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Overall Summary

- Signed into law: Monday, November 15
- \$1.2 trillion total spending
 - \$550 billion new spending
 - 5-year FAST Act Reauthorization
 - Beyond transportation: power, water, broadband, and more
- New programs, policies, requirements
- Three types of funding
 - Highway Trust Fund
 - Guaranteed appropriations
 - General Fund (requires Appropriations)



Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)



	FAST Act Extension	Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)				
Fiscal Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Total BIL Funding		\$1.000 B	\$1.000 B	\$1.000 B	\$1.000 B	\$1.000 B

- Funds for local initiatives to prevent death and serious injury on roads and streets – "Vision Zero" initiatives
- Cap of 15% awarded to eligible projects in a single state per fiscal year
- Funds to be used within 5 years of grant award
- Federal share not to exceed 80%
- Eligible Activities: develop Safety Action Plans, conduct planning, design, and development activities identified in the Safety Action Plan, or carry out projects and strategies identified in the Safety Action Plan
- MPOs are eligible applicants



Railway-Highway Crossing Program



	FAST Act Extension	Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)				
Fiscal Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Contract Authority	\$ 245 M	\$ 245 M	\$ 245 M	\$ 245 M	\$ 245 M	\$ 245 M

- Funds for safety improvements to reduce the number of fatalities, injuries, and crashes at public railway-highway grade crossings
- Funded through the Highway Safety Improvement Program
- State apportionments are based on Surface Transportation Program under the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users(SAFETEA-LU) and ratio of public railway-highway crossings in the State to public railway-highway crossings in all States
- Requirement to set aside 50% of RHCP funds for installation of protective devices removed in BIL
- elimination of hazards, the installation of protective devices at railway-highway crossings, the replacement of functionally obsolete warning devices, and for projects to reduce pedestrian fatalities and injuries from trespassing at grade crossings
- BIL increases Federal share from 90% under FAST Act to 100%
- Data analysis limitation increased from 2% under FAST Act to 8%



National Highway Freight Program



	FAST Act Extension	Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)				
Fiscal Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Contract Authority	\$ 1.487 B	\$1.374 B	\$1.401 B	\$1.429 B	\$1.458 B	\$1.487 B

- Funds for improving efficient movement of freight on the National Highway
 Freight Network
- Funded through the Highway Trust Fund
- NHFP funding increased from 10% under FAST Act to 30% on the amount of funding that a state can use on freight intermodal or freight rail projects
- Increases the maximum number of miles of highway that a state can designate as Critical Rural Freight Corridors (based on state population density per square mile)
- Increases the maximum number of miles of highway that a state can designate as Critical Urban Freight Corridors to 150 miles or 10% of the Primary Highway Freight System state mileage



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Note: This table does not include all BIL programs or eligible entities, and there are additional nuances not represented in this table.							
* "PA" means a special purpose district or public authority with a transportation function; FLMA means Federal Land Management Agency							
Program Examples	State	MPO	Local	Tribe	PA*	Territory	FLMA*

Apportioned programs (formula)

PROTECT Grants (discretionary)

Congestion Relief Program

INFRA

National Electric Vehicle Formula Program

Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Program

Bridge Investment Program (discretionary)

Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program

National Infrastructure Project Assistance

Local and Regional Project Assistance

Rural Surface Transportation Grants

Safe Streets and Roads for All program

Bridge Program (formula)

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What is The Regional Goods Movement Plan?

The Regional Goods Movement Plan is a long-range plan for the goods movement system in the Houston-Galveston Region

- First iteration of the Regional Goods Movement Plan was published in 2013
- Updated every 5 years.



Vision & Goals

VISION

A multimodal freight transportation system that is efficient, reliable, and safe, that supports the economy, the environment, and equity.

GOALS

- Mobility
- Safety
- Infrastructure new projects & maintain existing assets
- Economic development
- Environmental
- Equity

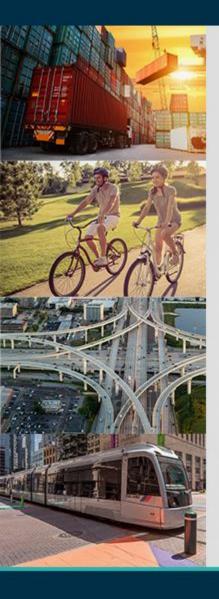




Commodity Flow Analysis



Primary Data Sources



- Freight Analysis Framework (FAF) version 5
 - USDOT product
 - Tons and value for base year 2017 and forecasts to 2050
 - Pros: all modes
 - Cons: limitations on commodity detail and geography detail
- Transearch
 - Commercial product, purchased by TxDOT with MPO sharing
 - Tons, value and units for base year 2019 through 2050
 - Pros: detailed commodity groups and county detail for Texas
 - Cons:
 - Domestic mode only
 - No rail or pipeline data except NAFTA cross-border flows
 - Not including TxDOT post processing of some commodities
 - Shared data most valuable for additional truck detail



Transearch Trucks, HGAC Counties, 2019



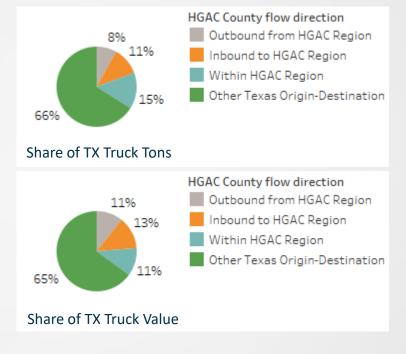
 Domestic truck moves inbound to, outbound from, and within the HGAC region represent 401 million tons worth \$382 billion -- 34% of state truck tons and 35% of value

HGAC Region Flow Direction	Tons	Value
Inbound to HGAC Region	132,612,108	141,986,705,697
Outbound from HGAC Region	95,562,798	116,873,376,600
Within HGAC Region	172,367,313	123,603,988,284
Other Texas Origin-Destination	778,198,257	709,025,857,938
Grand Total	1,178,740,477	1,091,489,928,519

FAF reports 444 million truck tons for the geographically larger Houston BEA in 2017, excluding through moves

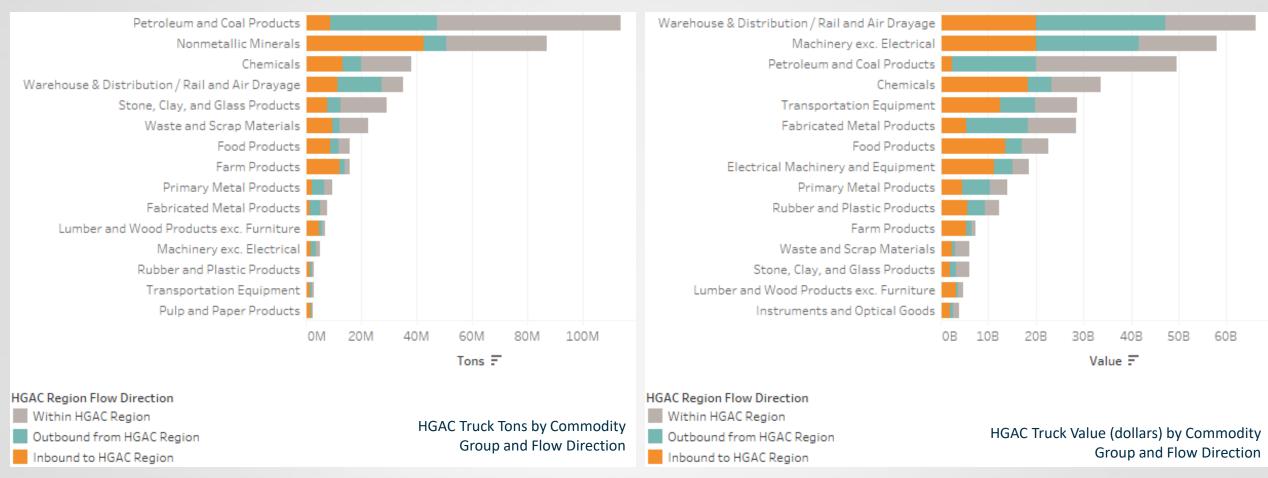
- 145 million inbound
- 101 million outbound
- 198 million between/within

