



# WEST TEXAS CHAPTER

## Associated General Contractors of America Inc.

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### News & Quick Links

#### News of growth and progress from West Texas AGC Chapter areas

##### TIPRO report looks at changing demographics of the Permian Basin

*Midland Reporter-Telegram* | May 12, 2019

A new report found that while the energy sector and related industries offer some of the strongest employment rates, other industries such as health care, retail and **construction** also offer high employment opportunities.

“When you think of West Texas, you think of oil and gas. It’s an important part of our history, of our economy, of the fabric of Texas. But there are other strong industrial sectors. These sectors are all intertwined, they’re important to each other. It’s important to show the other growing sectors and what they need for continued growth.” See highlights of the study and article [HERE](#).

[Check out the New Career Comparison Calculator Website info on page 2](#)

##### LEDA highlights surge of new business downtown during National Economic Development Week | LUBBOCK, TX (KCBD) | May 10, 2019

It’s National Economic Development Week and National Travel and Tourism Week. The Lubbock Economic Development Alliance is taking this opportunity to showcase all of the new development in Lubbock, especially new businesses opening downtown.

Jason Watkins is the head brewer at Two Docs Brewing Co. “I formulate all the beers and create the recipes and develop all the mashing schedules and pretty much everything souped and nuts for beer production,” Watkins said.

Watkins moved to Lubbock from Austin to be close to family and to further his craft. He said Lubbock was ready for the business, and it has been very well received.

“What we are seeing is that millennials are choosing the city they want to live in before they choose where they want to work. And one of the key aspects of what city they choose to live in is how thriving the downtown is,” Osborne said. Read complete article [HERE](#).

### Safety Tips

#### Trenching & Excavation

Trenching and excavation work exposes workers to particularly dangerous hazards. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics data, between 2011 and 2016 there were 130 fatalities occurring in trenching and excavation operations. The private construction industry accounted for 80% of those fatalities, and 49% of them occurred between 2015 and 2016.

Use today’s Safety Tip on Trenching & Excavation (*attached*) for your next meeting and the Daily Excavation Check List (*attached*) for a safer job site!

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#### West Texas AGC will be closed Monday

May 27<sup>th</sup> for Memorial Day in honor of all Veterans who lost their lives during service.

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**NEW CAREER COMPARISON WEBSITE**

To compare the salaries and benefits of construction jobs with non-construction jobs, visit Work Construction's [Career Comparison Calculator](#). *The calculator was developed with a grant from the TEXO AGC Chapter Foundation to the University of Oklahoma.*

**WORK  
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The calculator compares salaries, job outlooks, and education and training requirements of different jobs based on data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

**Advanced Management Program (AMP): November 3-8, 2019, Dallas, TX**

Registration is now open for AGC's Advanced Management Program (AMP) being held November 3rd -8th, 2019 in Dallas, TX. For leaders in the construction industry, no program provides a more comprehensive, uniquely focused program for construction executives than [AGC's Advanced Management Program](#). AMP is designed for chief executives and senior level management in construction. A minimum of ten (10) years of construction experience is needed or six years of construction experience and a bachelor's degree are required for acceptance. Learn more and register [here](#).

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