

One-third of the persons in the ROI 16 years of age and older were not in the labor force, i.e., they were neither working nor seeking work. Characteristics of the ROI's labor force are summarized in Table 4.11.1.4-1.

Slightly more than two-thirds of employed persons in the ROI in 1990 were wage or salaried workers in private for-profit business enterprises. Exactly 15 percent of the employed, or 13,686 persons, were government workers at the local, State, or Federal levels. Slightly more than 9 percent, or 8,373 persons, were self-employed, with 1,091 persons in this group being self-employed in agriculture. Seven percent of employed persons were wage and salaried workers in private non-profit work environments. Table 4.11.1.4-2 presents information on the various classes of workers in the ROI.

Table 4.11.1.4-3 shows the distribution of the ROI's employed workforce across the major industrial sectors. One-third of the employed, or 30,623 persons, in the ROI in 1990 worked in

the service industry. The next largest group, 23,602, or 25.8 percent of employed persons, worked in the retail or wholesale trade industry. Those employed in manufacturing, which includes the operations at Pantex Plant, numbered 10,441, or 11.4 percent of the employed workforce. The remaining industrial sectors each employed less than 10 percent of the ROI's working population, with agriculture providing work for 2.8 percent of working persons in the four-county area.

Nearly one-third of the ROI's employed persons worked in technical and administrative support occupations in 1990, while just less than one-fourth of the workforce had managerial and professional positions. Approximately 14,000 of the 91,412 employed persons, or 15 percent, had service jobs, while another 12,600, or 14 percent, worked as operators, fabricators or laborers. Precision production, craft and repair jobs were held by another 13 percent of the workforce, and 2,243 persons, or 2.4 percent of the employed, worked in farming occupations. It should be noted that the Bureau of the Census

**TABLE 4.11.1.4-1.—Labor Force Characteristics by County in the Pantex Plant Region of Influence**

CHARACTERISTIC	ARMSTRONG COUNTY	CARSON COUNTY	POTTER COUNTY	RANDALL COUNTY	TOTAL ROI
<b>Persons 16+ years</b>	1,517	4,781	72,204	67,608	146,110
In Labor Force	868	2,884	45,867	48,275	97,894
Employed Persons 16+ (%)	57.2	60.3	63.5	71.4	67.0
Armed Forces	0	0	107	74	181
Civilian Labor Force	868	2,884	45,760	48,201	97,713
Employed	842	2,775	41,895	45,900	91,412
Employed 35+ Hours	644	2,199	32,315	35,976	71,134
Unemployed	26	109	3,865	2,301	6,301
Unemployed (%)	3.0	3.8	8.4	4.8	6.5
Not in Labor Force	649	1,897	26,337	19,333	48,216
Institutionalized	59	69	1,413	385	1,926

Source: TX Cen 1993:144