# TALKING POINTS Q2/24



#### POPULATION AND DEMOGRAPHICS

7.5 million

residents for Houston-Pasadena-The Woodlands MSA

Nation's 5<sup>th</sup> most populous metro area

Metro Houston ranks between Arizona and Washington by population

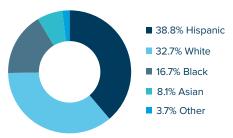






#### Race/Ethnicity: Houston MSA

Houston today mirrors the U.S. in 4 decades





Nearly 1 in 4
Houstonians
are foreign born



Houston is the nation's **4**<sup>™</sup> most populous city

### GLOBAL PRESENCE

15 foreign governments

maintaining trade and commercial offices

39 Active International Chambers of Commerce or Trade Associations

In '22, cargo activity at the Houston Ship Channel

# supported 1.5 million

direct, indirect, and induced jobs across the state of Texas.

139 Houston firms

operate more than 3,100 foreign subsidiaries

2 international airports
George Bush Intercontinental (IAH)
William P. Hobby Airports (HOU)

IAH ranks 9<sup>th</sup> in the nation in number of international destinations

**Houston Airport System** 

66 international destinations

**121** domestic destinations

187 non-stop destinations

\$362.6 billion

in trade was handled by the Houston-Galveston Customs Districts in '23 ...

\*Numbers may not sum due to rounding

\$124.8

billion

in imports (in '23)

\$237.8

billion

in exports (in '23)



# Houston is the #1 exporting metro

The Houston Ship Channel is ranked

1st

U.S. port in foreign waterborne tonnage

1st

U.S. port in total foreign and domestic waterborne tonnage

**Port Houston** is the busiest

Gult Coast container port

2<sup>№</sup> U.S. port in total foreign cargo value 5,000+
Houston companies

Houston companies doing business abroad

1,700+

Houston firms report foreign ownership

Since '09, more than 500 foreign-owned firms have announced

over 700 projects

in Metro Houston

**82** nations

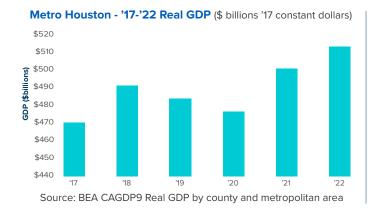
have consular representation in Houston

19 sister-city relationships

foreign banks

are located in Houston from 9 nations

If Houston were a country, it would rank as the 25th largest economy in the world, between Poland and Argentina



Houston - The Woodlands - Sugarland MSA GDP has grown at a

compound annual growth rate Since '17, after adjusting for inflation largest U.S. metro economy

Fortune 500 Companies call Houston home

## **EMPLOYMENT**

million jobs in the Houston MSA

Health, Education, and **Business & Professional** Services account for over

of the region's jobs

The goods-producing sector accounts for nearly

of the region's jobs



#### **Industry Share of Houston MSA Employment**

Trade, Transportation, and Utilities Professional and Business Services

13.6% **Educational and Health Services** 

13.5% Government

10.3% Leisure and Hospitality

Mining, Logging and Construction 8.5%

6.9% Manufacturing

3.5% Finance and Insurance

1.0% Information

3.8% Other Services

Source:

Texas Workforce Commission, February '24, not seasonally adjusted

# **INDUSTRIES**

The Texas Medical Center is the world's largest medical complex.

TMC employs 120,000+ workers



billion

in construction projects underway

million developed square feet

aviation and aerospace-related companies

Houston is home to 72,220 engineers and architects and related techs.



Approximately **238,000** 

people work in the region's manufacturing industry sector

Houston has more than

Houston is home to



tech-related firms, including more than 1,000 venture-backed startups

annual patient encounters

180,000+ annual surgeries



Houston employs 87,400 workers in computer & mathematical occupations