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**“Central to my plan are major fiscal reforms to control the growth of government: a tighter spending cap tied to inflation and population growth; expanded line-item veto authority so a governor can reduce spending; and, protection of our Rainy Day Fund, dedicating excess revenue to debt or tax relief. My plan also supports investments in our roads, water infrastructure and energy development.”**

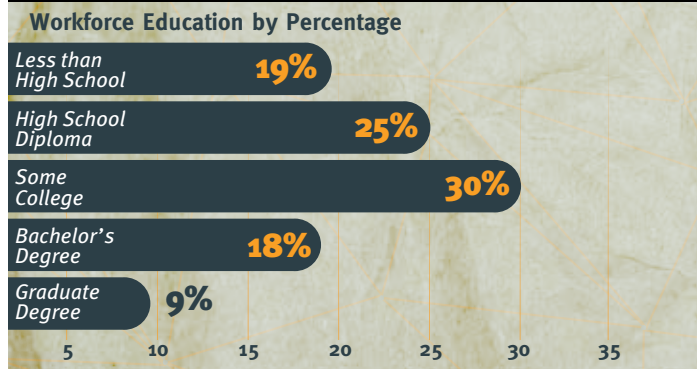
— from Gov.-elect Greg Abbott’s “Working Texans” plan



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Gov. Greg Abbott (R)

**Texas**  
 Pop. (2014): 26,586,730 Pop. growth 2014–2019: 5.34%  
 Median household income: \$59,315 Median age: 33.8  
 Right-to-work state: Yes



### Rankings that Matter

GDP.....	2 (\$1,387,598*)
Business Tax Climate.....	10
Small Business Policy.....	3
ACT Career Readiness Certificates.....	33 (13,485)
High School Graduation.....	36 (82%)
Incentives Transparency Index.....	8

\*Real GDP in US millions

#### Legislative Update

- The Texas Enterprise Fund (TEF), the largest deal-closing fund of its kind in the nation, was reauthorized for the 2014-15 biennium with an estimated \$120 million available for qualifying projects. The Texas Emerging Technology Fund (TETF) received a \$50-million appropriation.

- Tax measures from the 2014 session create an R&D tax credit with the option of choosing the franchise or sales tax; create a sales and use tax refund for data centers agreeing to invest \$200 million over five years and create at least 20 qualifying jobs in the county; and allow regions to develop County Transportation Reinvestment Zones.



#### DID YOU KNOW?:

- Texas last year was ranked the No. 1 exporting state in the nation by the US Census Bureau for the 12th consecutive year. The state’s export revenues in 2013 were up 5.4 percent from 2012, to nearly \$297.7 billion.
- Now 25 years old and about half developed, the 17,000-acre AllianceTexas development in

Fort Worth is home to 400 companies and a daily work force of 40,000.

- With 1,300 subsidiaries of foreign companies employing some 460,000 people in the state, Texas was the only state to send a governor (outgoing Gov. Rick Perry) to the 2014 World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland.

#### Selected Corporate Facility Projects 2014

Company	City	County	Type	New/Expansion	Product	Investment (\$ millions)	Employment
Oneok Hydrocarbon	Mont Belvieu	Chambers	MF	N	NGL Fractionator	\$800	
Flint Hills Resources	Corpus Christi	Nueces	MF	E	West Refinery	600	
NRG Energy	Houston	Harris	MF	N	Carbon Capture	600	
Toyota Financial Services	Plano	Collin	HQ	N	Sales Financing	300	
BASF Corp.	Beaumont	Jefferson	MF	E	Herbicides	270	
Charles Schwab	Austin	Williamson	OF	E	Brokerage Services	210	823
Patronus Data Centers	Frisco	Collin	DT	N	Data Center	200	40
Apache Corp.	Houston	Harris	HQ	E	Oil & Gas	197	
State Farm	Richardson	Dallas	OF	N	Insurance	130	
American Airlines	Fort Worth	Tarrant	OF	N	Airlines	88	
SpaceX	Brownsville	Cameron	MF	N	Space Rockets	85	300
Microsoft	San Antonio	Comal	DT	E	Data Center	80	
Alamo Tube	Elmendorf	Bexar	MF	N	Metal Tubing	62	200

MF = Manufacturing OF = Office HQ = Headquarters DT = Data Center

SpaceX will locate its vertical rocket launch facility at Boca Chica Beach near Brownsville, Texas.  
 Photo courtesy of SpaceX



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