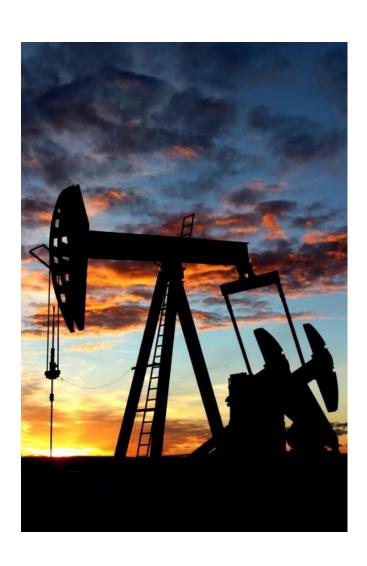
## **Texas Economic Update**



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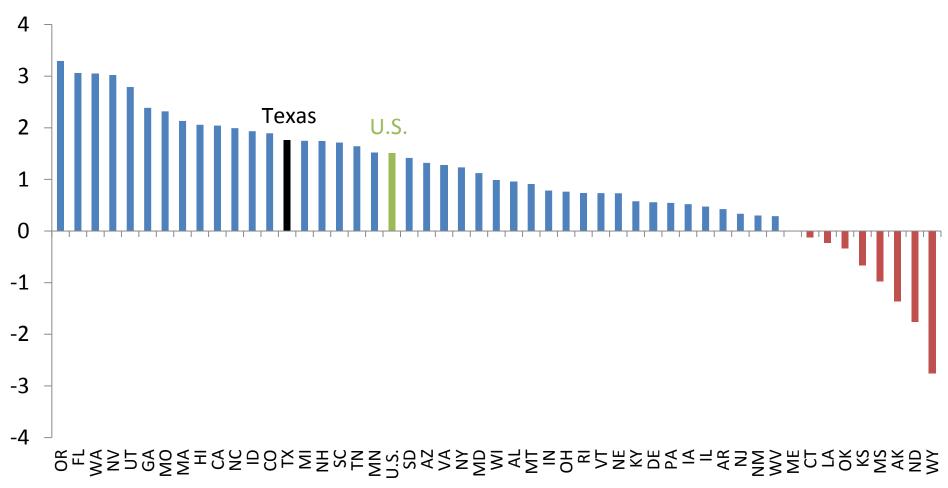
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## **Texas Economic Update**

- Texas survived the recent energy bust with few deep scars.
- Texas employment growth was moderate but slightly higher than in 2015.
  - 1.6% annual growth
  - 188,026 jobs
  - Growth accelerated in the second half
- Texas Business Outlook Surveys strengthening
- Energy Survey increasingly optimistic
- Worst may be behind us, but risks remain

