



# AUGUST LABOR MARKET REVIEW

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*To our members,*

We are pleased to present the Labor Market Review that examines how the workforce area performed during August 2023. We are incorporating unemployment insurance claimant data to provide perspective on the ongoing pandemic effect.

The information presented in this newsletter was gathered from federal and state sources and pertains to the El Paso MSA, the Workforce Solutions Borderplex region, and the City of El Paso.

We look forward to performing to your highest standards in communicating pertinent information regarding the workforce as it relates to our objectives at WSB.

If there is additional information that you would like to see presented here, please send your comments and suggestions to:

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# HIGHLIGHTS OF THE LABOR FORCE AUGUST 2023

## WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS BORDERPLEX



### THE BORDERPLEX REGION

- THE LABOR FORCE DECREASED BY **1,057** FROM THE PREVIOUS MONTH
- THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYED INDIVIDUALS DECREASED BY **1,096** FROM THE PREVIOUS MONTH
- THE NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED INDIVIDUALS INCREASED BY **39** FROM THE PREVIOUS MONTH
- INDIVIDUALS WHO FILED FOR UNEMPLOYMENT DECREASED BY **332** FROM THE PREVIOUS MONTH
- THE TOP THREE UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMANT OCCUPATIONS WERE PRODUCTION, OFFICE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT & MANAGMENT

### EL PASO, TX MSA

- EL PASO, TX MSA UNEMPLOYMENT WAS AT **5.2%** WITH A TOTAL OF **19,664** UNEMPLOYED INDIVIDUALS
- EL PASO, TX MSA ADDED **4,200** NONFARM JOBS SINCE AUGIUST 2022
- EL PASO, TX MSA LOST **1,200** NONFARM JOBS FROM THE PREVIOUS MONTH

### RURAL COUNTIES (BREWSTER, CULBERSON, JEFF DAVIS, HUDSPETH, AND PRESIDIO COUNTIES)

- THE LABOR FORCE DECREASED BY **13** FROM THE PREVIOUS MONTH
- THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYED INDIVIDUALS DECREASED BY **25** FROM THE PREVIOUS MONTH
- THE NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED INDIVIDUALS INCREASED BY **12** FROM THE PREVIOUS MONTH

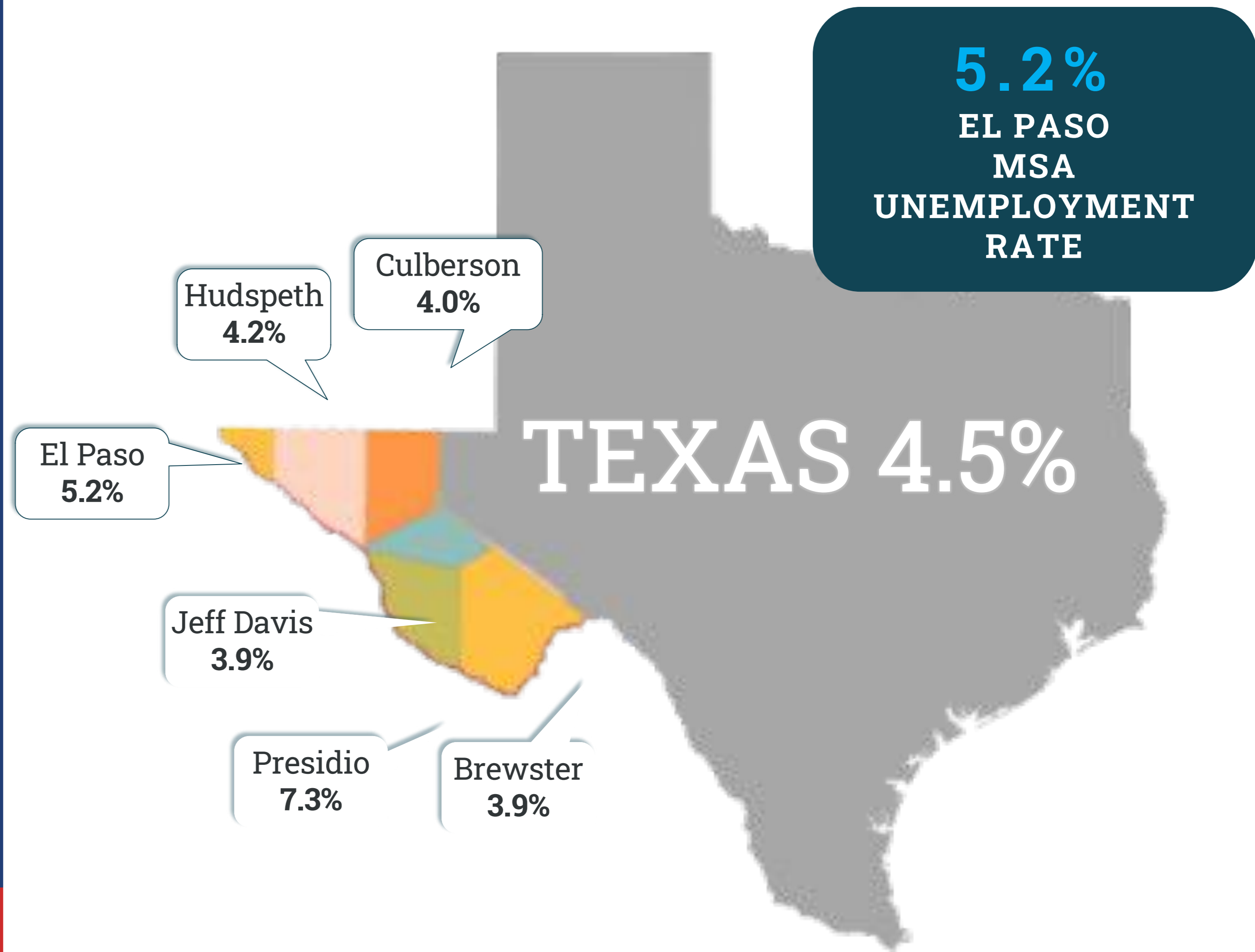
# NOTEWORTHY IN AUGUST 2023

*Non-Seasonally Adjusted*

## WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS BORDERPLEX

		August 2023				July 2023				August 2022			
		Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
Texas	State	15,188,537	14,502,948	685,589	4.5	15,180,276	14,497,230	683,046	4.5	14,674,216	14,094,855	579,361	3.9
El Paso	MSA	381,153	361,489	19,664	5.2	382,217	362,580	19,637	5.1	371,698	355,852	15,846	4.3
Borderplex	WDA	390,922	370,771	20,151	5.2	391,979	371,867	20,112	5.1	381,222	364,961	16,261	4.3
Brewster	County	4,378	4,207	171	3.9	4,345	4,179	166	3.8	4,207	4,066	141	3.4
Culberson	County	1,301	1,249	52	4.0	1,303	1,253	50	3.8	1,185	1,155	30	2.5
El Paso	County	379,244	359,661	19,583	5.2	380,288	360,732	19,556	5.1	369,806	354,034	15,772	4.3
Hudspeth	County	1,909	1,828	81	4.2	1,929	1,848	81	4.2	1,892	1,818	74	3.9
Jeff Davis	County	997	958	39	3.9	1,021	983	38	3.7	1,005	971	34	3.4
Presidio	County	3,093	2,868	225	7.3	3,093	2,872	221	7.1	3,127	2,917	210	6.7
El Paso	City	315,760	300,106	15,654	5.0	316,541	301,000	15,541	4.9	308,044	295,411	12,633	4.1
Socorro	City	15,794	14,936	858	5.4	15,871	14,980	891	5.6	15,383	14,702	681	4.4

# NOTEWORTHY IN AUGUST 2023



The three Super Sectors with the greatest employment for the El Paso MSA in August 2023 were:

1. Trade, Transportation, and Utilities
2. Government
3. Private Education and Health Services

These three Super Sectors represented **57%** of the total nonfarm employment.

