

WHY IT COUNTS: A CLOSER LOOK AT THE BIENNIAL REVENUE ESTIMATE

Under its constitution and laws, Texas' state government **CANNOT** spend more than it receives.

Each Legislature must craft a state budget that does not exceed available revenues.

WHY IT MATTERS:

WHAT EXPANDS REVENUES?

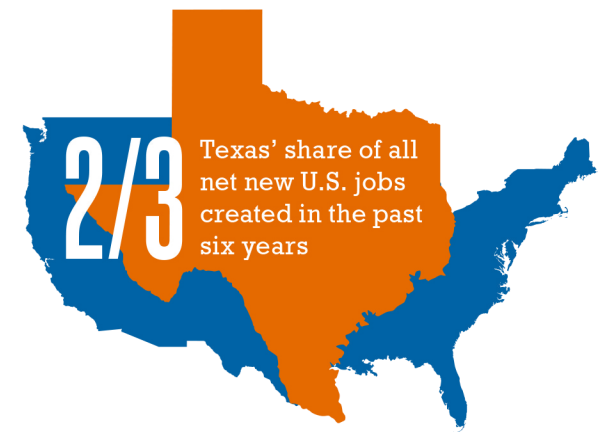
A growing Texas economy is led by strong job creation.

THE BIENNIAL REVENUE ESTIMATE

is issued by the Comptroller at the start of every legislative session as Texas legislators begin budgeting for the next biennium. The estimate tells lawmakers how much they can spend, which in turn impacts every Texan.

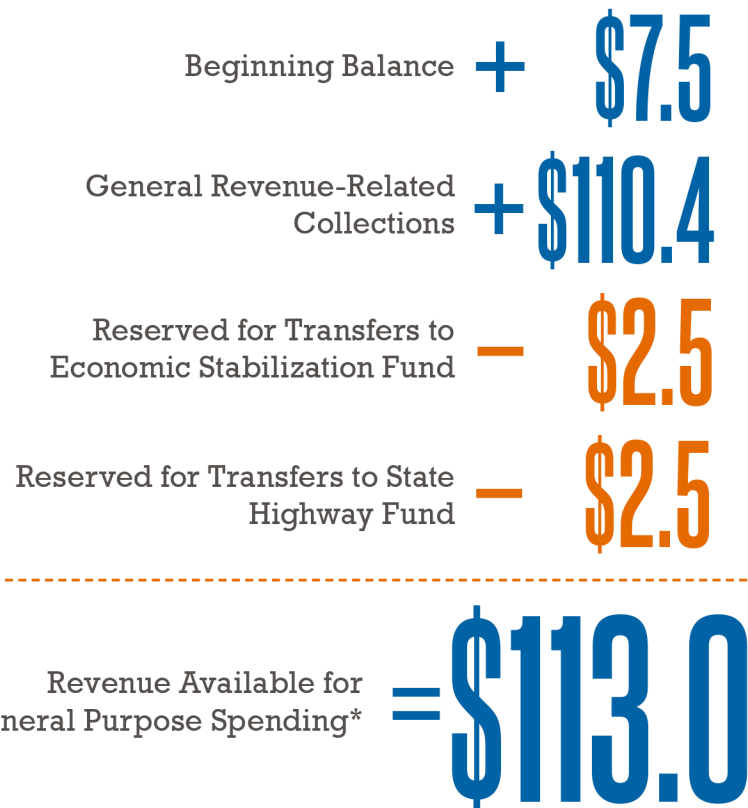
1,178,900:

The net growth in Texas jobs from January 2008-November 2014.



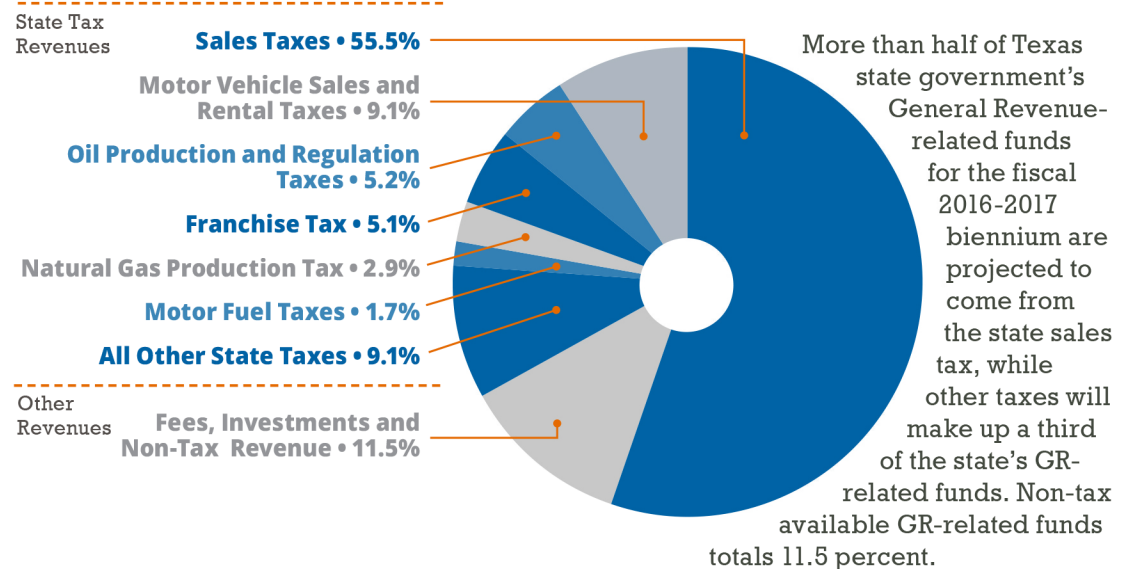
ESTIMATE BY THE NUMBERS:

IN BILLIONS OF DOLLARS



*Total does not sum due to rounding
Source: Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts Biennial Revenue Estimate 2016-2017.

WHERE DO GENERAL REVENUE-RELATED FUNDS COME FROM?



To learn more about the BRE and for a text version with more detail and definitions, visit:

www.comptroller.texas.gov/finances/Biennial_Revenue_Estimate/