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# Unemployment drops in DFW, statewide

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Unemployment in Texas fell to 7.8 percent in December from 8.1 percent the previous month, the [Texas Workforce Commission](#) said Friday.

The state added 20,200 nonfarm jobs in December and was up 204,500 for the year, according to figures released the commission.

December's unemployment figure show a marked improvement over December 2010 when it was 8.3 percent.

"Texas continues to see signs of improvement in the labor market," commission Chairman [Tom Pauken](#) said in a release.

In the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington area, unemployment stood at 7.1 percent compared to 7.4 percent in November. The local rate was 8 percent in December 2010.

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