



DFW Economy: Outperforming the State

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DFW: Economic Engine of North Texas

- Home to over 6.9 million people, DFW is the largest MSA in TX and fourth largest in U.S.
- DFW is bigger than RI and CT combined
- Ranks sixth in output among U.S. metros
- In 2013, GDP exceeded that of several countries, such as Austria, Denmark and South Africa
- 15 Fortune 500 companies are headquartered in the metroplex

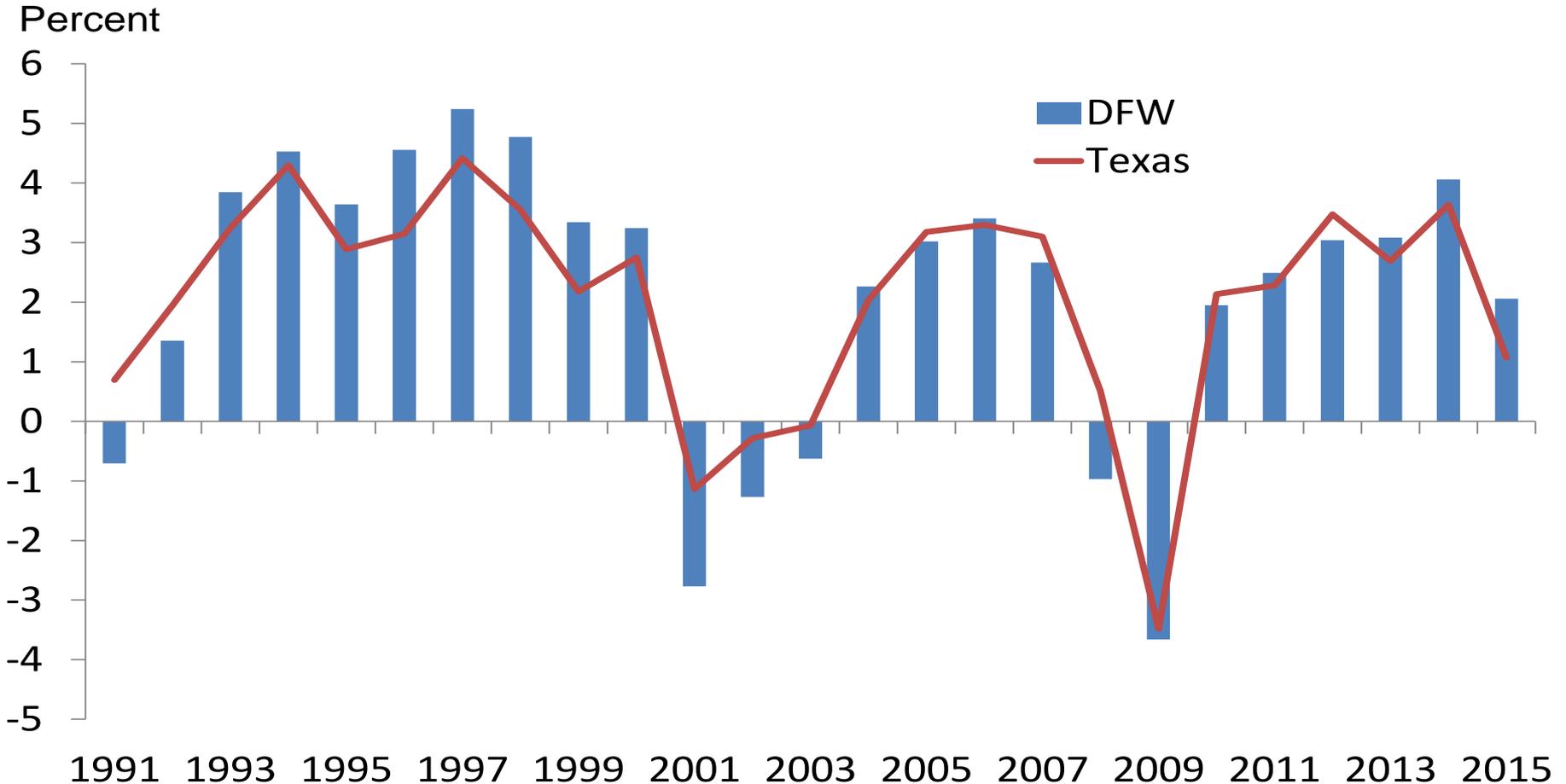


DFW has Larger Booms and Busts

- DFW matches Texas performance over long term
 - Avg. job growth (1990-2014): DFW 2.1% vs. TX 2.1%
- But, DFW booms are slightly bigger...
 - Avg. job growth (2010-2014): DFW 3.2% vs. TX 3.0%
 - Avg. job growth (1993-2000): DFW 4.2% vs. TX 3.3%
- ... and busts are much more severe
 - Total job declines (housing bust): DFW 5.2% vs. TX 4.1%
 - Total job declines (high-tech bust): DFW 5.3% vs. TX 2.2%