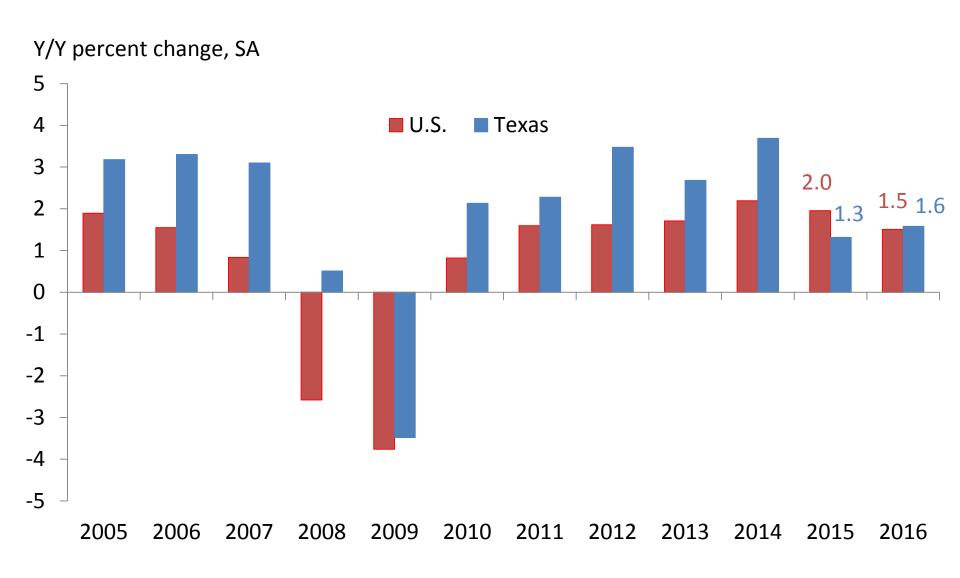
## Texas 14th in job growth in 2016

Dec/Dec percent change, SA





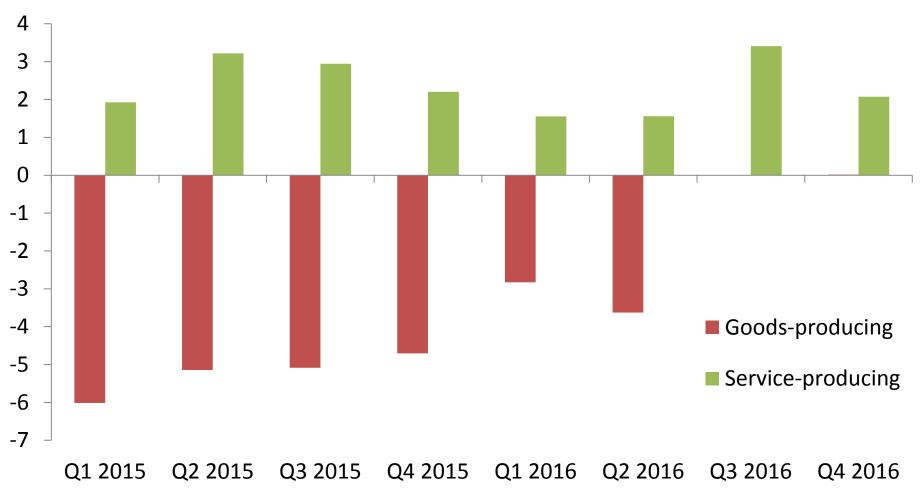
## Texas 2016 job growth above nation's





### **Goods sector weak**

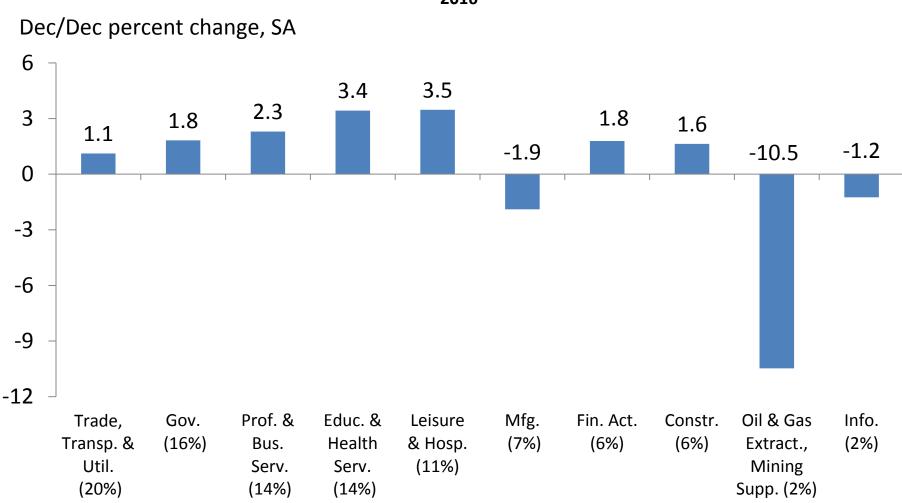






## **Employment growth rates by sector**

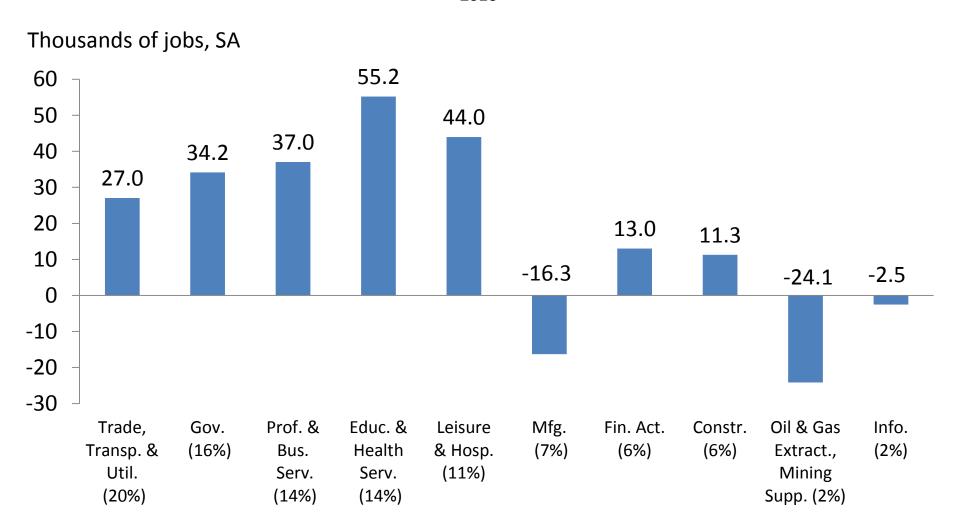
(NAICS Super Sectors, SA by FRB Dallas)
2016