Very good correspondence between Transearch and FAF



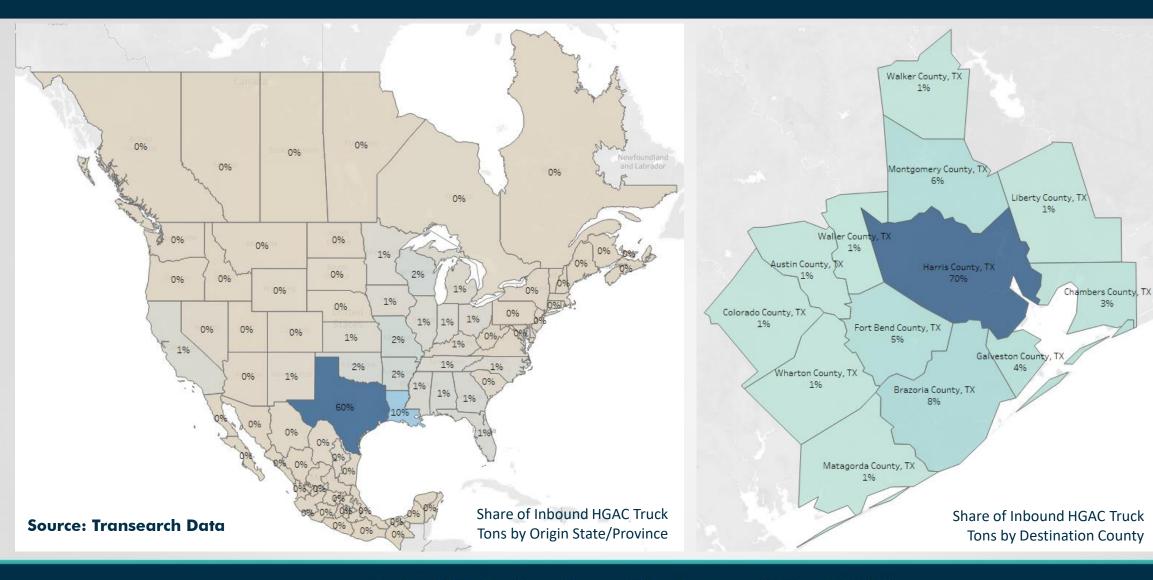


Transearch Truck Commodities, 2019



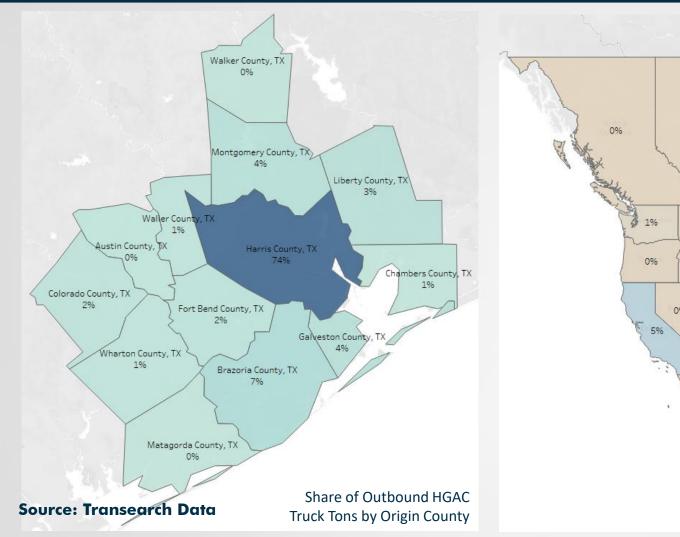


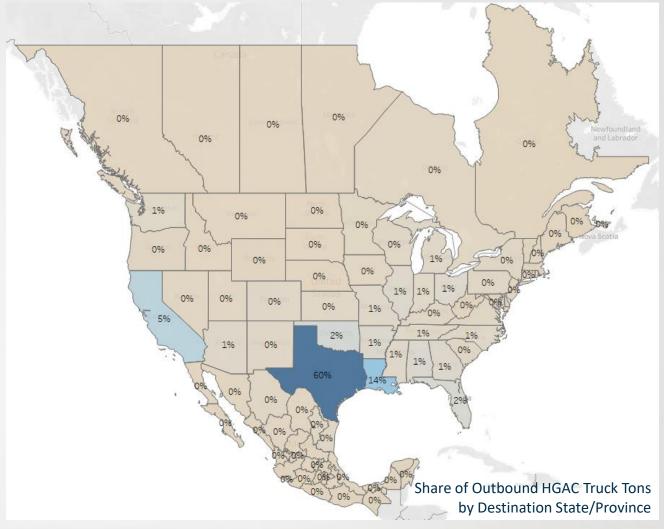
Origins & Destinations – Inbound Trucks





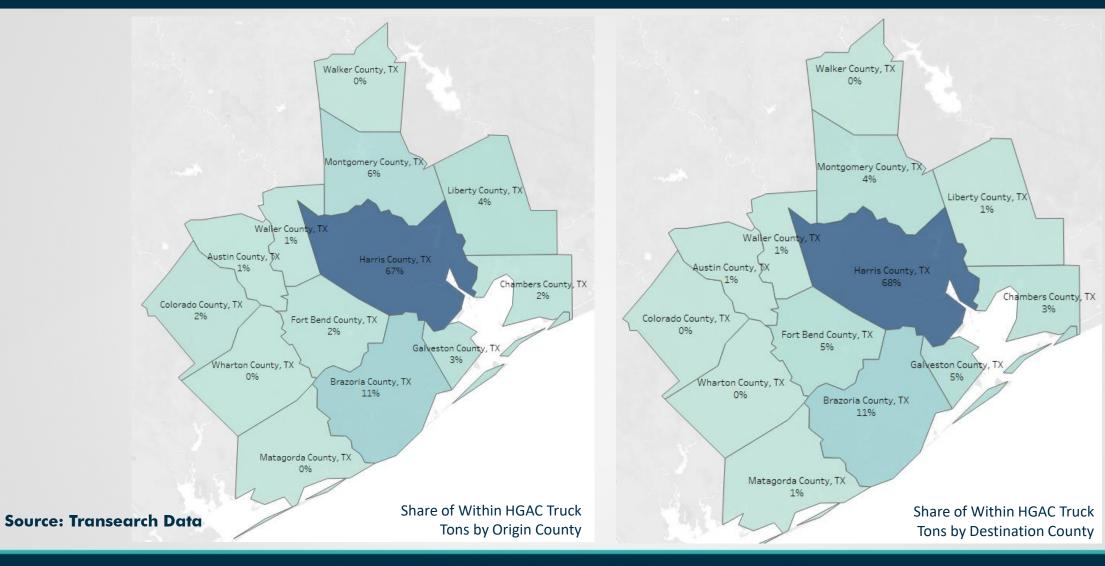
Origins and Destinations – Outbound Trucks







Origins & Destinations -- Within HGAC Trucks





Looking Forward



- Comparing Transearch 2019 base and 2050 forecast:
 - HGAC truck tons projected to more than double between 2019 and 2050
 - HGAC truck value projected to nearly triple between 2019 and 2050

TONS	Transearch	Base Years		
	2019	2050		
Inbound to HGAC Region	132,612,108	316,695,241		
Outbound from HGAC Region	95,562,798	235,098,607		
Within HGAC Region	172,367,313	333,251,526		
Totals	400,542,219	885,045,374		
VALUE (\$)	Transearch	Base Years		
	2019	2050		
Inbound to HGAC Region	141,986,705,697	369,759,804,244		
Outbound from HGAC Region	116,873,376,600	340,552,237,425		
Within HGAC Region	123,603,988,284	310,513,512,248		
Totals	382,464,070,581	1,020,825,553,917		





Trucks Origin – Destination Analysis



Trucks Origin-Destination Data

Data Source - INRIX data was obtained using the Regional Integrated Transportation Information System (RITIS) – Trip Analytics Platform

Dataset Date Range

2019: March-May, September-November

2020: February-April, September-November

Vehicle Class Medium & Heavy

States

Texas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama

Traffic Analysis Zones (TAZs) as defined by H-GAC



Origin-Destination Data Dashboard

The Origin-Destination Data can be accessed in an online dashboard with interactive queries and displays