DFW Job Growth Outdoes Texas 2013-2015

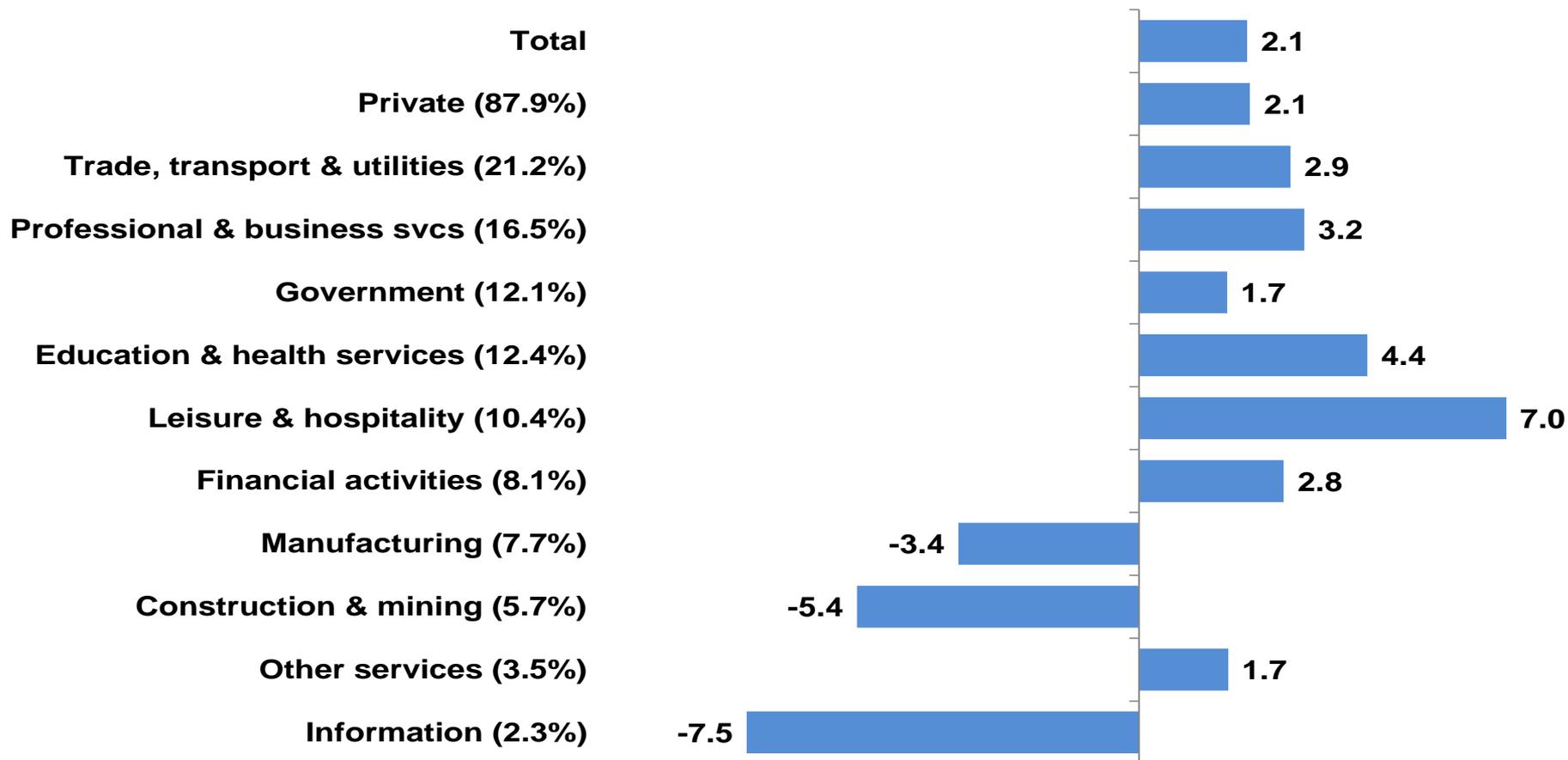


NOTE: Annual employment is Dec/Dec. 2015 figures are June/Dec annualized growth.

SOURCES: Bureau of Labor Statistics; Texas Workforce Commission; seasonal adjustments by Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas.



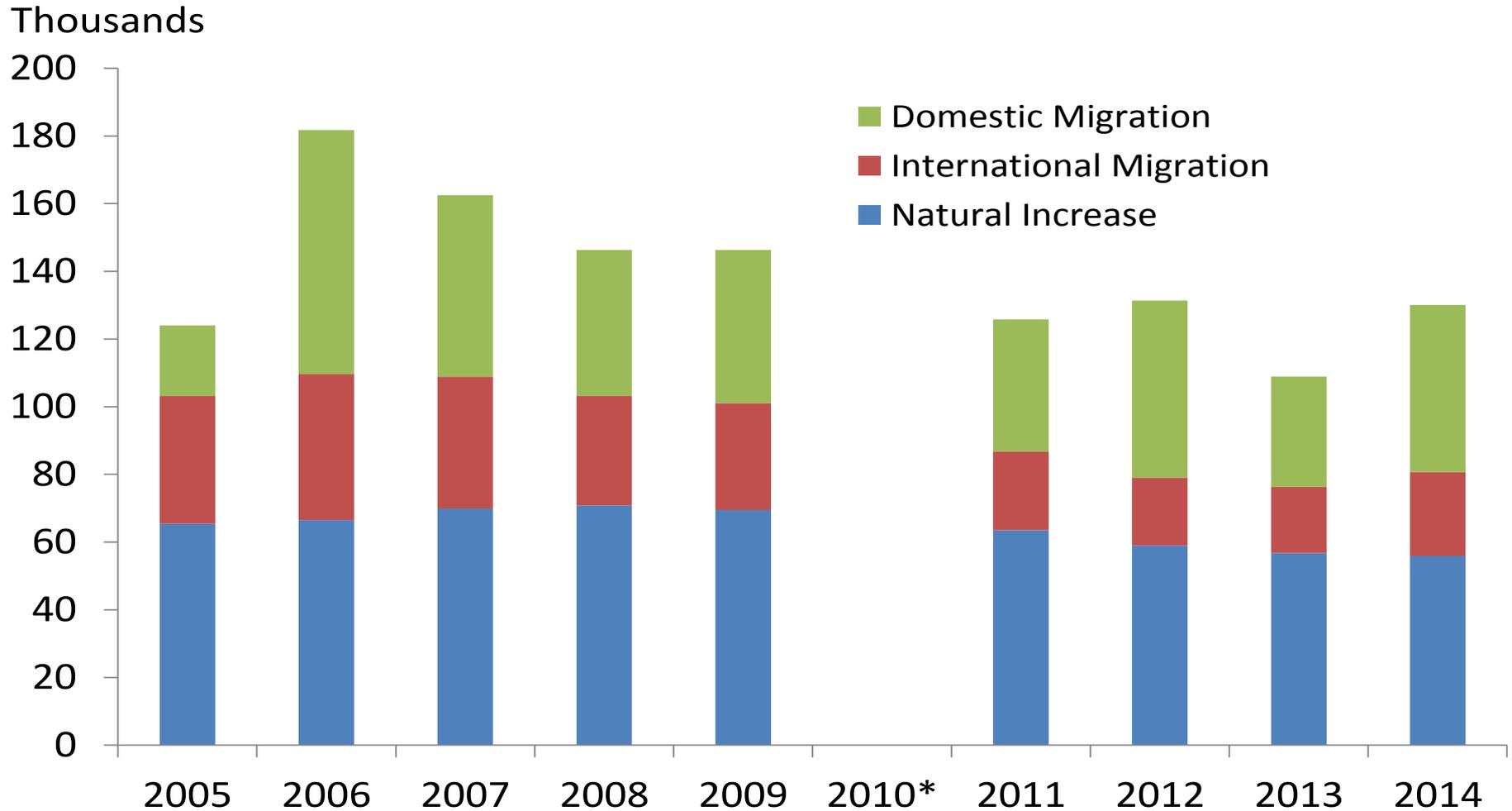
2015 Job Growth by Sector



NOTES: Annualized percent change, December 2014–June 2015. Numbers in parentheses are shares of total Dallas–Fort Worth nonfarm employment and may not sum to 100 due to rounding.
SOURCES: Bureau of Labor Statistics; Texas Workforce Commission; seasonal and other adjustments by the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas.



