
MONTHLY EMPLOYMENT SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
2001 THROUGH 2006**



**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 4
EMPLOYMENT DISTRIBUTION BY PARISH - FIRST QUARTER 2006
EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW**



**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 4
EMPLOYMENT AND TOTAL WAGES PAID BY EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE
LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
UNITS, MONTHLY AND AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL AND AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES
BY RLMA, BY PARISH, AND INDUSTRY SECTOR - FIRST QUARTER 2006**

	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 4		17,186	255,074	256,124	258,950	256,716	2,262,088,845	678
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	214	1,273	1,205	1,299	1,259	6,830,620	417
Mining	21	535	20,943	21,134	21,213	21,097	369,809,672	1,348
Utilities	22	147	1,520	1,514	1,531	1,522	16,621,098	840
Construction	23	1,482	16,259	16,472	16,877	16,536	160,422,171	746
Manufacturing	31-33	777	22,083	21,978	22,297	22,119	225,759,754	785
Wholesale trade	42	1,034	10,845	10,928	11,139	10,971	115,810,218	812
Retail trade	44-45	2,506	32,406	32,353	32,945	32,568	179,477,955	424
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	643	12,254	12,297	12,444	12,332	139,848,102	872
Information	51	193	4,563	4,554	4,621	4,579	39,997,180	672
Finance and insurance	52	1,161	8,640	8,530	8,181	8,450	106,557,171	970
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	832	7,409	7,496	7,630	7,512	87,687,686	898
Professional and technical services	54	1,851	9,547	9,567	9,619	9,578	101,220,768	813
Management of companies and enterprises	55	76	3,340	3,340	3,373	3,351	52,647,017	1,209
Administrative and waste services	56	712	10,434	10,385	10,610	10,476	80,876,198	594
Educational services	61	115	20,300	20,465	20,550	20,438	146,365,189	551
Health care and social assistance	62	1,829	34,616	34,784	34,937	34,779	246,308,516	545
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	219	4,513	4,562	4,790	4,622	18,921,559	315
Accommodation and food services	72	941	19,454	19,764	20,044	19,754	60,351,158	235
Other services, except public administration	81	1,280	6,161	6,223	6,323	6,236	40,810,121	503
Public administration	92	491	8,264	8,295	8,224	8,261	63,524,822	592

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
ACADIA		1,162	16,114	16,175	16,159	16,149	126,222,861	601
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	16	122	124	126	124	731,572	454
Mining	21	34	462	466	472	467	6,836,266	1,126
Utilities	22	13	97	97	99	98	782,146	614
Construction	23	120	1,103	1,097	1,142	1,114	8,460,635	584
Manufacturing	31-33	56	1,256	1,277	1,287	1,273	9,026,901	545
Wholesale trade	42	56	527	520	556	534	4,016,706	579
Retail trade	44-45	194	2,180	2,191	2,240	2,204	10,766,572	376
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	61	587	598	706	630	8,271,221	1,010
Information	51	13	175	172	176	174	1,194,207	528
Finance and insurance	52	82	2,242	2,152	1,794	2,063	36,060,348	1,345
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	40	208	217	230	218	953,125	336
Professional and technical services	54	84	269	262	259	263	1,833,323	536
Management of companies and enterprises	55	7	169	169	175	171	1,361,144	612
Administrative and waste services	56	45	787	863	879	843	3,786,601	346
Educational services	61	6	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	114	2,049	2,067	2,091	2,069	12,633,618	470
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	18	170	172	174	172	531,226	238
Accommodation and food services	72	56	917	941	957	938	2,774,001	227
Other services, except public administration	81	84	291	296	298	295	1,281,966	334
Public administration	92	56	559	550	553	554	3,404,449	473

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
EVANGELINE		634	7,719	7,742	7,904	7,788	48,321,613	477
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	19	110	113	112	112	467,311	321
Mining	21	8	19	19	19	19	137,611	557
Utilities	22	24	161	161	182	168	2,196,181	1,006
Construction	23	65	375	370	390	378	1,775,838	361
Manufacturing	31-33	17	749	750	744	748	9,163,437	942
Wholesale trade	42	16	67	63	63	64	424,339	510
Retail trade	44-45	128	1,173	1,157	1,185	1,172	4,756,299	312
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	15	77	73	72	74	699,265	727
Information	51	10	84	83	84	84	409,217	375
Finance and insurance	52	38	303	305	306	305	2,102,644	530
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	27	148	145	153	149	521,634	269
Professional and technical services	54	46	118	116	116	117	882,233	580
Management of companies and enterprises	55	3	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	14	245	249	249	248	1,223,822	380
Educational services	61	3	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	98	2,180	2,205	2,255	2,213	13,457,449	468
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	8	55	54	103	71	250,046	271
Accommodation and food services	72	20	231	253	241	242	536,646	171
Other services, except public administration	81	26	42	43	43	43	129,131	231
Public administration	92	45	438	434	438	437	2,201,449	388

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
IBERIA		1,893	32,957	33,130	33,622	33,236	312,879,517	724
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	51	405	367	395	389	2,252,214	445
Mining	21	59	3,197	3,242	3,261	3,233	48,986,434	1,166
Utilities	22	14	260	261	253	258	3,789,480	1,130
Construction	23	160	3,273	3,483	3,555	3,437	37,385,243	837
Manufacturing	31-33	125	4,169	4,076	4,110	4,118	46,681,339	872
Wholesale trade	42	112	1,754	1,749	1,775	1,759	14,305,648	626
Retail trade	44-45	281	3,676	3,748	3,787	3,737	22,315,933	459
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	71	1,503	1,534	1,561	1,533	19,577,684	982
Information	51	9	196	198	199	198	1,538,631	598
Finance and insurance	52	130	684	679	681	681	5,884,549	665
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	99	1,257	1,268	1,287	1,271	19,947,539	1,207
Professional and technical services	54	154	642	635	621	633	5,320,582	647
Management of companies and enterprises	55	3	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	65	1,813	1,775	1,873	1,820	25,168,135	1,064
Educational services	61	10	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	203	3,470	3,472	3,519	3,487	21,113,262	466
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	22	288	297	309	298	844,778	218
Accommodation and food services	72	92	1,727	1,708	1,766	1,734	4,667,004	207
Other services, except public administration	81	166	1,167	1,168	1,186	1,174	9,507,954	623
Public administration	92	53	866	860	855	860	6,101,980	546

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
LAFAYETTE		8,072	125,763	126,348	127,437	126,516	1,188,510,008	723
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	23	133	127	131	130	712,020	421
Mining	21	314	13,907	14,064	14,146	14,039	255,200,800	1,398
Utilities	22	18	479	475	474	476	4,880,996	789
Construction	23	634	6,036	6,017	6,094	6,049	58,164,222	740
Manufacturing	31-33	308	7,878	7,930	7,998	7,935	77,534,731	752
Wholesale trade	42	565	5,915	5,966	6,000	5,960	70,839,790	914
Retail trade	44-45	1,032	15,936	15,788	16,024	15,916	93,515,263	452
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	235	4,201	4,155	4,169	4,175	41,344,157	762
Information	51	107	3,197	3,192	3,248	3,212	27,863,290	667
Finance and insurance	52	572	3,335	3,344	3,325	3,335	44,403,493	1,024
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	430	4,011	4,072	4,117	4,067	49,116,569	929
Professional and technical services	54	1,122	6,820	6,855	6,938	6,871	77,736,769	870
Management of companies and enterprises	55	50	2,815	2,808	2,839	2,821	48,116,597	1,312
Administrative and waste services	56	370	5,456	5,352	5,379	5,396	34,443,278	491
Educational services	61	71	7,595	7,680	7,737	7,671	62,879,844	631
Health care and social assistance	62	898	18,120	18,279	18,266	18,222	143,451,790	606
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	81	1,615	1,654	1,798	1,689	5,797,628	264
Accommodation and food services	72	449	11,967	12,219	12,302	12,163	39,703,302	251
Other services, except public administration	81	614	2,939	2,953	3,026	2,973	18,922,688	490
Public administration	92	90	3,275	3,263	3,259	3,266	32,271,860	760

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
ST. LANDRY		1,784	24,239	24,188	24,512	24,313	170,787,582	540
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	23	116	121	134	124	598,267	371
Mining	21	15	752	747	745	748	8,815,162	907
Utilities	22	24	190	188	190	189	1,881,552	766
Construction	23	168	1,560	1,549	1,624	1,578	11,102,960	541
Manufacturing	31-33	61	1,946	1,917	1,919	1,927	21,874,172	873
Wholesale trade	42	97	751	748	769	756	6,537,857	665
Retail trade	44-45	309	3,653	3,667	3,753	3,691	18,568,670	387
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	76	1,884	1,854	1,829	1,856	16,185,756	671
Information	51	13	169	174	173	172	1,337,759	598
Finance and insurance	52	121	841	828	837	835	8,324,714	767
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	58	214	216	219	216	1,058,075	377
Professional and technical services	54	151	642	637	627	635	4,736,160	574
Management of companies and enterprises	55	4	44	48	46	46	288,896	483
Administrative and waste services	56	63	502	500	501	501	4,440,865	682
Educational services	61	10	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	260	4,365	4,318	4,384	4,356	29,365,830	519
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	29	1,030	1,019	1,026	1,025	4,117,348	309
Accommodation and food services	72	93	1,250	1,264	1,303	1,272	3,095,390	187
Other services, except public administration	81	118	516	522	523	520	2,724,670	403
Public administration	92	77	1,178	1,189	1,198	1,188	7,307,882	473

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
ST. MARTIN		864	9,828	9,872	10,156	9,952	60,502,788	468
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	20	72	64	70	69	402,072	448
Mining	21	20	367	370	376	371	5,026,827	1,042
Utilities	22	12	61	60	59	60	338,677	434
Construction	23	108	921	940	985	949	7,125,454	578
Manufacturing	31-33	56	970	888	1,029	962	6,285,306	503
Wholesale trade	42	36	284	316	361	320	2,635,380	634
Retail trade	44-45	153	1,525	1,547	1,579	1,550	7,092,015	352
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	30	217	217	226	220	1,324,096	463
Information	51	7	98	95	96	96	872,451	699
Finance and insurance	52	54	286	285	288	286	2,323,440	625
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	33	289	292	310	297	2,302,475	596
Professional and technical services	54	81	220	219	216	218	1,441,490	509
Management of companies and enterprises	55	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	28	211	204	223	213	1,315,840	475
Educational services	61	5	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	52	1,216	1,218	1,216	1,217	5,408,364	342
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	15	124	124	130	126	743,710	454
Accommodation and food services	72	64	857	836	879	857	2,423,231	218
Other services, except public administration	81	50	204	210	210	208	1,270,092	470
Public administration	92	34	495	563	495	518	2,591,541	385

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
ST. MARY		1,594	25,557	25,715	26,052	25,775	250,455,646	747
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	32	153	128	168	150	772,766	396
Mining	21	44	1,095	1,099	1,090	1,095	23,959,981	1,683
Utilities	22	25	192	192	193	192	2,248,746	901
Construction	23	138	2,040	2,068	2,121	2,076	26,995,842	1,000
Manufacturing	31-33	98	4,234	4,276	4,271	4,260	47,002,978	849
Wholesale trade	42	92	825	836	844	835	9,744,071	898
Retail trade	44-45	217	2,371	2,363	2,433	2,389	12,133,596	391
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	97	3,234	3,317	3,332	3,294	45,197,275	1,055
Information	51	20	419	413	418	417	5,117,061	944
Finance and insurance	52	95	546	538	544	543	4,591,585	650
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	100	1,009	1,005	1,036	1,017	11,561,649	874
Professional and technical services	54	105	531	526	522	526	6,203,728	907
Management of companies and enterprises	55	5	28	27	25	27	218,219	622
Administrative and waste services	56	83	1,155	1,174	1,234	1,188	8,899,954	576
Educational services	61	5	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	108	1,658	1,637	1,655	1,650	11,107,309	518
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	26	*	*	*	*	*	*
Accommodation and food services	72	103	1,516	1,543	1,574	1,544	4,648,428	232
Other services, except public administration	81	117	614	631	646	630	4,659,622	569
Public administration	92	79	881	872	864	872	6,053,917	534

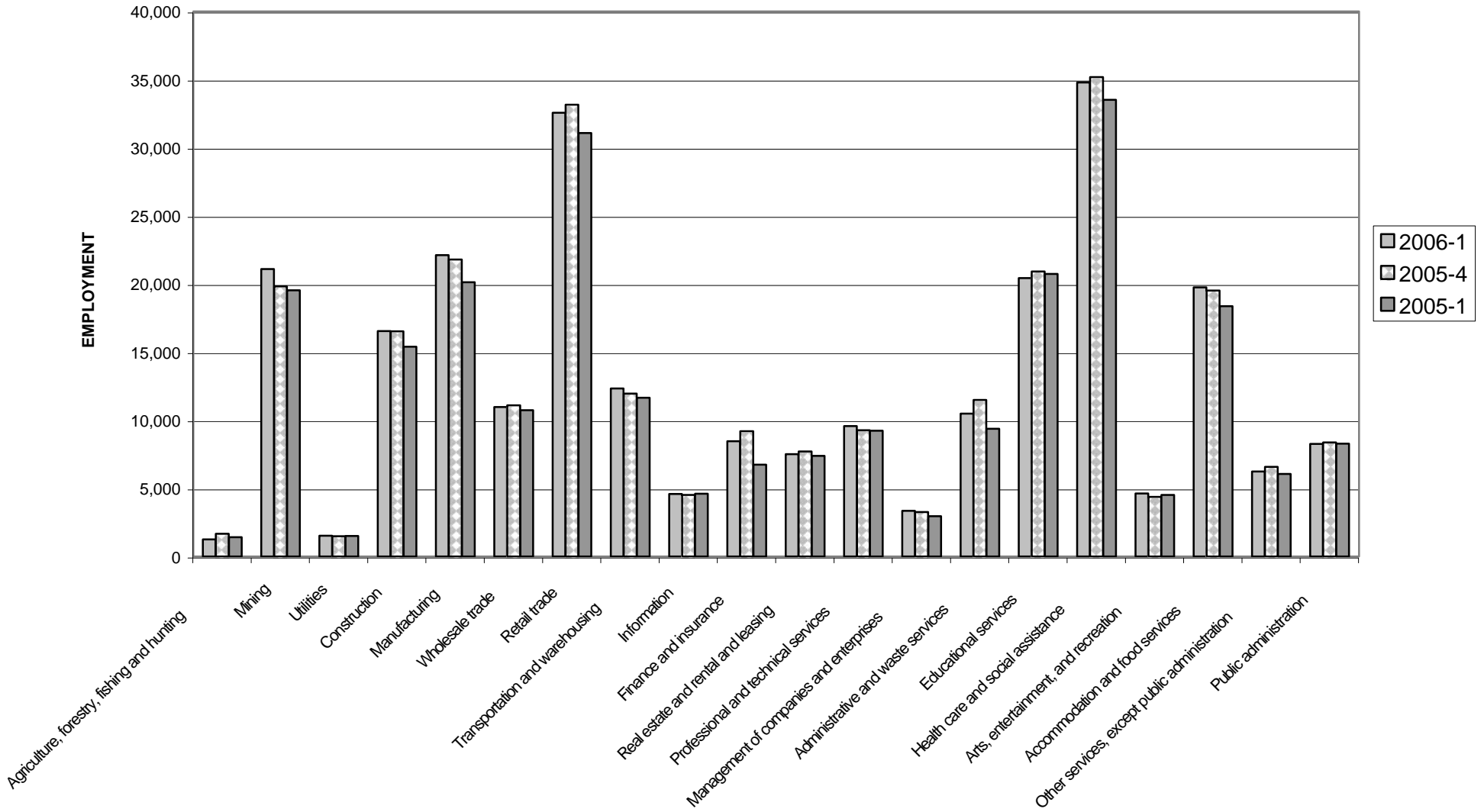
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UNITS, MONTHLY AND AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL AND AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES
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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
VERMILION		1,183	12,897	12,954	13,108	12,986	104,408,830	618
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	30	162	161	163	162	894,398	425
Mining	21	41	1,144	1,127	1,104	1,125	20,846,591	1,425
Utilities	22	17	80	80	81	80	503,320	484
Construction	23	89	951	948	966	955	9,411,977	758
Manufacturing	31-33	56	881	864	939	895	8,190,890	704
Wholesale trade	42	60	722	730	771	741	7,306,427	758
Retail trade	44-45	192	1,892	1,892	1,944	1,909	10,329,607	416
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	58	551	549	549	550	7,248,648	1,014
Information	51	14	225	227	227	226	1,664,564	567
Finance and insurance	52	69	403	399	406	403	2,866,398	547
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	45	273	281	278	277	2,226,620	618
Professional and technical services	54	108	305	317	320	314	3,066,483	751
Management of companies and enterprises	55	3	10	10	10	10	102,457	788
Administrative and waste services	56	44	265	268	272	268	1,597,703	459
Educational services	61	5	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	96	1,558	1,588	1,551	1,566	9,770,894	480
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	20	79	81	84	81	257,474	245
Accommodation and food services	72	64	989	1,000	1,022	1,004	2,503,156	192
Other services, except public administration	81	105	388	400	391	393	2,313,998	453
Public administration	92	57	572	564	562	566	3,591,744	488

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**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 4
EMPLOYMENT BY NAICS SECTOR
FIRST QUARTER 2006, FOURTH QUARTER 2005, AND FIRST QUARTER 2005**



NAICS SECTOR



**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 5
FIRST QUARTER 2006 EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES
SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW**



Allen, Beauregard, Calcasieu
Cameron, Jefferson Davis

The average quarterly employment for RLMA 5 during first quarter 2006 was 110,823, an increase of 0.3% from the fourth quarter 2005, and an increase of 0.6% from the same period in 2005. Employment increased in 10 of the 20 NAICS sectors from the fourth quarter 2005. The largest percentage increase of 14.2% was in construction.

Average quarterly employment data for first quarter 2006, fourth quarter 2005, first quarter 2005, and the percent change for the major industry sectors are shown in the table “Regional Labor Market Area 5” on page 70. Health care and social assistance was the leading industry in RLMA 5 with 14,402 employees, or 13.0% of total employment. Calcasieu was the leading parish with 83,459 employees, or 75.3% of total employment.

Total wages increased 9.3% from the same period in 2005, and decreased by 0.9% from the fourth quarter 2005, for an average weekly wage of \$660. Cameron parish had the highest average weekly wage of \$761.

Average weekly wage data for each parish in RLMA 5 is listed in the table below. The average weekly wage data for all parishes within each NAICS sector is shown in the table “Regional Labor Market Area 5” beginning on page 73.

