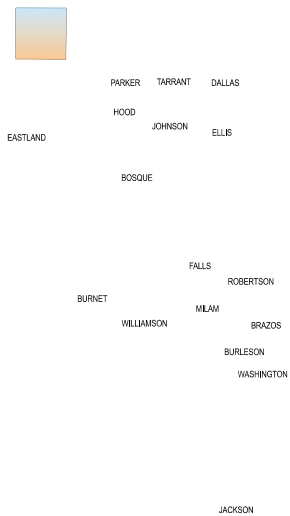




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- 154 of 158
- 86 Trauma Designated
- 86 CAHs
- 64 OB

2 Texas

3M+  
rural Texans

160 | 550  
rural | urban

15% | 85%  
pop | geo

\$3.49T

16M+  
jobs

170  
Avg rural HSP staff

\$2.27  
multiplier



## U.S. rural hospitals:

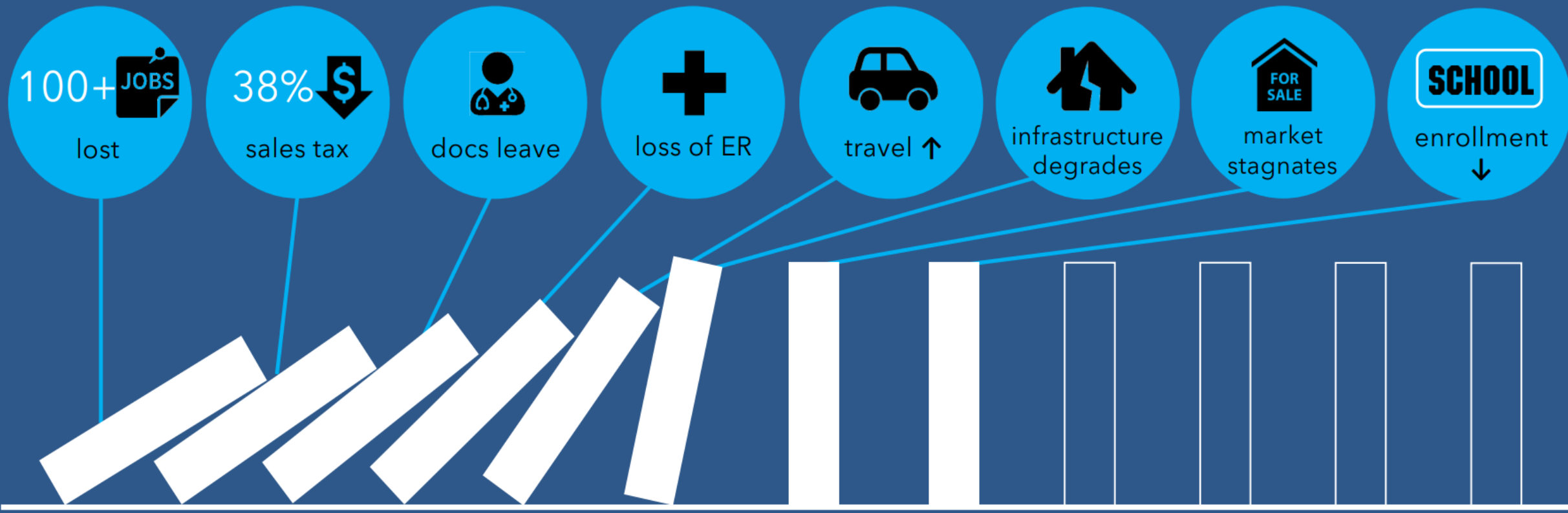
Deliver  
436,830 babies

Employ  
673,118 FTEs

Treat  
131M outpatients



# Impact of Closure





# 87<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session + Special + Very Special + Very, Very Special



**GOOD**  
  
**STUFF**



“Best Session Ever for Texas Rural Hospitals”



Medicaid underpayment (SB170)



Budget appropriations: \$90M in Medicaid payments to rural + \$16M (\$500/rural delivery) +



Telehealth — HB4 — distant site RHC in Medicaid



Broadband — HB5 — state office inside comptroller



SB8 - \$75m in federal stimulus to rural hospitals

# Looking Forward to 88<sup>th</sup> Session

- Comptroller's revenue estimate is strong — ~\$25B surplus
- Advantage of Relatively small dollar requests
- HHSC LAR to include enhanced Medicaid Payments to Rural
- Workforce — hospital employees are stressed, sick and profoundly exhausted - loan repayment, ORS, nurse instructors, etc...
- 1115 Waiver — DSRIP to DPP's — floor or hold-harmless for rural



# Health Connect

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**Healthy Hospitals for Healthier Communities**

Unleashing the Power of Community Connection





# Rural Texas Hospitals - Statistical Analysis of Survival Impact

- Days Cash on Hand
- Designation (CAH or PPS)
- Government Support (Tax Rev)
- Hospital Size
- Accumulated Depreciation (Reinvestment)
- Diversification (departments/services)
- Desirability (Population Change)
- Financial Performance (Net Income)
- Geography/Location
- 2020 Disruption

**WHAT  
MATTERS**





Thank You!



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