## Texas employment growth by sector

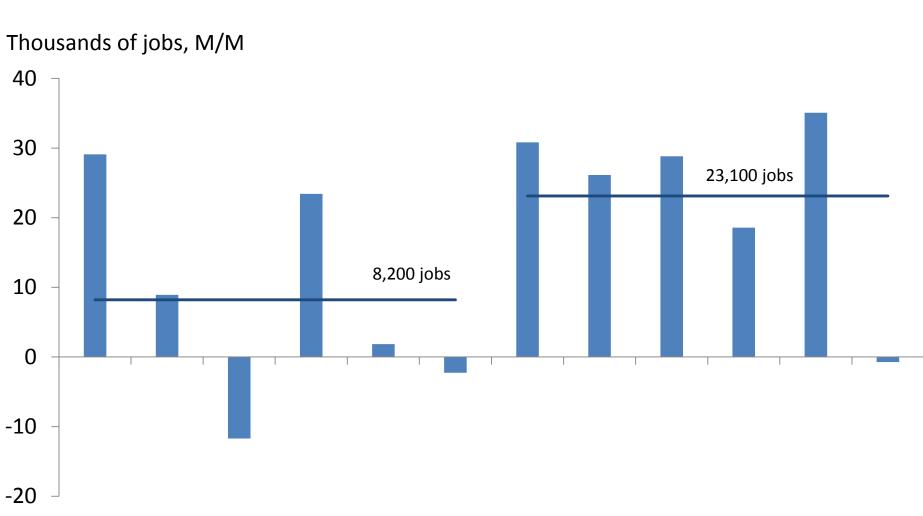
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SOURCES: Bureau of Labor Statistics; Texas Workforce Commission; seasonal and other adjustments by Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas.



## Job growth stronger in second half



Jun

Jul

NOTE: Lines represent Jan–Jun and Jul–Dec 2016 average monthly job growth. SOURCES: Bureau of Labor Statistics; Texas Workforce Commission; seasonal adjustments by FRB Dallas.