Parish	Avg. Wkly. Wage
Allen	\$ 498
Beauregard	590
Calcasieu	698
Cameron	761
Jefferson Davis	484

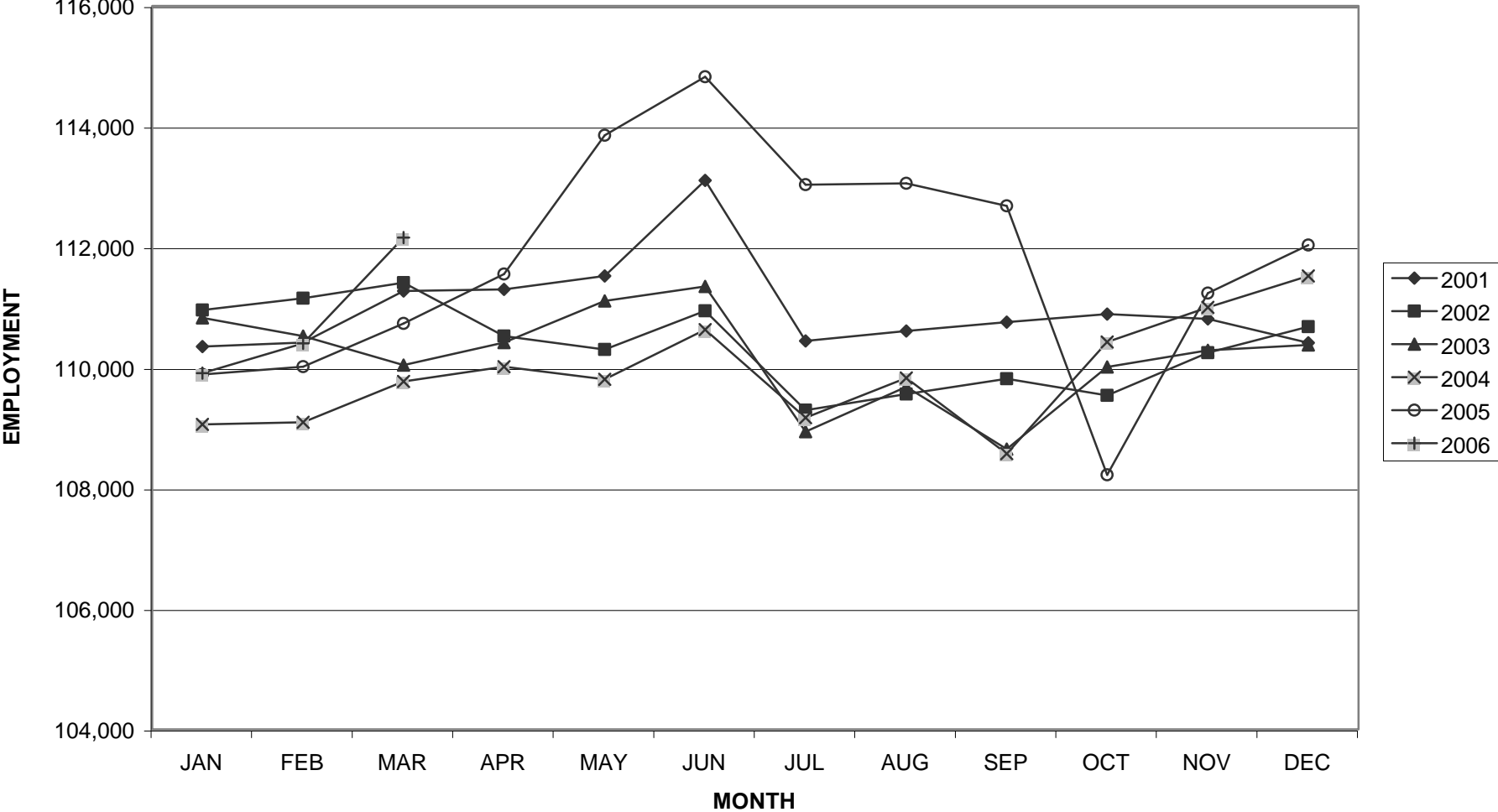
The number of reporting units in RLMA 5 for first quarter 2006 was 6,912.

Due to the conversion to NAICS, this data should not be compared to data in publications prior to 2001.

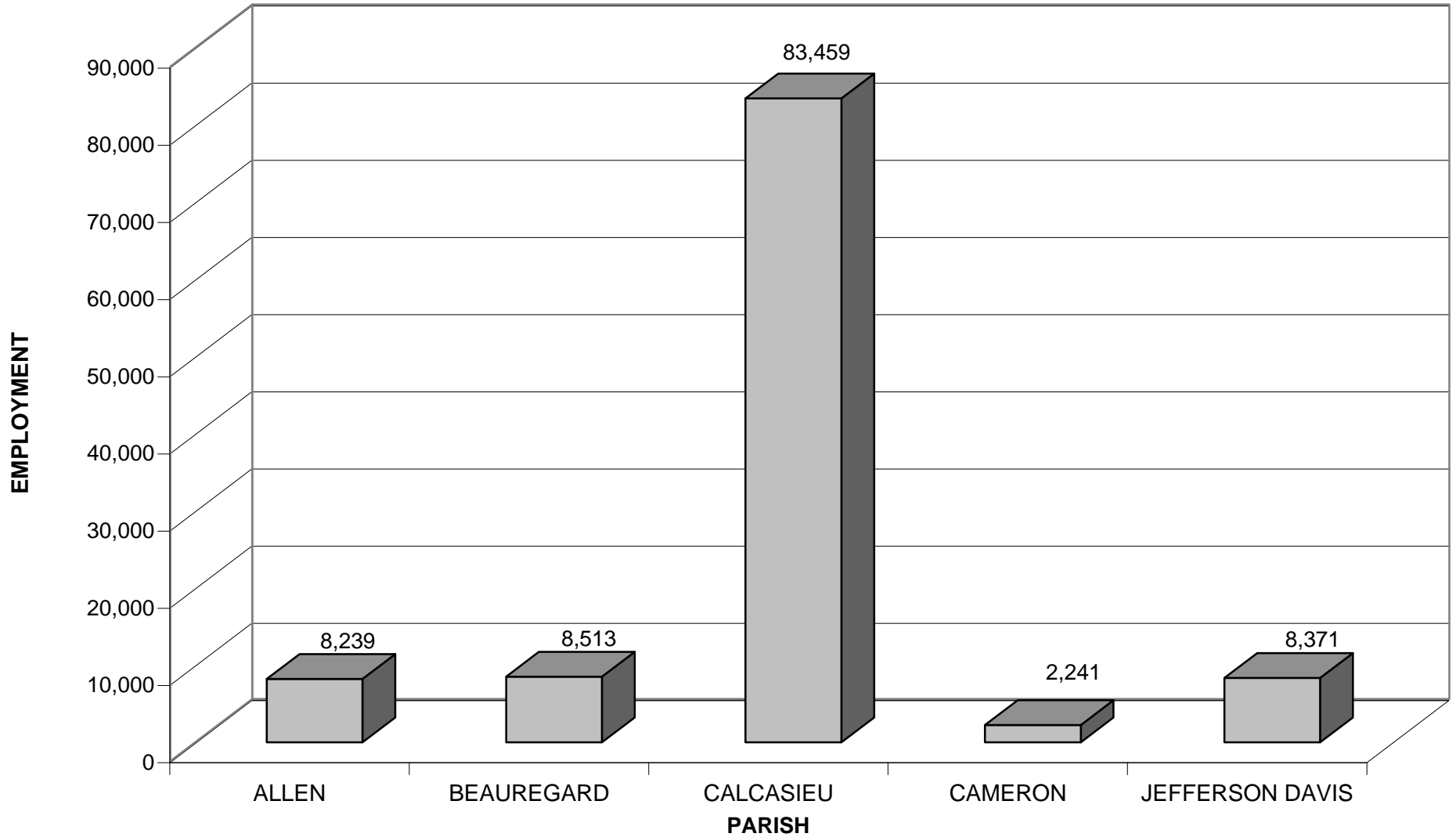
REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 5
AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT AND UNITS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
FIRST QUARTER 2006, FOURTH QUARTER 2005, AND FIRST QUARTER 2005

	QTR 2006-1 Employment	QTR 2005-4 Employment	QTR 2005-1 Employment	% Change From Prev. Qtr.	% Change From Prev. Year	QTR 2006-1 Units	QTR 2005-4 Units	QTR 2005-1 Units	% Change From Prev. Qtr.	% Change From Prev. Year
TOTAL	110,823	110,497	110,212	0.3%	0.6%	6,912	6,882	6,722	0.4%	2.8%
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	666	685	679	-2.8%	-1.9%	109	109	110	0.0%	-0.9%
Mining	1,528	1,624	1,393	-5.9%	9.7%	79	80	75	-1.3%	5.3%
Utilities	834	836	849	-0.2%	-1.8%	68	69	68	-1.4%	0.0%
Construction	12,209	10,695	10,663	14.2%	14.5%	721	690	639	4.5%	12.8%
Manufacturing	10,708	10,638	10,854	0.7%	-1.3%	233	233	220	0.0%	5.9%
Wholesale trade	3,255	3,217	3,339	1.2%	-2.5%	346	343	345	0.9%	0.3%
Retail trade	14,230	13,672	13,771	4.1%	3.3%	1,114	1,107	1,119	0.6%	-0.4%
Transportation and warehousing	4,101	4,421	4,419	-7.2%	-7.2%	309	303	290	2.0%	6.6%
Information	1,530	1,631	1,562	-6.2%	-2.0%	85	94	76	-9.6%	11.8%
Finance and insurance	2,856	2,836	2,941	0.7%	-2.9%	500	490	480	2.0%	4.2%
Real estate and rental and leasing	1,494	1,489	1,494	0.3%	0.0%	281	280	275	0.4%	2.2%
Professional and technical services	3,973	3,742	4,008	6.2%	-0.9%	622	619	603	0.5%	3.2%
Management of companies and enterprises	795	879	959	-9.6%	-17.1%	28	27	26	3.7%	7.7%
Administrative and waste services	3,704	3,711	3,378	-0.2%	9.7%	336	331	310	1.5%	8.4%
Educational services	9,744	9,917	10,080	-1.7%	-3.3%	51	50	52	2.0%	-1.9%
Health care and social assistance	14,402	14,326	14,922	0.5%	-3.5%	675	683	667	-1.2%	1.2%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	4,253	5,691	6,115	-25.3%	-30.4%	90	92	95	-2.2%	-5.3%
Accommodation and food services	11,719	11,321	10,328	3.5%	13.5%	448	451	466	-0.7%	-3.9%
Other services, except public administration	2,669	2,620	2,546	1.9%	4.8%	551	564	553	-2.3%	-0.4%
Public administration	6,028	6,447	5,834	-6.5%	3.3%	222	224	220	-0.9%	0.9%

**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 5
MONTHLY EMPLOYMENT SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
2001 THROUGH 2006**



**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 5
EMPLOYMENT DISTRIBUTION BY PARISH - FIRST QUARTER 2006
EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW**



**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 5
EMPLOYMENT AND TOTAL WAGES PAID BY EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE
LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
UNITS, MONTHLY AND AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL AND AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES
BY RLMA, BY PARISH, AND INDUSTRY SECTOR - FIRST QUARTER 2006**

	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 5		6,912	109,907	110,405	112,156	110,823	950,397,593	660
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	109	669	657	671	666	4,610,459	533
Mining	21	79	1,492	1,547	1,545	1,528	21,745,259	1,095
Utilities	22	68	843	831	827	834	8,982,691	829
Construction	23	721	12,003	12,081	12,542	12,209	109,670,924	691
Manufacturing	31-33	233	10,624	10,691	10,808	10,708	205,112,168	1,473
Wholesale trade	42	346	3,222	3,260	3,283	3,255	36,920,503	873
Retail trade	44-45	1,114	13,949	14,156	14,586	14,230	76,155,951	412
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	309	4,199	3,995	4,109	4,101	40,863,411	766
Information	51	85	1,525	1,524	1,541	1,530	14,782,324	743
Finance and insurance	52	500	2,836	2,865	2,867	2,856	26,720,219	720
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	281	1,483	1,493	1,507	1,494	12,242,435	630
Professional and technical services	54	622	3,932	3,968	4,018	3,973	39,870,243	772
Management of companies and enterprises	55	28	796	807	783	795	8,875,521	859
Administrative and waste services	56	336	3,827	3,638	3,646	3,704	28,830,311	599
Educational services	61	51	9,716	9,787	9,730	9,744	72,456,348	572
Health care and social assistance	62	675	14,340	14,402	14,463	14,402	105,365,020	563
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	90	4,205	4,261	4,292	4,253	23,568,436	426
Accommodation and food services	72	448	11,482	11,612	12,062	11,719	47,323,421	311
Other services, except public administration	81	551	2,651	2,662	2,693	2,669	15,238,369	439
Public administration	92	222	5,990	6,041	6,052	6,028	50,367,471	643

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**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 5
EMPLOYMENT AND TOTAL WAGES PAID BY EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE
LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
UNITS, MONTHLY AND AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL AND AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES
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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
ALLEN		447	8,155	8,185	8,376	8,239	53,344,424	498
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	9	42	41	40	41	268,351	503
Mining	21	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Utilities	22	12	58	55	57	57	422,479	570
Construction	23	34	301	324	353	326	2,986,987	705
Manufacturing	31-33	17	493	484	526	501	4,707,603	723
Wholesale trade	42	21	104	111	105	107	870,423	626
Retail trade	44-45	73	613	622	760	665	2,666,149	308
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	19	123	126	125	125	1,339,115	824
Information	51	9	165	164	162	164	1,045,017	490
Finance and insurance	52	36	153	152	152	152	925,405	468
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	16	35	34	37	35	133,555	294
Professional and technical services	54	18	75	80	81	79	526,514	513
Management of companies and enterprises	55	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	15	*	*	*	*	*	*
Educational services	61	5	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	44	890	896	869	885	4,891,856	425
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	6	*	*	*	*	*	*
Accommodation and food services	72	28	407	412	443	421	1,001,080	183
Other services, except public administration	81	34	96	95	99	97	435,516	345
Public administration	92	44	938	930	923	930	9,976,610	825

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
BEAUREGARD		695	8,446	8,486	8,608	8,513	65,250,529	590
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	49	322	318	318	319	2,308,991	557
Mining	21	6	43	43	43	43	544,630	974
Utilities	22	6	38	37	37	37	321,110	668
Construction	23	73	690	685	778	718	6,040,648	647
Manufacturing	31-33	24	969	948	942	953	17,041,610	1,376
Wholesale trade	42	26	153	158	162	158	1,229,123	598
Retail trade	44-45	106	1,317	1,319	1,361	1,332	6,970,732	403
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	44	257	264	269	263	2,861,344	837
Information	51	6	64	64	63	64	603,955	726
Finance and insurance	52	51	560	565	578	568	5,350,264	725
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	26	80	80	82	81	346,455	329
Professional and technical services	54	40	121	123	125	123	661,218	414
Management of companies and enterprises	55	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	30	211	213	215	213	931,230	336
Educational services	61	5	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	63	1,220	1,236	1,208	1,221	7,171,900	452
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	7	49	48	48	48	131,754	211
Accommodation and food services	72	35	533	591	586	570	1,481,269	200
Other services, except public administration	81	59	257	239	229	242	1,245,878	396
Public administration	92	26	324	317	334	325	2,398,742	568

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
CALCASIEU		4,848	82,854	83,114	84,408	83,459	756,994,297	698
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	31	180	182	188	183	1,475,880	620
Mining	21	39	1,102	1,120	1,130	1,117	16,250,644	1,119
Utilities	22	33	593	588	583	588	6,845,336	896
Construction	23	522	10,121	10,182	10,541	10,281	93,527,357	700
Manufacturing	31-33	159	8,656	8,751	8,781	8,729	177,686,778	1,566
Wholesale trade	42	248	2,468	2,485	2,490	2,481	30,505,944	946
Retail trade	44-45	793	10,488	10,665	10,870	10,674	58,977,528	425
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	184	3,213	2,999	3,088	3,100	30,023,436	745
Information	51	60	1,154	1,156	1,176	1,162	11,762,373	779
Finance and insurance	52	356	1,834	1,861	1,851	1,849	18,386,468	765
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	206	1,064	1,073	1,089	1,075	8,939,447	640
Professional and technical services	54	490	3,481	3,510	3,545	3,512	36,948,766	809
Management of companies and enterprises	55	18	530	529	508	522	5,574,380	821
Administrative and waste services	56	253	3,010	2,816	2,823	2,883	23,356,947	623
Educational services	61	38	6,431	6,453	6,415	6,433	52,505,738	628
Health care and social assistance	62	487	10,849	10,880	10,972	10,900	84,635,835	597
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	62	1,682	1,727	1,759	1,723	10,092,606	451
Accommodation and food services	72	340	9,785	9,859	10,266	9,970	43,221,547	333
Other services, except public administration	81	408	2,001	2,032	2,068	2,034	11,777,681	445
Public administration	92	96	4,148	4,177	4,192	4,172	33,943,911	626

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
CAMERON		197	2,212	2,267	2,243	2,241	22,183,237	761
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	3	8	7	8	8	60,022	577
Mining	21	17	120	129	130	126	2,656,524	1,622
Utilities	22	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Construction	23	18	309	316	296	307	3,259,290	817
Manufacturing	31-33	10	149	139	143	144	1,955,812	1,045
Wholesale trade	42	22	207	204	210	207	2,292,339	852
Retail trade	44-45	17	65	73	78	72	249,861	267
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	35	439	437	445	440	5,173,738	904
Information	51	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Finance and insurance	52	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	6	75	76	69	73	722,322	761
Professional and technical services	54	13	53	51	52	52	420,092	621
Management of companies and enterprises	55	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	14	123	129	131	128	952,633	572
Educational services	61	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	6	47	46	46	46	364,121	609
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	3	21	19	19	20	40,096	154
Accommodation and food services	72	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other services, except public administration	81	6	22	23	25	23	101,062	338
Public administration	92	17	169	168	173	170	1,379,999	624

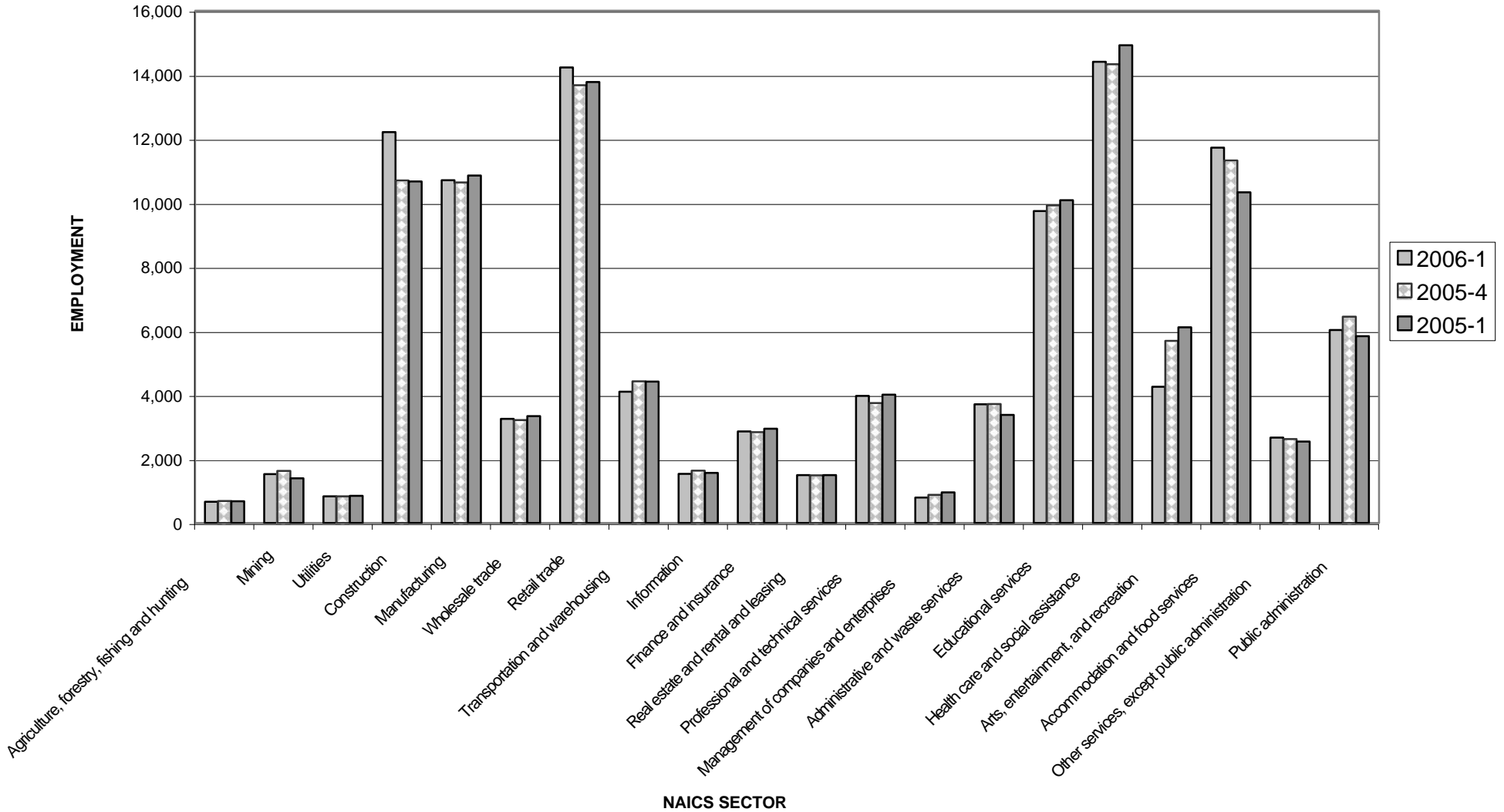
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LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
UNITS, MONTHLY AND AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL AND AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES
BY RLMA, BY PARISH, AND INDUSTRY SECTOR - FIRST QUARTER 2006**

	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
JEFFERSON DAVIS		725	8,240	8,353	8,521	8,371	52,625,106	484
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	17	117	109	117	114	497,215	336
Mining	21	16	226	254	241	240	2,262,967	725
Utilities	22	15	110	106	105	107	995,551	716
Construction	23	74	582	574	574	577	3,856,642	514
Manufacturing	31-33	23	357	369	416	381	3,720,365	751
Wholesale trade	42	29	290	302	316	303	2,022,674	513
Retail trade	44-45	125	1,466	1,477	1,517	1,487	7,291,681	377
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	27	167	169	182	173	1,465,778	652
Information	51	9	129	127	127	128	1,321,896	794
Finance and insurance	52	55	285	283	282	283	2,027,320	551
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	27	229	230	230	230	2,100,656	703
Professional and technical services	54	61	202	204	215	207	1,313,653	488
Management of companies and enterprises	55	6	152	162	161	158	1,540,093	750
Administrative and waste services	56	24	134	133	138	135	1,058,231	603
Educational services	61	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	75	1,334	1,344	1,368	1,349	8,301,308	473
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	12	40	44	50	45	112,725	193
Accommodation and food services	72	42	757	750	767	758	1,619,525	164
Other services, except public administration	81	44	275	273	272	273	1,678,232	473
Public administration	92	39	411	449	430	430	2,668,209	477

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**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 5
EMPLOYMENT BY NAICS SECTOR
FIRST QUARTER 2006, FOURTH QUARTER 2005, AND FIRST QUARTER 2005**





**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 6
FIRST QUARTER 2006 EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES
SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW**



Avoyelles, Catahoula, Concordia, Grant
LaSalle, Rapides, Vernon, Winn

The average quarterly employment for RLMA 6 during first quarter 2006 was 104,721 a decrease of 1.7% from the fourth quarter 2005, and an increase of 2.6% from the same period in 2005. Employment increased in nine of the 20 NAICS sectors from the fourth quarter 2005. The largest percentage increase of 8.6% was in professional and technical services.