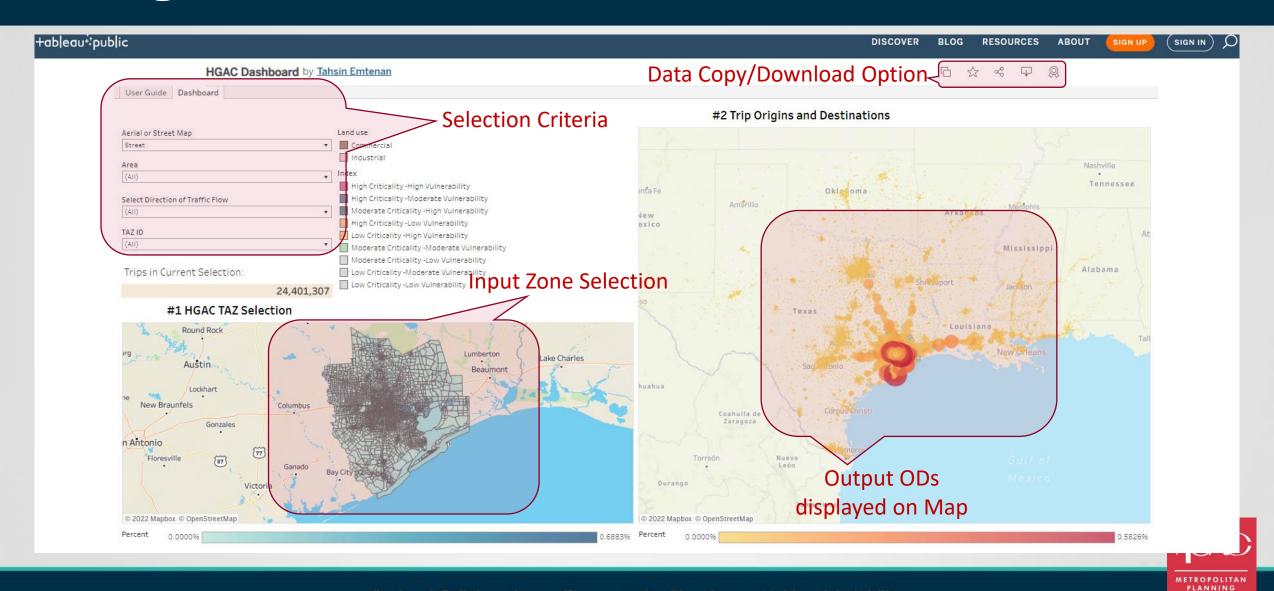
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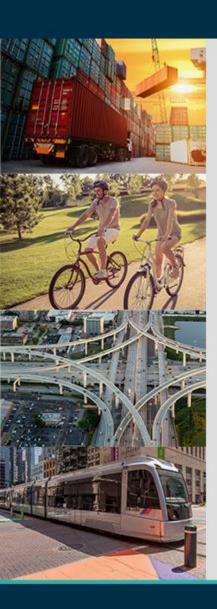
H-GAC Origin Destination Dashboard | Tableau Public

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Origin-Destination Data Dashboard

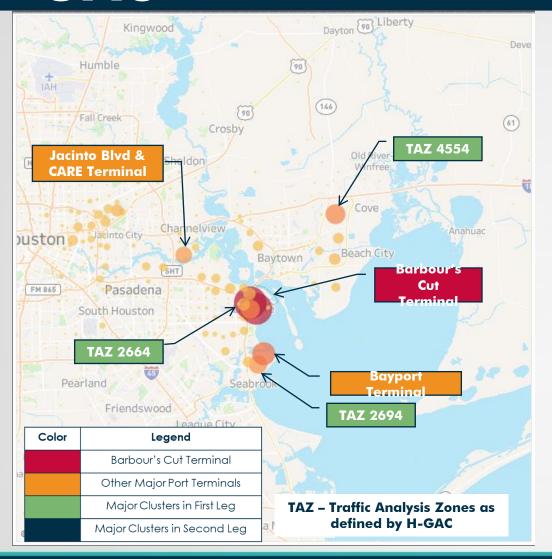


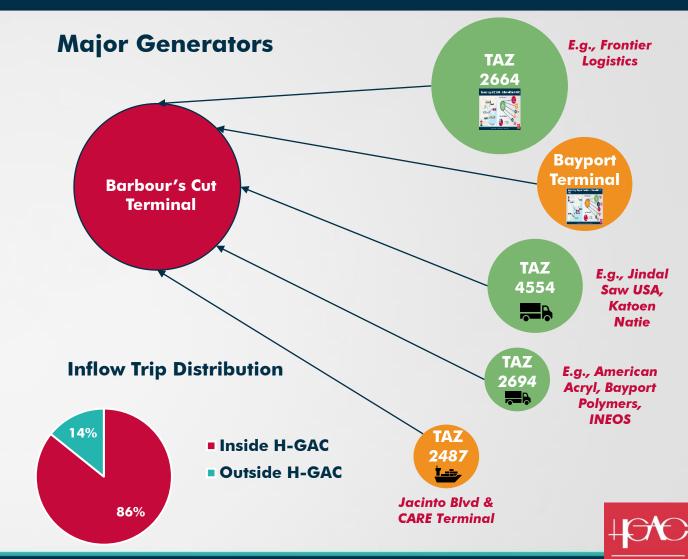


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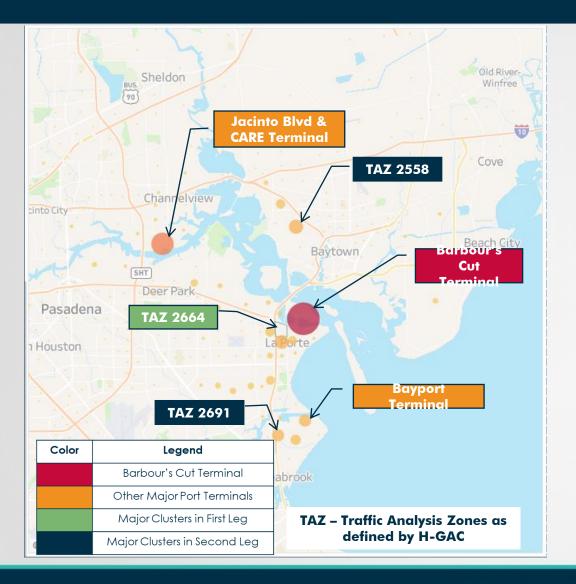


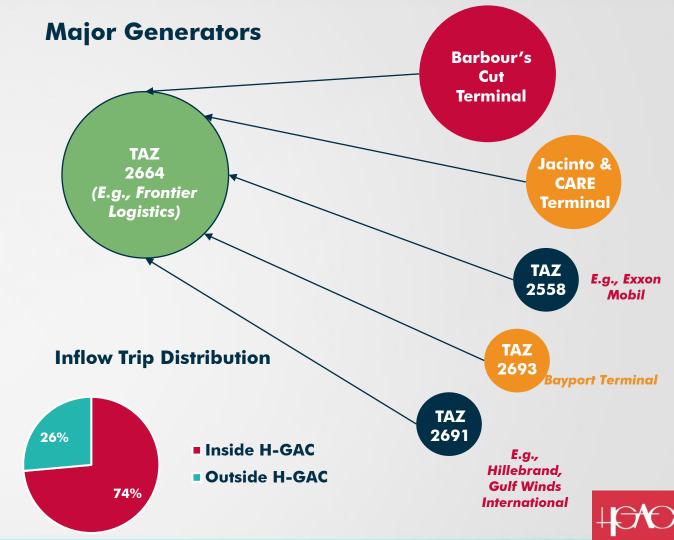
Barbour's Cut Terminal – Inflow within H-GAC