DFW Popular Migrant Destination



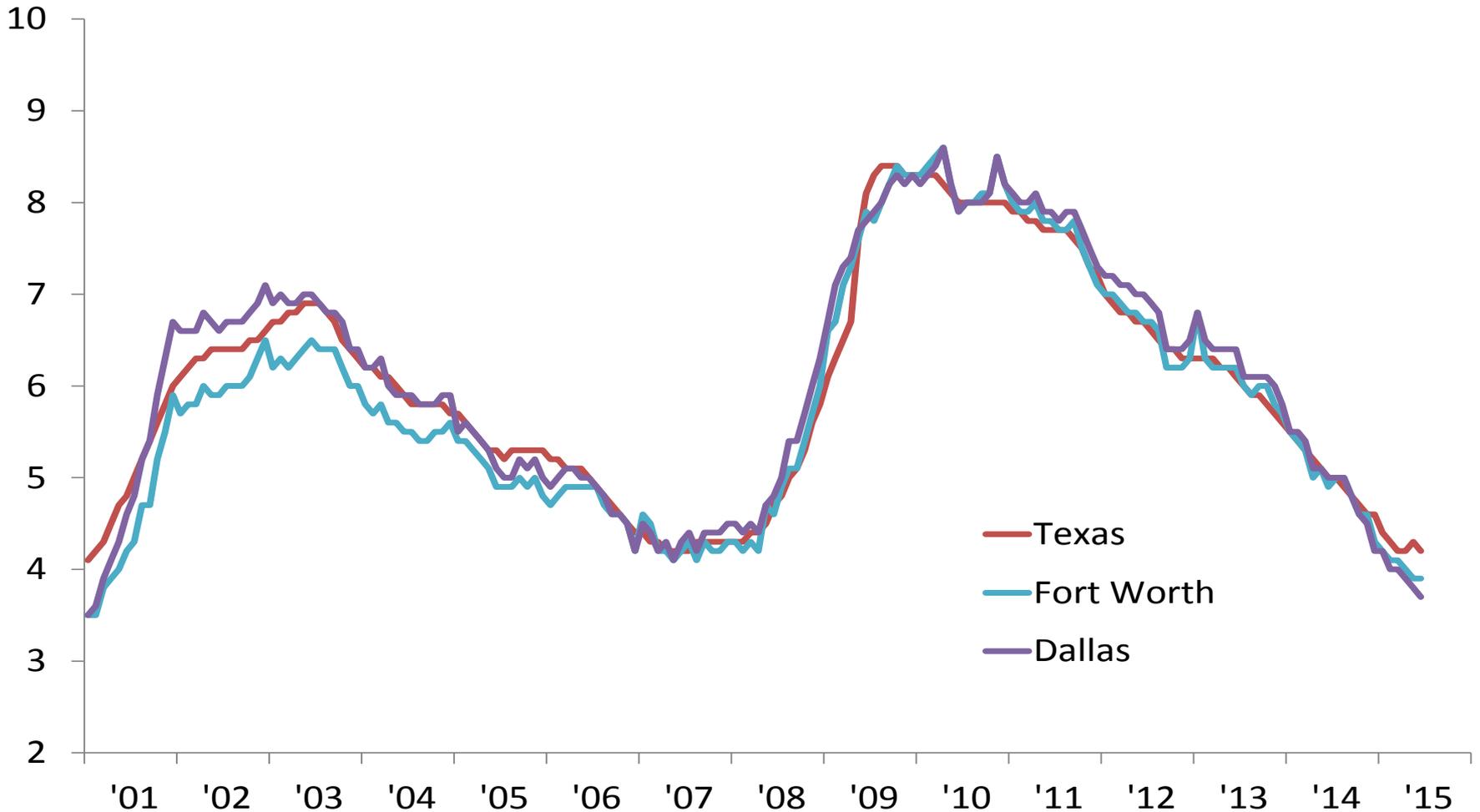
NOTE: Estimates not available for Census years.

SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau.



Unemployment at a 14-Year Low

Percent



SOURCES: Census Bureau; seasonal adjustments by Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas.



What Drives the DFW Economy?