Average quarterly employment data for first quarter 2006, fourth quarter 2005, first quarter 2005, and the percent change for the major industry sectors are shown in the table “Regional Labor Market Area 6” on page 81. Health care and social assistance was the leading industry in RLMA 6 with 21,743 employees, or 20.8% of total employment. Rapides was the leading parish with 59,418 employees, or 56.7% of total employment.

Total wages increased 10.5% from the same period in 2005, and decreased 4.7% from the fourth quarter 2005, for an average weekly wage of \$548. Rapides parish had the highest average weekly wage of \$595.

Average weekly wage data for each parish in RLMA 6 is listed in the table below. The average weekly wage data for all parishes within each NAICS sector is shown in the table “Regional Labor Market Area 6” beginning on page 84.

Parish	Avg. Wkly. Wage
Avoyelles	\$ 433
Catahoula	410
Concordia	496
Grant	516
LaSalle	473
Rapides	595
Vernon	524
Winn	509

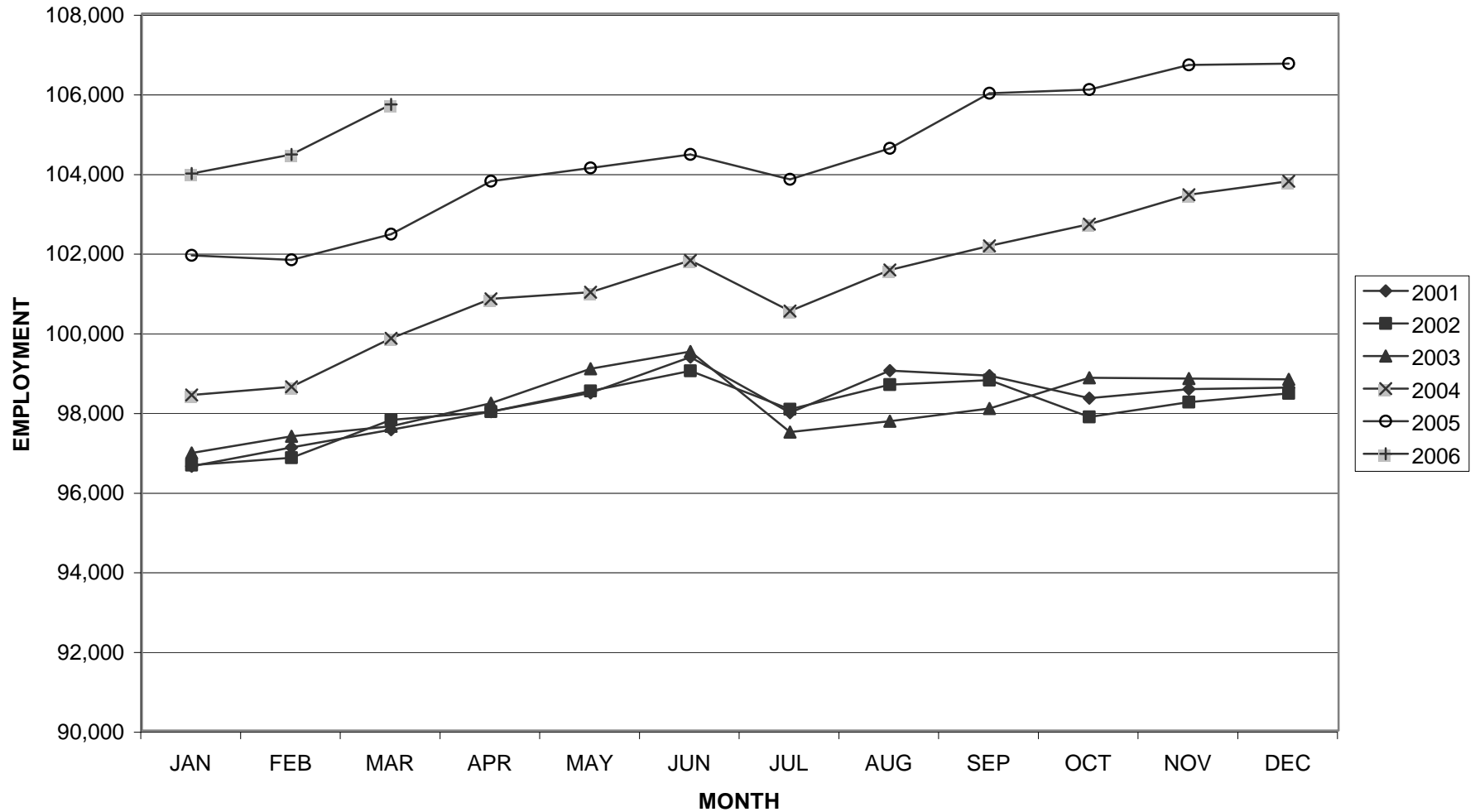
The number of reporting units in RLMA 6 for first quarter 2006 was 6,900.

Due to the conversion to NAICS, this data should not be compared to data in publications prior to 2001.

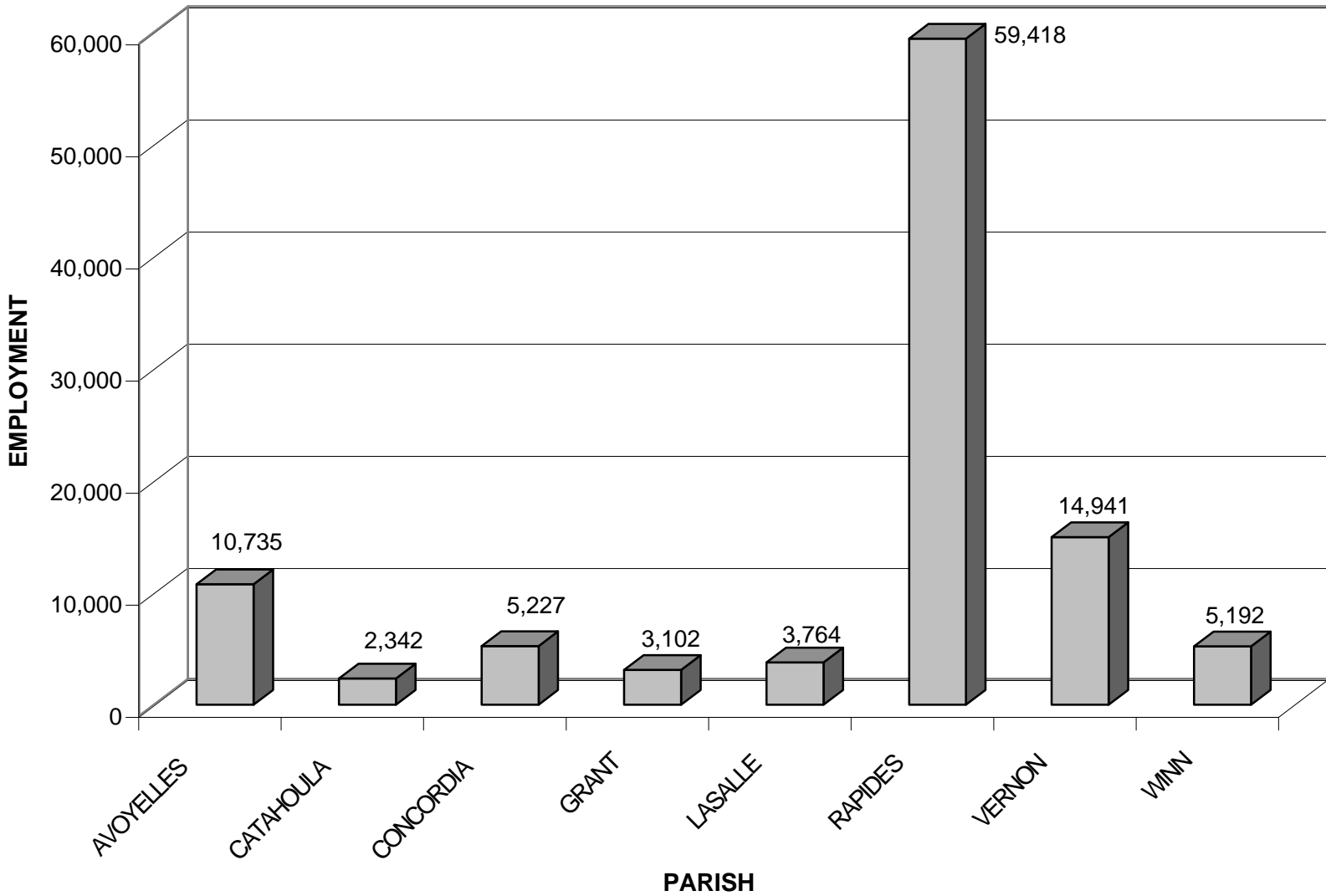
REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 6
AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT AND UNITS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
FIRST QUARTER 2006, FOURTH QUARTER 2005, AND FIRST QUARTER 2005

	QTR 2006-1 Employment	QTR 2005-4 Employment	QTR 2005-1 Employment	% Change From Prev. Qtr.	% Change From Prev. Year	QTR 2006-1 Units	QTR 2005-4 Units	QTR 2005-1 Units	% Change From Prev. Qtr.	% Change From Prev. Year
TOTAL	104,721	106,516	102,071	-1.7%	2.6%	6,900	6,862	6,679	0.6%	3.3%
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	1,915	2,354	1,940	-18.6%	-1.3%	273	284	274	-3.9%	-0.4%
Mining	639	622	611	2.7%	4.6%	58	56	56	3.6%	3.6%
Utilities	960	999	965	-3.9%	-0.5%	93	94	96	-1.1%	-3.1%
Construction	6,864	7,700	7,036	-10.9%	-2.4%	612	606	577	1.0%	6.1%
Manufacturing	6,083	5,892	5,559	3.2%	9.4%	190	194	188	-2.1%	1.1%
Wholesale trade	3,272	3,512	3,433	-6.8%	-4.7%	307	299	301	2.7%	2.0%
Retail trade	13,123	13,382	12,780	-1.9%	2.7%	1,116	1,116	1,110	0.0%	0.5%
Transportation and warehousing	2,731	2,542	2,451	7.4%	11.4%	317	311	295	1.9%	7.5%
Information	1,502	1,486	1,550	1.1%	-3.1%	97	100	99	-3.0%	-2.0%
Finance and insurance	3,037	3,053	3,023	-0.5%	0.5%	497	495	489	0.4%	1.6%
Real estate and rental and leasing	1,341	1,307	1,254	2.6%	6.9%	249	241	233	3.3%	6.9%
Professional and technical services	4,652	4,282	4,325	8.6%	7.6%	525	512	491	2.5%	6.9%
Management of companies and enterprises	679	684	676	-0.7%	0.4%	28	30	31	-6.7%	-9.7%
Administrative and waste services	4,828	5,131	4,032	-5.9%	19.7%	302	291	279	3.8%	8.2%
Educational services	10,965	10,905	11,317	0.6%	-3.1%	58	59	54	-1.7%	7.4%
Health care and social assistance	21,743	22,105	21,220	-1.6%	2.5%	808	815	794	-0.9%	1.8%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	2,124	2,166	1,991	-1.9%	6.7%	67	66	62	1.5%	8.1%
Accommodation and food services	7,613	7,408	7,218	2.8%	5.5%	390	379	373	2.9%	4.6%
Other services, except public administration	2,349	2,250	2,166	4.4%	8.4%	506	512	490	-1.2%	3.3%
Public administration	8,171	8,619	8,401	-5.2%	-2.7%	359	358	353	0.3%	1.7%

**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 6
MONTHLY EMPLOYMENT SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
2001 THROUGH 2006**



**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 6
EMPLOYMENT DISTRIBUTION BY PARISH - FIRST QUARTER 2006
EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW**



**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 6
EMPLOYMENT AND TOTAL WAGES PAID BY EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE
LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
UNITS, MONTHLY AND AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL AND AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES
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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 6		6,900	103,984	104,461	105,719	104,721	746,232,553	548
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	273	1,876	1,887	1,983	1,915	13,712,605	551
Mining	21	58	618	642	656	639	7,015,758	845
Utilities	22	93	962	956	961	960	11,443,554	917
Construction	23	612	6,795	6,804	6,993	6,864	53,363,889	598
Manufacturing	31-33	190	6,057	6,074	6,118	6,083	59,989,802	759
Wholesale trade	42	307	3,273	3,266	3,277	3,272	26,701,068	628
Retail trade	44-45	1,116	12,951	13,091	13,328	13,123	65,691,223	385
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	317	2,738	2,732	2,723	2,731	25,303,090	713
Information	51	97	1,506	1,488	1,513	1,502	12,664,670	649
Finance and insurance	52	497	3,035	3,033	3,043	3,037	25,115,951	636
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	249	1,356	1,295	1,372	1,341	7,826,378	449
Professional and technical services	54	525	4,644	4,674	4,637	4,652	32,871,803	544
Management of companies and enterprises	55	28	680	676	680	679	16,708,359	1,893
Administrative and waste services	56	302	4,783	4,817	4,883	4,828	24,942,624	397
Educational services	61	58	10,855	10,970	11,071	10,965	66,354,620	465
Health care and social assistance	62	808	21,653	21,743	21,832	21,743	175,142,044	620
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	67	2,098	2,118	2,155	2,124	12,401,788	449
Accommodation and food services	72	390	7,484	7,590	7,764	7,613	20,127,858	203
Other services, except public administration	81	506	2,342	2,318	2,388	2,349	12,943,429	424
Public administration	92	359	8,152	8,155	8,206	8,171	75,165,788	708

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
AVOUELLES		859	10,629	10,702	10,874	10,735	60,359,330	433
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	42	165	199	242	202	1,053,610	401
Mining	21	5	6	6	6	6	31,771	407
Utilities	22	15	86	86	83	85	1,008,410	913
Construction	23	84	645	636	676	652	3,804,568	449
Manufacturing	31-33	17	474	472	462	469	3,283,155	538
Wholesale trade	42	32	178	180	178	179	1,557,479	669
Retail trade	44-45	147	1,382	1,417	1,470	1,423	5,965,122	322
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	36	155	172	174	167	1,216,154	560
Information	51	14	148	147	148	148	1,200,493	624
Finance and insurance	52	54	420	418	421	420	2,903,209	532
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	28	83	81	82	82	319,539	300
Professional and technical services	54	59	192	192	190	191	1,147,487	462
Management of companies and enterprises	55	4	23	23	23	23	364,304	1,218
Administrative and waste services	56	23	79	84	98	87	284,318	251
Educational services	61	3	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	127	2,004	1,992	1,998	1,998	10,632,532	409
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	7	*	*	*	*	*	*
Accommodation and food services	72	46	548	569	575	564	1,165,220	159
Other services, except public administration	81	56	166	164	168	166	759,212	352
Public administration	92	56	1,291	1,279	1,275	1,282	7,642,557	459

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
CATAHOULA		251	2,317	2,332	2,377	2,342	12,489,941	410
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	13	44	43	49	45	231,346	395
Mining	21	5	38	37	38	38	277,930	563
Utilities	22	4	*	*	*	*	*	*
Construction	23	17	167	151	179	166	1,074,916	498
Manufacturing	31-33	3	114	127	128	123	497,386	311
Wholesale trade	42	14	83	84	87	85	708,925	642
Retail trade	44-45	42	274	272	286	277	997,495	277
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	17	46	46	43	45	346,102	592
Information	51	4	24	24	24	24	164,603	528
Finance and insurance	52	12	87	86	86	86	639,888	572
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	7	31	32	31	31	158,830	394
Professional and technical services	54	19	55	59	59	58	677,155	898
Management of companies and enterprises	55	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	13	69	68	69	69	331,687	370
Educational services	61	3	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	15	252	251	244	249	1,541,646	476
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Accommodation and food services	72	12	279	286	281	282	824,063	225
Other services, except public administration	81	17	65	64	67	65	293,026	347
Public administration	92	31	244	242	245	244	1,369,754	432

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
CONCORDIA		433	5,216	5,210	5,254	5,227	33,716,984	496
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	23	85	87	103	92	549,868	460
Mining	21	8	144	164	162	157	1,403,872	688
Utilities	22	13	83	83	82	83	957,503	887
Construction	23	27	186	194	195	192	1,016,154	407
Manufacturing	31-33	8	83	81	82	82	1,270,184	1,192
Wholesale trade	42	24	272	271	271	271	1,864,876	529
Retail trade	44-45	80	748	743	751	747	3,729,339	384
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	21	434	432	427	431	3,663,841	654
Information	51	4	29	29	29	29	333,052	883
Finance and insurance	52	21	140	139	135	138	1,156,381	645
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	15	141	141	143	142	976,180	529
Professional and technical services	54	25	163	156	140	153	1,238,072	622
Management of companies and enterprises	55	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	11	64	62	67	64	284,089	341
Educational services	61	4	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	48	785	787	789	787	5,265,995	515
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	6	22	22	26	23	108,846	364
Accommodation and food services	72	25	388	371	402	387	923,540	184
Other services, except public administration	81	28	106	106	106	106	521,384	378
Public administration	92	37	488	483	476	482	3,077,437	491

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
GRANT		235	3,098	3,103	3,105	3,102	20,812,979	516
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	20	117	112	113	114	765,891	517
Mining	21	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Utilities	22	9	61	59	60	60	302,432	388
Construction	23	46	402	412	401	405	2,994,558	569
Manufacturing	31-33	14	324	322	326	324	2,585,997	614
Wholesale trade	42	7	*	*	*	*	*	*
Retail trade	44-45	24	155	160	159	158	532,900	259
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	17	58	58	61	59	408,952	533
Information	51	4	49	48	49	49	306,072	480
Finance and insurance	52	9	56	56	55	56	432,883	595
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	3	4	5	6	5	15,560	239
Professional and technical services	54	12	30	28	29	29	304,152	807
Management of companies and enterprises	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative and waste services	56	13	52	51	52	52	150,038	222
Educational services	61	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	18	238	249	257	248	1,057,989	328
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Accommodation and food services	72	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Other services, except public administration	81	8	31	34	38	34	210,433	476
Public administration	92	26	665	672	667	668	6,574,839	757