Mar

Apr

May

Jan

Feb



Nov

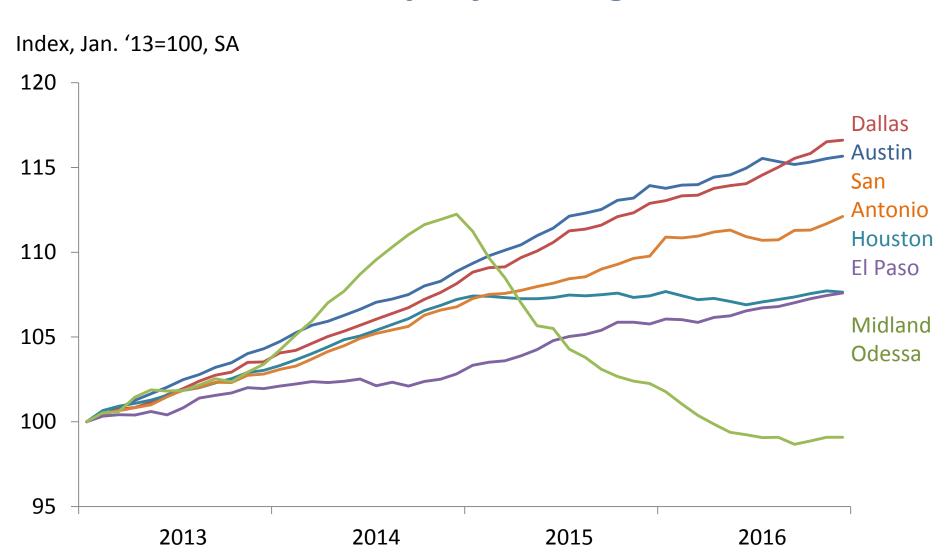
Dec

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## Metro employment growth

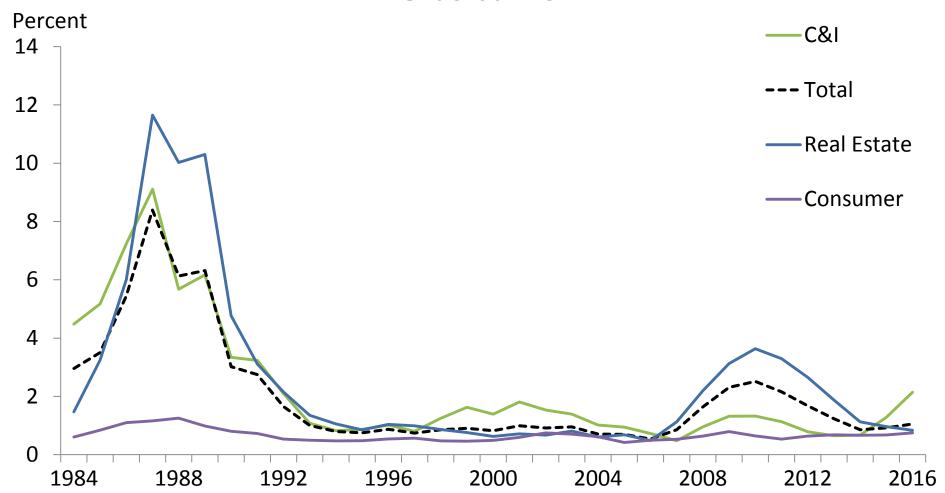


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### Noncurrent C&I loans fewer vs. 1980's

#### Texas banks

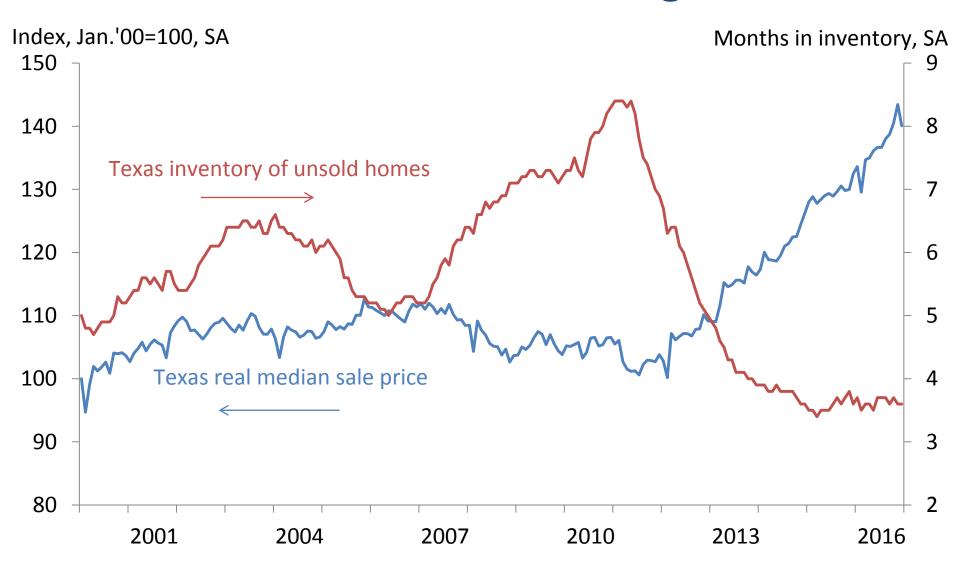


NOTES: Includes commercial banks and thrifts beginning in 2005; excludes Wells Fargo South Central in Houston. Data are through September 30<sup>th</sup> 2016. SOURCE: Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas.