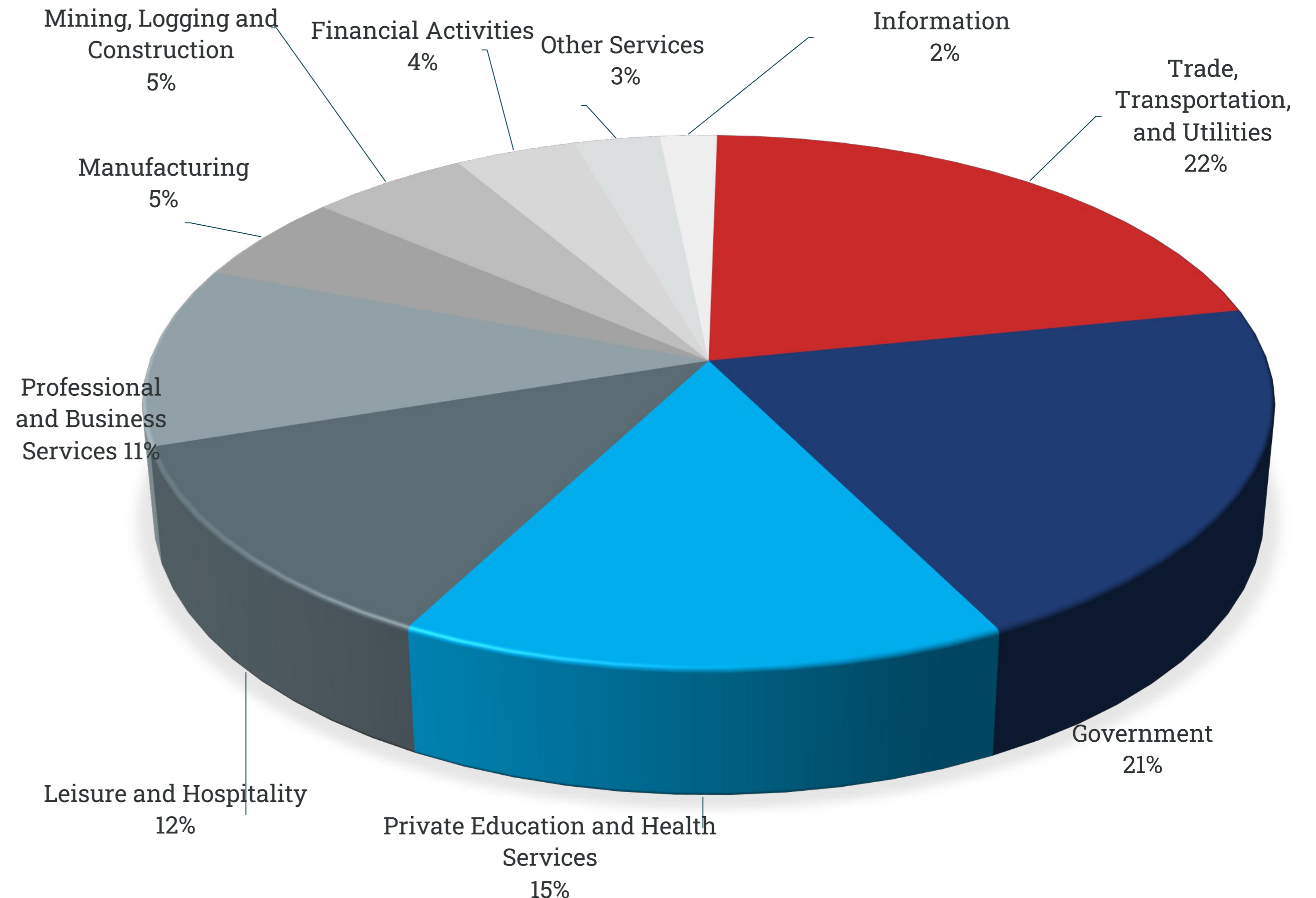
The three Super Sectors with the least employment for the El Paso MSA in August 2023 were:

1. Financial Activities
2. Other Services
3. Information

These three Super Sectors represented **9%** of the total nonfarm employment.

## WHERE DO WE WORK?

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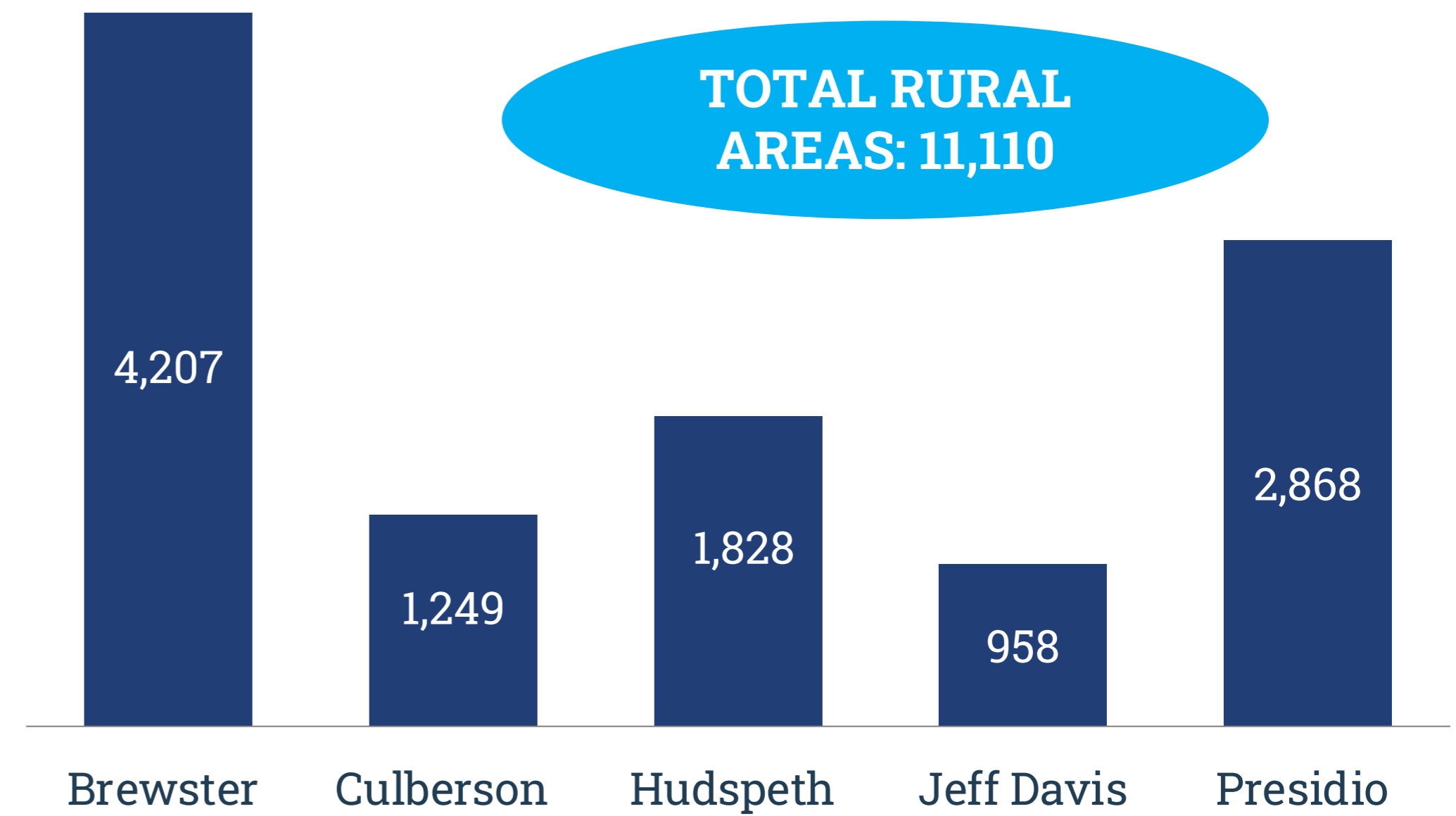
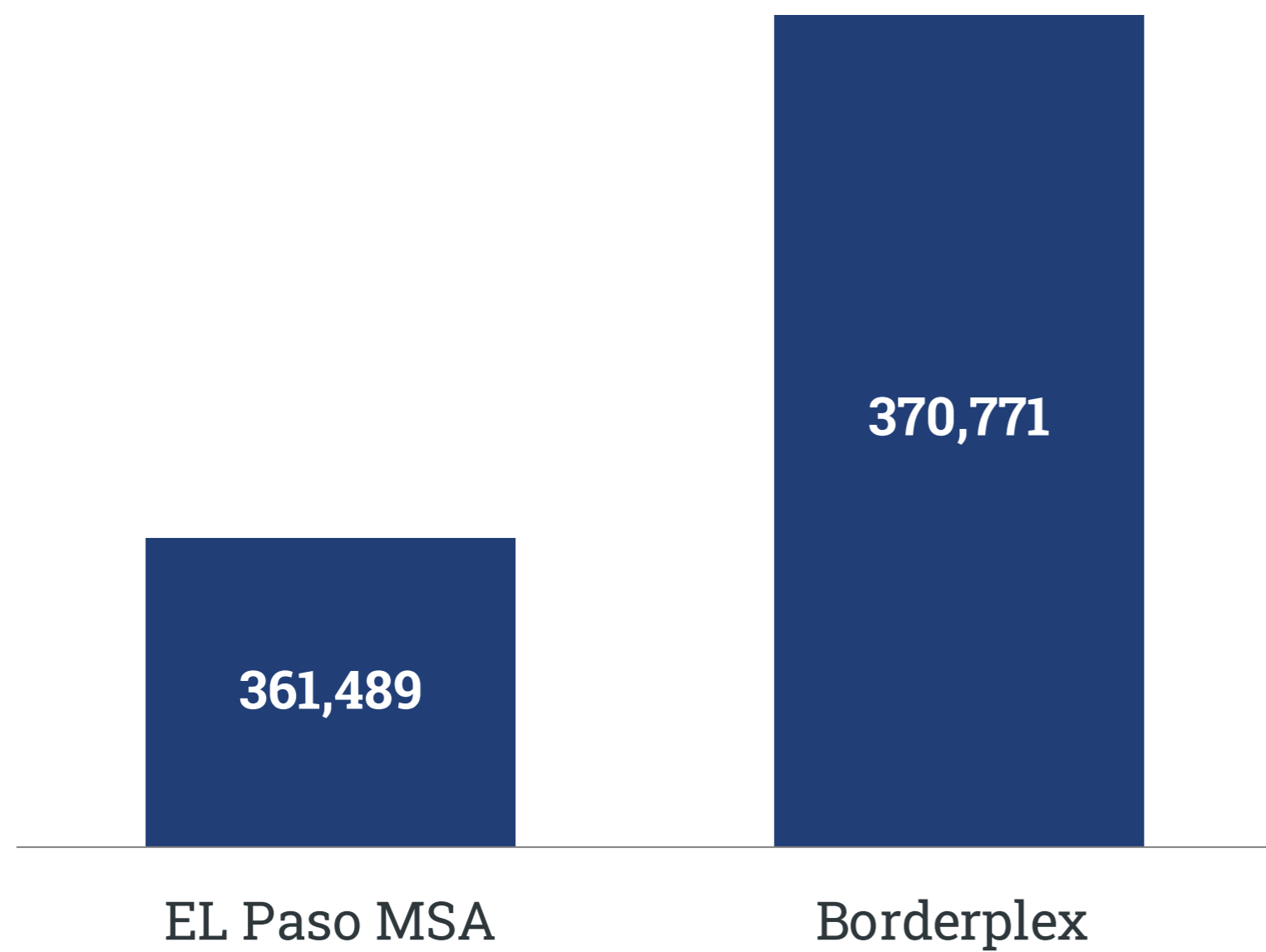