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
LASALLE		346	3,731	3,759	3,801	3,764	23,156,514	473
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	22	177	175	173	175	1,192,997	524
Mining	21	23	248	260	271	260	2,698,892	798
Utilities	22	7	17	17	17	17	142,437	645
Construction	23	25	186	174	164	175	1,216,885	535
Manufacturing	31-33	8	56	57	59	57	433,108	584
Wholesale trade	42	12	71	63	61	65	510,919	605
Retail trade	44-45	54	468	483	498	483	2,032,666	324
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	22	175	174	174	174	1,470,799	650
Information	51	8	51	51	51	51	557,190	840
Finance and insurance	52	25	127	127	126	127	740,637	449
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	7	25	25	22	24	167,159	536
Professional and technical services	54	30	81	82	84	82	614,477	576
Management of companies and enterprises	55	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	15	137	141	148	142	475,855	258
Educational services	61	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	25	718	713	733	721	4,380,123	467
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Accommodation and food services	72	14	199	215	213	209	424,738	156
Other services, except public administration	81	18	200	189	188	192	1,413,986	567
Public administration	92	26	259	255	257	257	1,517,138	454

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
RAPIDES		3,551	58,987	59,184	60,084	59,418	459,499,564	595
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	83	740	728	760	743	5,862,764	607
Mining	21	6	70	69	68	69	1,083,010	1,207
Utilities	22	21	534	529	535	533	7,817,525	1,128
Construction	23	310	4,160	4,174	4,301	4,212	35,992,295	657
Manufacturing	31-33	102	3,500	3,496	3,488	3,495	38,737,103	853
Wholesale trade	42	174	2,044	2,056	2,066	2,055	18,094,244	677
Retail trade	44-45	584	7,651	7,673	7,808	7,711	41,780,741	417
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	135	1,408	1,398	1,420	1,409	14,671,560	801
Information	51	45	1,020	1,009	1,033	1,021	8,772,793	661
Finance and insurance	52	298	1,789	1,803	1,811	1,801	16,641,477	711
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	135	862	805	875	847	4,864,132	442
Professional and technical services	54	292	1,755	1,797	1,811	1,788	14,582,912	627
Management of companies and enterprises	55	17	458	452	456	455	14,004,514	2,368
Administrative and waste services	56	164	3,306	3,318	3,338	3,321	16,319,547	378
Educational services	61	32	4,764	4,825	4,899	4,829	31,170,799	497
Health care and social assistance	62	467	15,074	15,146	15,216	15,145	132,137,200	671
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	35	314	320	357	330	1,023,294	239
Accommodation and food services	72	217	4,635	4,686	4,837	4,719	12,902,195	210
Other services, except public administration	81	308	1,399	1,378	1,424	1,400	7,472,878	411
Public administration	92	105	3,449	3,469	3,525	3,481	35,180,466	777

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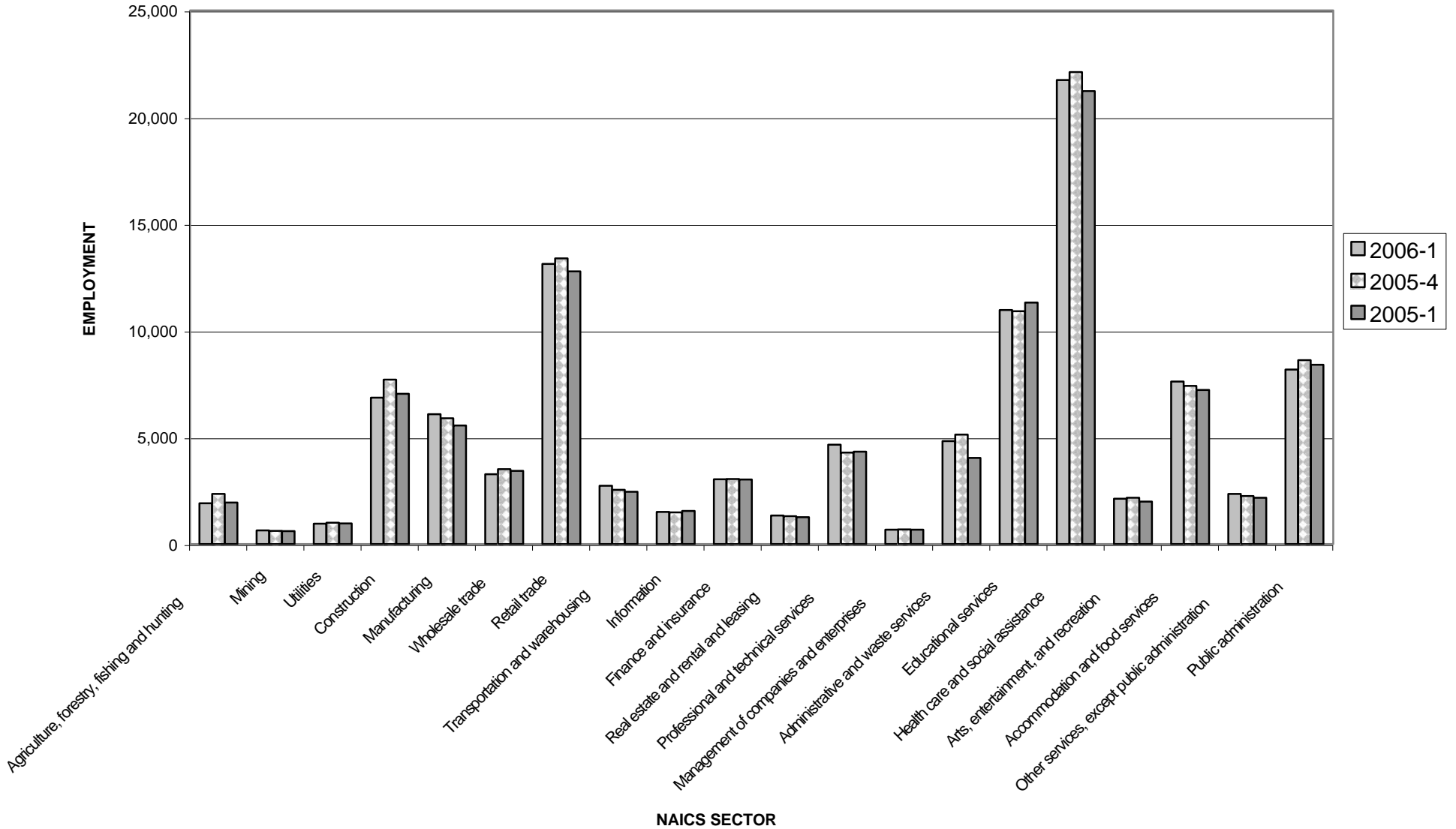
	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
VERNON		842	14,796	14,978	15,050	14,941	101,851,522	524
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	26	202	200	196	199	1,399,021	541
Mining	21	5	58	58	63	60	1,054,109	1,351
Utilities	22	16	87	88	88	88	643,658	563
Construction	23	79	844	847	869	853	5,986,727	540
Manufacturing	31-33	21	580	592	646	606	3,636,360	462
Wholesale trade	42	27	131	130	130	130	1,045,354	619
Retail trade	44-45	133	1,722	1,764	1,782	1,756	8,203,964	359
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	41	276	276	275	276	2,328,273	649
Information	51	12	158	153	152	154	1,186,709	593
Finance and insurance	52	54	282	271	275	276	1,761,321	491
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	42	178	178	185	180	1,203,696	514
Professional and technical services	54	73	2,301	2,298	2,267	2,289	13,891,209	467
Management of companies and enterprises	55	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	50	572	577	582	577	4,551,838	607
Educational services	61	12	2,298	2,374	2,363	2,345	14,749,043	484
Health care and social assistance	62	68	1,841	1,863	1,859	1,854	15,127,938	628
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	10	*	*	*	*	*	*
Accommodation and food services	72	58	1,240	1,273	1,260	1,258	3,481,628	213
Other services, except public administration	81	54	246	249	258	251	1,471,666	451
Public administration	92	47	1,542	1,541	1,550	1,544	18,449,019	919

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
WINN		383	5,210	5,193	5,174	5,192	34,345,719	509
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	44	346	343	347	345	2,657,108	592
Mining	21	5	52	46	46	48	464,374	744
Utilities	22	8	23	24	25	24	88,672	284
Construction	23	24	205	216	208	210	1,277,786	468
Manufacturing	31-33	17	926	927	927	927	9,546,509	792
Wholesale trade	42	17	300	294	294	296	2,089,648	543
Retail trade	44-45	52	551	579	574	568	2,448,996	332
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	28	186	176	149	170	1,197,409	542
Information	51	6	27	27	27	27	143,758	410
Finance and insurance	52	24	134	133	134	134	840,155	482
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	12	32	28	28	29	121,282	322
Professional and technical services	54	15	67	62	57	62	416,339	517
Management of companies and enterprises	55	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	13	504	516	529	516	2,545,252	379
Educational services	61	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	40	741	742	736	740	4,998,621	520
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	6	22	31	23	25	62,007	191
Accommodation and food services	72	16	186	181	188	185	392,324	163
Other services, except public administration	81	17	129	134	139	134	800,844	460
Public administration	92	31	214	214	211	213	1,354,578	489

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**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 6
EMPLOYMENT BY NAICS SECTOR
FIRST QUARTER 2006, FOURTH QUARTER 2005, AND FIRST QUARTER 2005**





**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 7
FIRST QUARTER 2006 EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES
SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW**



Bienville, Bossier, Caddo, Claiborne, DeSoto,
Lincoln, Natchitoches, Red River, Sabine, Webster

The average quarterly employment for RLMA 7 during first quarter 2006 was 232,587 a decrease of 0.5% from the fourth quarter 2005, and an increase of 3.1% from the same period in 2005. Employment increased in eight of the 20 NAICS sectors from the fourth quarter 2005. The largest percentage increase of 31.4% was in management of companies and enterprises.

Average quarterly employment data for first quarter 2006, fourth quarter 2005, first quarter 2005, and the percent change for the major industry sectors are shown in the table “Regional Labor Market Area 7” on page 95. Health care and social assistance was the leading industry in RLMA 7 with 40,638 employees, or 17.5% of total employment. Caddo was the leading parish with 125,248 employees, or 53.8% of total employment.

Total wages increased 11.7 % from the same period in 2005, and decreased 4.9% from the fourth quarter 2005, for an average weekly wage of \$602. Desoto parish had the highest average weekly wage of \$654.

Average weekly wage data for each parish in RLMA 7 is listed in the table below. The average weekly wage data for all parishes within each NAICS sector is shown in the table “Regional Labor Market Area 7” beginning on page 98.

Parish	Avg. Wkly. Wage
Bienville	572
Bossier	550
Caddo	648
Claiborne	590
DeSoto	654
Lincoln	542
Natchitoches	533
Red River	480
Sabine	476
Webster	538

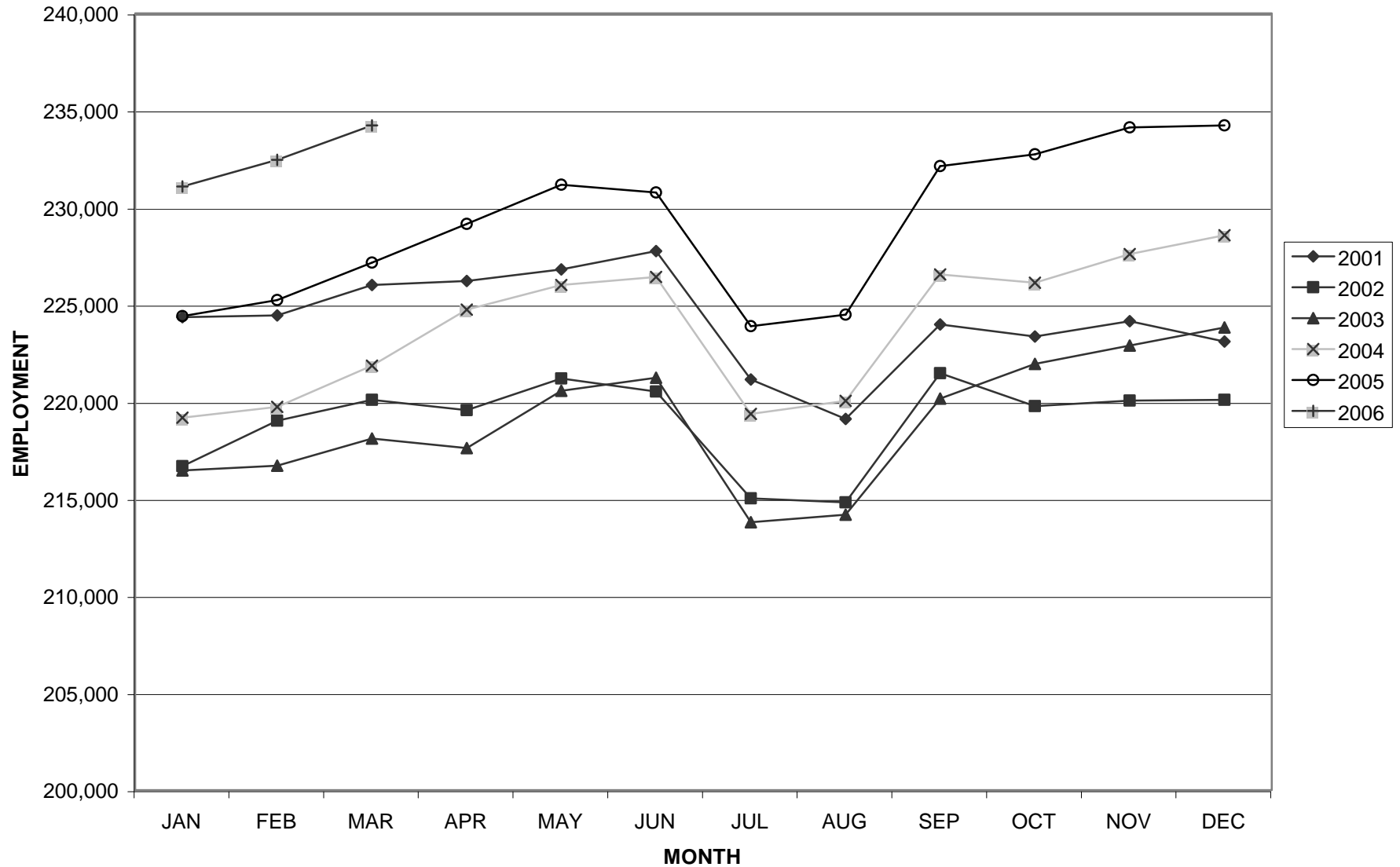
The number of reporting units in RLMA 7 for first quarter 2006 was 14,530.

Due to the conversion to NAICS, this data should not be compared to data in publications prior to 2001.

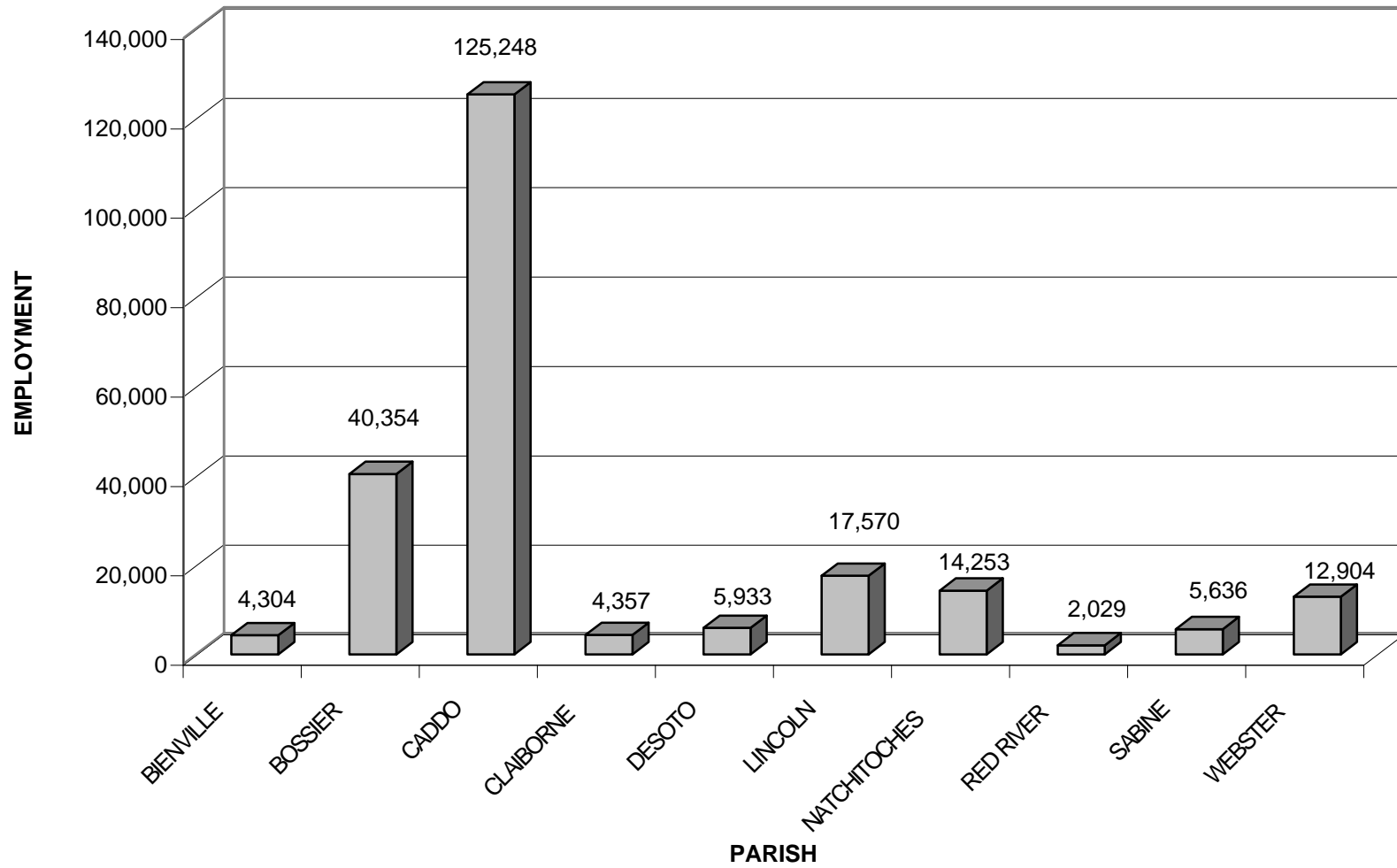
REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 7
AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT AND UNITS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
FIRST QUARTER 2006, FOURTH QUARTER 2005, AND FIRST QUARTER 2005

	QTR 2006-1 Employment	QTR 2005-4 Employment	QTR 2005-1 Employment	% Change From Prev. Qtr.	% Change From Prev. Year	QTR 2006-1 Units	QTR 2005-4 Units	QTR 2005-1 Units	% Change From Prev. Qtr.	% Change From Prev. Year
TOTAL	232,587	233,698	225,600	-0.5%	3.1%	14,530	14,377	13,984	1.1%	3.9%
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	1,759	1,772	1,723	-0.7%	2.1%	281	282	276	-0.4%	1.8%
Mining	4,415	4,518	4,247	-2.3%	4.0%	312	301	283	3.7%	10.2%
Utilities	2,040	2,036	2,036	0.2%	0.2%	139	140	136	-0.7%	2.2%
Construction	12,606	13,029	11,885	-3.2%	6.1%	1,394	1,369	1,319	1.8%	5.7%
Manufacturing	22,899	23,081	23,603	-0.8%	-3.0%	510	493	491	3.4%	3.9%
Wholesale trade	9,379	9,550	9,369	-1.8%	0.1%	859	847	819	1.4%	4.9%
Retail trade	28,300	28,662	26,927	-1.3%	5.1%	2,132	2,106	2,035	1.2%	4.8%
Transportation and warehousing	7,293	7,418	7,087	-1.7%	2.9%	528	518	499	1.9%	5.8%
Information	3,923	3,799	3,827	3.3%	2.5%	231	236	227	-2.1%	1.8%
Finance and insurance	6,402	6,320	6,308	1.3%	1.5%	986	976	989	1.0%	-0.3%
Real estate and rental and leasing	3,485	3,627	3,429	-3.9%	1.6%	680	669	645	1.6%	5.4%
Professional and technical services	8,083	7,989	7,358	1.2%	9.9%	1,189	1,161	1,126	2.4%	5.6%
Management of companies and enterprises	1,996	1,519	1,425	31.4%	40.1%	65	63	59	3.2%	10.2%
Administrative and waste services	11,411	10,853	9,690	5.1%	17.8%	663	669	636	-0.9%	4.2%
Educational services	23,638	23,948	23,751	-1.3%	-0.5%	105	102	97	2.9%	8.2%
Health care and social assistance	40,638	40,580	39,493	0.1%	2.9%	1,384	1,376	1,310	0.6%	5.6%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	9,992	10,113	10,432	-1.2%	-4.2%	196	188	181	4.3%	8.3%
Accommodation and food services	18,792	18,911	17,799	-0.6%	5.6%	936	939	915	-0.3%	2.3%
Other services, except public administration	5,586	6,006	5,531	-7.0%	1.0%	1,460	1,459	1,446	0.1%	1.0%
Public administration	9,891	9,849	9,549	0.4%	3.6%	431	429	427	0.5%	0.9%

**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 7
MONTHLY EMPLOYMENT SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
2001 THROUGH 2006**



**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 7
EMPLOYMENT DISTRIBUTION BY PARISH - FIRST QUARTER 2006
EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW**



**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 7
EMPLOYMENT AND TOTAL WAGES PAID BY EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE
LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
UNITS, MONTHLY AND AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL AND AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES
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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 7		14,530	231,078	232,461	234,223	232,587	1,819,504,743	602
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	281	1,739	1,744	1,793	1,759	14,033,221	614
Mining	21	312	4,309	4,444	4,493	4,415	70,984,364	1,237
Utilities	22	139	2,047	2,041	2,031	2,040	28,756,230	1,084
Construction	23	1,394	12,590	12,584	12,643	12,606	98,429,372	601
Manufacturing	31-33	510	22,908	22,830	22,960	22,899	257,962,949	867
Wholesale trade	42	859	9,372	9,366	9,399	9,379	98,854,467	811
Retail trade	44-45	2,132	28,289	28,180	28,430	28,300	154,088,215	419
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	528	7,282	7,272	7,326	7,293	72,899,117	769
Information	51	231	3,923	3,901	3,945	3,923	37,042,388	726
Finance and insurance	52	986	6,385	6,401	6,420	6,402	62,225,177	748
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	680	3,469	3,465	3,520	3,485	23,467,458	518
Professional and technical services	54	1,189	8,109	8,105	8,036	8,083	66,680,239	635
Management of companies and enterprises	55	65	1,995	1,990	2,004	1,996	23,028,437	887
Administrative and waste services	56	663	11,286	11,225	11,723	11,411	59,906,529	404
Educational services	61	105	23,140	23,820	23,953	23,638	172,370,109	561
Health care and social assistance	62	1,384	40,514	40,679	40,721	40,638	337,468,393	639
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	196	9,898	10,168	9,910	9,992	63,639,202	490
Accommodation and food services	72	936	18,407	18,704	19,265	18,792	53,308,986	218
Other services, except public administration	81	1,460	5,505	5,551	5,701	5,586	30,079,454	414
Public administration	92	431	9,864	9,913	9,895	9,891	93,871,017	730

Note: Due to unclassified and non-publishable data, major divisions may not total to parish or RLMA.

