



Corporate Tax 0%

Population 885K

Labor Force 3M

Gross State Product 2B

TOP EMPLOYERS IN TEXAS PANHANDLE AND SOUTH PLAINS

- Tyson Foods
- Owens Corning
- Phillips 66 WRB
- Xcel Energy
- Cargill
- Pantex
- Ben E. Keith
- Affiliated Foods Inc.

Contact Us

Our top-quartile reliability and industry-leading renewable energy portfolio, combined with our competitive pricing and energy efficiency incentives, make our Texas service area an attractive option for businesses. We have a variety of certified sites, ready sites and ready buildings available to match your needs – and a designated team with strong local and state partnerships to help you get there.

Strong Economy

Texas consistently rises above the rest as a business location with low costs, low taxes and high-performance quality. The region boasts affordable energy and housing in a pro-business setting with strategically located land, industrial and business sites. The Panhandle and South Plains of Texas are an agricultural powerhouse with food manufacturing companies like Tyson Foods, Caviness and JBS Swift, making food the largest export in the region. Amarillo also is home to BellFlight, a global leader in vertical flight.

High-Caliber Talent

West Texas has a young, educated workforce with 22% of the area's residents having a four-year college degree and 83% having a high school diploma. West Texas A&M University offers engineering and business degrees; Texas Tech Health Sciences Center offers medical and pharmaceutical programs and Texas Tech University of Veterinarian Medicine; and Amarillo College has many specialized training programs to meet specific needs of area employers.

Infrastructure Built for Growth

Texas has the infrastructure needed for growth and investment. Amarillo is the largest city between Dallas and Denver, Albuquerque and Oklahoma City, and has the following connections:

- Rick Husband International Airport, named TSA "Airport of the Year"
- Union Pacific-Southern and BNSF Rail Lines, a large intermodal facility that handles about 30,000 containers and trailers annually
- Two interstate highways: 1-40 and I-27

Economic Development Resources

Xcel Energy

Renewable Energy

Xcel Energy offers a reliable generation portfolio that includes 40% renewable energy, helping businesses reach their sustainability goals. In just eight years, we plan to reduce carbon emissions at least 80% from 2005 levels on the way to delivering 100% carbon-free electricity. We also offer additional alternatives that allow customers to increase their impact and meet sustainability goals.

Electric Vehicle Programs

Learn more about Xcel Energy's EV solutions for business customers.

State of Texas

Texas Enterprise Zones

Eligible enterprise projects can qualify for a significant sales and use tax refund up to \$2,500 per job.

Renewable Energy Incentives

Companies can reap advantages for using renewables through tax exemptions and deductions for solar, wind, ethanol and biodiesel fuels.

Skills Development Fund

Grant-funded training enables local community colleges to provide superior training for new hires and upskilling for existing workers.

Texas Enterprise Fund

TEF awards "deal closing" grants to companies considering a new project for which one Texas site is competing with other out-of-state sites. Performance-based financial incentive for companies contributing significant capital investment and new employment to state's economy.