# WHERE DO WE WORK?

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## EMPLOYMENT in August 2023

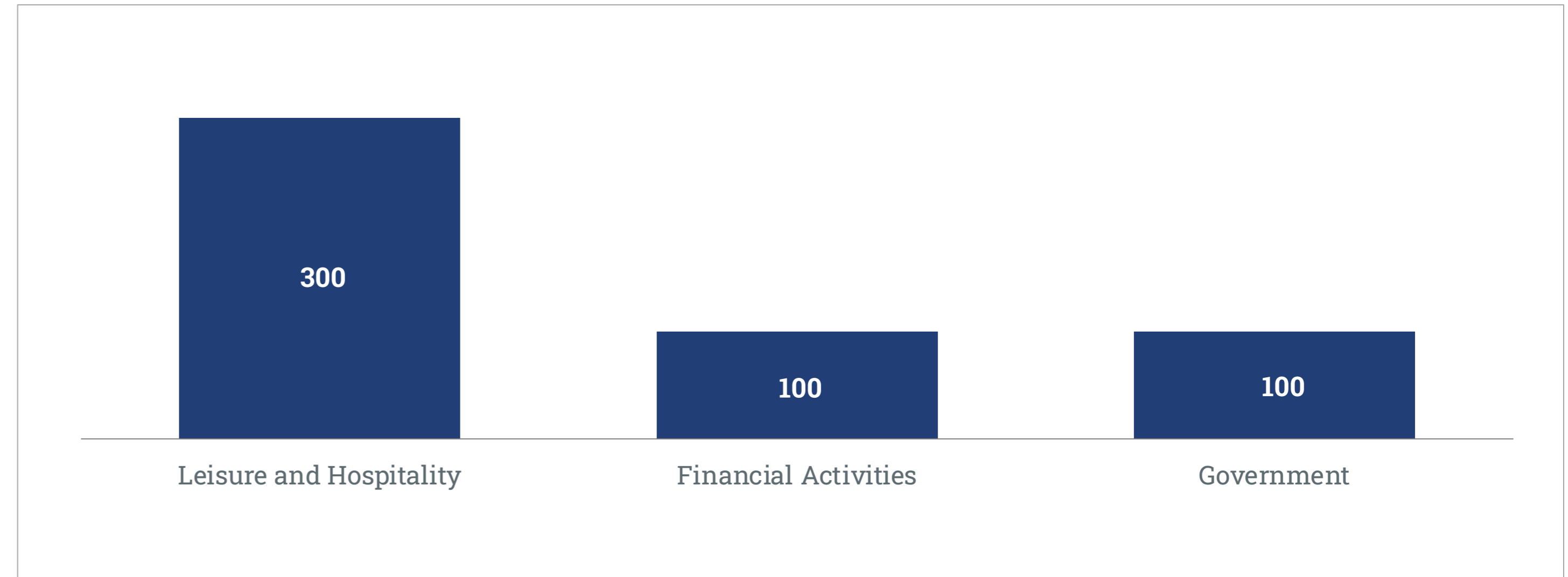




# WHERE DO WE WORK? (Cont.)

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## Industries Sectors that added jobs



## Top 5 Job Postings in the El Paso, TX MSA

Occupation	Vacancies	Median Hourly Earnings BLS 2022
Retail Salespersons	617	\$ 12.53
Registered Nurses	614	\$ 35.88
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers	599	\$ 17.50
Stockers and Order Fillers	398	\$ 14.54
Fast Food and Counter Workers	371	\$ 10.07