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
BIENVILLE		326	4,307	4,285	4,319	4,304	32,008,166	572
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	29	197	195	192	195	2,803,078	1,106
Mining	21	10	103	105	129	112	1,618,953	1,112
Utilities	22	8	36	36	36	36	578,322	1,236
Construction	23	25	175	151	158	161	1,427,637	682
Manufacturing	31-33	13	1,046	1,040	1,009	1,032	8,460,410	631
Wholesale trade	42	19	*	*	*	*	*	*
Retail trade	44-45	48	302	310	307	306	1,225,094	308
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	27	222	224	222	223	2,310,228	797
Information	51	3	21	23	25	23	117,275	392
Finance and insurance	52	22	134	133	135	134	1,024,763	588
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	12	62	61	67	63	872,971	1,066
Professional and technical services	54	13	65	77	86	76	530,631	537
Management of companies and enterprises	55	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	11	67	72	82	74	859,412	893
Educational services	61	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	22	487	486	491	488	2,158,691	340
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Accommodation and food services	72	18	104	106	117	109	231,864	164
Other services, except public administration	81	19	41	39	40	40	160,934	309
Public administration	92	22	152	152	155	153	1,099,402	553

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
BOSSIER		2,409	40,142	40,294	40,627	40,354	288,351,154	550
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	20	171	149	144	155	1,534,415	761
Mining	21	37	926	930	970	942	23,129,339	1,889
Utilities	22	13	169	170	175	171	2,229,982	1,003
Construction	23	298	3,047	3,013	3,059	3,040	23,435,058	593
Manufacturing	31-33	91	1,673	1,673	1,697	1,681	15,835,220	725
Wholesale trade	42	140	1,195	1,191	1,203	1,196	12,789,026	823
Retail trade	44-45	402	6,371	6,287	6,320	6,326	33,220,341	404
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	80	729	729	757	738	6,468,055	674
Information	51	35	452	453	457	454	4,198,234	711
Finance and insurance	52	149	1,080	1,087	1,079	1,082	8,992,774	639
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	108	540	542	554	545	3,423,732	483
Professional and technical services	54	172	751	756	749	752	6,473,185	662
Management of companies and enterprises	55	6	309	303	303	305	1,743,109	440
Administrative and waste services	56	119	1,202	1,184	1,205	1,197	5,767,465	371
Educational services	61	15	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	200	3,974	3,886	3,862	3,907	28,929,910	570
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	54	5,627	5,647	5,618	5,631	37,853,030	517
Accommodation and food services	72	202	4,437	4,479	4,668	4,528	12,909,794	219
Other services, except public administration	81	195	1,270	1,300	1,338	1,303	6,848,014	404
Public administration	92	62	2,616	2,654	2,626	2,632	27,423,543	801

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
CADDO		7,315	124,344	125,336	126,063	125,248	1,054,789,811	648
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	35	129	132	154	138	1,030,778	575
Mining	21	189	1,985	2,094	2,098	2,059	26,364,397	985
Utilities	22	42	1,169	1,162	1,148	1,160	18,317,454	1,215
Construction	23	653	5,828	5,908	5,909	5,882	47,284,751	618
Manufacturing	31-33	249	11,222	11,161	11,211	11,198	139,414,436	958
Wholesale trade	42	498	5,457	5,484	5,492	5,478	62,823,441	882
Retail trade	44-45	982	13,827	13,816	13,950	13,864	83,462,179	463
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	194	4,655	4,646	4,664	4,655	48,960,840	809
Information	51	122	2,786	2,763	2,802	2,784	27,419,554	758
Finance and insurance	52	503	3,265	3,277	3,281	3,274	36,361,913	854
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	344	2,007	2,012	2,053	2,024	14,338,433	545
Professional and technical services	54	705	6,062	6,048	5,933	6,014	50,901,289	651
Management of companies and enterprises	55	40	1,483	1,494	1,504	1,494	17,953,263	924
Administrative and waste services	56	370	8,317	8,090	8,376	8,261	42,766,992	398
Educational services	61	51	9,499	9,836	9,938	9,758	72,782,176	574
Health care and social assistance	62	772	26,626	26,925	26,889	26,813	251,854,351	723
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	87	3,850	4,090	3,862	3,934	24,128,447	472
Accommodation and food services	72	445	9,132	9,297	9,579	9,336	28,707,089	237
Other services, except public administration	81	918	3,010	3,033	3,132	3,058	17,188,580	432
Public administration	92	106	4,028	4,043	4,074	4,048	42,573,434	809

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
CLAIBORNE		312	4,355	4,373	4,344	4,357	33,409,085	590
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	16	96	88	85	90	663,441	567
Mining	21	16	292	295	286	291	4,418,770	1,168
Utilities	22	8	71	70	71	71	474,855	514
Construction	23	25	267	258	256	260	1,482,241	439
Manufacturing	31-33	11	354	357	356	356	4,243,091	917
Wholesale trade	42	24	123	126	125	125	1,250,280	769
Retail trade	44-45	56	444	436	444	441	1,842,376	321
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	20	335	333	329	332	3,875,753	898
Information	51	6	17	18	16	17	206,244	933
Finance and insurance	52	14	77	78	78	78	469,950	463
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	9	28	28	28	28	133,512	367
Professional and technical services	54	16	31	30	30	30	208,173	534
Management of companies and enterprises	55	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	5	7	7	8	7	33,311	366
Educational services	61	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	22	686	690	695	690	3,517,112	392
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	4	35	35	37	36	153,424	328
Accommodation and food services	72	11	118	123	121	121	234,979	149
Other services, except public administration	81	19	61	58	57	59	240,266	313
Public administration	92	23	710	722	709	714	5,746,026	619

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
DESOTO		449	5,954	5,936	5,909	5,933	50,450,394	654
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	21	110	102	103	105	700,002	513
Mining	21	12	449	462	439	450	7,704,674	1,317
Utilities	22	11	174	174	173	174	3,112,826	1,376
Construction	23	66	534	544	549	542	4,618,507	655
Manufacturing	31-33	22	1,011	1,049	1,035	1,032	12,901,410	962
Wholesale trade	42	17	50	49	48	49	412,573	648
Retail trade	44-45	67	684	656	659	666	3,460,574	400
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	17	94	96	95	95	882,247	714
Information	51	6	46	46	48	47	370,949	607
Finance and insurance	52	34	153	151	150	151	971,368	495
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	21	79	73	78	77	375,708	375
Professional and technical services	54	23	140	123	99	121	454,406	289
Management of companies and enterprises	55	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	19	129	142	159	143	1,095,426	589
Educational services	61	4	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	27	793	766	770	776	4,291,357	425
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	5	14	15	17	15	52,928	271
Accommodation and food services	72	17	176	182	186	181	400,701	170
Other services, except public administration	81	30	73	70	69	71	370,776	402
Public administration	92	26	265	261	256	261	1,811,281	534

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
LINCOLN		1,140	17,406	17,513	17,790	17,570	123,854,605	542
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	33	341	405	430	392	2,403,262	472
Mining	21	14	151	150	154	152	2,083,702	1,055
Utilities	22	23	130	130	128	129	1,258,894	751
Construction	23	96	1,011	999	1,026	1,012	7,651,139	582
Manufacturing	31-33	36	1,540	1,523	1,526	1,530	16,414,025	825
Wholesale trade	42	56	808	821	824	818	7,473,578	703
Retail trade	44-45	177	2,132	2,150	2,180	2,154	10,540,556	376
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	45	295	296	296	296	2,821,253	733
Information	51	18	184	187	189	187	1,610,808	663
Finance and insurance	52	89	693	683	696	691	6,580,760	733
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	60	285	276	269	277	1,636,528	454
Professional and technical services	54	89	382	388	391	387	3,254,777	647
Management of companies and enterprises	55	7	74	71	72	72	2,207,044	2,358
Administrative and waste services	56	54	452	474	525	484	3,065,056	487
Educational services	61	11	3,534	3,513	3,551	3,533	27,657,978	602
Health care and social assistance	62	104	3,075	3,090	3,153	3,106	18,423,841	456
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	9	78	81	77	79	157,235	153
Accommodation and food services	72	75	1,502	1,532	1,561	1,532	3,406,455	171
Other services, except public administration	81	96	300	302	306	303	1,462,605	371
Public administration	92	41	437	429	429	432	3,709,819	661

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
NATCHITOCHEs		949	14,045	14,260	14,454	14,253	98,767,582	533
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	40	267	264	265	265	1,839,537	534
Mining	21	5	5	5	5	5	56,233	865
Utilities	22	9	173	172	173	173	1,750,073	778
Construction	23	81	508	545	535	529	3,747,214	545
Manufacturing	31-33	23	2,158	2,103	2,111	2,124	21,509,664	779
Wholesale trade	42	35	525	523	521	523	4,868,185	716
Retail trade	44-45	135	1,617	1,626	1,664	1,636	7,453,942	350
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	46	463	460	471	465	3,901,669	645
Information	51	17	199	196	194	196	1,628,772	639
Finance and insurance	52	64	341	343	349	344	2,711,609	606
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	62	165	165	162	164	697,063	327
Professional and technical services	54	78	369	368	438	392	2,820,628	553
Management of companies and enterprises	55	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	30	684	796	861	780	3,472,206	342
Educational services	61	9	2,198	2,288	2,290	2,259	19,736,993	672
Health care and social assistance	62	90	1,607	1,601	1,609	1,606	10,204,507	489
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	13	133	137	137	136	605,822	343
Accommodation and food services	72	71	1,441	1,482	1,474	1,466	3,605,522	189
Other services, except public administration	81	74	392	389	397	393	2,115,174	414
Public administration	92	57	746	744	745	745	5,479,705	566

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
RED RIVER		186	2,043	2,012	2,032	2,029	12,657,208	480
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	10	51	49	50	50	259,817	400
Mining	21	4	51	50	50	50	747,374	1,150
Utilities	22	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Construction	23	15	109	108	115	111	684,040	474
Manufacturing	31-33	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wholesale trade	42	8	47	47	45	46	176,736	296
Retail trade	44-45	32	237	221	220	226	861,071	293
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	15	81	81	84	82	584,713	549
Information	51	5	17	17	17	17	104,041	471
Finance and insurance	52	9	53	53	51	52	386,284	571
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	5	7	7	7	7	32,743	360
Professional and technical services	54	8	27	27	27	27	115,395	329
Management of companies and enterprises	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative and waste services	56	5	*	*	*	*	*	*
Educational services	61	4	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	18	559	544	538	547	3,077,678	433
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Accommodation and food services	72	10	109	110	109	109	306,540	216
Other services, except public administration	81	11	25	25	26	25	143,652	442
Public administration	92	20	102	102	104	103	603,364	451

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
SABINE		533	5,626	5,630	5,651	5,636	34,900,965	476
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	56	258	246	254	253	1,995,217	607
Mining	21	7	40	42	42	41	377,228	708
Utilities	22	8	42	44	44	43	351,174	628
Construction	23	49	268	269	272	270	1,378,464	393
Manufacturing	31-33	17	986	989	993	989	10,009,175	779
Wholesale trade	42	16	151	151	158	153	1,183,085	595
Retail trade	44-45	79	875	876	876	876	3,830,618	336
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	45	121	120	119	120	865,559	555
Information	51	6	83	81	81	82	517,358	485
Finance and insurance	52	41	255	264	260	260	2,178,440	645
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	19	51	49	46	49	305,380	479
Professional and technical services	54	33	113	117	115	115	689,844	461
Management of companies and enterprises	55	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	17	55	55	53	54	240,728	343
Educational services	61	3	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	41	556	549	542	549	2,828,576	396
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	9	71	71	70	71	336,825	365
Accommodation and food services	72	25	463	470	490	474	1,404,722	228
Other services, except public administration	81	30	129	132	134	132	590,981	344
Public administration	92	28	264	261	258	261	1,497,052	441

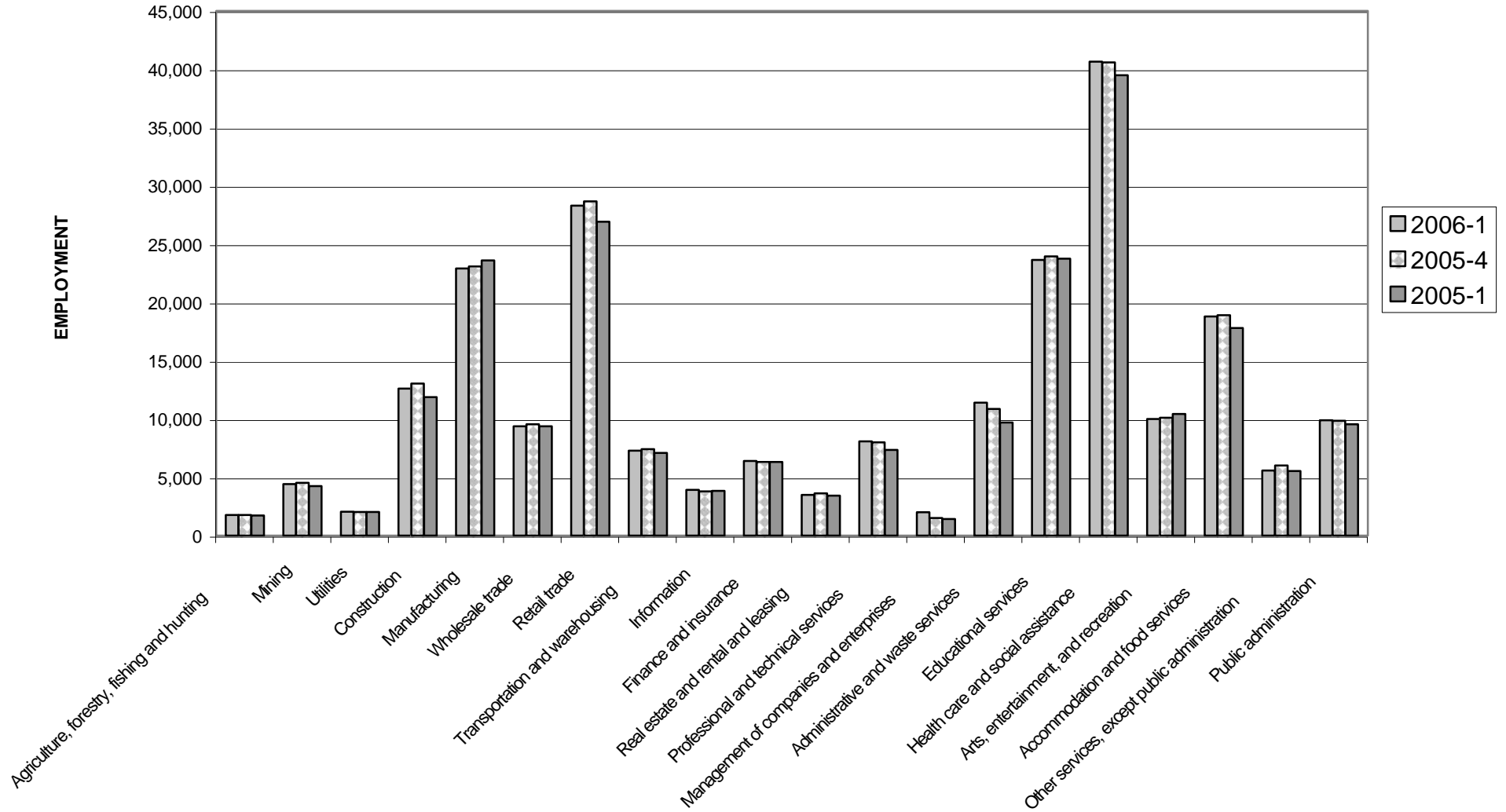
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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
WEBSTER		911	12,856	12,822	13,034	12,904	90,315,773	538
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	21	119	114	116	116	803,674	533
Mining	21	18	307	311	320	313	4,483,694	1,102
Utilities	22	15	79	79	79	79	649,173	632
Construction	23	86	843	789	764	799	6,720,321	647
Manufacturing	31-33	46	2,727	2,740	2,827	2,765	27,200,694	757
Wholesale trade	42	46	446	422	438	435	4,338,134	767
Retail trade	44-45	154	1,800	1,802	1,810	1,804	8,191,464	349
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	39	287	287	289	288	2,228,800	595
Information	51	13	118	117	116	117	869,153	571
Finance and insurance	52	61	334	332	341	336	2,547,316	583
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	40	245	252	256	251	1,651,388	506
Professional and technical services	54	52	169	171	168	169	1,231,911	561
Management of companies and enterprises	55	3	39	37	40	39	227,349	448
Administrative and waste services	56	33	319	345	386	350	2,221,475	488
Educational services	61	5	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	88	2,151	2,142	2,172	2,155	12,182,370	435
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	12	88	90	90	89	340,455	294
Accommodation and food services	72	62	925	923	960	936	2,101,320	173
Other services, except public administration	81	68	204	203	202	203	958,472	363
Public administration	92	46	544	545	539	543	3,927,391	556

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**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 7
EMPLOYMENT BY NAICS SECTOR
FIRST QUARTER 2006, FOURTH QUARTER 2005, AND FIRST QUARTER 2005**



NAICS SECTOR



**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 8
FIRST QUARTER 2006 EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES
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Caldwell, East Carroll, Franklin, Jackson, Madison,
Morehouse, Ouachita, Richland, Tensas, Union, West Carroll

The average quarterly employment for RLMA 8 during first quarter 2006 was 110,289 a decrease of 2.5% from the fourth quarter 2005, and an increase of 0.9% from the same period in 2005. Employment increased in seven of the 20 NAICS sectors from the fourth quarter 2005. The largest percentage increase of 9.8% was in professional and technical services.