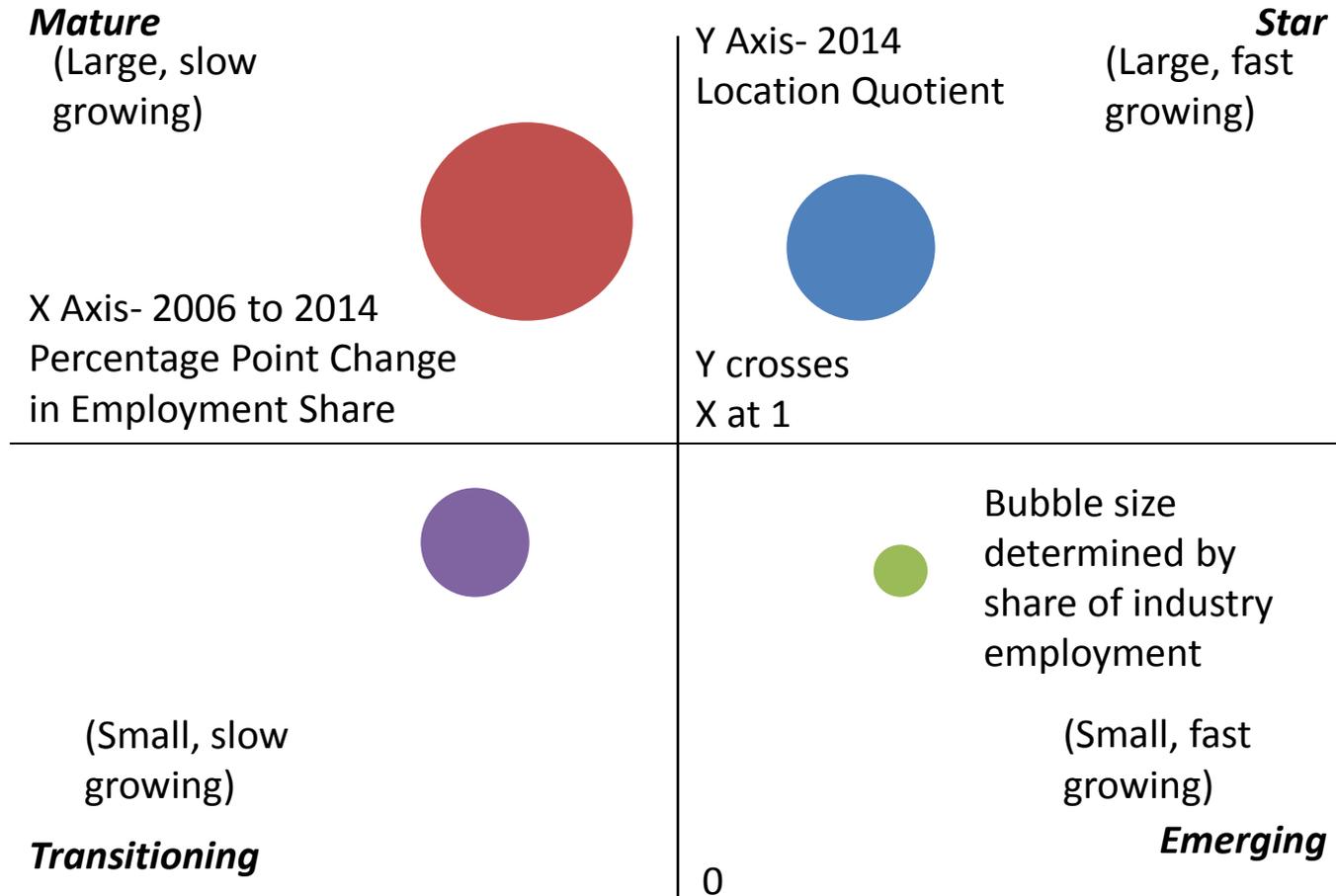


Industry Clusters

- A cluster is a geographically concentrated group of industries related by technology they use, the markets they serve, the goods and services they produce, and the labor skills they require.
- Location Quotient (LQ):
$$\frac{\text{Share of area's employment in industry } i}{\text{Share of U.S. employment in industry } i}$$
- $LQ > 1 \Rightarrow$ Base industry/specialization
- $LQ < 1 \Rightarrow$ Non-base industry