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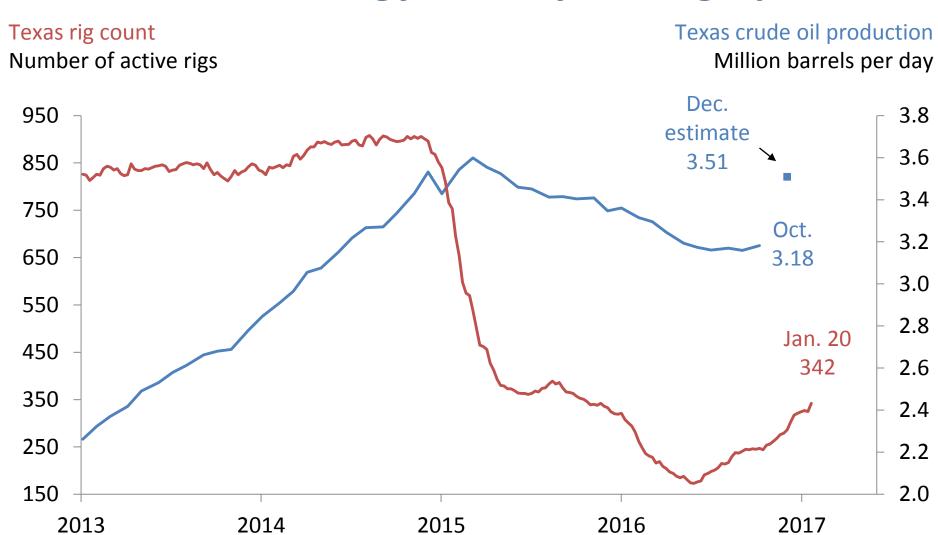
## Texas home market tight



SOURCES: Multiple Listing Service; seasonal and other adjustments by Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas.



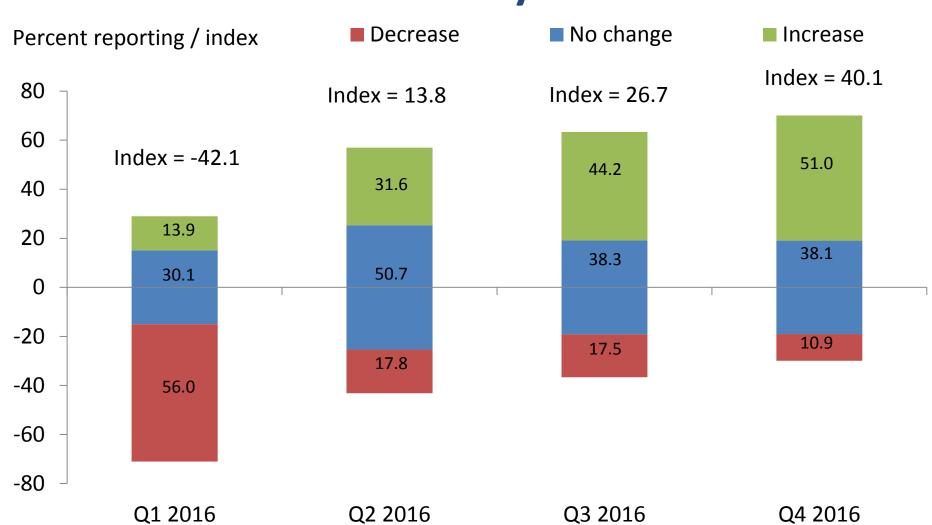
## Texas energy activity ticking up



NOTE: Dec estimate is an average of weekly OGJ data; monthly data are from the EIA. SOURCES: Baker Hughes; Energy Information Administration (EIA); Oil and Gas Journal (OGJ).



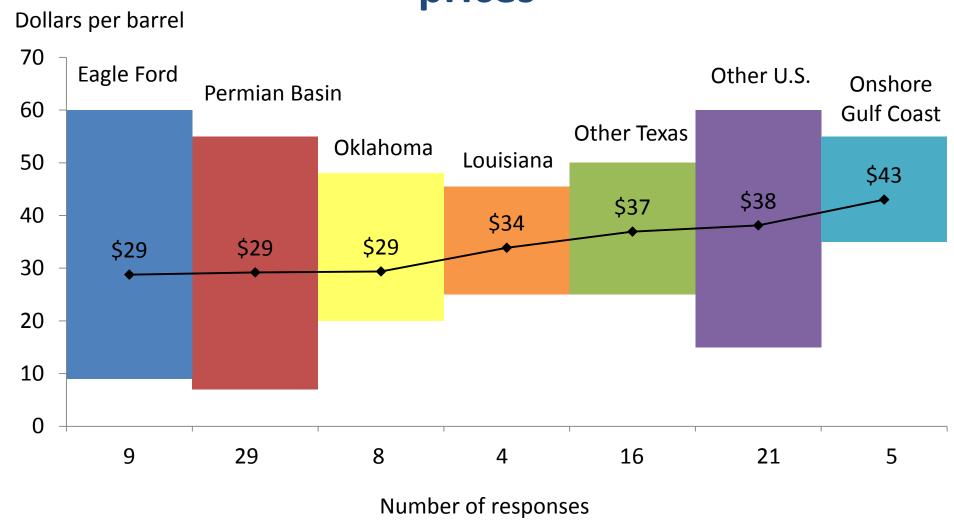
# Business activity up in Q4 Dallas Fed Energy Survey



NOTES: Percent reporting decrease is plotted as a negative value; percent reporting no change is plotted symmetrically around zero. SOURCE: Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas.