Average quarterly employment data for first quarter 2006, fourth quarter 2005, first quarter 2005, and the percent change for the major industry sectors are shown in the table “Regional Labor Market Area 8” on page 111. Health Care and social assistance was the leading industry in RLMA 8 with 20,080 employees, or 18.2% of total employment. Ouachita was the leading parish with 70,127 employees, or 63.6% of total employment.

Total wages increased 10.4% from the same period in 2005 and decreased 4.1% from the fourth quarter 2005 for an average weekly wage of \$558. West Carroll parish had the highest average weekly wage of \$734.

Average weekly wage data for each parish in RLMA 8 is listed in the table below. The average weekly wage data for all parishes within each NAICS sector is shown in the table “Regional Labor Market Area 8” beginning on page 114.

Parish	Avg. Wkly. Wage
Caldwell	\$ 462
East Carroll	500
Franklin	415
Jackson	596
Madison	426
Morehouse	532
Ouachita	589
Richland	464
Tensas	546
Union	448
West Carroll	734

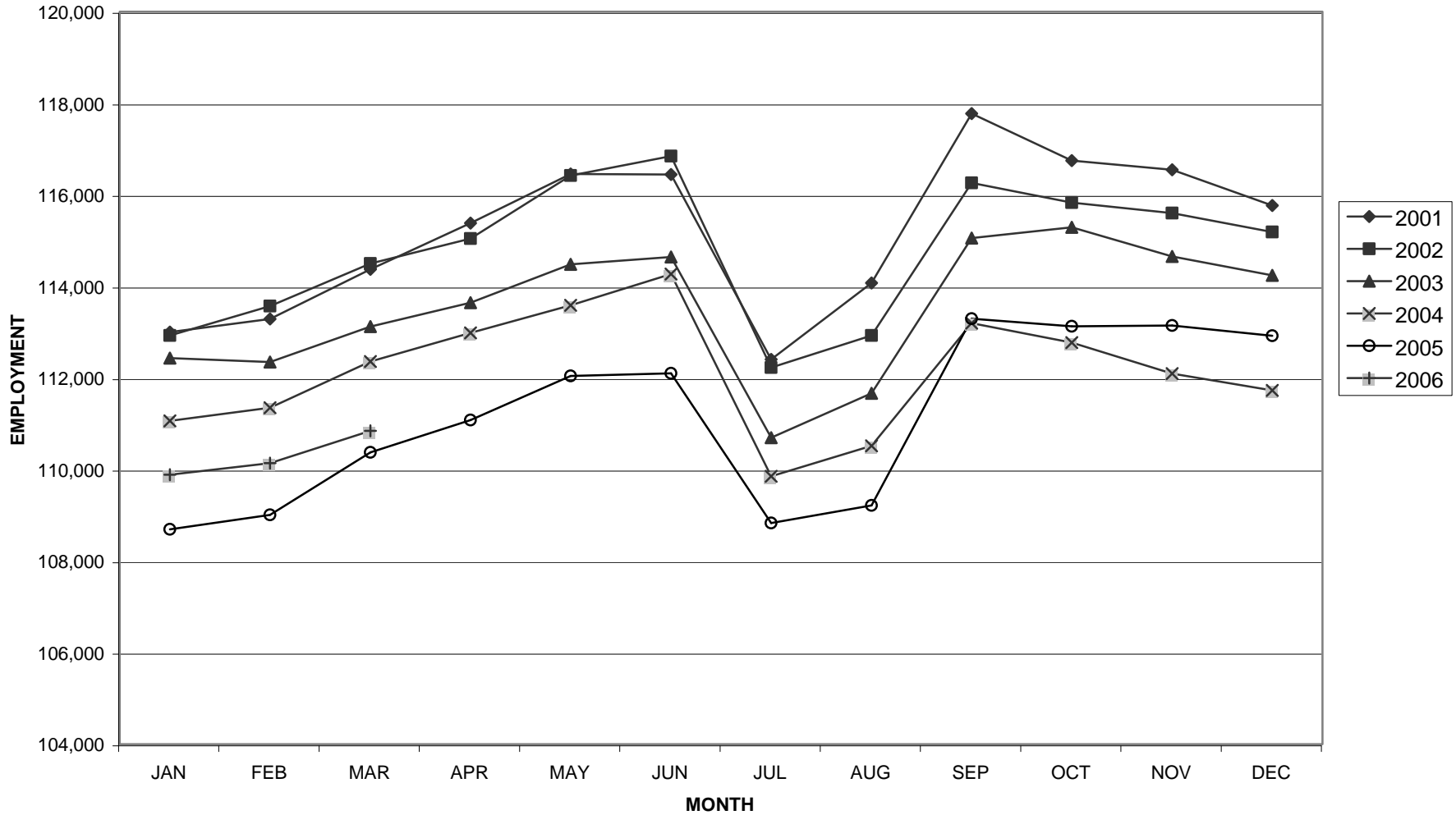
The number of reporting units in RLMA 8 for first quarter 2006 was 8,251.

Due to the conversion to NAICS, this data should not be compared to data in publications prior to 2001.

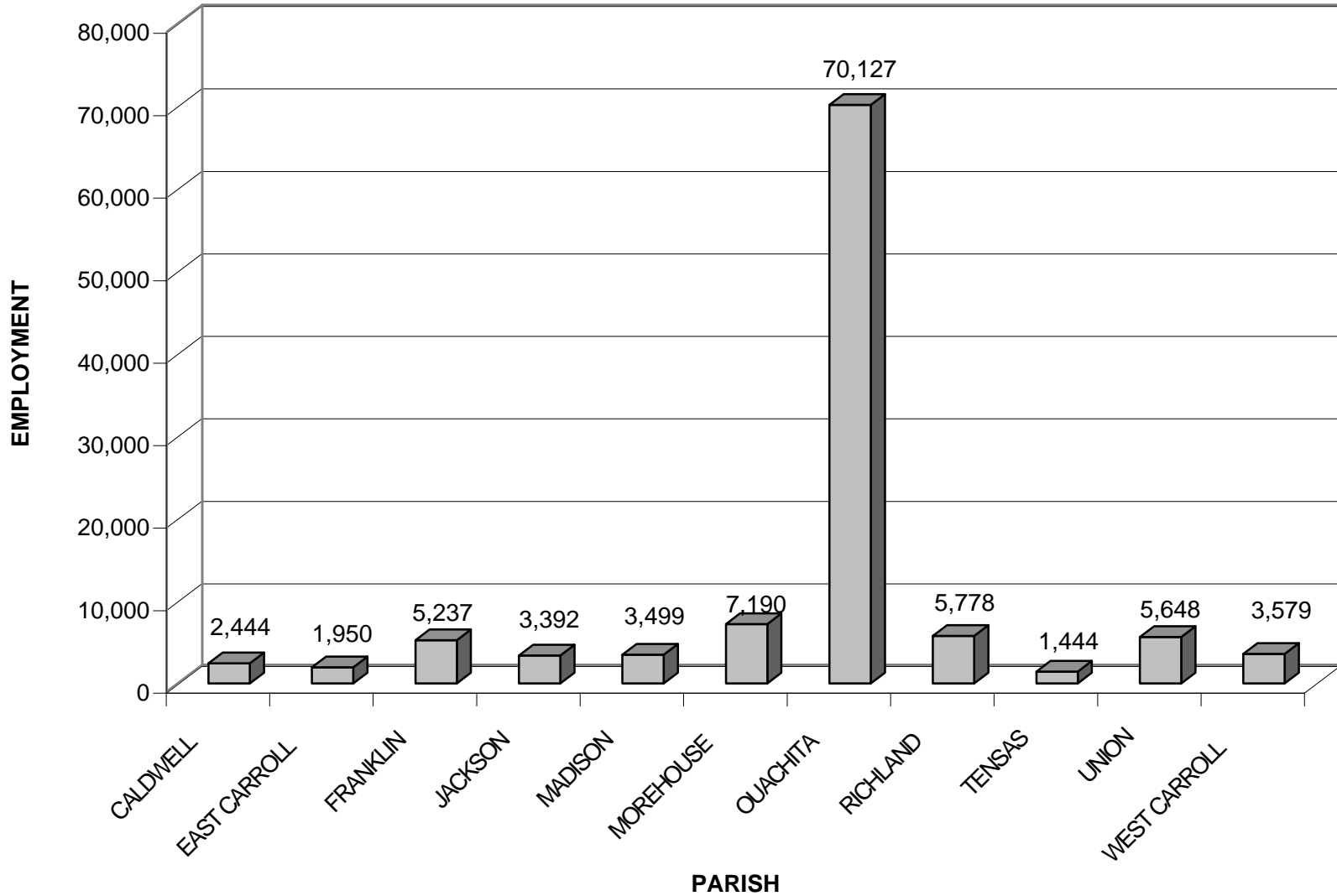
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AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT AND UNITS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
FIRST QUARTER 2006, FOURTH QUARTER 2005, AND FIRST QUARTER 2005

	QTR 2006-1 Employment	QTR 2005-4 Employment	QTR 2005-1 Employment	% Change From Prev. Qtr.	% Change From Prev. Year	QTR 2006-1 Units	QTR 2005-4 Units	QTR 2005-1 Units	% Change From Prev. Qtr.	% Change From Prev. Year
TOTAL	110,289	113,065	109,358	-2.5%	0.9%	8,251	8,194	7,915	0.7%	4.2%
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	1,801	2,900	1,829	-37.9%	-1.5%	292	297	297	-1.7%	-1.7%
Mining	196	205	203	-4.4%	-3.4%	43	40	40	7.5%	7.5%
Utilities	921	954	897	-3.5%	2.7%	91	90	94	1.1%	-3.2%
Construction	5,659	5,695	5,404	-0.6%	4.7%	739	734	705	0.7%	4.8%
Manufacturing	11,768	11,997	12,190	-1.9%	-3.5%	260	257	257	1.2%	1.2%
Wholesale trade	3,973	3,893	3,864	2.1%	2.8%	422	416	404	1.4%	4.5%
Retail trade	14,657	14,863	14,141	-1.4%	3.6%	1,246	1,234	1,215	1.0%	2.6%
Transportation and warehousing	2,942	3,102	2,920	-5.2%	0.8%	353	351	338	0.6%	4.4%
Information	2,167	2,140	2,104	1.3%	3.0%	140	138	134	1.4%	4.5%
Finance and insurance	4,933	5,298	5,063	-6.9%	-2.6%	682	673	584	1.3%	16.8%
Real estate and rental and leasing	1,533	1,405	1,415	9.1%	8.3%	356	349	346	2.0%	2.9%
Professional and technical services	3,345	3,046	3,311	9.8%	1.0%	658	647	638	1.7%	3.1%
Management of companies and enterprises	1,730	1,603	1,926	7.9%	-10.2%	28	28	28	0.0%	0.0%
Administrative and waste services	4,588	4,525	3,734	1.4%	22.9%	297	293	274	1.4%	8.4%
Educational services	11,822	11,961	12,395	-1.2%	-4.6%	65	64	61	1.6%	6.6%
Health care and social assistance	20,080	21,029	20,175	-4.5%	-0.5%	932	936	895	-0.4%	4.1%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	949	918	897	3.4%	5.8%	98	95	88	3.2%	11.4%
Accommodation and food services	7,762	7,781	7,760	-0.2%	0.0%	431	425	416	1.4%	3.6%
Other services, except public administration	3,195	3,321	2,965	-3.8%	7.8%	686	689	682	-0.4%	0.6%
Public administration	6,174	6,322	6,104	-2.3%	1.1%	377	377	378	0.0%	-0.3%

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 8		8,251	109,884	110,136	110,846	110,289	800,094,384	558
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	292	1,752	1,727	1,924	1,801	9,237,640	395
Mining	21	43	198	198	192	196	2,065,888	811
Utilities	22	91	921	924	918	921	10,436,628	872
Construction	23	739	5,620	5,637	5,720	5,659	38,416,310	522
Manufacturing	31-33	260	11,909	11,710	11,686	11,768	127,228,125	832
Wholesale trade	42	422	3,916	3,963	4,039	3,973	41,584,542	805
Retail trade	44-45	1,246	14,679	14,526	14,766	14,657	72,098,958	378
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	353	2,957	2,941	2,929	2,942	26,544,786	694
Information	51	140	2,176	2,166	2,159	2,167	21,538,694	765
Finance and insurance	52	682	4,969	4,919	4,912	4,933	47,977,230	748
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	356	1,524	1,535	1,541	1,533	9,125,295	458
Professional and technical services	54	658	3,386	3,341	3,309	3,345	29,187,064	671
Management of companies and enterprises	55	28	1,731	1,743	1,716	1,730	30,560,398	1,359
Administrative and waste services	56	297	4,623	4,648	4,493	4,588	39,056,904	655
Educational services	61	65	11,554	11,955	11,958	11,822	74,745,133	486
Health care and social assistance	62	932	19,972	20,099	20,170	20,080	135,253,750	518
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	98	934	957	956	949	3,283,438	266
Accommodation and food services	72	431	7,580	7,785	7,921	7,762	20,101,102	199
Other services, except public administration	81	686	3,193	3,152	3,240	3,195	15,314,219	369
Public administration	92	377	6,205	6,119	6,199	6,174	45,360,931	565

Note: Due to unclassified and non-publishable data, major divisions may not total to parish or RLMA.

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
CALDWELL		248	2,459	2,430	2,442	2,444	14,686,787	462
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	21	141	140	136	139	863,415	478
Mining	21	3	20	20	20	20	211,444	813
Utilities	22	8	26	26	26	26	372,608	1,102
Construction	23	24	180	177	179	179	1,141,201	490
Manufacturing	31-33	10	73	84	77	78	394,732	389
Wholesale trade	42	8	28	26	24	26	185,462	549
Retail trade	44-45	33	366	372	369	369	1,645,904	343
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	13	78	78	78	78	796,851	786
Information	51	4	28	28	28	28	139,931	384
Finance and insurance	52	11	126	129	130	128	864,658	520
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	6	13	13	13	13	90,337	535
Professional and technical services	54	18	65	66	66	66	405,398	472
Management of companies and enterprises	55	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	3	5	5	5	5	33,116	509
Educational services	61	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	21	442	442	452	445	3,011,815	521
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Accommodation and food services	72	9	130	125	130	128	271,346	163
Other services, except public administration	81	20	152	147	146	148	1,147,549	596
Public administration	92	29	236	231	238	235	1,091,621	357

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
EAST CARROLL		206	1,918	1,949	1,984	1,950	12,662,520	500
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	36	171	169	193	178	791,898	342
Mining	21	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Utilities	22	4	12	12	12	12	50,646	325
Construction	23	10	38	40	40	39	218,096	430
Manufacturing	31-33	5	126	135	133	131	818,721	481
Wholesale trade	42	11	189	197	206	197	2,634,089	1,029
Retail trade	44-45	28	201	204	207	204	696,194	263
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	13	66	64	65	65	435,013	515
Information	51	3	13	12	12	12	83,604	536
Finance and insurance	52	9	46	48	48	47	483,716	792
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	8	19	18	18	18	233,622	998
Professional and technical services	54	4	13	13	10	12	77,819	499
Management of companies and enterprises	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative and waste services	56	4	12	12	12	12	39,902	256
Educational services	61	3	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	17	381	376	371	376	2,151,916	440
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	4	4	5	5	5	10,885	167
Accommodation and food services	72	7	61	67	64	64	129,636	156
Other services, except public administration	81	14	14	15	13	14	42,359	233
Public administration	92	24	344	336	339	340	1,719,531	389

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
FRANKLIN		467	5,150	5,188	5,372	5,237	28,235,654	415
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	37	276	275	316	289	1,584,443	422
Mining	21	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Utilities	22	6	68	68	68	68	795,875	900
Construction	23	43	412	407	420	413	2,736,013	510
Manufacturing	31-33	14	396	372	401	390	1,537,366	303
Wholesale trade	42	29	151	150	158	153	1,044,071	525
Retail trade	44-45	77	990	989	1,053	1,011	4,369,268	332
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	29	167	169	165	167	1,209,055	557
Information	51	5	27	27	25	26	267,594	792
Finance and insurance	52	30	186	181	181	183	1,289,384	542
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	20	62	62	63	62	259,403	322
Professional and technical services	54	23	82	82	83	82	384,144	360
Management of companies and enterprises	55	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	12	39	37	39	38	250,904	508
Educational services	61	3	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	46	946	960	962	956	6,171,670	497
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	5	11	11	11	11	37,831	265
Accommodation and food services	72	21	281	333	343	319	645,978	156
Other services, except public administration	81	28	74	74	73	74	328,071	341
Public administration	92	34	298	293	303	298	1,665,893	430

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
JACKSON		309	3,391	3,379	3,407	3,392	26,271,873	596
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	14	73	73	74	73	567,396	598
Mining	21	3	*	*	*	*	*	*
Utilities	22	7	37	37	37	37	536,319	1,115
Construction	23	17	126	123	120	123	755,536	473
Manufacturing	31-33	9	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wholesale trade	42	6	38	38	39	38	381,730	773
Retail trade	44-45	40	508	506	519	511	2,323,289	350
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	37	176	182	178	179	1,117,440	480
Information	51	4	31	30	30	30	188,799	484
Finance and insurance	52	20	121	119	120	120	751,191	482
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	17	48	48	51	49	222,551	349
Professional and technical services	54	22	49	49	50	49	224,845	353
Management of companies and enterprises	55	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	12	33	35	34	34	184,438	417
Educational services	61	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	27	552	547	558	552	2,892,552	403
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	7	44	40	40	41	136,027	255
Accommodation and food services	72	15	159	166	153	159	325,960	158
Other services, except public administration	81	28	98	100	103	100	416,372	320
Public administration	92	21	179	184	186	183	909,290	382

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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
MADISON		298	3,514	3,501	3,483	3,499	19,397,821	426
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	7	34	33	35	34	192,140	435
Mining	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Utilities	22	4	23	23	23	23	179,384	600
Construction	23	16	142	122	108	124	909,615	564
Manufacturing	31-33	6	162	160	163	162	1,363,882	648
Wholesale trade	42	14	83	82	82	82	664,295	623
Retail trade	44-45	40	496	499	508	501	2,114,754	325
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	13	39	40	40	40	326,271	627
Information	51	4	19	17	18	18	101,552	434
Finance and insurance	52	13	62	61	61	61	626,649	790
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	15	49	49	49	49	240,589	378
Professional and technical services	54	14	62	65	62	63	362,049	442
Management of companies and enterprises	55	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	7	65	66	38	56	310,937	427
Educational services	61	5	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	45	911	914	925	917	4,228,497	355
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	7	64	66	65	65	253,734	300
Accommodation and food services	72	19	203	192	214	203	568,140	215
Other services, except public administration	81	24	34	35	38	36	135,941	290
Public administration	92	41	572	568	562	567	3,918,646	532

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MOREHOUSE		622	7,129	7,200	7,240	7,190	49,697,790	532
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	55	262	270	314	282	1,187,530	324
Mining	21	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Utilities	22	11	70	69	68	69	849,305	947
Construction	23	48	280	343	303	309	1,841,804	459
Manufacturing	31-33	17	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wholesale trade	42	26	240	244	246	243	2,948,866	933
Retail trade	44-45	99	1,055	1,050	1,075	1,060	5,642,049	409
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	30	176	175	174	175	1,538,071	676
Information	51	9	107	108	107	107	714,482	514
Finance and insurance	52	50	245	242	241	243	2,066,850	654
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	26	99	105	102	102	421,001	317
Professional and technical services	54	32	108	108	110	109	607,554	429
Management of companies and enterprises	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative and waste services	56	14	62	60	62	61	291,774	368
Educational services	61	4	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	78	1,558	1,553	1,566	1,559	8,449,171	417
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	5	36	36	34	35	178,971	393
Accommodation and food services	72	31	447	450	453	450	1,018,086	174
Other services, except public administration	81	50	205	202	216	208	672,341	249
Public administration	92	34	403	405	409	406	2,594,333	492

