

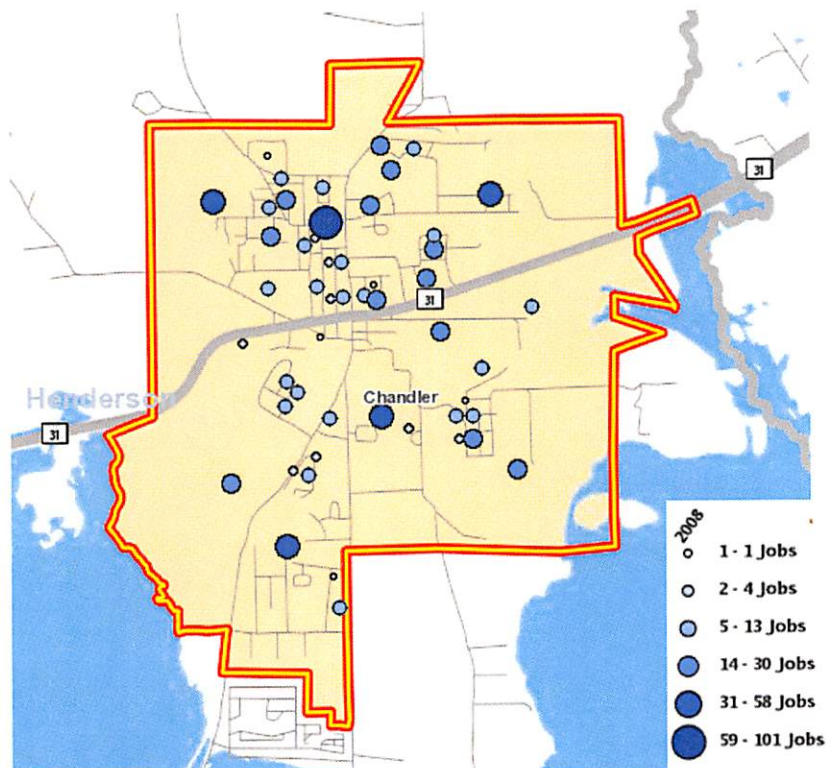
## E. - Employment

### *Largest Employers*

Chandler is primarily a bedroom community to Tyler. However, Chandler has several large employers with many small businesses employing less than ten employees. The Chandler Nursing Center is the largest employer which is indicated by the large blue dot on the map below.

Major Employers in Chandler, TX			
Organization	# of Employees	Organization	# of Employees
Chandler Nursing Center	95	Chandler Intermediate School	39
Brookshire's Grocery Store	77	City of Chandler	18
Chandler Elementary School	47	Citizens National Bank	14
Kidd Jones Oil Company	44		

### Business Locations



Source: U.S. Census Bureau LED on the Map

**Wages**

The total of all occupations and industries working in the East Texas Workforce Development Area (WDA) found employees to earn a median income of \$26,808 (\$12.89 per hour), compared to the state median wage of \$29,711 (\$14.28 per hour). An East Texas WDA entry level worker can expect to earn \$16,204 (\$7.79 per hour) while an experienced worker can expect to earn \$42,112 (\$20.25 per hour); compared to a state entry level of \$16,959 (\$8.16 per hour) and an experienced worker annual average wage of \$50,490 (24.27 per hour) based upon a total of 308,000 workers in the East Texas WDA.

**Unemployment**

Unemployment rates for Henderson County have increased over the past ten years much at the same rate as the state percentage. With the unstable economy over the past two years, both Texas and Henderson County’s unemployment increased at a higher rate than previous years as seen in Figure 14. Henderson County’s unemployment rate has been higher than the state or the region over the past 4 years.

Figure 14: Unemployment Rate 2000-2010 (January, unadjusted)

Year	Henderson County	East Texas WDA	Texas
2000	4.6	5.4	4.9
2001	4.3	5.1	4.5
2002	6	6.5	6.4
2003	6.1	6.9	7
2004	6.9	6.5	6.7
2005	6.6	5.8	6
2006	5.3	5.1	5.3
2007	4.9	4.9	4.8
2008	5.2	4.7	4.7
2009	7.4	6.7	6.8
2010	9.3	8.8	8.6
2011	8.9	8.3	8.5

Source: Texas Workforce Commission [www.tracer2.com](http://www.tracer2.com)