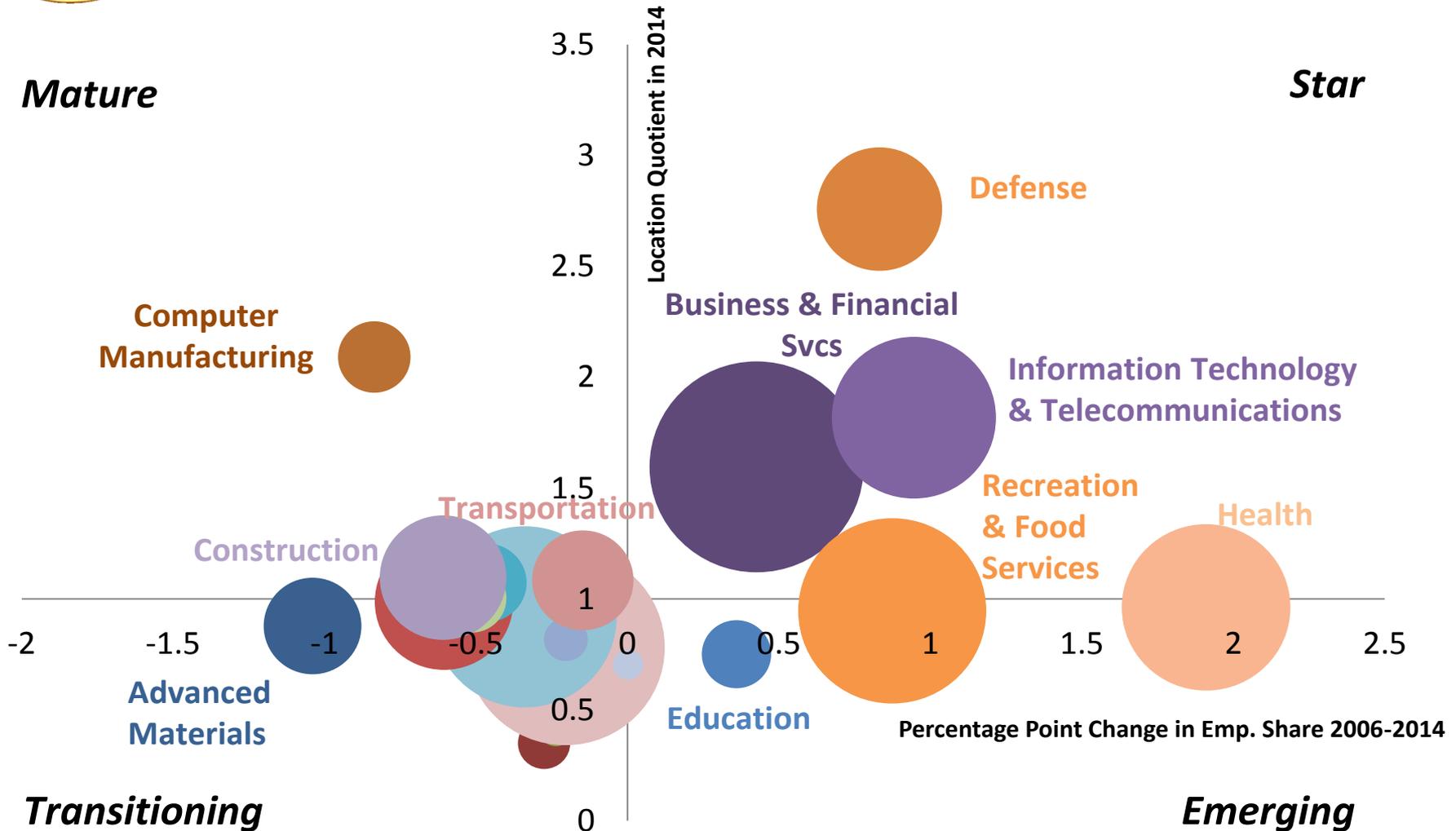


Illustrating Industry Clusters Using Bubble Graphs





Dallas: Texas' Business and Financial Services Center

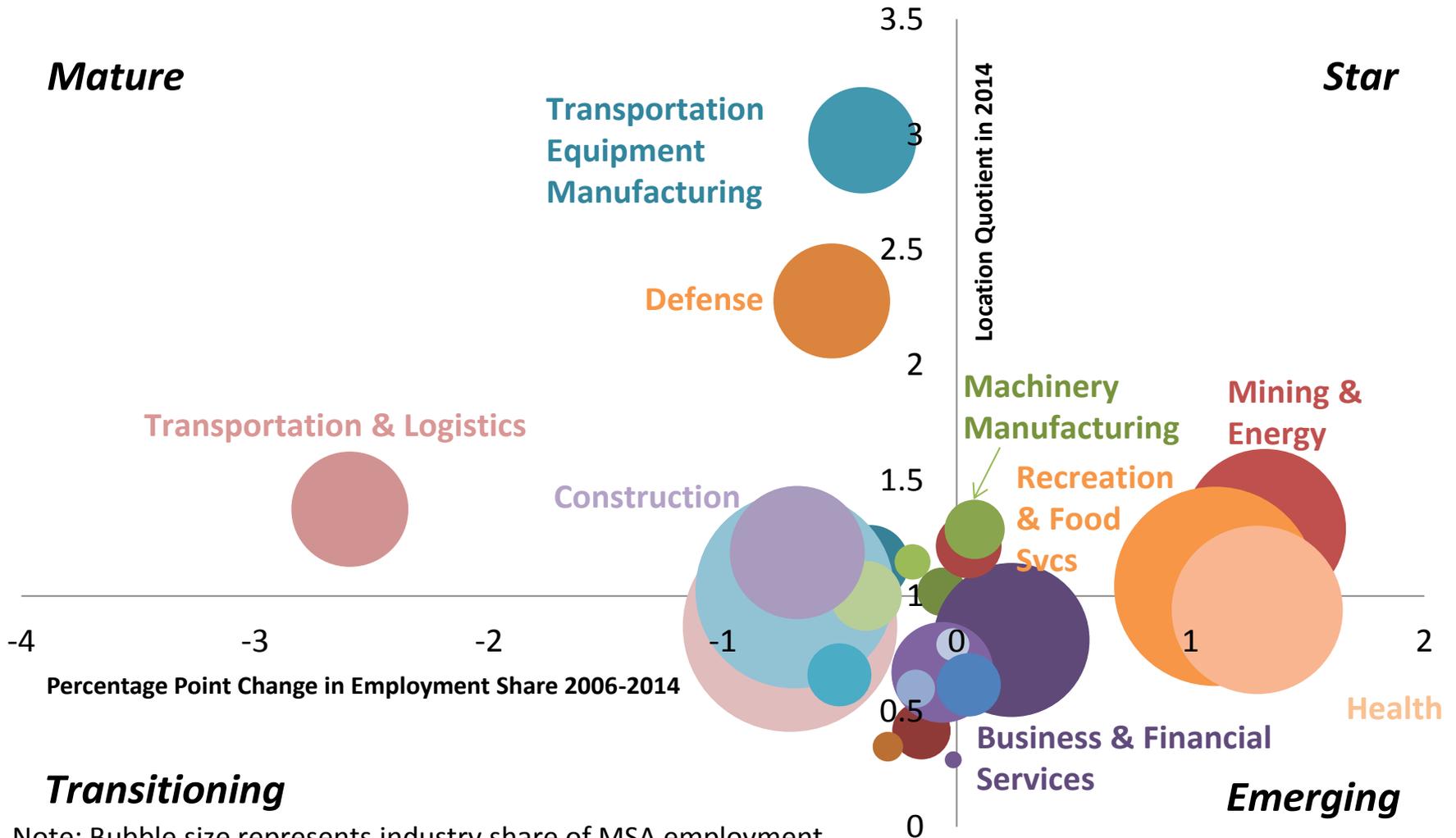


Note: Bubble size represents industry share of MSA employment.

Source: Texas Workforce Commission; Bureau of Labor Statistics.