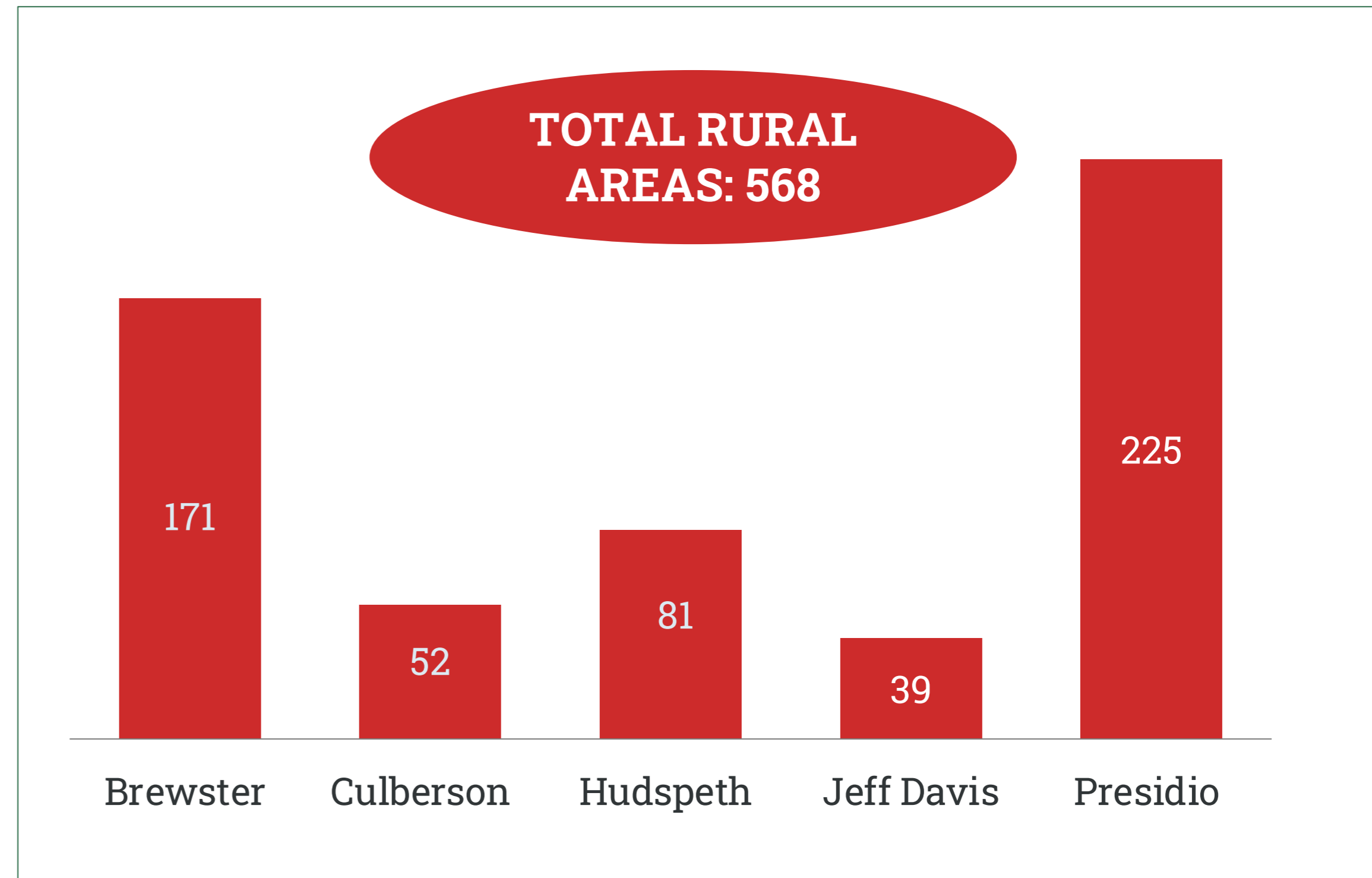
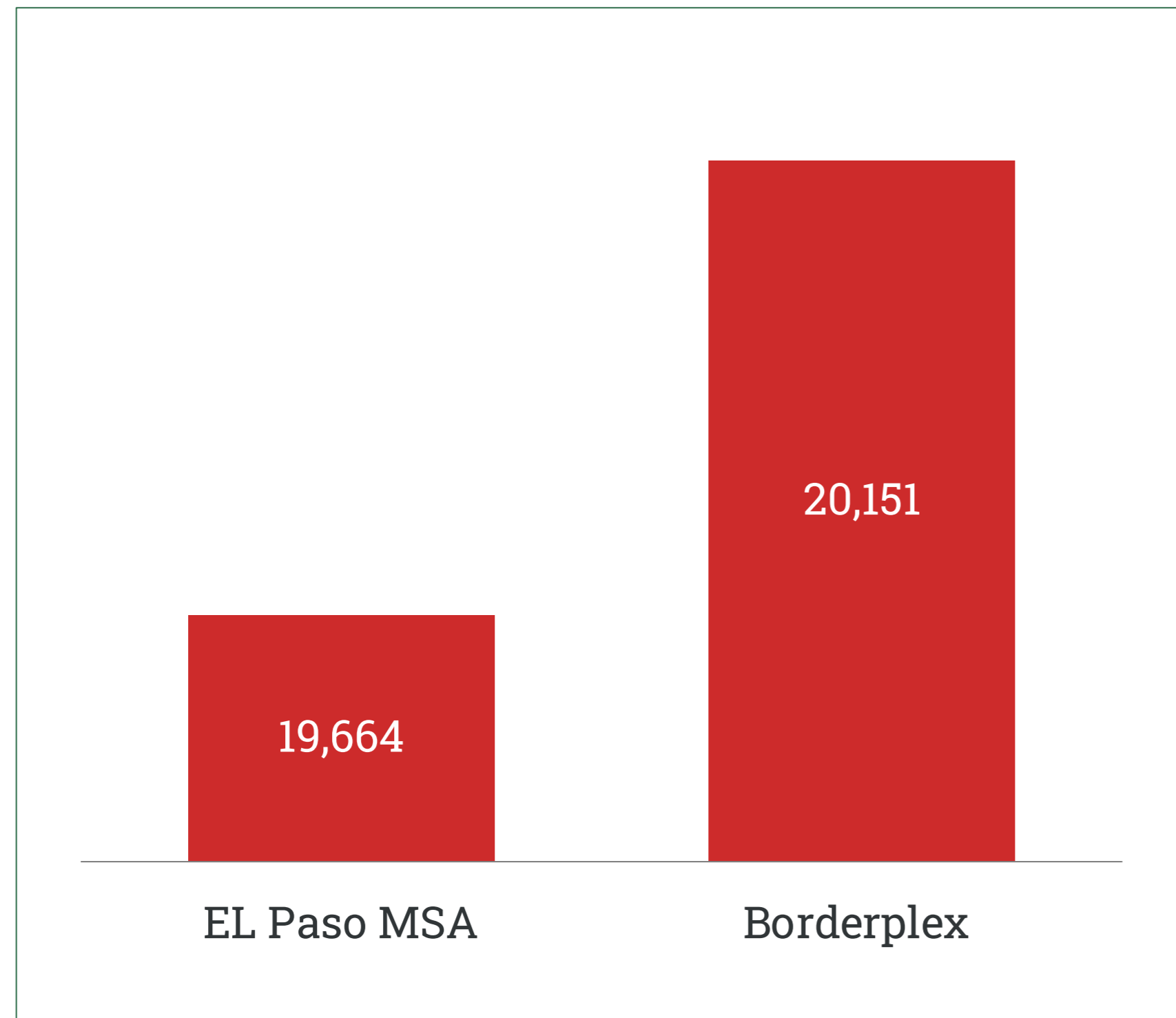
Job postings active during August 2023



# WHERE ARE WE LOSING JOBS?

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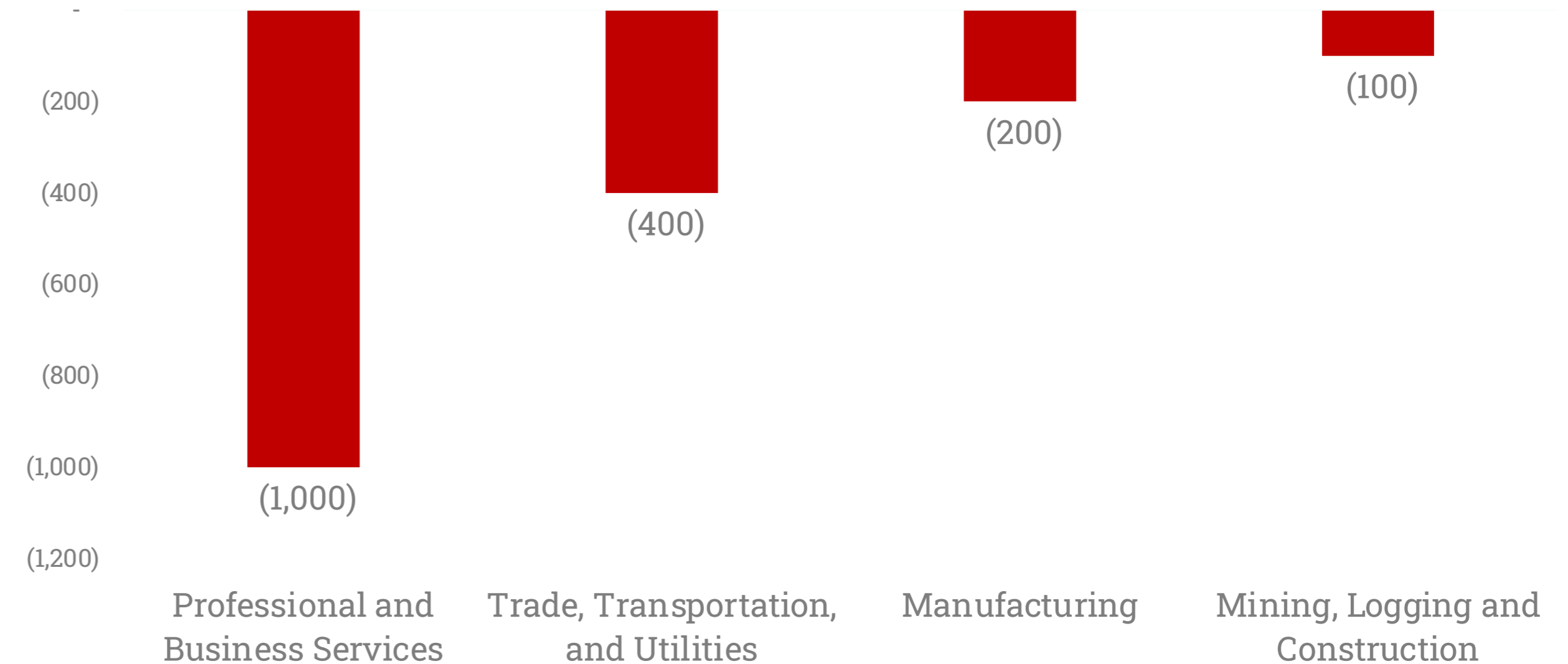
## UNEMPLOYMENT in August 2023



