Table 1. Labor Force and Employment in the Abilene HMA, 1990 Through June 2008

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 12 Mont | hs Ending |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------------|--------------|
| | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | June 2007 | June 2008 |
| Labor Force | 68.4 | 69.2 | 71.0 | 72.9 | 73.9 | 76.2 | 77.2 | 76.6 | 76.9 | 75.8 | 75.1 | 75.3 | 78.1 | 80.2 | 80.5 | 81.2 | 82.1 | 81.0 | 80.7 |
| Resident Employment | 64.3 | 65.5 | 67.1 | 69.0 | 70.2 | 72.4 | 73.6 | 73.7 | 74.1 | 72.9 | 72.0 | 71.9 | 74.1 | 75.9 | 76.7 | 77.8 | 78.7 | 77.9 | 77.8 |
| Unemployment | 4.1 | 3.7 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 3.0 | 2.8 | 2.9 | 3.1 | 3.4 | 4.0 | 4.3 | 3.8 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.0 | 2.9 |
| Unemployment Rate (%) | 6.0 | 5.3 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 4.7 | 3.9 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 4.2 | 4.5 | 5.1 | 5.3 | 4.7 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 3.7 | 3.6 |
| Total Nonfarm Employment | 53.6 | 54.8 | 56.0 | 56.1 | 57.1 | 59.4 | 60.6 | 62.0 | 62.9 | 62.2 | 61.9 | 61.6 | 62.3 | 62.4 | 62.8 | 64.0 | 65.3 | 65.7 | 66.4 |
| Goods Producing | 8.1 | 7.9 | 7.7 | 7.4 | 7.3 | 7.6 | 7.8 | 8.0 | 7.8 | 7.2 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 7.5 | 8.1 | 8.2 | 8.4 |
| Natural Resources, Mining, & Construction | 3.2 | 3.7 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.7 | 3.9 | 4.1 | 4.3 | 4.1 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.7 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 4.3 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 5.1 |
| Manufacturing | 4.8 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 3.9 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 3.3 | 3.1 | 2.8 | 3.0 | 3.1 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 |
| Service Providing | 45.5 | 46.9 | 48.3 | 48.7 | 49.8 | 51.9 | 52.7 | 53.9 | 55.1 | 55.1 | 54.9 | 54.6 | 55.3 | 55.7 | 56.1 | 56.5 | 57.2 | 57.5 | 57.9 |
| Trade | 9.4 | 9.7 | 10.0 | 9.8 | 10.0 | 10.4 | 10.6 | 10.4 | 10.7 | 10.5 | 10.5 | 10.5 | 10.5 | 10.2 | 10.3 | 10.4 | 10.7 | 10.7 | 10.9 |
| Wholesale Trade | 2.2 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.3 |
| Retail Trade | 7.2 | 7.4 | 7.6 | 7.5 | 7.6 | 8.0 | 8.2 | 8.0 | 8.2 | 8.1 | 8.0 | 7.9 | 7.9 | 7.8 | 8.0 | 8.2 | 8.4 | 8.4 | 8.6 |
| Transportation & Utilities | 2.2 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.7 |
| Information | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 |
| Financial Activities | 2.8 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.1 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.7 | 3.8 |
| Professional & Business Services | 2.6 | 3.0 | 3.1 | 3.0 | 2.7 | 3.0 | 3.1 | 3.5 | 3.7 | 3.9 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.8 |
| Education & Health Services | 9.1 | 9.4 | 9.9 | 10.3 | 10.9 | 11.8 | 12.1 | 12.4 | 12.5 | 12.4 | 12.3 | 12.3 | 12.9 | 13.2 | 13.6 | 13.9 | 13.4 | 13.3 | 13.2 |
| Leisure & Hospitality | 4.4 | 4.6 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 5.4 | 5.6 | 6.0 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 6.1 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 6.5 | 6.6 | 6.9 | 7.4 | 6.8 |
| Other Services | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 2.8 | 2.7 |
| Government | 11.5 | 11.6 | 11.9 | 12.2 | 12.4 | 12.6 | 12.7 | 12.9 | 13.1 | 13.1 | 13.3 | 12.9 | 12.8 | 12.5 | 12.4 | 12.5 | 12.8 | 12.9 | 12.8 |
| Federal | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.4 |
| State | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.2 | 3.2 |
| Local | 6.6 | 6.8 | 7.2 | 7.4 | 7.6 | 7.7 | 7.8 | 7.9 | 8.1 | 8.2 | 8.3 | 8.2 | 8.2 | 8.0 | 8.1 | 8.2 | 8.2 | 8.3 | 8.2 |