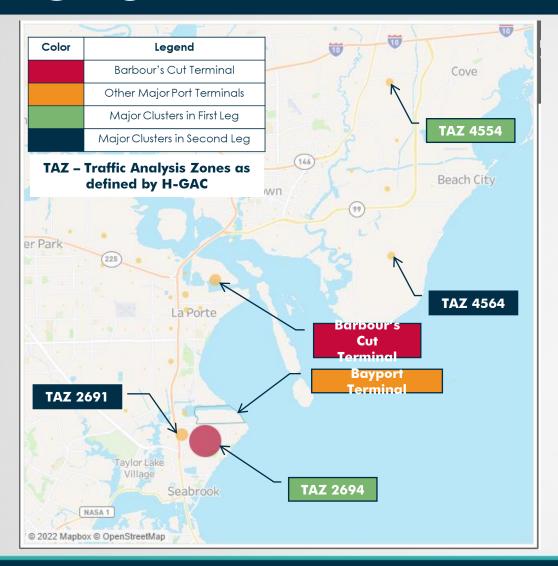


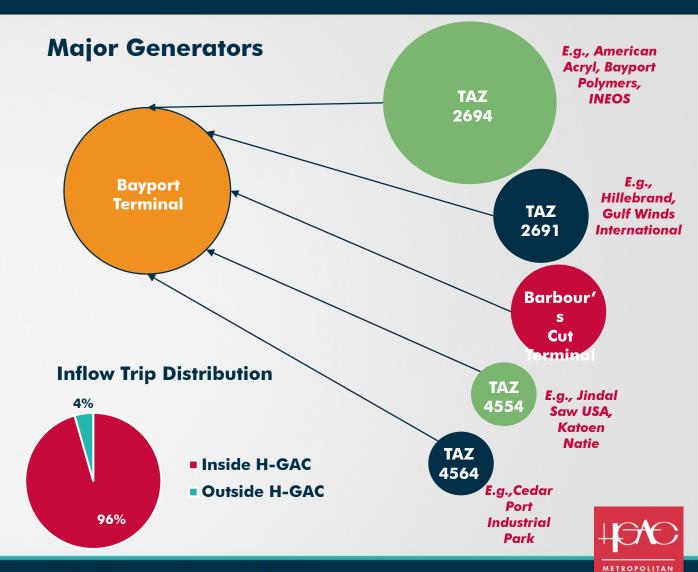
Second Leg -TAZ 2664 – Inflow within H-GAC

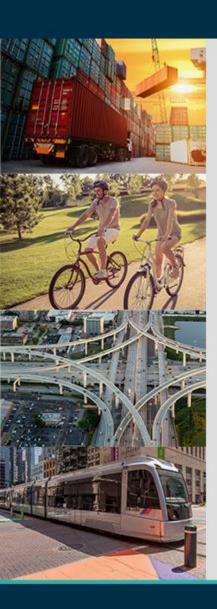




Second Leg -Bayport Terminal – Inflow within H-GAC



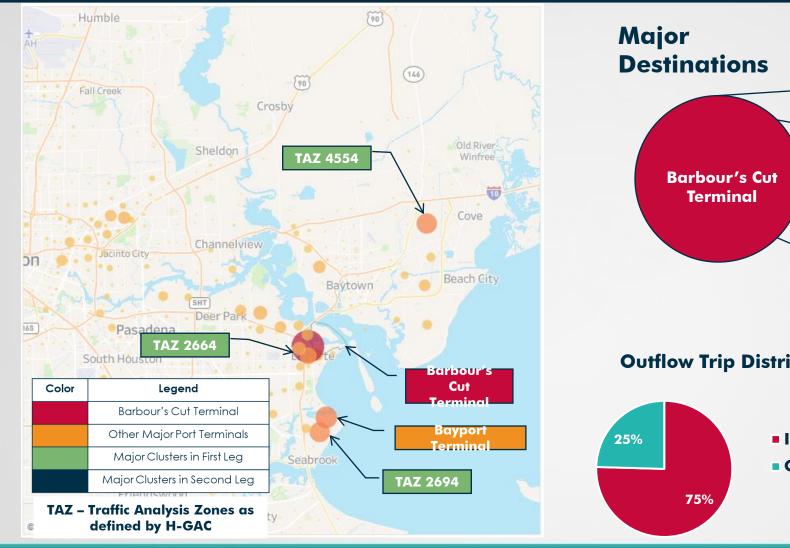


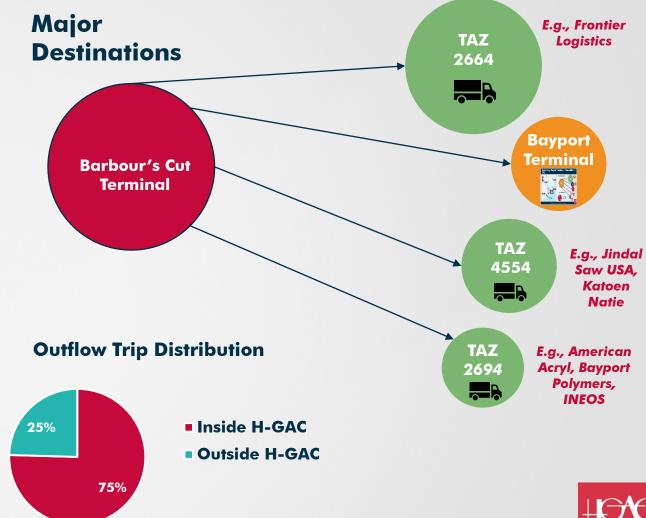


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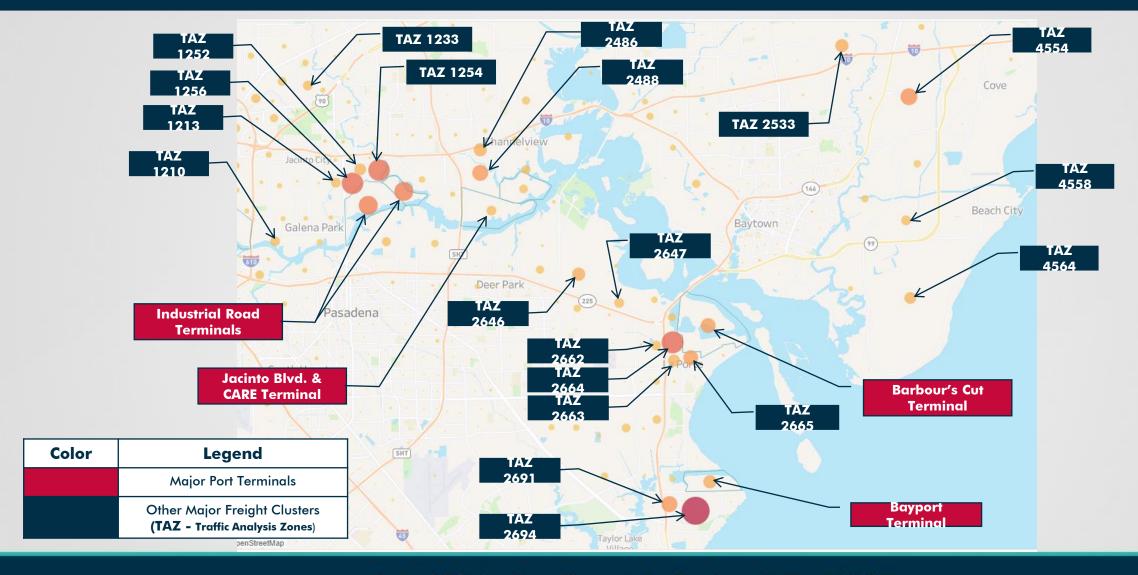


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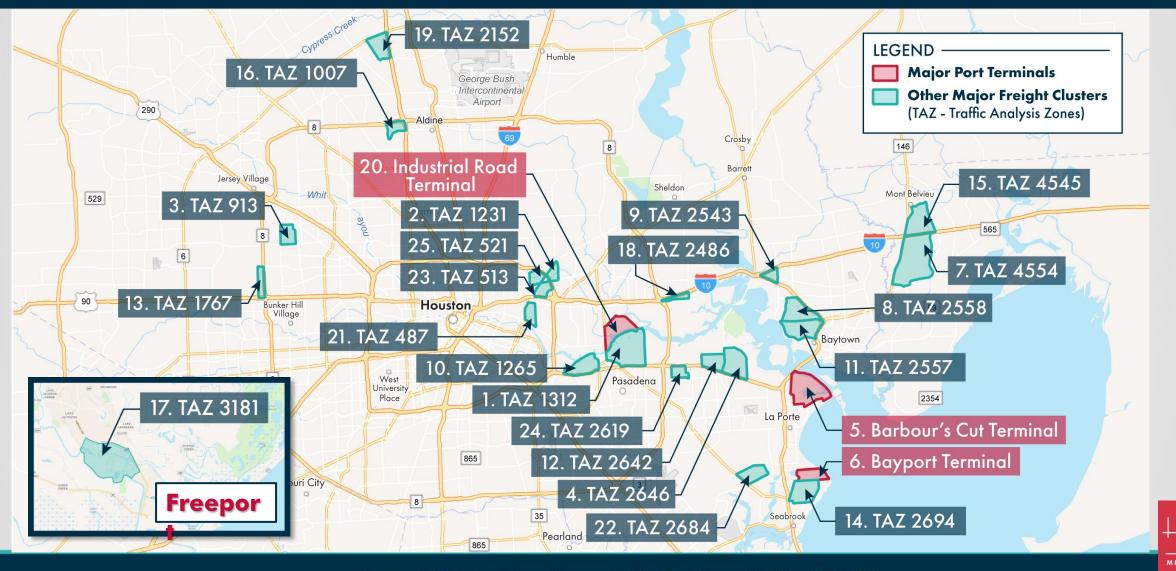