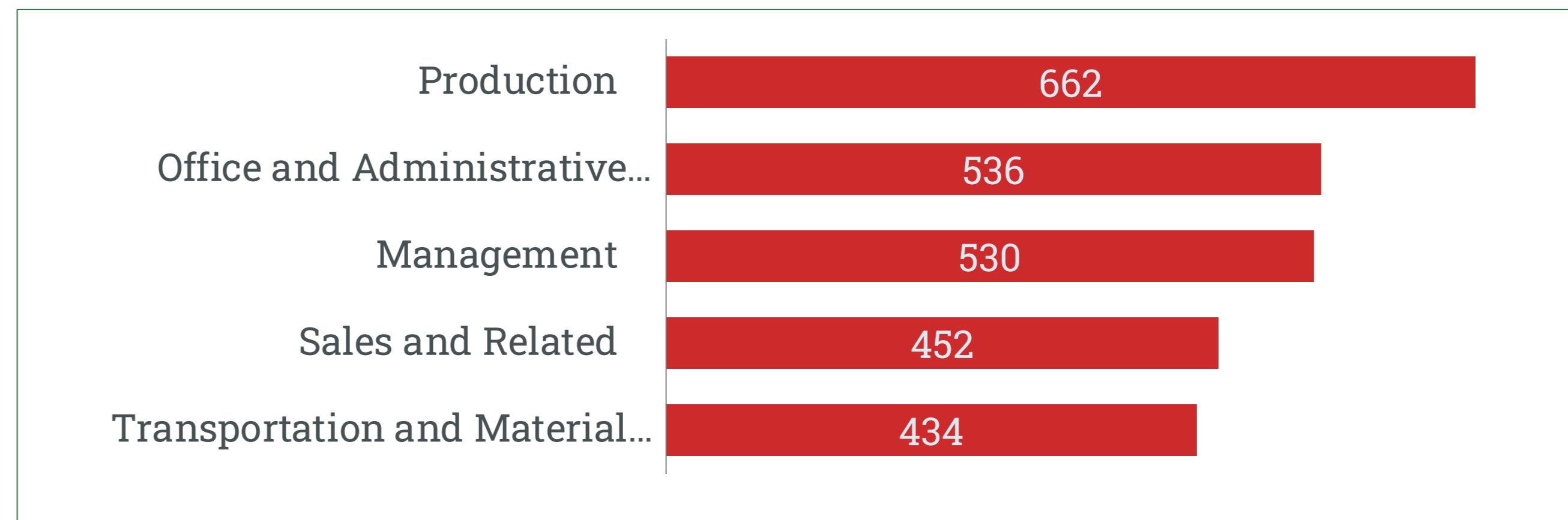
# WHERE ARE WE LOSING JOBS? *(Cont.)*

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## Industries Sectors that lost jobs



## Top 5 Unemployment Claimants Occupations



No occupation identified for 100 UI claimants

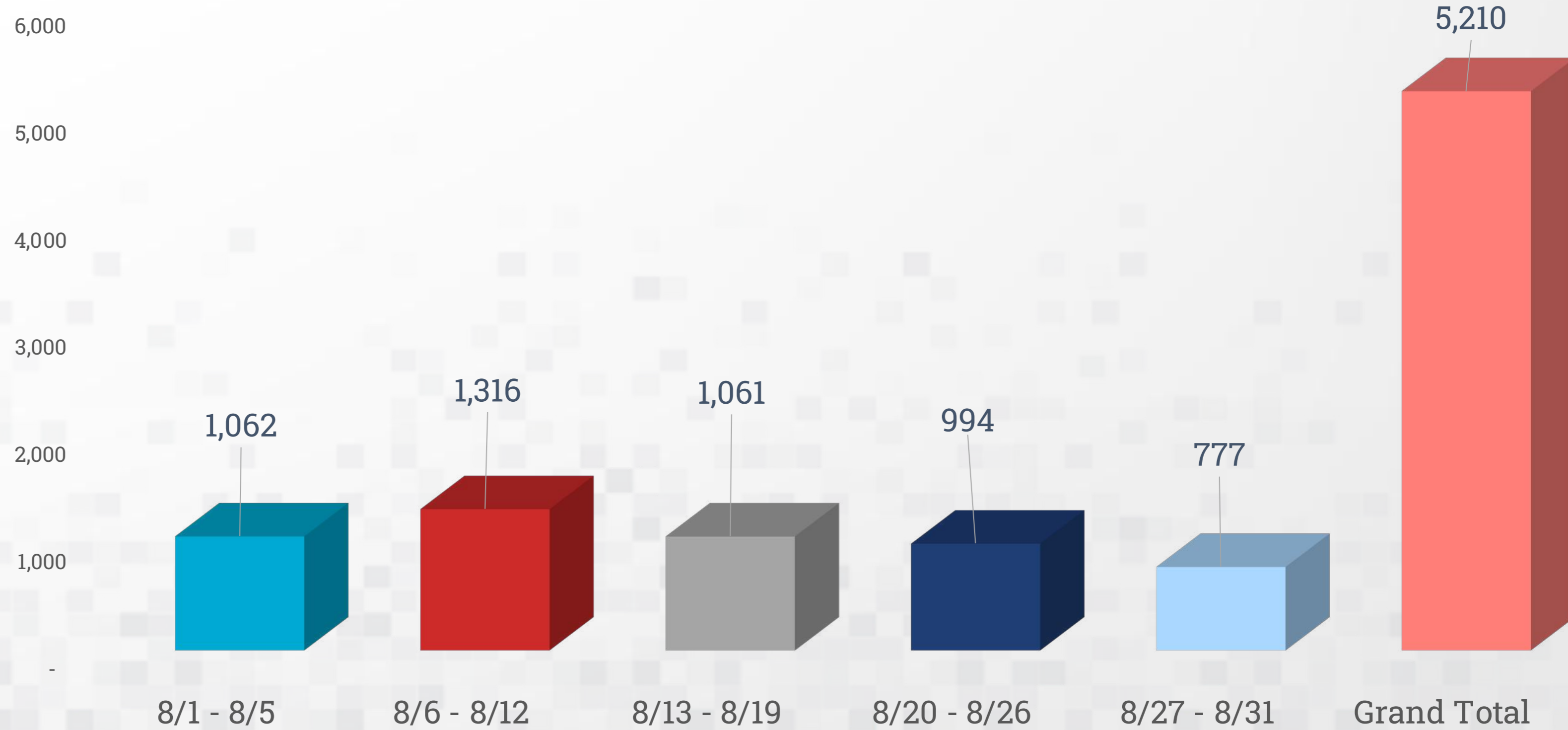
# UI CLAIMANTS BY WEEK BORDERPLEX REGION

8/1 to 8/31

Unemployment Insurance  
Claimant Data

This report reflects the **Borderplex Region**. Including these 6 counties:

