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Energy



Nolan County has a total of 1,438 wind turbines with a capacity of more than 2,300 megawatts (MW). Two out of the top five largest wind farms in the United States, Roscoe Wind Farm (781 MW) and Horse Hollow (735.5 MW), are located in and around Nolan County. If Nolan County's nine-county region (6,339.7 MW) was ranked with all the states who produce wind, it would rank as the fourth-largest wind-producing state in the United States. If the nine-county region were ranked among the wind-producing countries, it would be the 13th largest wind-producing country in the world. Nolan County alone would rank as the 26th largest wind-producing country in the world. A new wind farm, Maryneal Windpower, is currently under construction and will have thirty-eight 4.78 MW turbines (the largest in our area) and a total capacity of 182 MW.

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The first solar farm in Nolan County, [Holstein Solar Power](#), is now operational with 709,000 solar panels and a capacity of 200 megawatts. The electrical infrastructure that Nolan County has continues to motivate solar developers to negotiate with Nolan County landowners.

Energy (*continued*)

A monthly summary industry report for December 2020 posted by the Permian Basin Petroleum Association states that there is one active rig and 554 total active wells for Nolan County. The values provided by the Nolan County Central Appraisal District for 2020 are:

- Wind: \$688,381,700.00
- Solar: \$110,000,000.00
- Oil and Gas: \$51,329,660.00



Single Family New Construction



The sixth spec home (4 bed 2.5 bath / 1,900 SF) in the Southwood Terrace addition on the south side of Sweetwater is now under construction. The developer plans to start three additional homes in the next few months. The MDD was able to assist with this development project by providing incentive funds.

The two spec homes that were built by Stockard on Fairway Drive have been completed and are posted for sale. One of the homes is currently under contract.

Sweetwater Economic Development will continue to offer incentives to home builders to promote new home construction in Sweetwater. For more information about our current home building incentives, visit sweetwatertexas.net.

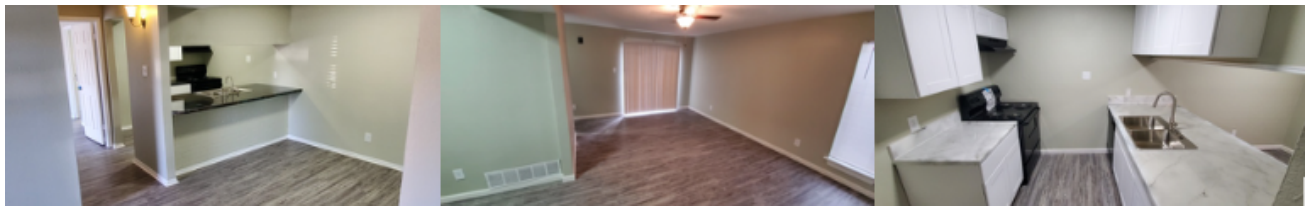


Patio Home Construction



SEED MDD entered into an agreement on September 1, 2020, to provide incentive funds to promote a local builder to build three patio homes on Skinny Drive. The first home is currently under construction. The MDD is offering an incentive of \$6.00 per square foot to builders willing to build three or more homes inside of the Sweetwater city limits and \$4.80 per square foot to builders willing to build three or more homes inside of the Extra-Territorial Jurisdiction (a one-mile radius outside of the city limits). Contact Sweetwater Economic Development at 325-235-0555 or visit our sweetwatertexas.net for more information.

The Oaks Apartments



With the help of MDD incentive funds, thirty-four of the eighty units at The Oaks apartment complex have been completely remodeled.

Facade Improvement Grant



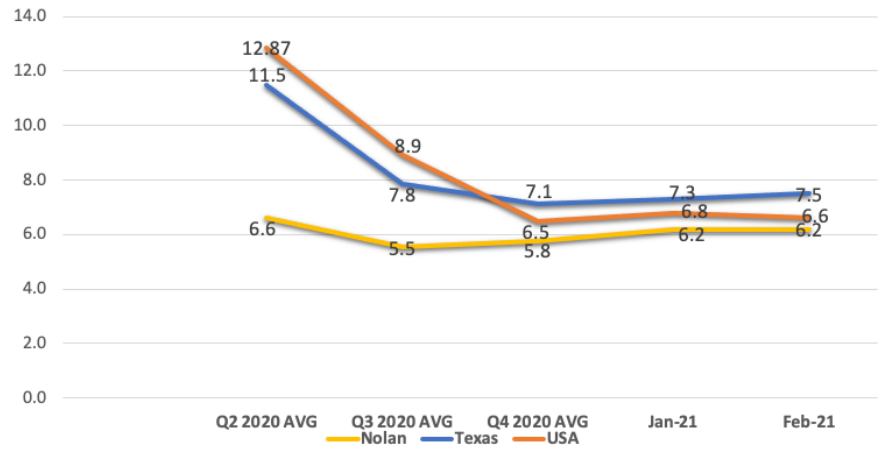
If you own or lease a commercial building located in the 9-block Downtown District or on the main corridors (Broadway, Elm, Hailey, and Lamar Streets) of Sweetwater, you may qualify for a Facade Improvement Grant through Sweetwater Economic Development. The MDD is willing to reimburse half of the expenses up to \$15,000.00 (*the owner would need to spend \$30,000.00 to receive the full \$15,000.00*) to those that would like to improve the appearance of their building and help beautify our community. To learn more about the program and qualifications, visit www.sweetwatertexas.net.

Demolition of Dilapidated Structures



Since December of 2019, a total of twenty-seven properties have been abated or are currently in the process of being abated. This beautification project is a joint effort between the MDD, City of Sweetwater, and property owners. [Visit sweetwatertexas.net](http://www.sweetwatertexas.net) to follow which properties have been completed.

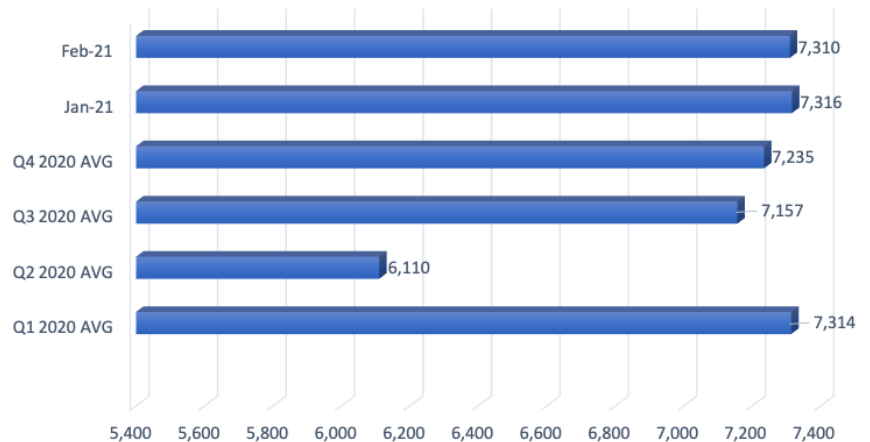
Unemployment Rate



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Nolan County Labor Force



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