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OUACHITA		4,788	69,833	70,104	70,444	70,127	536,986,069	589
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	22	128	123	137	129	922,053	550
Mining	21	23	107	108	104	106	1,048,451	761
Utilities	22	24	543	543	541	542	6,604,352	937
Construction	23	442	3,562	3,562	3,650	3,591	25,458,321	545
Manufacturing	31-33	160	7,194	7,145	7,116	7,152	83,590,029	899
Wholesale trade	42	263	2,697	2,700	2,732	2,710	29,866,269	848
Retail trade	44-45	739	9,384	9,234	9,345	9,321	47,827,091	395
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	135	1,854	1,830	1,821	1,835	17,723,242	743
Information	51	95	1,831	1,827	1,821	1,826	19,000,833	800
Finance and insurance	52	476	3,782	3,746	3,734	3,754	38,681,156	793
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	228	1,119	1,124	1,133	1,125	7,022,164	480
Professional and technical services	54	470	2,596	2,561	2,546	2,568	22,409,243	671
Management of companies and enterprises	55	20	1,434	1,432	1,410	1,425	29,104,149	1,571
Administrative and waste services	56	211	2,998	3,003	3,043	3,015	16,097,538	411
Educational services	61	35	6,668	6,981	6,978	6,876	44,674,338	500
Health care and social assistance	62	561	11,974	12,090	12,097	12,054	89,551,187	571
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	51	676	707	707	697	2,269,018	250
Accommodation and food services	72	275	5,670	5,843	5,924	5,812	15,688,150	208
Other services, except public administration	81	424	2,406	2,381	2,447	2,411	11,555,517	369
Public administration	92	98	3,155	3,104	3,096	3,118	27,141,014	670

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RICHLAND		516	5,764	5,722	5,849	5,778	34,821,815	464
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	28	123	120	125	123	694,141	434
Mining	21	4	14	14	14	14	122,988	676
Utilities	22	8	39	41	38	39	329,644	650
Construction	23	52	309	316	328	318	1,952,146	472
Manufacturing	31-33	14	526	503	505	511	4,322,558	651
Wholesale trade	42	28	255	249	259	254	2,055,133	622
Retail trade	44-45	71	675	674	675	675	3,272,569	373
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	28	172	174	173	173	1,576,169	701
Information	51	5	51	48	50	50	385,878	594
Finance and insurance	52	28	159	157	160	159	1,378,230	667
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	21	77	76	74	76	474,870	481
Professional and technical services	54	30	96	95	89	93	517,267	428
Management of companies and enterprises	55	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	9	91	94	87	91	730,677	618
Educational services	61	4	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	75	1,535	1,521	1,554	1,537	9,243,011	463
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	5	8	7	8	8	21,476	207
Accommodation and food services	72	24	311	301	321	311	741,063	183
Other services, except public administration	81	44	66	66	65	66	307,739	359
Public administration	92	32	344	337	395	359	2,225,765	477

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TENSAS		164	1,451	1,434	1,446	1,444	10,241,710	546
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	30	160	175	180	172	786,256	352
Mining	21	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Utilities	22	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Construction	23	6	37	32	33	34	187,064	423
Manufacturing	31-33	5	29	34	35	33	194,805	454
Wholesale trade	42	10	93	93	97	94	784,106	642
Retail trade	44-45	20	85	84	83	84	295,233	270
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	10	47	47	46	47	280,595	459
Information	51	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Finance and insurance	52	6	30	31	32	31	385,767	957
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	4	7	7	7	7	22,580	248
Professional and technical services	54	5	*	*	*	*	*	*
Management of companies and enterprises	55	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	56	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Educational services	61	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	11	115	109	109	111	542,017	376
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	5	23	21	21	22	109,093	381
Accommodation and food services	72	7	32	29	31	31	60,969	151
Other services, except public administration	81	16	24	21	23	23	54,246	181
Public administration	92	20	257	253	255	255	1,400,285	422

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**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 8
EMPLOYMENT AND TOTAL WAGES PAID BY EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE
LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
UNITS, MONTHLY AND AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL AND AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES
BY RLMA, BY PARISH, AND INDUSTRY SECTOR - FIRST QUARTER 2006**

	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
UNION		409	5,706	5,637	5,602	5,648	32,929,533	448
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	19	129	129	131	130	986,052	583
Mining	21	3	22	21	19	21	158,089	579
Utilities	22	11	71	73	74	73	403,222	425
Construction	23	58	335	314	321	323	1,709,314	407
Manufacturing	31-33	15	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wholesale trade	42	17	97	101	116	105	682,623	500
Retail trade	44-45	70	560	558	566	561	2,586,556	355
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	26	117	117	123	119	862,236	557
Information	51	5	43	43	43	43	493,486	883
Finance and insurance	52	24	142	135	135	137	1,054,351	592
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	7	16	17	15	16	73,475	353
Professional and technical services	54	23	116	114	111	114	633,735	428
Management of companies and enterprises	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative and waste services	56	16	150	138	80	123	562,869	352
Educational services	61	4	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	37	1,080	1,107	1,096	1,094	5,753,244	405
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	6	33	32	33	33	128,546	300
Accommodation and food services	72	17	207	204	215	209	496,485	183
Other services, except public administration	81	23	68	59	61	63	374,349	457
Public administration	92	23	288	283	285	285	1,913,708	517

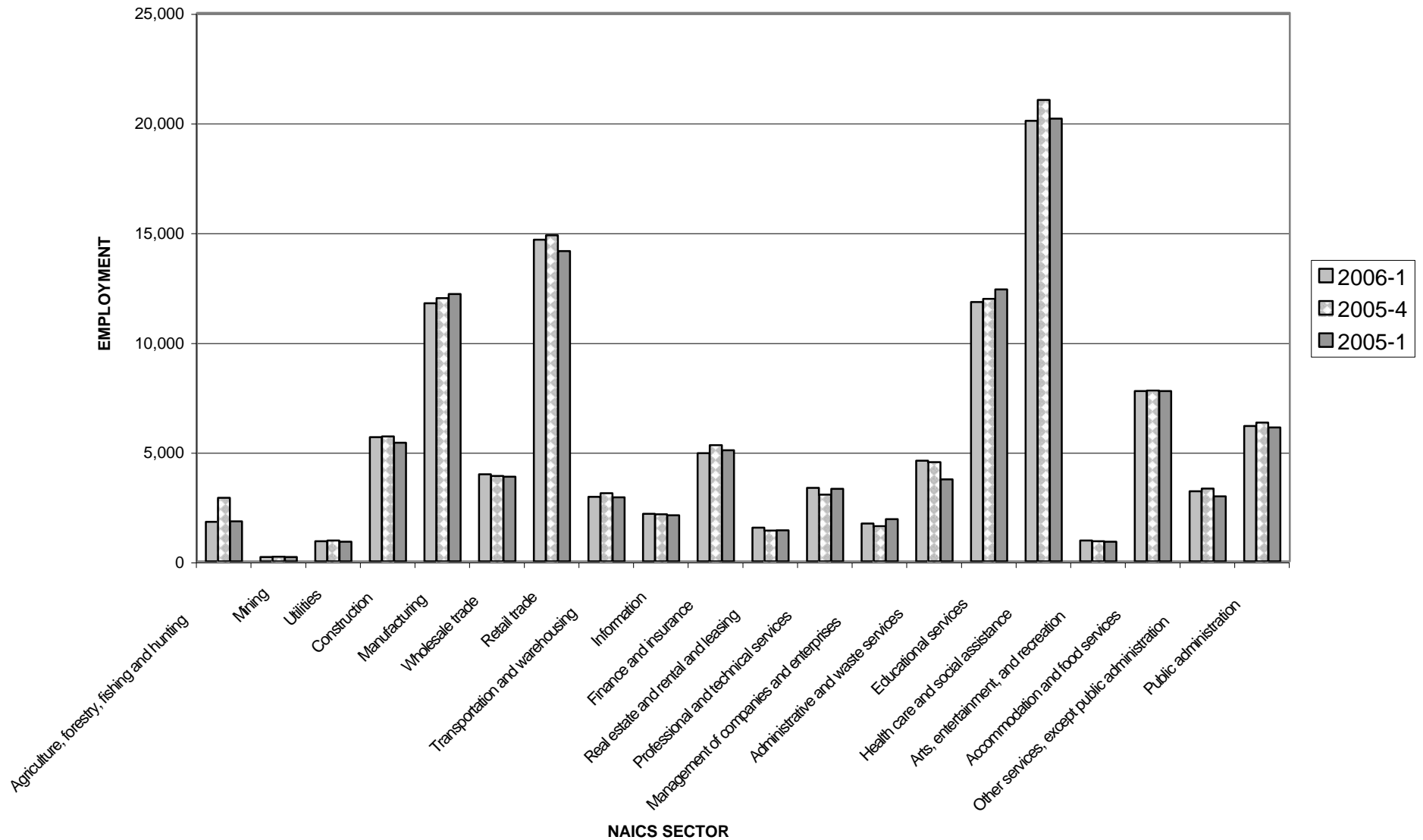
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	NAICS CODE	TOTAL UNITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	AVERAGE EMPLOY.	FIRST QUARTER TOTAL WAGES \$	AVERAGE WKLY. WAGE \$
WEST CARROLL		224	3,569	3,592	3,577	3,579	34,162,812	734
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	23	255	220	283	253	662,316	201
Mining	21	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Utilities	22	6	26	26	25	26	228,380	676
Construction	23	23	199	201	218	206	1,507,200	563
Manufacturing	31-33	5	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wholesale trade	42	10	45	83	80	69	337,898	377
Retail trade	44-45	29	359	356	366	360	1,326,051	283
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	19	65	65	66	65	679,843	805
Information	51	5	23	23	22	23	145,813	488
Finance and insurance	52	15	70	70	70	70	395,278	434
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	4	15	16	16	16	64,703	311
Professional and technical services	54	17	47	44	43	45	382,049	653
Management of companies and enterprises	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative and waste services	56	7	*	*	*	*	*	*
Educational services	61	2	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	62	14	478	480	480	479	3,258,670	523
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Accommodation and food services	72	6	79	75	73	76	155,289	157
Other services, except public administration	81	15	52	52	55	53	279,735	406
Public administration	92	21	129	125	131	128	780,845	469

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**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 8
EMPLOYMENT BY NAICS SECTOR
FIRST QUARTER 2006, FOURTH QUARTER 2005, AND FIRST QUARTER 2005**



STATEWIDE SIZE OF FIRM DATA FOR EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW

The following table arrays firms by number of employees showing the number of employing units, average monthly employment, total wages, and average weekly wages for each group for the first quarter of 2006 and 2005.

SIZE OF FIRM (0-99)

<u>2006</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1 - 4</u>	<u>5 - 9</u>	<u>10 - 19</u>	<u>20 - 49</u>	<u>50 - 99</u>
Employing Units	22,094	47,225	21,732	14,290	10,186	3,518
Average Employment	3,036	98,021	141,333	189,304	302,107	237,430
Total Wages	35,784,691	820,756,849	1,051,077,793	1,501,215,316	2,530,321,675	2,080,510,322
Avg. Wkly. Wages \$	907	644	572	610	644	674
% of Emp. to Total Emp.	0.2%	5.5%	8.0%	10.7%	17.1%	13.4%
% of Units to Total Units	18.2%	38.8%	17.9%	11.8%	8.4%	2.9%

2005

Employing Units	14,908	48,476	22,839	14,948	10,612	3,607
Average Employment	6,294	101,598	150,132	199,400	314,969	245,718
Total Wages	\$35,275,605	\$760,462,791	\$995,175,113	\$1,414,720,097	\$2,296,949,634	\$1,861,840,757
Avg. Wkly. Wages	\$431.13	\$575.77	\$509.90	\$545.76	\$560.97	\$582.86
% of Emp. to Total Emp.	0.3%	5.5%	8.1%	10.7%	16.9%	13.2%
% of Units to Total Units	12.6%	41.1%	19.4%	12.7%	9.0%	3.1%

SIZE OF FIRM (100 - 1000+)

	<u>100 - 249</u>	<u>250 - 499</u>	<u>500 - 999</u>	<u>1000+</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>2006</u>					
Employing Units	1,779	432	215	127	121,598
Average Employment	255,887	147,958	143,254	250,555	1,768,884
Total Wages	2,590,337,506	1,468,019,080	1,494,304,220	2,446,980,862	16,019,308,314
Avg. Wkly. Wages \$	779	763	802	751	697
% of Emp. To Total Emp.	14.5%	8.4%	8.1%	14.2%	100.0%
% of Units to Total Units	1.5%	0.4%	0.2%	0.1%	100.0%

2005

Employing Units	1,814	447	221	126	117,998
Average Employment	263,083	155,583	150,890	273,079	1,860,746
Total Wages	2,275,136,305	1,365,269,500	1,483,642,717	2,487,651,277	14,976,123,796
Avg. Wkly. Wages	\$665.23	\$675.01	\$756.35	\$700.74	\$619.11
% of Emp. To Total Emp.	14.1%	8.4%	8.1%	14.7%	100.0%
% of Units to Total Units	1.5%	0.4%	0.2%	0.1%	100.0%

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MARCH EMPLOYMENT BY MAJOR INDUSTRY SECTOR AND EMPLOYMENT LEVEL
MARCH 2006 - EMPLOYMENT**

	NAICS CODE	MARCH EMP.	0	1-4	5-9	10-19	20-49	50-99	100-249	250-499	500-999	1000 & OVER
State Total		1,793,167	0	98,647	143,840	192,787	307,227	241,706	260,538	149,843	145,945	252,631
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	10,078	0	1,374	3,036	2,895	1,764	507	*	*	0	0
Mining	21	43,852	0	1,128	1,444	2,928	6,567	5,582	12,196	5,355	5,101	3,551
Utilities	22	9,539	0	494	642	1,004	2,072	1,824	2,054	*	*	0
Construction	23	130,452	0	9,159	12,293	15,895	23,181	17,388	19,325	9,448	6,452	17,311
Manufacturing	31-33	149,609	0	2,593	4,849	8,427	19,499	19,609	28,872	24,043	20,963	20,754
Wholesale trade	42	71,723	0	6,905	8,954	13,762	19,621	11,564	7,816	2,399	*	0
Retail trade	44-45	290,823	0	20,191	37,313	45,341	61,384	45,224	41,084	24,248	*	0
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	65,832	0	2,949	4,226	7,155	13,845	11,582	12,907	4,919	7,230	*
Information	51	29,194	0	1,111	1,835	3,253	4,893	3,880	4,620	4,438	2,083	*
Finance and insurance	52	59,552	0	9,574	10,857	9,430	11,092	6,937	4,482	3,558	*	*
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	31,810	0	5,342	6,012	5,496	6,216	4,376	2,420	1,368	*	0
Professional and technical services	54	76,985	0	12,616	11,380	12,526	15,755	9,117	7,145	3,023	2,234	0
Management of companies and enterprises	55	20,450	0	317	553	1,293	3,255	3,582	5,161	1,382	3,552	*
Administrative and waste services	56	93,827	0	4,273	5,540	8,213	13,830	14,746	19,754	12,730	12,234	*
Educational services	61	18,522	0	635	779	1,258	2,852	2,681	1,822	1,919	*	5,751
Health care and social assistance	62	196,172	0	8,548	17,593	20,628	26,159	27,002	41,907	13,785	8,717	31,833
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	29,611	0	938	1,410	2,496	3,476	2,651	2,185	1,010	6,250	9,195

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MARCH 2006 - EMPLOYMENT**

	NAICS CODE	MARCH EMP.	0	1-4	5-9	10-19	20-49	50-99	100-249	250-499	500-999	1000 & OVER
Accommodation and food services	72	152,124	0	3,263	7,612	21,506	57,017	37,976	15,428	3,651	*	4,578
Other services, except public administration	81	44,914	0	8,435	8,765	9,821	8,993	4,476	2,873	*	*	0
Federal government	ALL	32,923	0	1,021	1,046	1,981	4,472	4,389	4,094	4,158	2,217	9,545
State government	ALL	98,140	0	916	1,541	2,809	6,121	6,831	12,320	14,993	18,502	34,107
Local government	ALL	205,278	0	2,299	4,282	7,740	14,520	11,275	19,512	14,478	27,673	103,499
Unclassified	99	3,480	0	1,474	832	692	264	*	*	0	0	0

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**NAICS STATEWIDE SIZE OF FIRM DATA FOR EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
UNITS BY MAJOR INDUSTRY SECTOR AND EMPLOYMENT LEVEL
FOR FIRST QUARTER 2006**

	NAICS CODE	AVG. UNITS	0	1-4	5-9	10-19	20-49	50-99	100-249	250-499	500-999	1000 & OVER
State Total		121,598	22,094	47,225	21,732	14,290	10,186	3,518	1,779	432	215	127
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11	1,553	232	568	456	221	65	8	2	1	0	0
Mining	21	1,566	179	561	217	209	214	82	77	16	8	3
Utilities	22	523	33	212	99	71	67	26	12	1	2	0
Construction	23	10,948	2,467	4,217	1,859	1,189	789	252	127	27	10	11
Manufacturing	31-33	4,234	512	1,170	721	621	625	287	188	67	32	11
Wholesale trade	42	8,006	1,165	3,603	1,344	1,016	644	171	55	7	1	0
Retail trade	44-45	25,158	3,837	9,238	5,606	3,404	2,041	657	280	68	27	0
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	4,129	786	1,464	622	520	455	168	88	15	10	1
Information	51	1,688	331	575	275	245	160	53	31	13	3	2
Finance and insurance	52	8,332	977	4,469	1,657	717	364	101	32	11	3	1
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	5,136	815	2,692	912	415	211	68	18	4	1	0
Professional and technical services	54	12,607	2,481	6,708	1,755	939	526	135	49	9	3	2
Management of companies and enterprises	55	575	46	153	84	94	103	51	34	4	5	1
Administrative and waste services	56	5,885	1,457	2,135	840	597	450	216	133	38	17	2
Educational services	61	862	187	312	121	93	89	38	12	6	1	3
Health care and social assistance	62	11,158	1,505	3,828	2,655	1,546	874	374	305	40	13	18
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	71	1,363	333	448	209	185	115	42	14	3	8	6

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UNITS BY MAJOR INDUSTRY SECTOR AND EMPLOYMENT LEVEL
FOR FIRST QUARTER 2006**

	NAICS CODE	AVG. UNITS	0	1-4	5-9	10-19	20-49	50-99	100-249	250-499	500-999	1000 & OVER
Accommodation and food services	72	8,189	1,505	1,422	1,139	1,523	1,905	561	118	11	2	3
Other services, except public administration	81	10,185	3,379	4,324	1,349	732	307	69	22	2	1	0
Federal government	ALL	1,058	48	447	159	147	143	64	28	11	3	8
State government	ALL	1,356	46	407	230	207	200	97	82	43	27	17
Local government	ALL	3,192	113	990	639	563	474	168	126	42	39	38
Unclassified	99	1,901	825	885	128	52	9	1	0	1	0	0

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**REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA (RLMA) SIZE OF FIRM DATA
NUMBER OF EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW
BY RLMA, BY PARISH, BY SIZE OF FIRM
UNITS FOR FIRST QUARTER 2006**

	TOTAL UNITS	0	1-4	5-9	10-19	20-49	50-99	100-249	250-499	500-999	1000 & OVER
1ST RLMA	37,332	10,709	13,425	5,317	3,643	2,582	963	494	114	53	32
JEFFERSON	14,388	3,281	5,419	2,312	1,609	1,093	406	201	46	13	8
ORLEANS	12,058	4,974	3,745	1,260	890	683	263	165	39	20	19
PLAQUEMINES	861	195	261	149	111	75	42	20	6	2	0
ST. BERNARD	1,107	623	261	99	64	31	18	6	4	1	0
ST. CHARLES	1,111	162	429	194	136	113	39	25	4	7	2
ST. JAMES	396	57	127	88	53	45	13	9	2	2	0
ST. JOHN	847	142	295	151	104	95	36	18	4	1	1
ST. TAMMANY	6,564	1,275	2,888	1,064	676	447	146	50	9	7	2
2ND RLMA	23,115	3,155	8,992	4,410	2,943	2,256	795	371	108	58	27
ASCENSION	2,102	248	774	449	294	216	75	32	11	2	1
EAST BATON ROUGE	13,622	1,925	5,268	2,502	1,689	1,355	499	250	75	40	19
EAST FELICIANA	306	36	139	57	35	23	9	3	2	1	1
IBERVILLE	669	89	244	125	92	68	28	14	6	2	1
LIVINGSTON	1,661	245	710	315	196	137	44	8	3	2	1
POINTE COUPEE	450	56	199	88	54	33	13	6	0	1	0
ST. HELENA	106	14	39	19	16	13	3	2	0	0	0
TANGIPAOHA	2,542	366	966	523	334	230	76	33	6	5	3
WASHINGTON	784	91	326	157	107	76	14	8	3	2	0
WEST BATON ROUGE	620	56	210	125	99	87	29	12	1	1	0
WEST FELICIANA	253	29	117	50	27	18	5	3	1	2	1
3RD RLMA	5,472	595	2,201	1,166	691	503	178	97	20	16	5
ASSUMPTION	337	41	150	74	40	20	5	5	0	2	0
LAFOURCHE	2,038	197	860	448	246	174	72	24	6	9	2
TERREBONNE	3,097	357	1,191	644	405	309	101	68	14	5	3