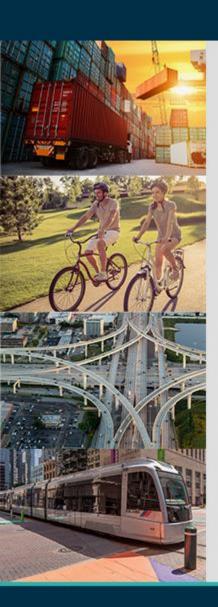
Port of Houston All Terminals – Major Freight Clusters (Top 25 TAZs)





H-GAC Region – Major Freight Clusters (Top 25 TAZs)





Critical Urban Freight Corridors (CUFCs) Methodology



FHWA CUFC Criteria

CUFCs are required to meet one or more of the following criteria:

- 1. A public roadway that Connects an Intermodal facility to:
 - The Primary Highway Freight System (PHFS)
 - The Interstate System
 - An intermodal freight facility
- 2. Located within a corridor of a route on the PHFS and provides an alternative highway option important to goods movement
- 3. Serves a major freight generator, logistic center, or manufacturing and warehouse industrial land
- 4. Important to the movement of freight within the region, as determined by the MPO or the state

Source: FAST Act Section 1116 National Highway Freight Program (NHFP) Guidance

H-GAC Criteria

In addition to the above, whether there are projects planned in the next five years



H-GAC Methodology Determining CUFC

- 1. Review H-GAC's 2021-2024 TIP projects. Eliminate projects identified as "Construction underway or begins soon" or "Construction begins within 4 years" in TxDOT's UTP 2022.
- 2. "Added Capacity" projects listed in the TIP are considered "Freight-Eligible" projects for CFC designation
- Identify "Freight-Eligible" projects in TxDOT's UTP 2022 (expected to be built in 5+ years).
- 4. Eligible projects from the 2017 CUFC, projects recommended by the Stakeholders and TIP/UTP projects are ranked using the criteria listed below:
 - Criticality Vulnerability
 - Project included in UTP or TIP list
 - Corridors with high truck volumes and truck percentages

- Heavy truck corridors
- CUFC connection

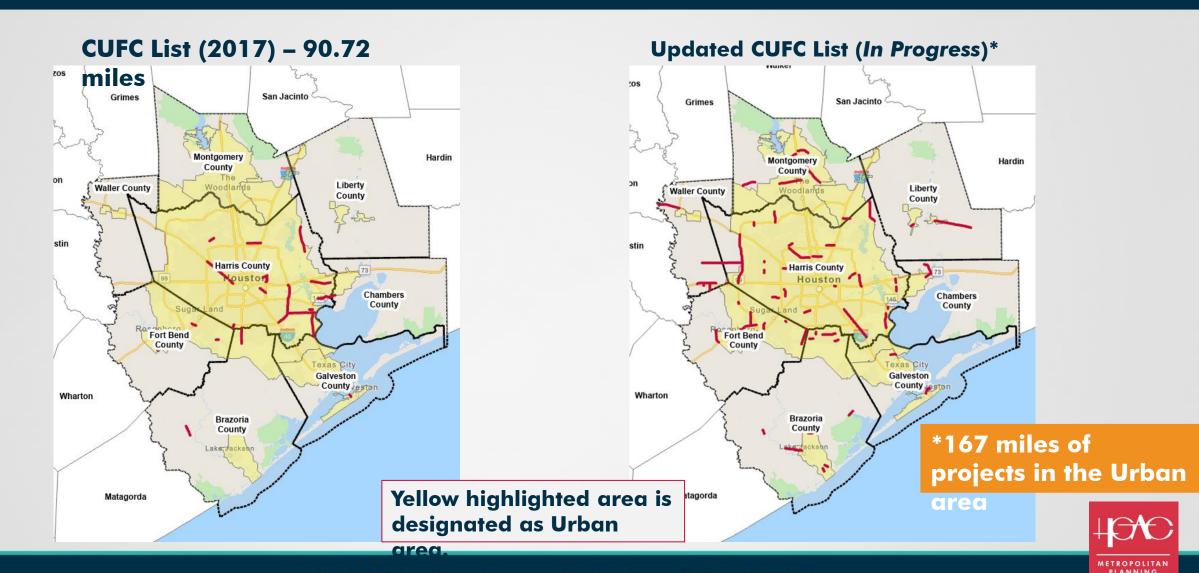


CUFC Scoring

	SCORES SCORES								
		0.25	0.50	0.75	1.00	2.00	4.00		
	Criticality — Vulnerability	Moderate Criticality- Moderate Vulnerability	Low Criticality- High Vulnerability	Moderate Criticality- High Vulnerability	High Criticality-				
			High Criticality- Low Vulnerability	High Criticality- Moderate Vulnerability	High Vulnerability				
	UTP / TIP						UTP		
							TIP		
CRITERIA	Truck Volumes	>250	251 > 500	501 > 1000	>1000	>2000			
	Truck Percentage	0-2.5%	2.6%-5.0%	5.1%-9.9%	10.0%-19.9%	>20.0%			
	Heavy Truck Corridors				Highways w/in 30 miles of ports				
	Connection	Corridor important to			Within a route's corridor on PHFS & provides alt. hwy option for goods movement	Connects intermodal facility to PHFS,			
			freight movement w/in region, as determined by MPO or State		Serves major freight generator, logistic center, manufacturing & warehouse industrial land	Interstate System, or intermodal freight facility			



CUFC Map: Then vs. Now



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Sample CUFC Scoring

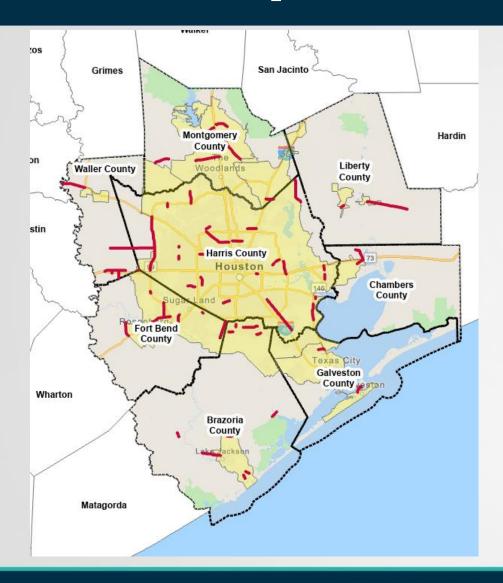


- Corridor N Broadway St. between Barbours Cut Blvd. and L ST N
- TIP/UTP Project is featured in TIP 2021-2024 & also in TIP 2023-2026* (*under review) (4.0 pts)
- Project Description Widen from 2 to 4-lanes roadway
- Moderate Criticality Moderate Vulnerability (0.25 pts)
- **ADT (05/18/2022)** 2,360
- Truck Volume (05/18/2022) 1,936 (2 pts) since volume is close to 2000
- Truck % 82% (2 pts)
- Heavy Haul Corridor (30-mile radius) (1 pt)
- Connects an intermodal facility (2 pts)
- Total Score = 11.25 pts