Notes: Numbers may not add to totals due to rounding. Data are reported in thousands.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Table 2. Population and Household Trends in the Abilene HMA, 1990 to July 1, 2011

| | | | | | | Average Annual Change | | | | | | | |
|-------------|---------|---------|---------|----------|--------|-----------------------|--------|-----------------|--------|----------|--|--|--|
| | | | | | 1990 t | 1990 to 2000 | | 2000 to Current | | Forecast | | | |
| | 1990 | 2000 | Current | Forecast | Number | Rate (%) | Number | Rate (%) | Number | Rate (%) | | | |
| Population | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Abilene HMA | 148,004 | 160,245 | 162,500 | 163,300 | 1,224 | 0.8 | 273 | 0.2 | 267 | 0.2 | | | |
| Households | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Abilene HMA | 54,046 | 58,475 | 61,000 | 61,500 | 443 | 0.8 | 306 | 0.5 | 167 | 0.3 | | | |

Notes: Numbers may not add to totals due to rounding. Current date: July 1, 2008. Forecast date: July 1, 2011. Rates of change are calculated on a compound basis. Sources: 1990 and 2000—U.S. Census; current and forecast—estimates by analyst

Table 3. Housing Inventory, Tenure, and Vacancy in the Abilene HMA, 1990, 2000, and Current

| | | Abilene HMA | |
|-------------------------|--------|-------------|---------|
| | 1990 | 2000 | Current |
| Total Housing Inventory | 63,130 | 65,217 | 67,420 |
| Occupied Units | 54,046 | 58,475 | 61,000 |
| Owners | 35,449 | 38,050 | 39,500 |
| % | 65.6 | 65.1 | 64.8 |
| Renters | 18,597 | 20,425 | 21,500 |
| % | 34.4 | 34.9 | 35.2 |
| Vacant Units | 9,084 | 6,742 | 6,420 |
| Available Units | 4,565 | 3,361 | 2,420 |
| For Sale | 1,412 | 940 | 680 |
| Rate (%) | 3.8 | 2.4 | 1.7 |
| For Rent | 3,153 | 2,421 | 1,740 |
| Rate (%) | 14.5 | 10.6 | 7.5 |
| Other Vacant | 4,519 | 3,381 | 4,000 |

Notes: Numbers may not add to totals due to rounding. Current date: July 1, 2008. Sources: 1990 and 2000—U.S. Census; current—estimates by analyst

Table 4. Residential Building Permit Activity in the Abilene HMA, 1990 Through June 2008

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 12 Month | ns Ending |
|-------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------------|--------------|
| Type of Building Permit | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | June 2007 | June 2008 |
| Abilene HMA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total | 122 | 152 | 283 | 318 | 466 | 425 | 386 | 227 | 266 | 195 | 381 | 590 | 194 | 325 | 371 | 332 | 737 | 287 | 710 | 740 |
| Single-family | 109 | 148 | 275 | 300 | 264 | 243 | 258 | 224 | 262 | 189 | 171 | 178 | 165 | 203 | 283 | 310 | 333 | 277 | 310 | 250 |
| Multifamily | 13 | 4 | 8 | 18 | 202 | 182 | 128 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 210 | 412 | 29 | 122 | 88 | 22 | 404 | 10 | 400 | 490 |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Building Permits Survey

Table 5. Median Income in the Abilene HMA, 1989, 1999, and 2008

| | ı | Median Income | (\$) | Average Annu | al Change (%) |
|-------------------------|------|---------------|--------|--------------|---------------|
| | 1989 | 1999 | 2006 | 1989 to 1999 | 1999 to 2006 |
| Median Family Income | NA | NA | 50,900 | | |
| Median Household Income | NA | NA | 39,400 | | |

NA = Data are not available.

Note: No comparable median family income and median household income data are available for 1990 and 2000 due to the definitional change of the metropolitan area in 2003.

Sources: 2008 median household income—U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2008; median family income—U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Policy Development and Research