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# Competitiveness and Economic Development: Where Does Texas Stand?

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## Abstract

This presentation draws on ideas from Professor Porter's articles and books, in particular, *The Competitive Advantage of Nations* (The Free Press, 1990), "Clusters and the New Competitive Agenda for Companies and Governments" in *On Competition* (Harvard Business School Press, 1998), the Clusters of Innovation Initiative ([www.compete.org](http://www.compete.org)), a joint effort of the Council on Competitiveness, Monitor Group, Professor Porter, and the Cluster Mapping Project at Harvard Business School, and on "Competitiveness in U.S. Rural Regions: Learning and Research Agenda," a project report on rural economic development for the EDA with Christian Ketels, Kaia Miller, and Richard Bryden.

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