*All projects will be scored similarly, and a rank will be assigned in future



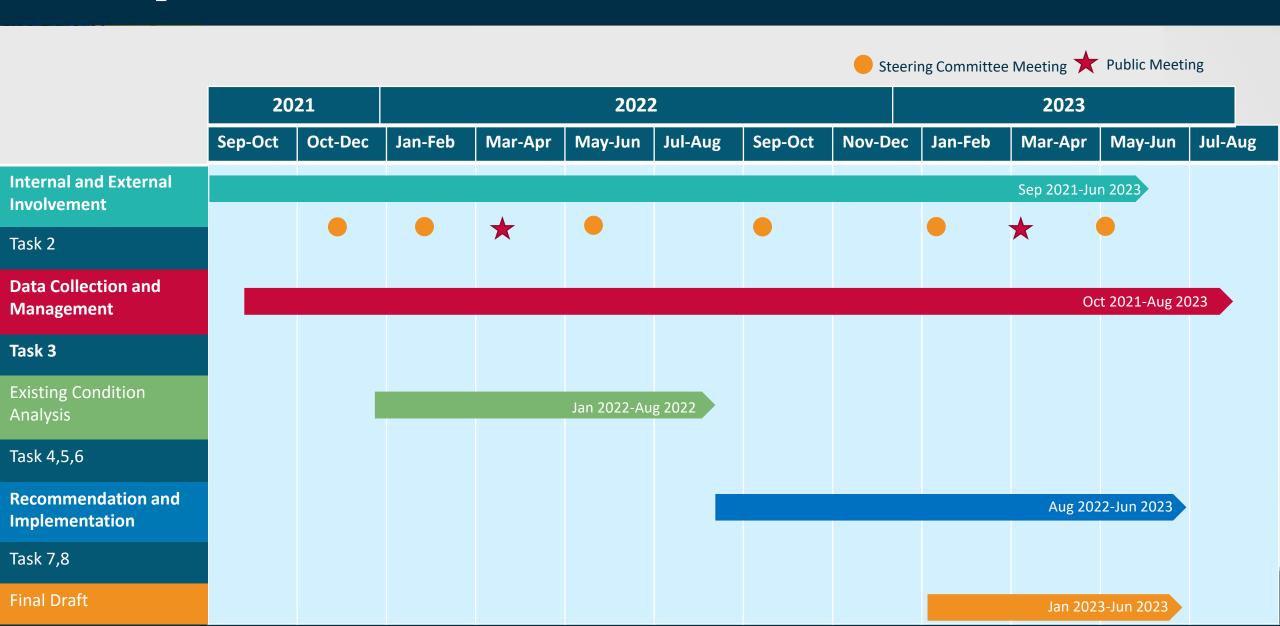
Next Steps



- Present the findings to the Stakeholders (06/28)
- Rank the projects and recommend 90.72 miles of CUFCs
- Identify Key Issues and Needs by Corridor, Topic, and Mode
- Identify ITS and TSMO Solutions
- Identify Short, Mid, and Long-Term Policies, Programs, and Projects



Project Schedule



Public Engagement and Data Tools



H-GAC Engage Webpage

https://engage.h-gac.com/regional-goods

- Access links to the data tools
- Subscribe to meeting updates
- Access to previous meeting
- Review meeting materials

H-GAC Regional Goods Movement Plan Storyboard



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2045 RTP Update Survey







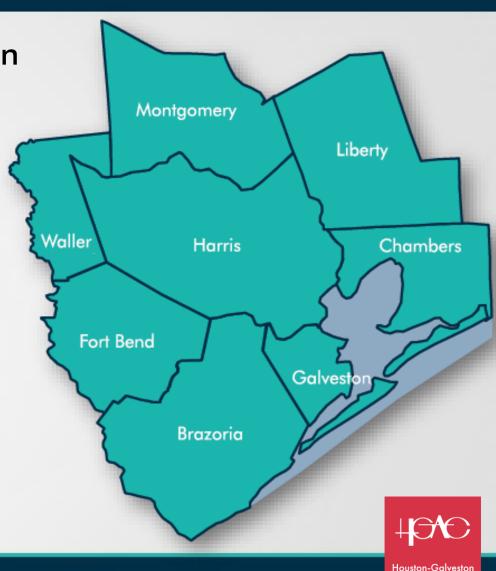


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What is the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)

- Establishes the Transportation Future for our Region
- Minimum 20-year outlook
- Updated every four years
- Aligns with Federal, State, and Local vision
- Evaluate Performance Measures and Targets
- Assessment of Needs and Priorities
- Financially constrained Action Plan
- Required to receive Federal funding

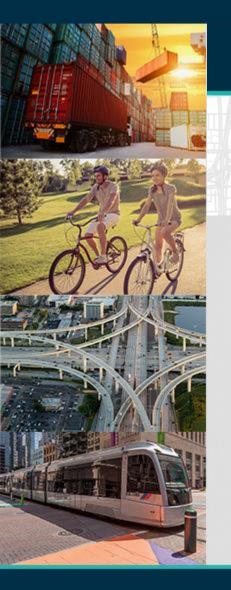


Schedule





2045 Regional Transportation Plan Update















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Public Engagement Strategy



2045 RTP Update Public Meetings

Fort Bend County: Thursday, May 5 – Sugar Land City Hall

Brazoria County: Tuesday, May 10 – Pearland City Hall

Liberty County: Thursday, May 12 – Liberty City Hall

Galveston County: Tuesday, May 17 – Historic Galveston Water & Electric Light Community Center

Waller County: Thursday, May 19 – City of Hempstead Recreation Room

Montgomery County: Tuesday, May 24 – Shenandoah City Hall

Harris County: Thursday, May 26 – Houston-Galveston Area Council Office

Chambers County: Tuesday, May 31 – Eagle Pointe Recreation Center

Virtual Meeting: Thursday June 2 - Online



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- Vision Survey
- Commenting Map
- Transportation 101
- Share Ideas
- Ask Questions









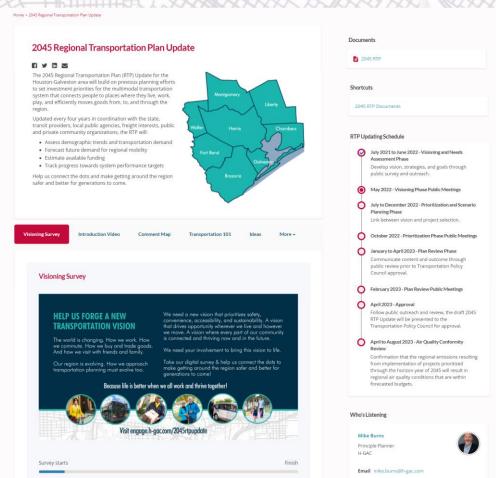






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Visioning Survey: h-gac.com/rtp

Visioning Survey

Comment Map

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Introduction Video

Ideas

More -

Visioning Survey

HELP US FORGE A NEW TRANSPORTATION VISION

The world is changing. How we work. How we commute. How we buy and trade goods. And how we visit with friends and family.

Our region is evolving. How we approach transportation planning must evolve too.

We need a new vision that prioritizes safety, convenience, accessibility, and sustainability. A vision that drives opportunity wherever we live and however we move. A vision where every part of our community is connected and thriving now and in the future.

We need your involvement to bring this vision to life.

Take our digital survey & help us connect the dots to make getting around the region safer and better for generations to come!

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Survey starts











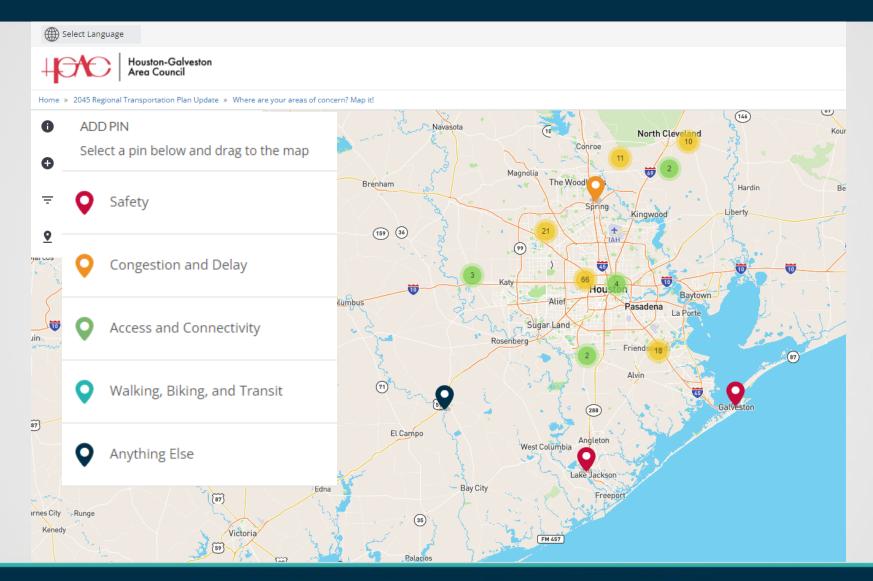
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Finish

- How do you get around?
- What do you like / not like?
- What are your tradeoffs?
- What influences your choices?