Transportation and Manufacturing Drive Fort Worth's Economy



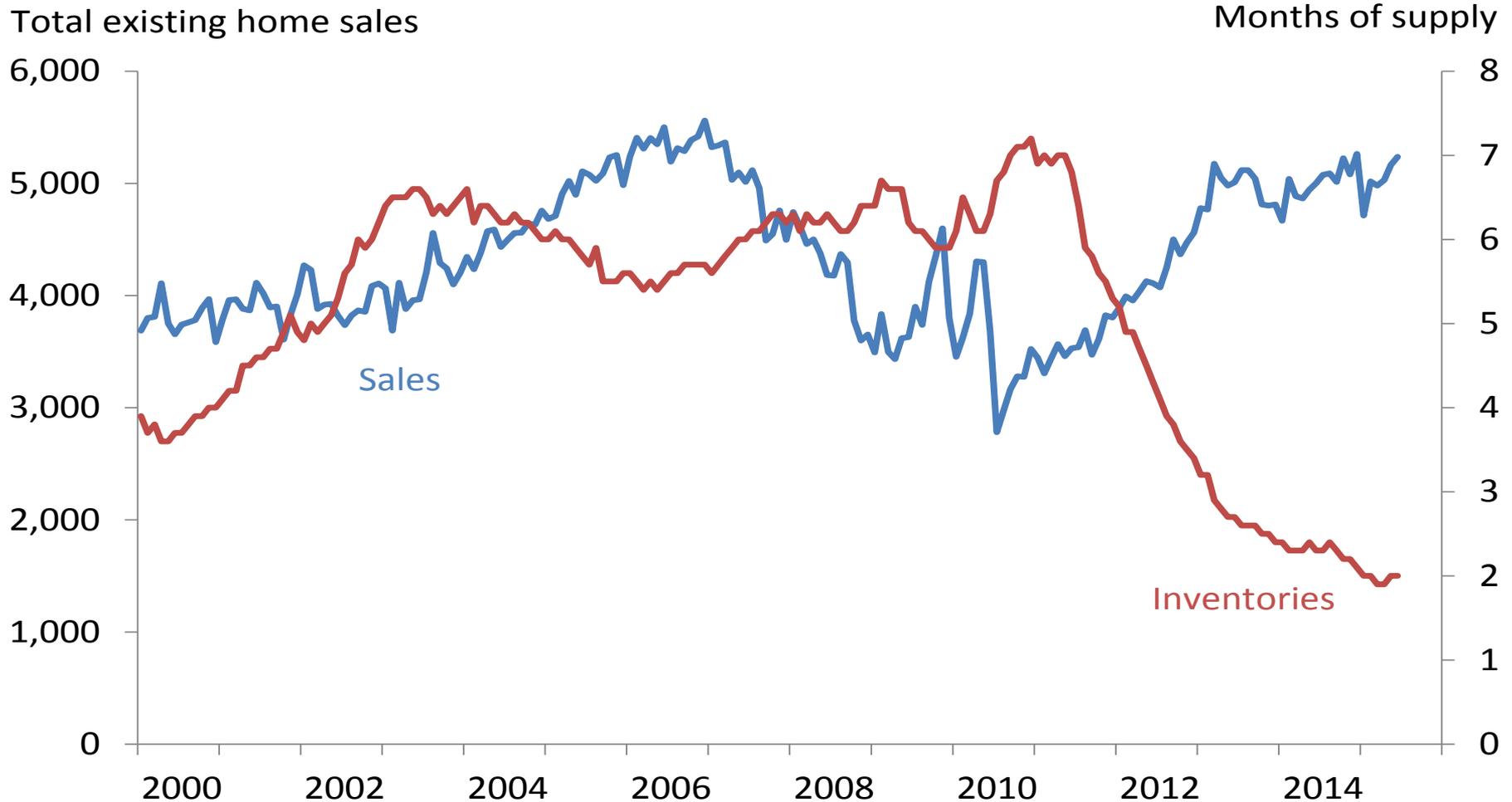
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Construction and Real Estate



Dallas Home Sales Rising, Inventories at Record Lows



NOTE: Last data point is June 2015.

SOURCE: Multiple Listing Service.



Rapid Home Price Appreciation Continues

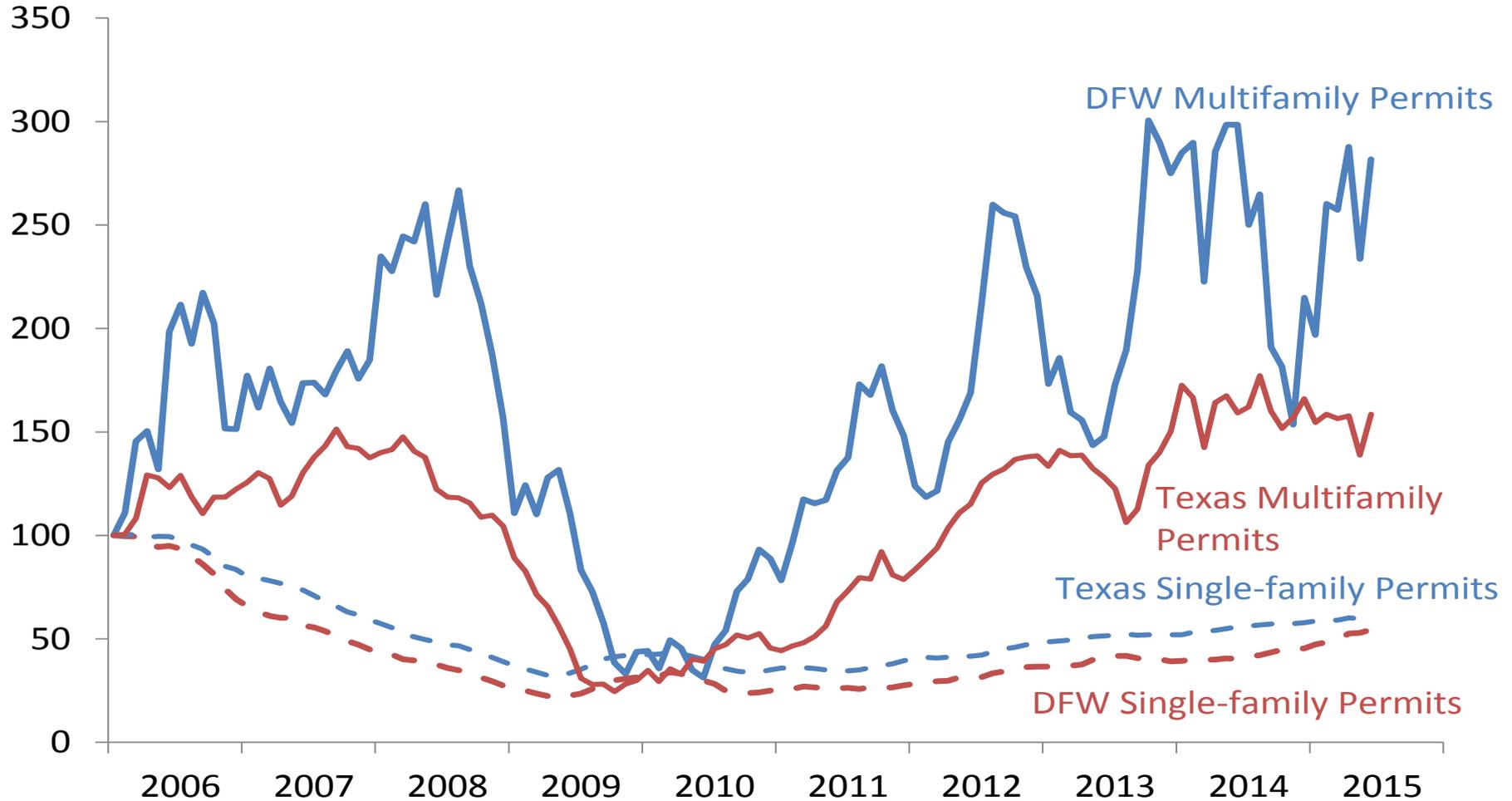
	Real Median Sales Price (June 2015)	2014 Change	2015 YTD Annualized
Austin	\$255,625	7.8%	4.8%
Dallas	\$228,136	10.8%	8.4%
Fort Worth	\$154,646	10.7%	2.0%
Houston	\$208,619	11.0%	2.0%
San Antonio	\$187,846	5.2%	2.4%
Texas	\$197,495	8.4%	5.1%
U.S.	\$220,035	5.1%	4.8%

SOURCE: Multiple Listing Service.



