At the national level, annual average employment in the oil and gas pipeline construction industry grew by 16.1 percent from 2005 to 2006.



Texas, Louisiana, and California had the highest employment levels in the oil and gas pipeline construction industry in both 2005 and 2006.

Texas experienced employment growth of30.6 percent from 2005 to 2006.

## CHART 16 Private-sector employment in oil and gas pipeline construction by selected States, 2005–2006