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2045 RTP Update Visioning Outreach

2045 Regional Transportation Planning

Get started



- Interactive Maps
- Demographics
- Asset Conditions



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Questions?



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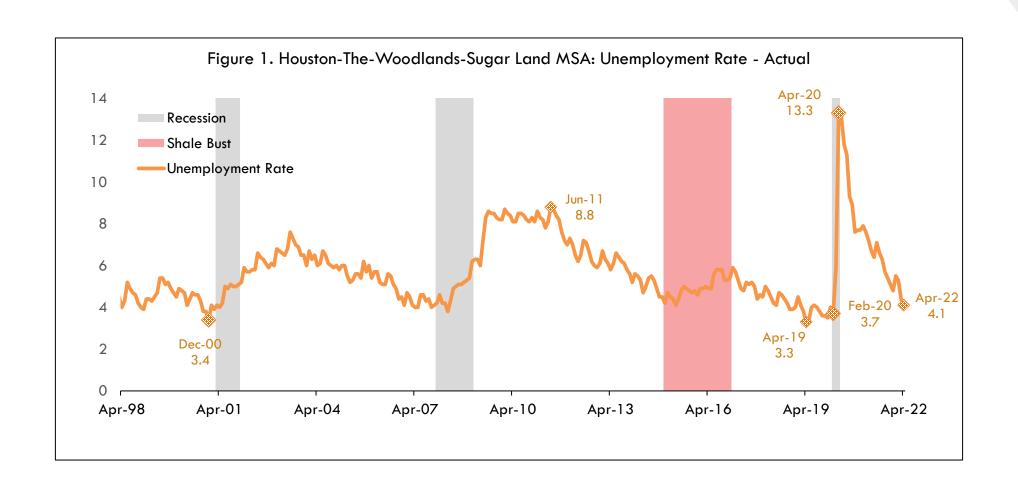
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9. Look at the Economy

Report on current employment data and economic trends.



Unemployment Rate

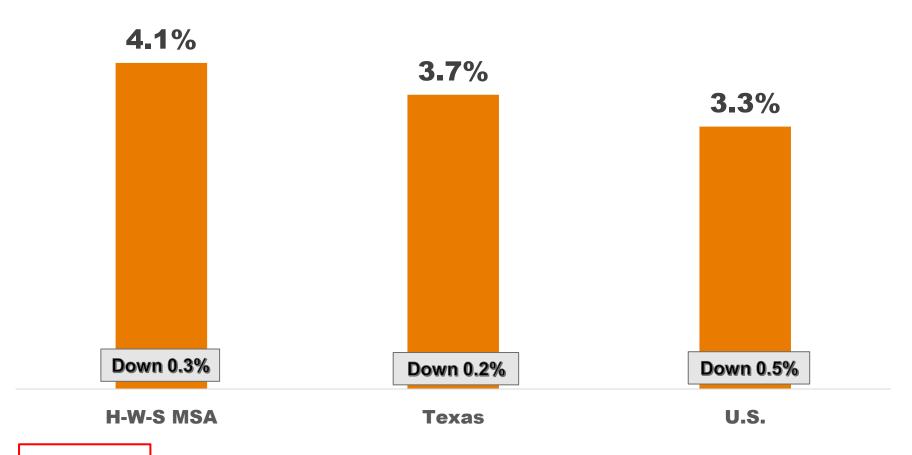


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Rate of Unemployment April 2022 - Actual



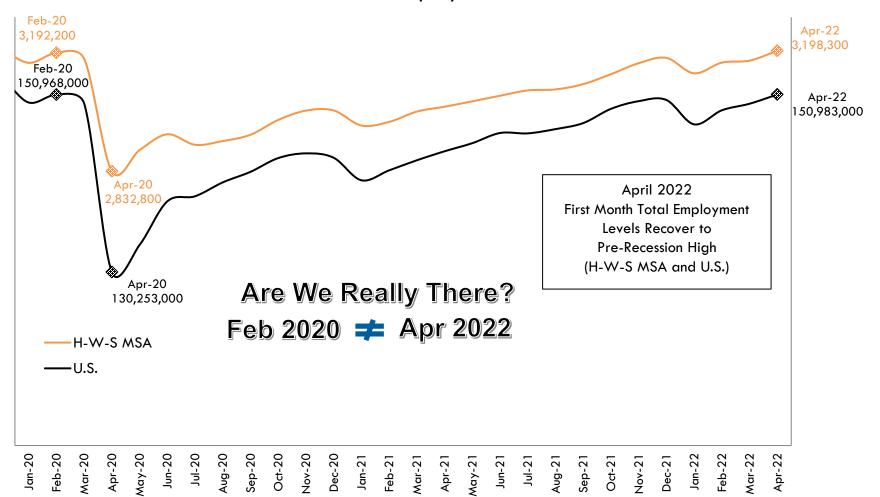


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Pandemic Job Recovery







Recovery is Uneven

Pandemic Job Recovery - Actual

	March and April	May 2020 through April 2022	Jobs Left	Percent	Percent Change From
Industry Sector	Increase (Decrease)	Increase (Decrease)	to Recover	Recovered	Feb 2020
H-W-S MSA Total	-359,400	365,500	-6,100	100.00%	0.19%
Retail Trade	-39,800	57,200	-1 7, 400	100.00%	5.80%
Education and Health Services	-45,000	61,800	-16,800	100.00%	4.10%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	-3,300 _P	Fully ecovered 16,700	-13,400	100.00%	8.50%
Government	-7,200 K	15,200	-8,000	100.00%	1.90%
Financial Activities	-7,400	10,700	-3,300	100.00%	2.00%
Wholesale Trade	-8,700	9,200	-500	100.00%	0.30%
Information	-4,400	3,300	1,100	75.00%	-3.40%
Professional and Business Services	-43,400	41,500	1,900	95.62%	-0.40%
Leisure and Hospitality	-128,300	125,800	2,500	98.05%	-0.70%
Other Services	-30,400	21,700	8,700	71.38%	-7.30%
Mining and Logging	-6,300	-3,700	10,000	0.00%	-12.80%
Manufacturing	-11,300	-2,900	14,200	0.00%	-6.10%
Construction	-23,900	9,000	14,900	37.66%	-6.30%
United States Total	-20,715,000	20,730,000	-15,000	100.07%	0.01%



