

Business Research Links

Finding information on the Dallas Economy

The Office of Economic Development maintains a series of reports on the Dallas economy covering major industries and economic trends (<http://www.dallas-ecodev.org/data.html>). The Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas also maintains numerous data and reports on local and Texas economic conditions (<http://dallasfed.org/data/index.html>).

Finding Information on Dallas Businesses

The City of Dallas does not maintain a list of businesses in the city. The Texas Comptroller's office releases lists of businesses applying for tax ID numbers (http://www.window.state.tx.us/ecodata/taxfiles.html#sales_permit). Lists with business name, address and industry code are available at this site for sales tax and franchise tax ID holders.

Finding Information on Dallas Industries

Summary statistics of businesses and industries are available from many agencies. The Texas Workforce Commission (<http://www.tracer2.com/cgi/dataanalysis/?PAGEID=94>), provides a variety of economic and business statistics.

The U.S. Census Bureau collects data on businesses by industry, total employment, revenues and total payroll. This is available for Dallas (<http://www.census.gov/econ/census02/data/tx/19000.HTM>), Dallas county (<http://www.census.gov/econ/census02/data/tx/TX113.HTM>), and the DFW MSA (<http://www.census.gov/econ/census02/data/metro1/M19100.HTM>). More recent reports are available for counties and ZIP codes (<http://censtats.census.gov/cbpnaic/cbpnaic.shtml>).

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics maintains a variety of statistics including: employment by industry (<http://www.bls.gov/sae/home.htm>), wages and occupations (<http://www.bls.gov/bls/blswage.htm>), and industry trends (http://www.bls.gov/iag/tgs/iag_index_alpha.htm).

The U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (<http://www.bea.gov/regional/quick.cfm>) - has state income and output; earnings and jobs by industry.

Finding Information on Dallas Demographics

The Census Bureau collects population and household data every ten years. The 2000 Census (<http://www.census.gov/main/www/cen2000.html>), includes comprehensive data. The 2006 American Community Survey (<http://www.census.gov/acs/www/>), updates a limited set of statistics annually. Both cover Dallas city, Dallas county and the DFW metro area.

The Texas State Data Center (<http://txsdc.utsa.edu/>), estimates and projects population for cities, counties and MSAs.

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (<http://www.nctcog.org/ris/demographics/index.asp>), estimates and projects population, households and jobs for cities and counties in the region.

Finding General Statistical Information

The *Statistical Abstract of the United States* (<http://www.census.gov/compendia/statab/>), is the authoritative and comprehensive summary of statistics on the social, political, and economic organization of the United States. The *County and City Data Book* (<http://www.census.gov/statab/www/ccdb.html>), is the most comprehensive source of information about the individual counties and cities in the United States.

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