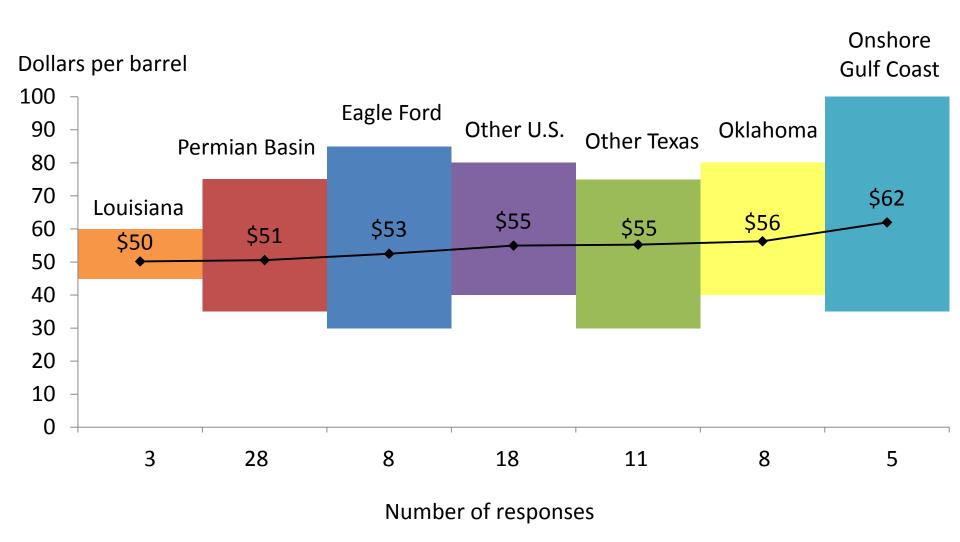
# Most existing wells won't be shut in at current prices



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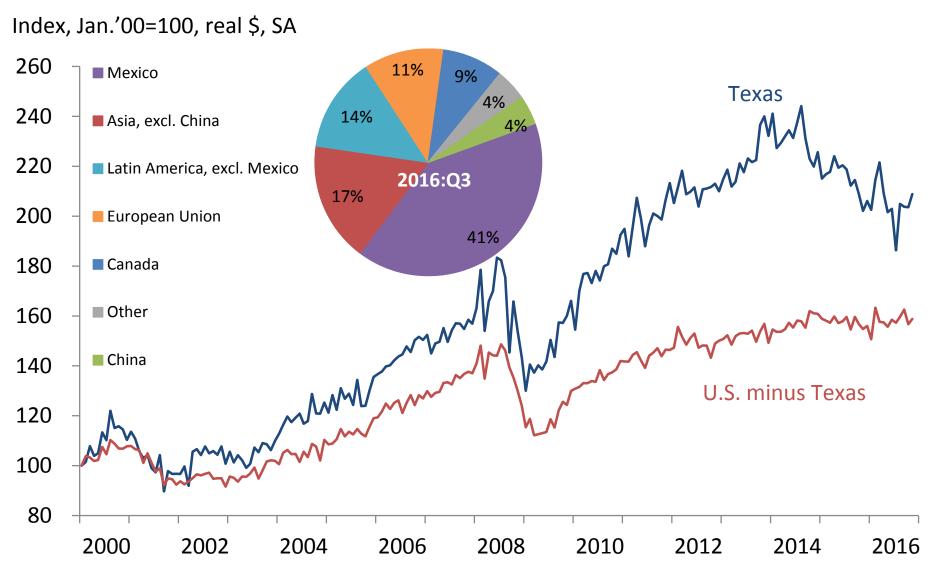
## ...but prices still below breakeven for new wells



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## Texas exports move up



## **Summary**

- Texas employment growth was modest in 2016.
  - 1.6% growth
  - 188,026 jobs
- Goods sector losses have tapered off
- Services sector healthy
- Oil and gas activity edging up
- Exports strengthened
- Expect 2% employment growth in 2017
- Confident about Texas, but uncertainty high.



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