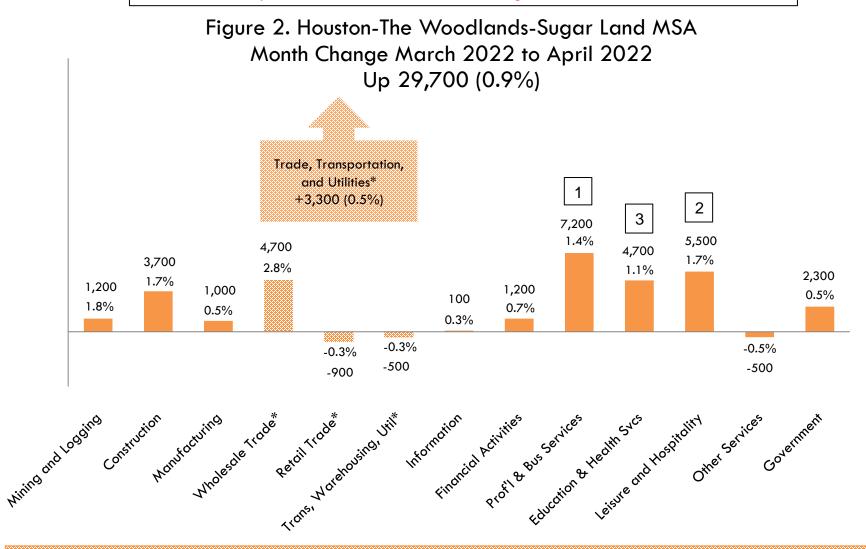
Less Wages Entering the Region

Pandemic Job Recovery - by Wages

	Jobs Left	A	Average		Weekly Wages	
Industry Sector	to Recover	Weekly Wage		Gained/Lost		
H-W-S MSA Total	-6,100		\$1,453	\$	8,863,30	
Retail Trade	-17,400		\$81 <i>5</i>	\$	14,181,00	
Education and Health Services	-16,800		\$1,063	\$	1 7, 858,40	
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	-13,400	Fully Recovered	\$1,461	\$	19 ,577, 40	
Government	-8,000	Recovered	\$1,184	\$	9,472,00	
Financial Activities	-3,300		\$2,4 15	\$	7,969,50	
Wholesale Trade	-500		\$1,909	\$	954,50	
Total Weekly Wages Gained from Surplus Jobs	-59,400			\$	70,012,80	
Information	1,100		\$1,846	\$	(2,030,60	
Professional and Business Services	1,900		\$1,874	\$	(3,560,60	
Leisure and Hospitality	2,500		\$450	\$	(1,125,00	
Other Services	8,700		\$877	\$	(7,629,90	
Mining and Logging	10,000		\$4,277	\$	(42,770,00	
Manufacturing	14,200		\$1 , 787	\$	(25,375,40	
Construction	14,900		\$1,510	\$	(22,499,00	
Total Weekly Wages Lost of Jobs Not Recovered	53,300			\$	(104,990,50	
Net Weekly Wages Not Entering the Economy				\$	34,977,70	



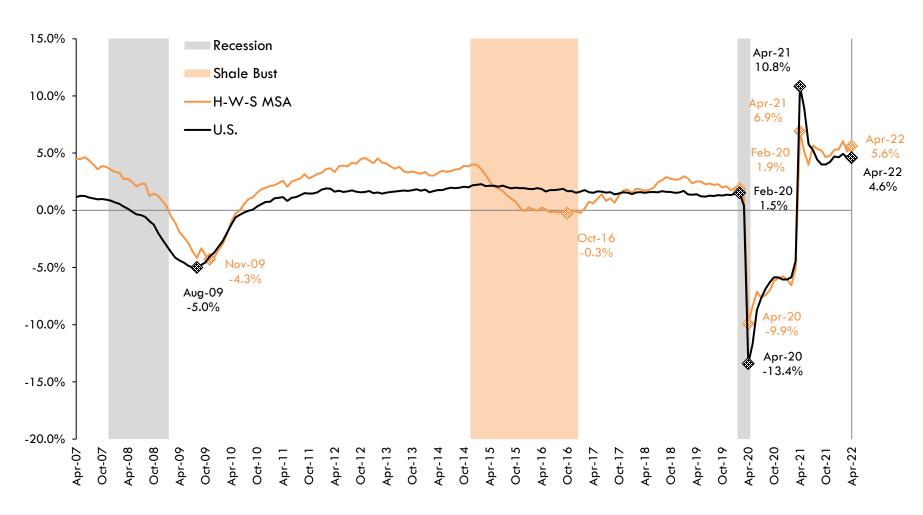
March Preliminary Estimates Were Revised Reflecting an Increase of 4,400 Additional Jobs



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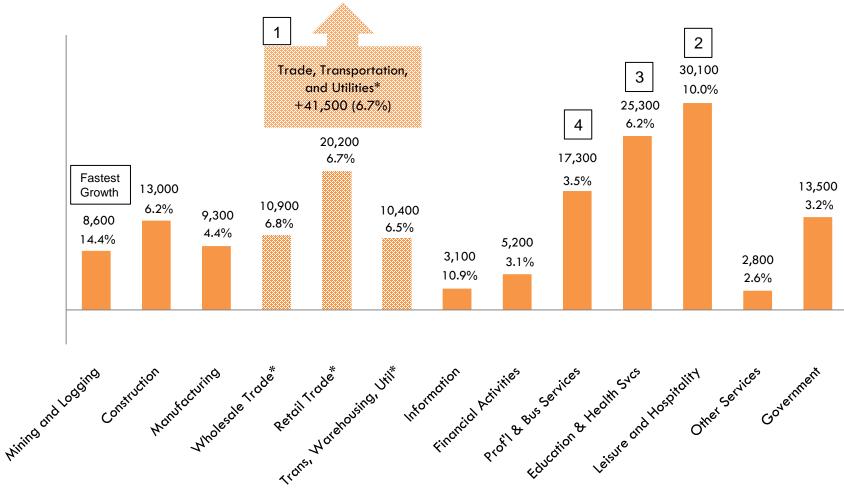


Figure 3. Current Employment Statistics Actual Over-The-Year Increase/Decrease



Source: Texas Workforce Commission

Figure 4. Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land MSA Annual Change April 2021 to April 2022 Up 169,700 (5.6%)



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GULF COAST WORKFORCE BOARD

TUESDAY, JUNE 7, 2022



Agenda



Welcome & Introductions Hon. Ed Emmett

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Transportation Infrastructure Bill Allie Isbell

Regional Goods Movement Plan Veronica Green

Regional Transportation Plan Mike Burns

Port Prioritization Update

H-GAC Principal Planner

Bruce Mann

Port Houston Director of Freight Mobility

Employment Trends in the H-GAC region Ron Borski

Panel Discussion: Labor Trends and Goods Movement

Jay Donnella Director, Greater Houston Manufacturers Association

Susan Dixon Employer Services Manager, Workforce Solutions

Dean Corgey Vice President, Seafarers International Union's Gulf Coast



Labor Trends in Transportation

Panel Discussion



Jay Donella <u>Director at the Greater Houston Manufacturers Association</u>



Jay Donnella is the Director of Business Development at Veryable

Mr. Donnella assists companies with the most effective executive operations and strategic advice possible. He is passionate about making a positive difference in this world, and the people in it!

Through his work with the Greater Houston Manufacturers Association Mr. Donella specializes in solving manufacturing, warehousing, distribution, and logistic employer issues with On-Demand Labor during ramp-up, growth, job-based, and/or seasonal operations, and providing employment opportunities for skilled labor in today's challenging environment with forward thinking employers. https://www.veryableops.com/

Having been a corporate consultant for over 30 years, he has always brought better, quality solutions to employers - everything always works best, when it's all working toward the same goals!



Susan Dixon Employer Services Manager, Workforce Solutons



Susan Dixon is the Employer Service Manager for the Gulf Coast Workforce Board-Workforce Solutions and has been with the organization for the past seven years and with the workforce system for twenty-one years.

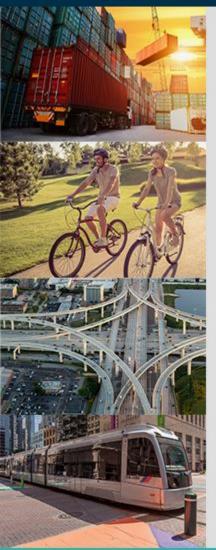
Susan's focus has been and continues to be, helping employers solve workforce-related business problems and building talent pipelines for the next generation of the workforce. By working with industry leaders of all sizes to create solutions, Susan can form a partnership that can assist a company in being more competitive in the ever-changing worldwide economy.

Susan currently sits on several Advisory Councils, Chambers, Economic Development, and Community Based Organizations throughout the 13-county region





Dean Corgey Vice President of the Seafarers International Union



Dean Corgey A lifelong resident of Houston, Corgey began his career with the SIU in 1973 after graduating from the entry training program for merchant mariners at the Paul Hall Center for Maritime Training and Education in Piney Point, Md.

He later sailed as a chief engineer for G&H Towing Company and continued his vocational education at Piney Point, where he earned a chief engineer/limited ocean Coast Guard License.

Corgey came ashore in 1979 and worked in Houston as an organizer for the SIU. He became an assistant vice president in 1988 and vice president of the Gulf Coast Region in 1990.

Corgey also serves as a vice president of the Texas AFL-CIO; as secretary-treasurer of the West Gulf Ports Council of the AFL-CIO Maritime Trades Department; and on the executive board of the Harris County AFL-CIO. In January 2013, he was appointed by the Houston City Council to serve as a member of the Port Commission of the Port of Houston Authority.



Adjournment



Thank you