- Brewster
- Culberson
- El Paso
- Hudspeth
- Jeff Davis
- Presidio

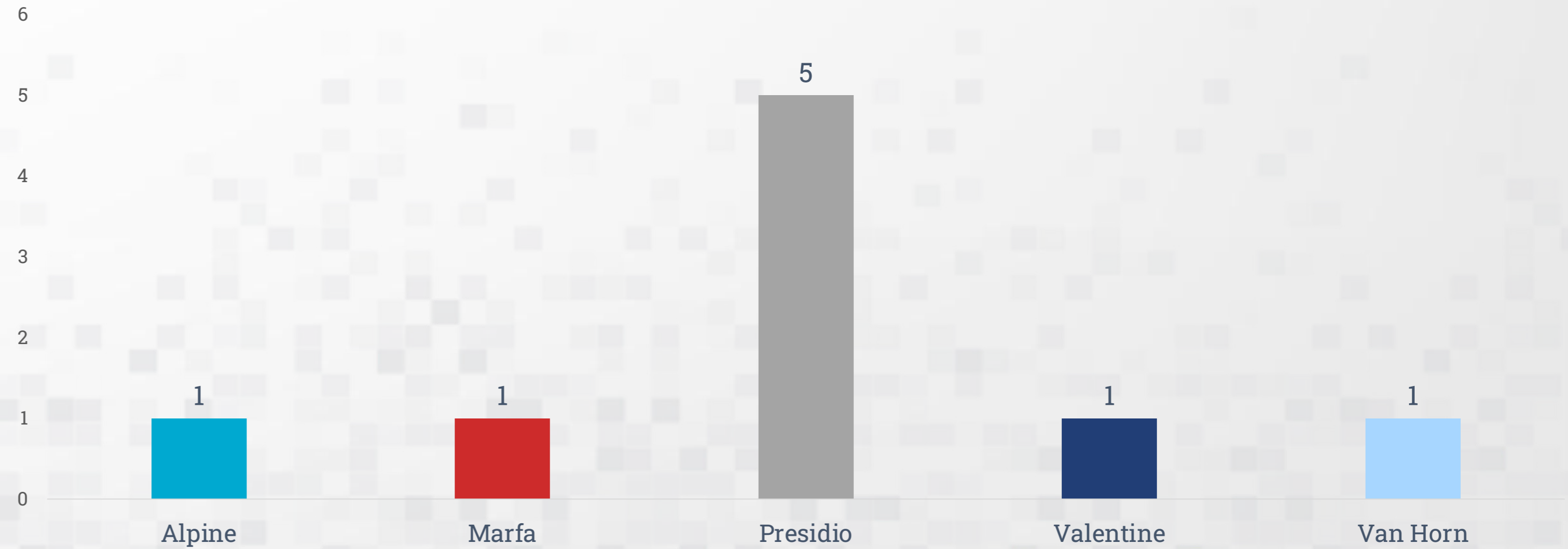




# UI CLAIMANTS - RURAL AREAS

8/1 to 8/31

Of the 5,210 total Borderplex claimants, 9 are from the rural areas reflected on the data provided.

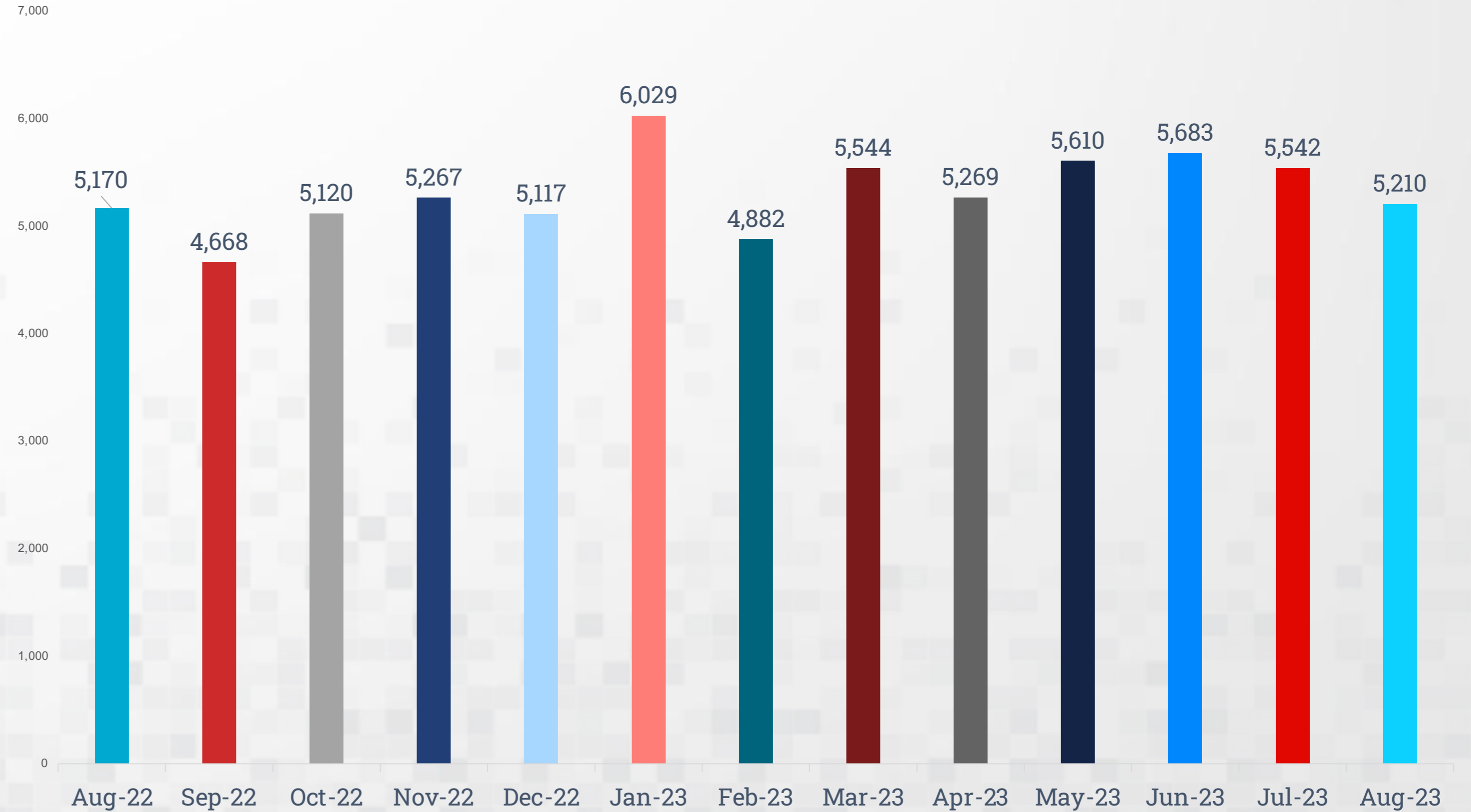


Unemployment Insurance  
Claimant Data

# UI CLAIMANTS BY MONTH

This comparison report reflects the entire Borderplex region, including the following 6 counties:

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- Culberson
- El Paso
- Hudspeth
- Jeff Davis
- Presidio