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	TOTAL UNITS	0	1-4	5-9	10-19	20-49	50-99	100-249	250-499	500-999	1000 & OVER
4TH RLMA	17,186	2,056	7,046	3,385	2,160	1,612	557	277	51	23	19
ACADIA	1,162	122	516	240	147	85	33	13	4	0	2
EVANGELINE	634	57	301	136	78	37	14	7	3	0	1
IBERIA	1,893	206	691	416	257	200	68	45	4	4	2
LAFAYETTE	8,072	1,050	3,225	1,518	1,013	796	271	150	29	11	9
ST. LANDRY	1,784	193	772	354	222	168	49	18	2	5	1
ST. MARTIN	864	111	383	155	99	78	26	9	2	0	1
ST. MARY	1,594	170	628	332	198	165	66	26	4	3	2
VERMILION	1,183	147	530	234	146	83	30	9	3	0	1
5TH RLMA	6,912	932	2,629	1,451	947	603	194	107	29	9	11
ALLEN	447	46	213	90	50	26	11	6	3	1	1
BEAUREGARD	695	94	280	152	94	51	13	7	2	1	1
CALCASIEU	4,848	679	1,763	1,011	686	433	154	86	21	6	9
CAMERON	197	30	74	39	25	23	4	1	1	0	0
JEFFERSON DAVIS	725	83	299	159	92	70	12	7	2	1	0
6TH RLMA	6,900	810	2,790	14,447	935	580	187	100	31	12	8
AVOUELLES	859	87	391	190	108	54	19	5	3	1	1
CATAHOULA	251	30	104	60	36	13	6	1	1	0	0
CONCORDIA	433	61	169	93	62	30	13	3	1	1	0
GRANT	235	28	110	49	24	16	3	2	2	1	0
LASALLE	346	36	155	78	40	27	4	4	1	1	0
RAPIDES	3,551	422	1,347	741	492	337	122	67	12	6	5
VERNON	842	101	352	158	118	75	15	11	8	2	2
WINN	383	45	162	78	55	28	5	7	3	0	0

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UNITS FOR FIRST QUARTER 2006**

	TOTAL UNITS	0	1-4	5-9	10-19	20-49	50-99	100-249	250-499	500-999	1000 & OVER
7TH RLMA	14,529	2,018	5,803	2,797	1,838	1,334	421	212	58	28	20
BIENVILLE	326	42	156	60	31	23	7	4	1	2	0
BOSSIER	2,409	299	926	460	347	244	84	35	5	5	4
CADDO	7,314	1,126	2,875	1,325	902	690	217	126	33	8	12
CLAIBORNE	312	35	136	62	41	23	9	4	0	2	0
DESOTO	449	64	192	93	51	29	11	6	2	1	0
LINCOLN	1,140	142	457	238	142	105	32	13	6	3	2
NATCHITOCHE	949	110	364	204	137	100	20	4	4	5	1
RED RIVER	186	25	82	38	19	14	5	2	1	0	0
SABINE	533	77	233	124	48	35	9	4	2	1	0
WEBSTER	911	98	382	193	120	71	27	14	4	1	1
8TH RLMA	8,251	1,115	3,387	1,641	1,055	689	214	109	20	16	5
CALDWELL	248	24	114	53	28	21	5	2	1	0	0
EAST CARROLL	206	24	92	46	24	14	2	4	0	0	0
FRANKLIN	467	64	199	86	68	34	9	5	1	1	0
JACKSON	309	43	129	68	48	14	2	3	1	1	0
MADISON	298	37	120	53	55	21	6	5	1	0	0
MOREHOUSE	622	69	265	136	84	49	10	6	1	2	0
OUACHITA	4,788	670	1,892	921	612	448	153	66	13	9	4
RICHLAND	516	82	203	122	50	39	12	6	1	1	0
TENSAS	164	23	75	35	21	5	2	3	0	0	0
UNION	409	59	188	78	38	30	9	5	0	1	1
WEST CARROLL	224	20	110	43	27	14	4	4	1	1	0

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BY RLMA, BY PARISH, BY SIZE OF FIRM
MARCH 2006 - EMPLOYMENT

	MARCH EMP.	0	1-4	5-9	10-19	20-49	50-99	100-249	250-499	500-999	1000 & OVER
1ST RLMA	468,042	0	27,024	35,032	49,481	77,863	66,066	70,573	38,760	34,553	68,690
JEFFERSON	188,030	0	11,140	15,223	21,695	33,042	27,853	29,217	14,976	7,868	27,016
ORLEANS	148,073	0	7,290	8,264	12,211	20,893	18,239	24,004	13,324	13,681	30,167
PLAQUEMINES	13,918	0	551	976	1,578	2,179	2,674	2,678	2,133	*	0
ST. BERNARD	7,306	0	495	631	864	932	1,216	955	1,313	*	0
ST. CHARLES	22,779	0	904	1,302	1,878	3,484	2,766	3,393	1,535	4,451	*
ST. JAMES	6,922	0	277	589	702	1,262	868	1,163	*	*	0
ST. JOHN	14,077	0	650	1,013	1,413	2,832	2,346	2,579	1,616	*	*
ST. TAMMANY	66,937	0	5,717	7,034	9,140	13,239	10,104	6,584	3,115	4,588	*
2ND RLMA	405,889	0	19,039	29,275	39,515	68,582	54,921	55,400	38,674	40,634	59,849
ASCENSION	33,291	0	1,657	2,960	3,940	6,746	5,084	4,941	3,766	*	*
EAST BATON ROUGE	260,261	0	10,997	16,648	22,767	41,144	34,908	36,583	26,366	28,159	42,689
EAST FELICIANA	5,314	0	279	376	479	666	630	392	*	*	*
IBERVILLE	14,037	0	560	845	1,262	2,092	1,872	2,261	2,071	*	*
LIVINGSTON	20,471	0	1,502	2,065	2,549	4,112	2,902	1,280	1,221	*	*
POINTE COUPEE	5,370	0	446	572	725	1,033	931	1,073	0	*	0
ST. HELENA	1,458	0	81	127	230	390	205	*	0	0	0
TANGIPAHOA	39,658	0	2,077	3,497	4,406	6,972	5,116	5,013	2,226	3,638	6,713
WASHINGTON	10,646	0	717	1,039	1,391	2,358	1,072	1,270	1,335	*	0
WEST BATON ROUGE	10,046	0	471	829	1,409	2,561	1,905	1,805	*	*	0
WEST FELICIANA	5,337	0	252	317	357	508	296	357	*	*	*
3RD RLMA	90,418	0	4,714	7,690	9,422	15,269	12,326	14,187	7,103	10,529	9,178
ASSUMPTION	4,428	0	308	485	571	576	423	660	0	*	0
LAFOURCHE	33,697	0	1,849	2,974	3,317	5,394	4,903	3,426	2,237	6,018	*
TERREBONNE	52,293	0	2,557	4,231	5,534	9,299	7,000	10,101	4,866	3,106	5,599

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MARCH 2006 - EMPLOYMENT

	MARCH EMP.	0	1-4	5-9	10-19	20-49	50-99	100-249	250-499	500-999	1000 & OVER
4TH RLMA	259,214	0	14,824	22,464	28,978	48,387	38,153	41,920	17,757	16,053	30,678
ACADIA	16,159	0	1,113	1,584	2,009	2,676	2,257	1,999	1,496	0	*
EVANGELINE	7,904	0	683	898	997	1,112	1,002	1,018	1,116	0	*
IBERIA	33,622	0	1,493	2,761	3,467	6,017	4,707	7,460	1,699	2,555	*
LAFAYETTE	127,437	0	6,638	10,090	13,661	24,020	18,973	22,272	9,381	7,347	15,055
ST. LANDRY	24,512	0	1,596	2,327	2,932	4,870	3,172	2,741	*	3,599	*
ST. MARTIN	10,179	0	784	1,030	1,357	2,364	1,640	1,119	*	0	*
ST. MARY	26,293	0	1,389	2,213	2,604	4,832	4,255	3,961	1,657	2,552	*
VERMILION	13,108	0	1,128	1,561	1,951	2,496	2,147	1,350	1,059	0	*
5TH RLMA	112,156	0	5,773	9,619	12,754	18,434	13,203	16,097	10,083	6,369	19,824
ALLEN	8,376	0	451	594	630	724	784	880	*	*	*
BEAUREGARD	8,608	0	620	998	1,244	1,553	836	966	*	*	*
CALCASIEU	84,408	0	3,888	6,708	9,300	13,253	10,587	13,176	7,112	4,045	16,339
CAMERON	2,243	0	162	265	339	715	263	*	*	0	0
JEFFERSON DAVIS	8,521	0	652	1,054	1,241	2,189	733	931	*	*	0
6TH RLMA	105,641	0	6,191	9,566	12,542	17,324	13,006	14,615	10,258	7,693	14,446
AVOUELLES	10,874	0	930	1,274	1,420	1,623	1,401	654	1,147	*	*
CATAHOULA	2,377	0	219	388	489	374	390	*	*	0	0
CONCORDIA	5,254	0	402	591	839	872	931	540	*	*	0
GRANT	3,105	0	248	309	324	447	200	*	*	*	0
LASALLE	3,801	0	350	501	537	839	297	501	*	*	0
RAPIDES	60,006	0	2,916	4,914	6,653	10,030	8,501	9,911	3,565	3,417	10,099
VERNON	15,050	0	780	1,070	1,548	2,233	948	1,468	2,690	*	*
WINN	5,174	0	346	519	732	906	338	1,087	1,246	0	0

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7TH RLMA	234,220	0	12,312	18,579	24,828	39,888	28,645	30,307	20,235	18,368	41,058
BIENVILLE	4,319	0	352	395	431	675	494	472	*	*	0
BOSSIER	40,628	0	1,950	3,081	4,757	7,267	5,612	5,148	1,668	3,497	7,648
CADDO	126,059	0	5,990	8,776	12,172	20,677	14,922	17,590	11,302	5,611	29,019
CLAIBORNE	4,344	0	291	392	537	699	593	748	0	*	0
DESOTO	5,909	0	404	617	706	859	763	839	*	*	0
LINCOLN	17,790	0	1,011	1,615	1,897	3,197	2,193	1,844	1,923	1,783	*
NATCHITOCHE	14,454	0	786	1,367	1,829	2,849	1,326	641	1,565	3,040	*
RED RIVER	2,032	0	186	234	243	432	372	*	*	0	0
SABINE	5,651	0	495	849	641	1,009	640	479	*	*	0
WEBSTER	13,034	0	847	1,253	1,615	2,224	1,730	2,260	1,519	*	*
8TH RLMA	110,769	0	7,263	10,851	14,209	20,673	14,704	15,630	6,785	11,746	8,908
CALDWELL	2,442	0	261	340	369	615	335	*	*	0	0
EAST CARROLL	1,984	0	208	308	304	452	*	536	0	0	0
FRANKLIN	5,295	0	459	560	926	1,067	615	770	*	*	0
JACKSON	3,407	0	277	448	686	389	*	436	*	*	0
MADISON	3,483	0	279	348	730	616	380	742	*	0	0
MOREHOUSE	7,240	0	574	879	1,083	1,381	703	776	*	*	0
OUACHITA	70,444	0	3,920	6,145	8,269	13,401	10,453	9,425	4,373	7,028	7,430
RICHLAND	5,849	0	465	806	677	1,196	873	957	*	*	0
TENSAS	1,446	0	167	219	278	146	*	499	0	0	0
UNION	5,602	0	411	497	513	940	590	660	0	*	*
WEST CARROLL	3,577	0	242	301	374	470	308	608	*	*	0

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North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Descriptions

SECTOR 11 - AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING AND HUNTING

This sector will include activities related to agricultural production and support services.

- 111 Crop Production
- 112 Animal Production
- 113 Forestry and Logging
- 114 Fishing, Hunting, and Trapping
- 115 Support Activities for Agriculture and Forestry

SECTOR 21 - MINING

This sector includes establishments that extract naturally occurring mineral solids, liquid materials, and gases. Classification is based upon the natural resource mined or to be mined. Mining operations and mining support services are also included.

- 211 Oil and Gas Extraction
- 212 Mining (except oil and gas)
- 213 Support Activities for Mining

SECTOR 22 - UTILITIES

This sector includes establishments engaged in the provision of utility services including electric power, natural gas, steam supply, water supply, and sewage removal. These establishments were previously in transportation, communications and public utilities. Establishments will be grouped by utility service provided and the particular system or facilities required. **Classification will be based on primary activity only. There will be no combined activities.**

- 221 Utilities

SECTOR 23 - CONSTRUCTION

This sector will include establishments primarily engaged in construction of structures, heavy construction, and special trade construction.

- 236 Building, Developing, and General Contracting
- 237 Heavy Construction
- 238 Special Trade Contractors

SECTORS 31-33 - MANUFACTURING

This sector includes establishments primarily engaged in the mechanical, physical, or chemical transformation of materials, substances, or components into new products. Work is usually performed in a plant, mill, or factory and includes assembling, blending, dyeing, plating, or heat treating of components or materials. The activities in manufacturing remain the same; however, there will be numerous changes in the industry.

- 311-312 Food and Beverages (including tobacco)
- 313-316 Textiles and Apparel (including leather)
- 321-322 Wood and Paper Products
- 323 Printing
- 324-325 Petroleum and Chemicals
- 326 Plastics and Rubber
- 327 Non-metallic Minerals
- 331-332 Primary Fabricated Metals
- 333 Machinery & Equipment
- 334 Computer, Communications, and Electronic Equip.
- 335 Electrical Equipment and Appliances
- 336 Transportation Equipment
- 337 Furniture
- 339 Medical, Jewelry, Sporting Goods, Office Supplies, etc.

SECTOR 42 - WHOLESALE TRADE

This sector includes establishments engaged in wholesaling merchandise, generally without transformation, and providing services incidental to the sale.

Wholesalers usually sell goods to other wholesalers or retailers and do not use public advertising. They normally operate from a warehouse or office that is not designed for walk-in customers.

- 423 Wholesale Trade - Durable goods
- 424 Wholesale Trade - Non Durable goods
- 425 Electronic Markets, Agents & Brokers

SECTORS 44-45 - RETAIL TRADE

This sector includes establishments generally selling merchandise from a store to the general public and businesses, and providing services incidental to the sale. As in wholesale, emphasis is taken off the type of customer and is now classified according to what the establishment does. Non-store retailers will also be included in this industry.

- 441 Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers
- 442 Furniture and Home Furnishings Stores
- 443 Electronics and Appliance Stores
- 444 Building Material and Garden Equipment and Supplies dealers
- 445 Food and Beverage Stores
- 446 Health and Personal Care Stores
- 447 Gasoline Stations
- 448 Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores
- 451 Sporting Goods, Hobby, Book and Music Stores
- 452 General Merchandise Stores
- 453 Miscellaneous Store Retailers
- 454 Non store Retailers (includes Electronic Shopping)

SECTORS 48-49 - TRANSPORTATION & WAREHOUSING

This sector includes establishments providing transportation of passengers and cargo, warehousing and storage for goods, and support activities.

- 481 Air Transportation
- 482 Rail Transportation
- 483 Water Transportation
- 484 Truck Transportation
- 485 Transit and Ground Passenger Transportation
- 486 Pipeline Transportation
- 487 Scenic and Sightseeing Transportation
- 488 Support Activities for Transportation
- 491 Postal Service
- 492 Couriers and Messengers
- 493 Warehousing and Storage

SECTOR 51 - INFORMATION

This sector includes establishments that produce and distribute information and cultural products and provide the means to transmit and/or distribute these products, and establishments that process data. Publishing and broadcasting are coded based on whether they include Internet or not.

- 511 Publishing Industries (except Internet)
- 512 Motion Picture and Sound Recording
- 515 Broadcasting (except Internet)
- 516 Internet Publishing & Broadcasting
- 517 Telecommunications
- 518 ISPs, Search Portals and Data Processing
- 519 Other Information

SECTOR 52 - FINANCE AND INSURANCE

This sector includes establishments engaged in extending credit through deposits or credit markers, securities and commodity investors and brokers, underwriting insurance or annuities, and those that provide support to financial, insurance, or employee benefit activities.

- 521 Monetary Authorities - Central Banks
- 522 Credit Intermediation and Related Activities
- 523 Securities, Commodity Contracts and Other
Financial Investments, and Related Activities
- 524 Insurance Carriers and Related Activities
- 525 Funds, Trusts and Other Financial Vehicles

SECTOR 53 - REAL ESTATE & RENTAL AND LEASING

This sector includes establishments engaged in renting and leasing real estate and tangible and intangible assets and providing related services.

- 531 Real Estate
- 532 Rental and Leasing Services
- 533 Lessors of Non-financial Intangible Assets

SECTOR 54 - PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL SERVICES

This sector includes establishments providing services requiring high expertise and training. Worker skills and expertise group the industries. The sector includes a wide variety of establishments that provide services to a variety of industries and, in some cases, to individuals. This sector comprises establishments from SICs 37, 72, 73, and 87.

- 541 Professional, Scientific and Technical Services

SECTOR 55 - MANAGEMENT OF COMPANIES AND ENTERPRISES

This sector includes establishments that administer and manage other establishments **of the same enterprise**, and establishments that hold securities of companies and enterprises for the purpose of owning a controlling interest in a company.

551 Management of Companies and Enterprises

SECTOR 56 - ADMINISTRATION AND WASTE SERVICES

This sector includes establishments performing routine support activities for day-to-day operations of **other organizations**, typically on a contract or fee basis. These services are provided to clients in a variety of industries, and sometimes to households. This sector contains employers from numerous SICs.

561 Administrative and Support Services

562 Waste Management and Remediation Services

SECTOR 61 - EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

This sector includes establishments that provide instruction and training in a wide variety of subjects and may be privately or publicly owned. Profit or non-profit establishments are also included.

611 Educational Services

SECTOR 62 - HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE

This sector includes establishments providing health care and social assistance for individuals.

- 621 Ambulatory Health Care Services
- 622 Hospitals
- 623 Nursing and Residential Care Facilities
- 624 Social Assistance

SECTOR 71 – ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT AND RECREATION

This sector includes establishments that provide varied cultural, entertainment, and recreational services to their customers.

- 711 Performing Arts, Spectator Sports and Related
- 712 Museums, Historical Sites and Similar Institutions
- 713 Amusement Gambling and Recreation

SECTOR 72 - ACCOMMODATIONS AND FOOD SERVICES

This sector includes establishments providing short-term lodging and/or preparing food and beverages for immediate consumption.

- 721 Accommodations
- 722 Food Services and Drinking Places

SECTOR 81- OTHER SERVICES, EXCEPT PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

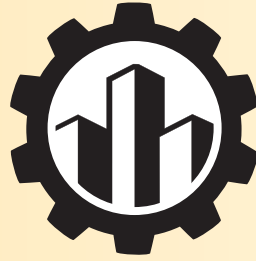
This sector consists of establishments providing services not classified elsewhere and includes a wide variety of industries.

- 811 Repair and Maintenance
- 812 Personal and Laundry
- 813 Religious, Grantmaking, Civic,
Professional and Similar Organizations
- 814 Private Households

SECTOR 92 - PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

This sector consists of establishments of federal, state, and local government agencies that administer, oversee, and manage public programs and have executive, legislative, or judicial authority over other institutions within a given area.

- 921 Executive, Legislative, and
Other General Government
- 922 Justice, Public Order and Safety
- 923 Human Resource Programs
- 924 Environmental Quality Programs
- 925 Housing Programs, Urban Planning
and Community Development
- 926 Economic Programs
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