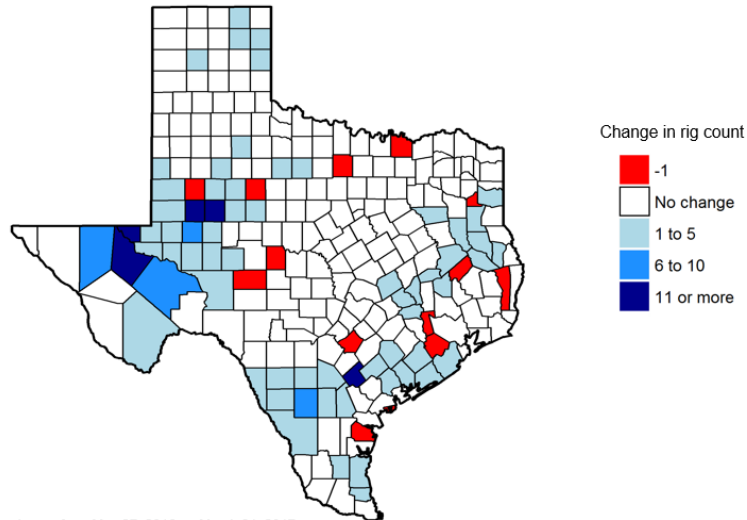


Texas Rig Count Change by County

There were 411 rigs operating in Texas as of the last week of March. Since the rig count hit bottom at 173 last May, it has been on an upward trajectory. Counties showing the largest increases over that time include Reeves (31 rigs), Martin (15) and Howard (14), all of which are in the Permian Basin (*Chart 6*).

Chart 6
Texas Rig Count Change by County from May 2016 to March 2017



NOTE: The chart reflects the rig count change from May 27, 2016, to March 31, 2017.
SOURCES: Baker Hughes; Dallas Fed.

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