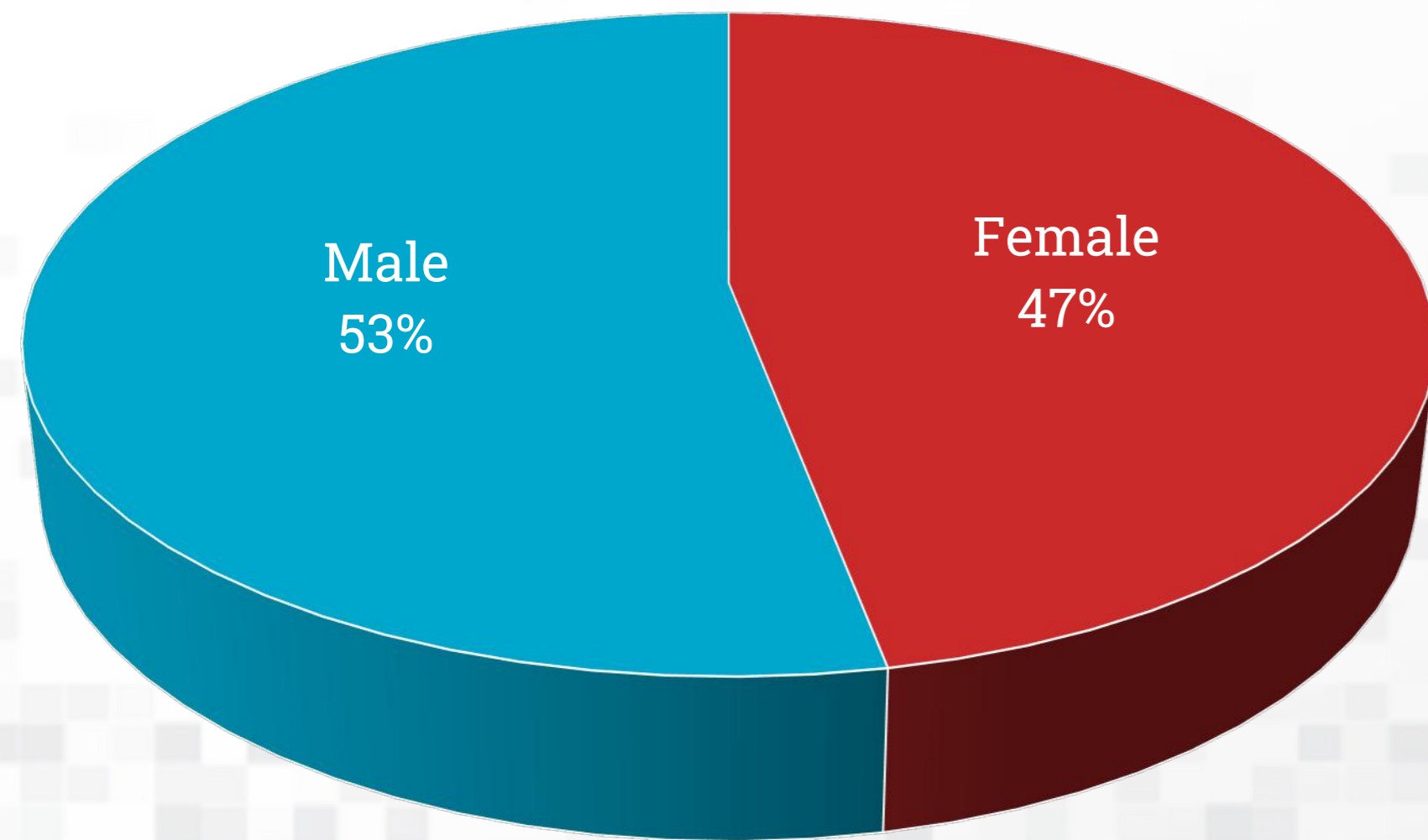


# UI CLAIMANTS DEMOGRAPHICS – BORDERPLEX REGION

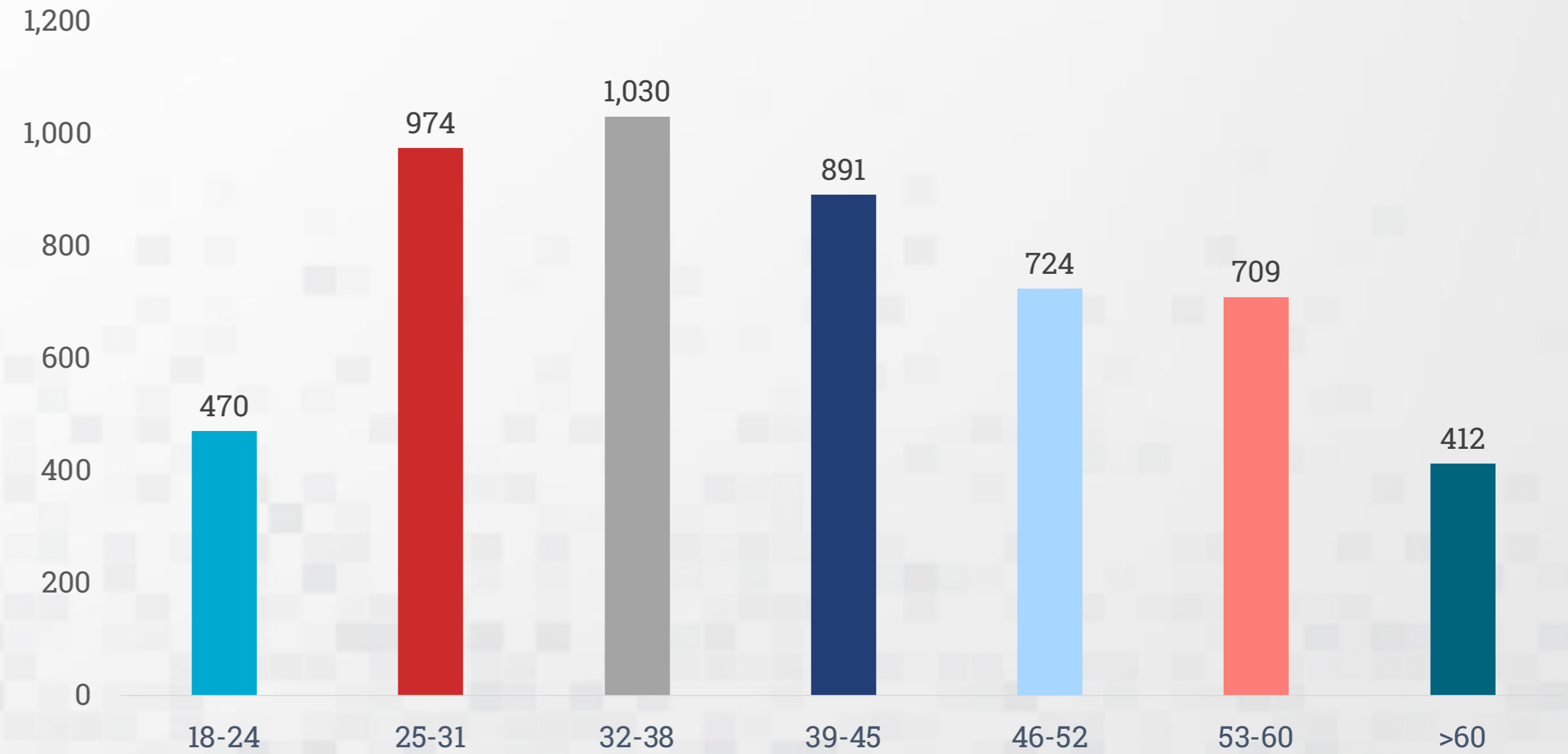
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**Gender**