Multifamily Construction Elevated in DFW

Index, Jan. 2006=100, 5MMA





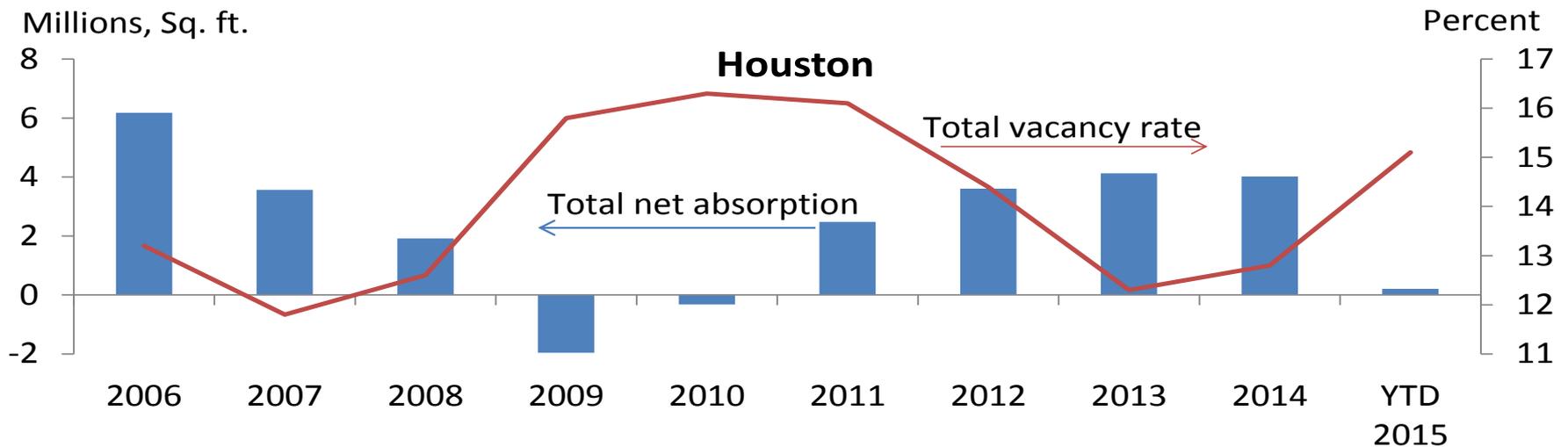
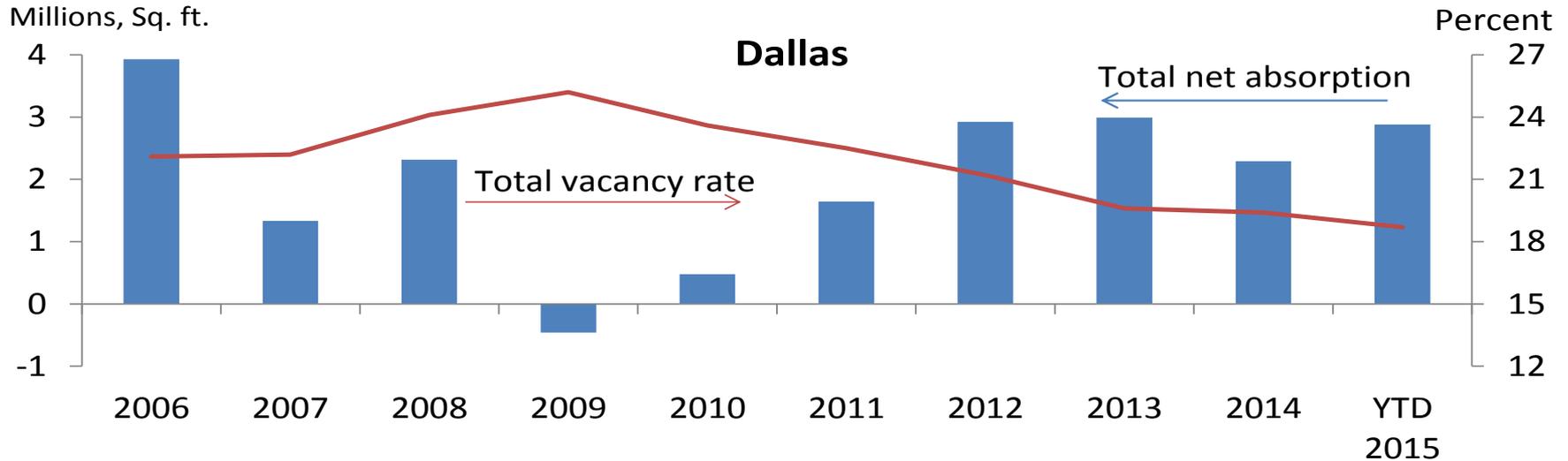
DFW Apartment Market Leads Other Major Metros

Metro Area	Occupancy (Q2 2015)	Change in Occupancy (Q2 2014-Q2 2015)	Rent Growth (Q2 2015/Q2 2014)	Net Absorption (units)	Completions (units)	Under Construction (units)
Dallas-Fort Worth	95.4%	90 basis points	5.5%	8,100	4,700	35,100
Houston	94.7%	30 basis points	5.3%	6,000	2,900	32,000
Austin	95.4%	0 basis points	4.8%	1,600	1,000	13,800
San Antonio	94.0%	80 basis points	3.9%	2,000	600	8,900

SOURCE: MPF Research



DFW Office Market Strong; Houston Sees Weakness



SOURCE: JLL Research, "Office Insight."



