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Agricultural enterprises, food processing, transportation and related manufacturing and services traditionally have anchored the Upper East Texas economy. But fields such as finance and professional and business services are becoming increasingly important.

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The Upper East Texas region’s population is growing, but not as quickly as that of the state as a whole. The region’s median household income is lower than the statewide average, but its low cost of living helps to stretch residents’ dollars farther.

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With abundant natural resources and productive rural communities, the Upper East Texas region is positioned to continue its economic growth and development.

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Upper East Texas faces a number of challenges in providing health care to its rural residents, but medical centers in its urban areas help to provide medical care throughout the region.

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Public schools in the Upper East Texas region are maintaining high levels of academic recognition, and enrollment in area colleges and universities is increasing.

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