**Age**

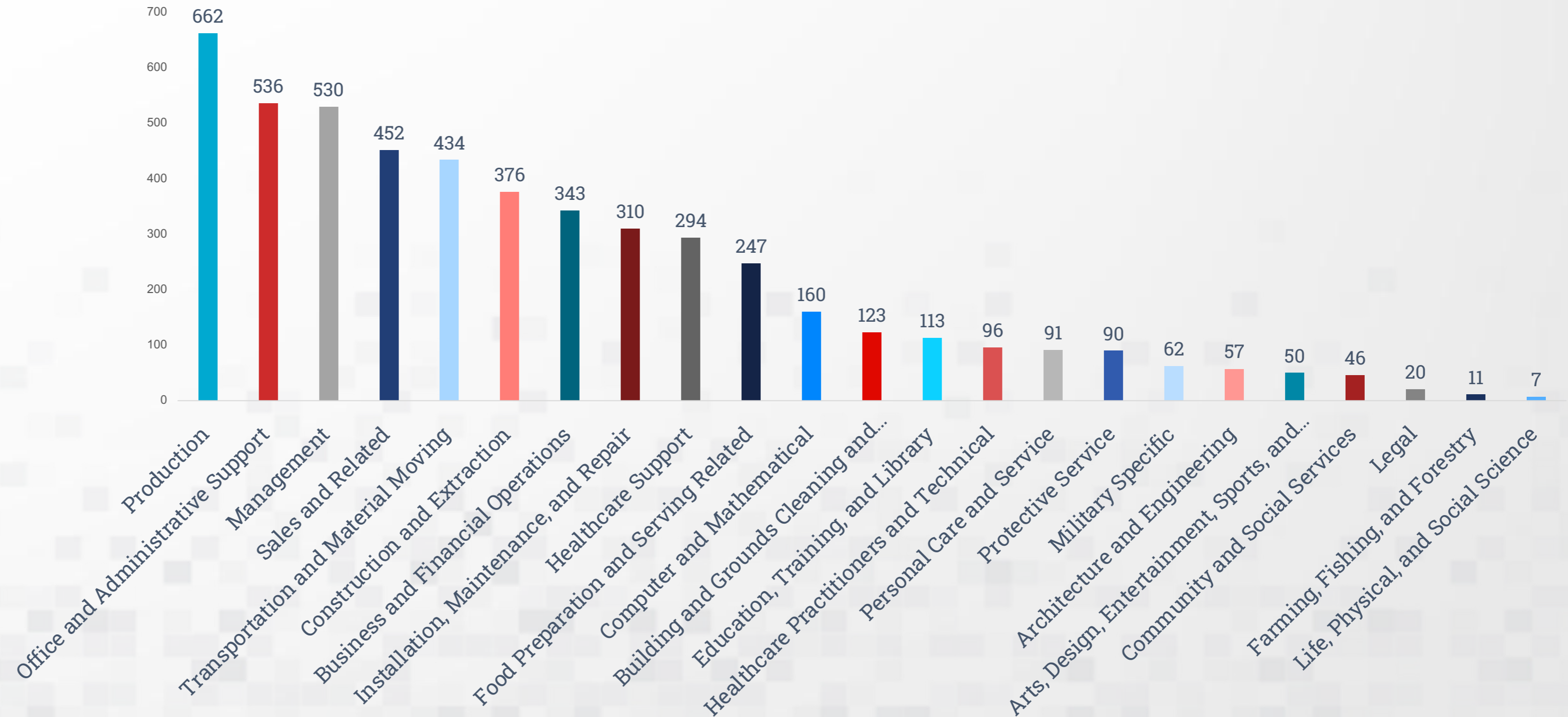
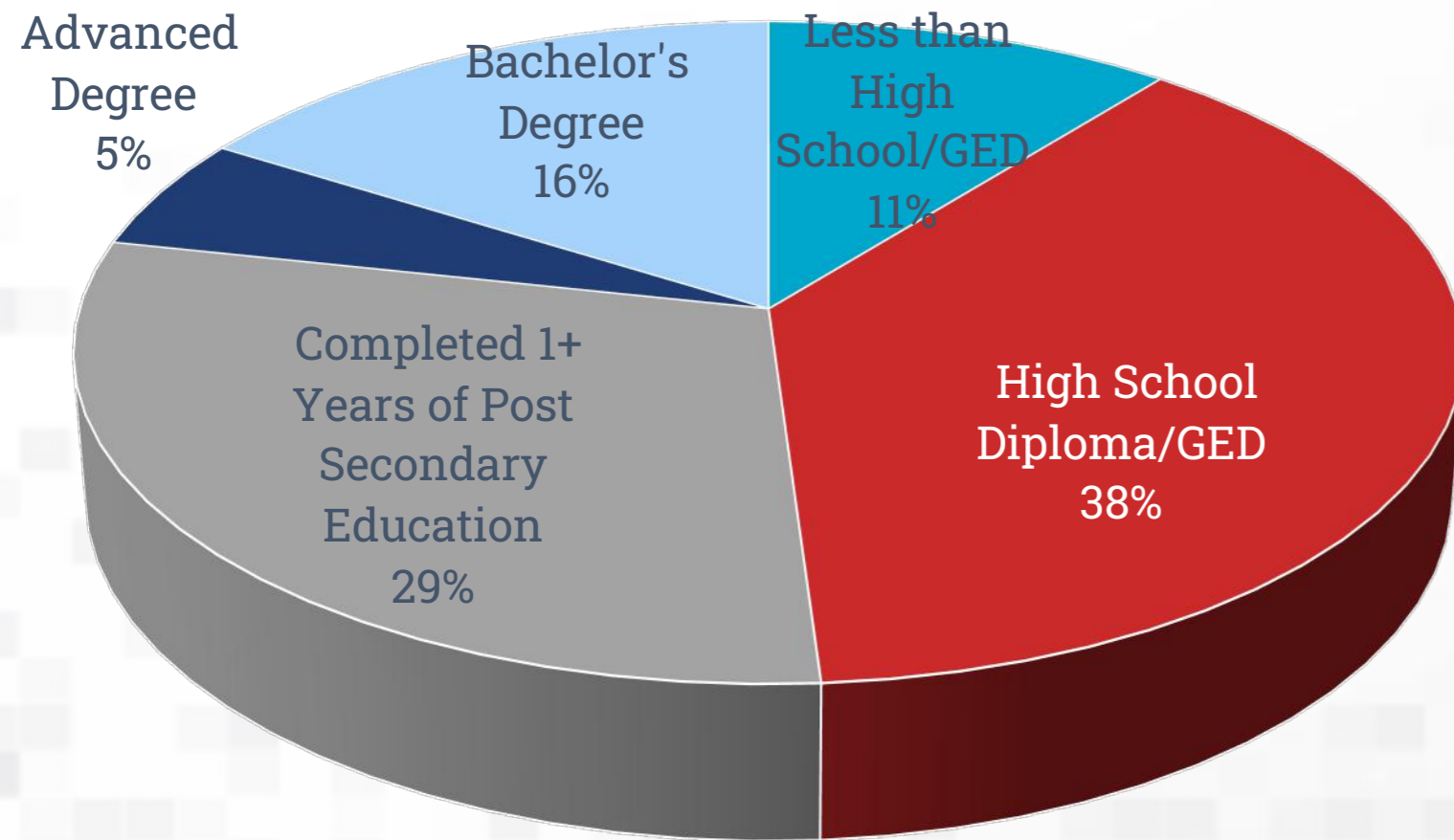




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## 8/1 to 8/31

### Unemployment Insurance Claimant Data



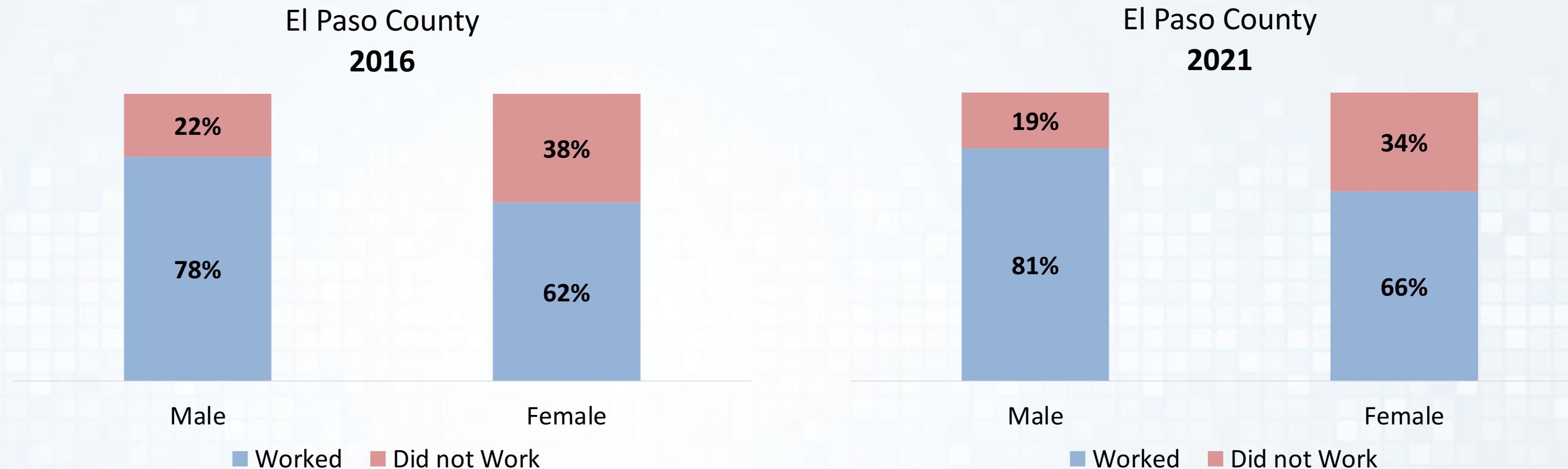
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# In the Works

Work Status by Gender  
Population 16 to 64 years



From 2016 to 2021, we see an increase in both men and women working in El Paso County. However, the participation of the women remains less than the men.

**One of the factors that may keep women out of the workforce is the need to take care of an older family member or the lack of childcare. WSB can support these families by providing opportunities to find childcare or family care for those women interested in entering the workforce or starting a training.**

**WSB addresses the poverty rate and gender gap by providing new initiatives tailored to assist women in succeeding in the workforce.** We offer resources such as childcare, training assistance and job search assistance, among others. If you are interested in these or any other of our services, feel free to fill out [this form](#) and a WSB member will contact you soon.



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## **Sources**

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