Outlook Positive

- Unemployment is at a 14-year low
- Housing market is tight and commercial real estate activity strong
- Energy and mining cluster makes up a small share of the DFW economy
- Business and financial services cluster to see continued growth in part due to several large corporate relocations/consolidations
- Expect DFW to outperform the statewide job growth of 0.5 to 1.5 percent
- DFW job gains to be close to its long-term average of 2.1 percent



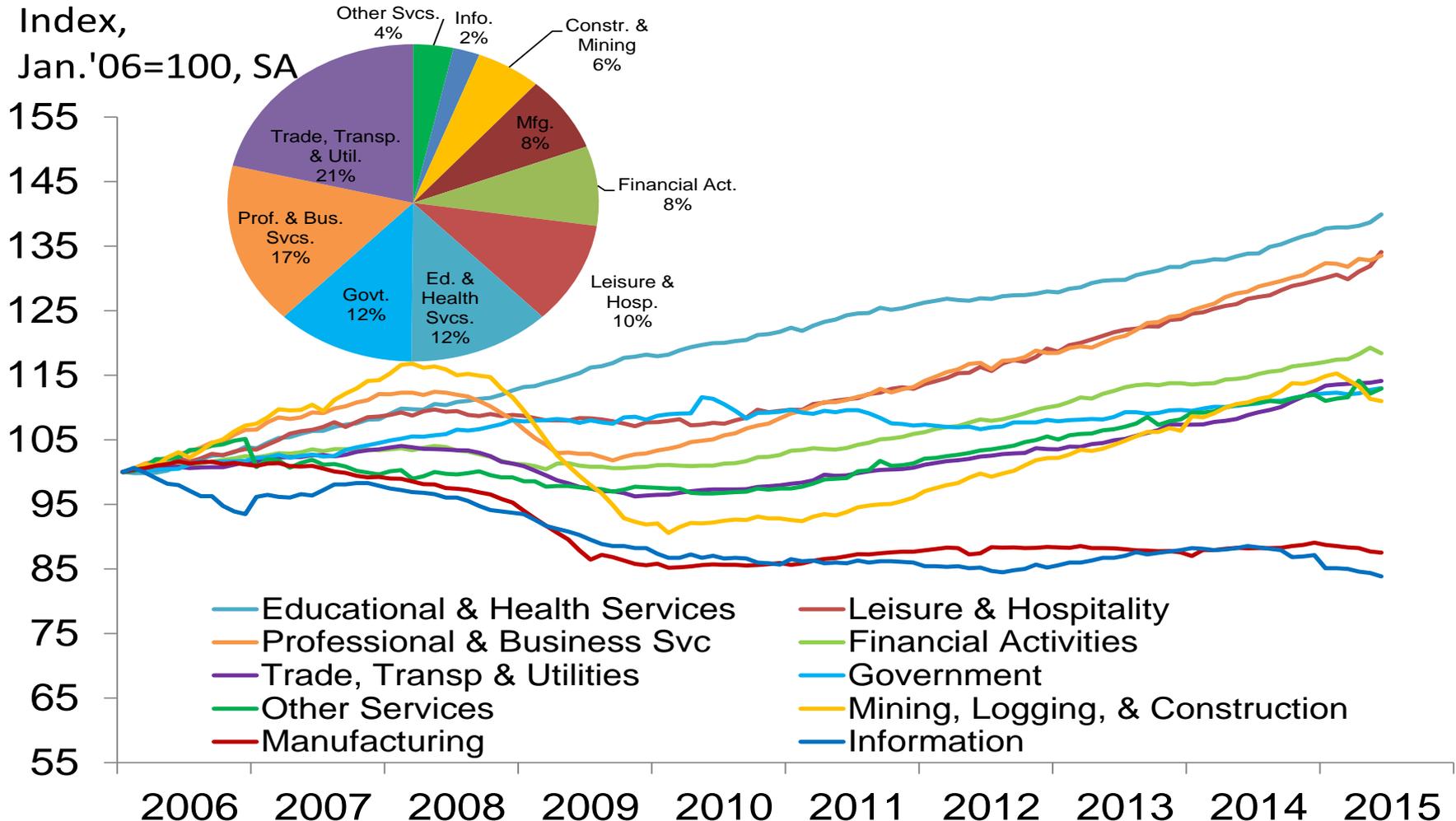
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Drivers of DFW Job Gains



SOURCES: Bureau of Labor Statistics; Texas Workforce Commission; seasonal adjustments by Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas.



Dallas Job Growth Surpasses Austin in 2014

Metro Area	2013 Job Growth	2014 Job Growth	2015 YTD Job Growth
DFW	3.1%	4.0%	2.1%
Houston	3.2%	4.1%	-0.5%
Austin	4.4%	3.9%	4.5%
San Antonio	2.9%	3.6%	1.9%



Summary

- Employment growth has moderated, but is still growing at twice the state's pace
 - DFW jobs grew 2.1% vs. TX 1.1 in the first half of 2015
 - Growth was concentrated in the service sectors
- Unemployment is at a 14 year low



Industry Clusters

- A cluster is a geographically concentrated group of industries related by technology they use, the markets they serve, the goods and services they produce, and the labor skills they require.
- Clusters
 - increase productivity and operational efficiency
 - stimulate and enable innovation
 - facilitate new business formation



Importance of Industry Clusters

- Several studies focus on the role and importance of regional clusters:
 - “The Economic Performance of Regions,” Michael E. Porter, *Regional Studies*, vol. 37, August/October 2003, pp. 549–78.
 - “Clusters, Convergence, and Economic Performance,” M. Delgado, M. Porter and S. Stern, NBER Working Paper No. 18250, July 2012.
 - “Industry Location, Economic Development Incentives, and Clusters,” Douglas P. Woodward, *The Review of Regional Studies*, vol. 42, 2012, pp. 5–23.
 - “Industry Cluster Analysis for the Southeast Missouri Region,” D. Primont and B. Domazlicky, Center for Economic & Business Research, Sept. 2008



Data and Methodology

- Data: Bureau of Labor Statistics QCEW annual employment and wage data
- Clusters Methodology:
 - 17 clusters defined by 3- to 6-digit NAICS, adopted from the report by Center for Regional Development at Purdue University, Indiana Business Research Center and Strategic Development Group, Inc. published in Jan. 2007
 - Combine the Energy and Mining clusters
 - Split the Manufacturing Super Cluster into its 3-digit level NAICS sub sectors
 - Add Retail, Construction, Government and Utilities 2-digit level NAICS sectors
 - Add Food Services to the Recreation Cluster
 - Some double counting at the 4-digit or 5-digit level NAICS across clusters.