

District Profile
TEXAS HOUSE DISTRICT 8¹
ACS 2015-2019 Estimates

SELECTED POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate^{1,2}	District Percent³	State³
Total population	162,208		28,260,856
Age			
0 to 4 years	9,862	6.1%	7.1%
5 to 17 years	27,048	16.7%	18.9%
18 to 64 years	97,593	60.2%	61.8%
65 years and over	27,705	17.1%	12.3%
Race/Ethnicity			
Anglo (non-Hispanic)	99,856	61.6%	42.0%
Non-Anglo	62,352	38.4%	58.0%
Hispanic	34,046	21.0%	39.3%
Black alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	25,096	15.5%	13.2%
Asian alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	1,296	0.8%	5.5%
Population age 5 and over	152,346		26,261,053
Ability to speak English			
Speaks English only	124,984	82.0%	64.5%
Speaks other than English at home	27,362	18.0%	35.5%
Speaks English very well or well	21,548	14.1%	28.1%
Does not speak English well or at all	5,814	3.8%	7.4%
Special populations⁴			
Moved in the past 12 months	23,496	NA	4,358,441
Individuals with disabilities	24,733	NA	3,187,623
Veterans	10,633	NA	1,453,450
Active duty military	53	NA	93,394
SELECTED HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS			
Number of households	53,765		9,691,647
Average number of persons per household ⁴	2.70	NA	2.85
Households by composition			
1 person	13,855	25.8%	25.2%
2 persons	19,283	35.9%	31.4%
3 or 4 persons	15,023	27.9%	31.1%
5 or more persons	5,604	10.4%	12.4%
Household type			
Family households	37,724	70.2%	69.3%
Nonfamily households	16,041	29.8%	30.7%
Number of families	37,724		6,712,183
Families with children by birth, marriage, or adoption under age 18			
Married-couple families	9,965	26.4%	32.3%
Families with both parents employed	6,076	16.1%	18.4%
Single-parent families	5,194	13.8%	14.5%
Families with the parent employed	4,366	11.6%	11.8%

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SELECTED EDUCATION CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate^{1,2}	District Percent³	State³
Population age 3 and over enrolled in school	37,158		7,681,758
School status			
In preschool (public and private)	1,857	5.0%	6.0%
In kindergarten, elementary, middle, or high school (public and private)	28,195	75.9%	69.8%
In preschool through 12th grade (public only)	28,239	76.0%	68.8%
In college, graduate, or professional school	7,106	19.1%	24.3%
Population age 25 and over	112,369		18,131,554
Educational attainment			
Bachelor's degree or higher	15,915	14.2%	29.9%
Less than high school graduate	21,188	18.9%	16.3%
SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate^{1,2}	District Percent³	State³
Civilian employed population age 16 and over	62,761		13,253,631
Civilian employment sector			
Private sector	47,417	75.6%	80.1%
Government sector	10,007	15.9%	13.0%
Self-employed	5,125	8.2%	6.7%
Industry for civilian employed population			
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, and mining	4,228	6.7%	3.0%
Construction	5,339	8.5%	8.6%
Manufacturing	7,437	11.8%	8.5%
Wholesale trade	1,134	1.8%	2.9%
Retail trade	8,520	13.6%	11.4%
Transportation and warehousing and utilities	4,247	6.8%	5.9%
Information	735	1.2%	1.7%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	2,438	3.9%	6.7%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste mgmt.	3,960	6.3%	11.5%
Educational services and health care and social assistance	12,894	20.5%	21.6%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services	4,777	7.6%	9.2%
Other services, except public administration	3,212	5.1%	5.2%
Public administration	3,840	6.1%	4.0%
Population age 16 to 64	102,150		18,273,711
Worked at all in the past 12 months	64,017	62.7%	75.4%
Worked 50-52 weeks	49,929	48.9%	59.0%
Usually worked 35 or more hours per week	44,279	43.3%	52.2%
Usually worked less than 35 hours per week	5,650	5.5%	6.8%

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Workers age 16 and over	61,318		13,115,511
Means of transportation to work			
Public transportation	172	0.3%	1.4%
Private vehicle	57,725	94.1%	90.5%
Walk / bicycle / motorcycle	736	1.2%	1.9%
Taxi / other means	383	0.6%	1.2%
Worked at home	2,302	3.8%	5.0%
Travel time to work ⁵			
Less than 15 minutes	21,547	35.1%	23.6%
15 minutes to 29 minutes	17,526	28.6%	34.2%
30 minutes to 44 minutes	8,982	14.6%	20.8%
45 minutes to 59 minutes	4,441	7.2%	8.3%
60 minutes or more	6,520	10.6%	8.1%
SELECTED INCOME CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate^{1,2}	District Percent³	State³
Persons in poverty ⁶	22,391	15.4%	14.7%
Per capita income ⁴	\$22,137	NA	\$31,277
Number of households	53,765		9,691,647
Annual household income			
Less than \$10,000	3,412	6.3%	6.1%
\$10,000 to \$24,999	10,031	18.7%	12.9%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	14,381	26.7%	21.8%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	16,134	30.0%	30.1%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	8,156	15.2%	21.7%
\$200,000 and over	1,651	3.1%	7.4%
Households with social security income	21,223	39.5%	25.6%
Households with supplemental security income (SSI)	2,719	5.1%	4.7%
Households with public assistance income ⁷	1,030	1.9%	1.4%
Households that received food stamps/SNAP in the past 12 months	7,325	13.6%	11.8%
Number of families living in poverty	4,445		759,269
With related children under age 18	3,322	74.7%	77.1%
Married couple families	1,242	27.9%	26.2%
Single-parent families	2,080	46.8%	50.9%
Female head of household	1,760	39.6%	44.4%
Male head of household	320	7.2%	6.4%

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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate ^{1,2}	District Percent ³	State ³
Number of housing units	67,246		10,937,026
Age of housing			
Built in 2010 or later	3,830	5.7%	10.4%
Built between 2000 and 2009	11,673	17.4%	19.3%
Built between 1990 and 1999	11,164	16.6%	15.2%
Built between 1970 and 1989	20,692	30.8%	31.4%
Built before 1970	19,887	29.6%	23.7%
Occupancy status			
Owner-occupied	38,216	56.8%	54.9%
Renter-occupied	15,549	23.1%	33.7%
Vacant	13,481	20.0%	11.4%
Median gross rent (contract rent plus estimated utility and fuel cost) ⁴	\$778	NA	\$1,045
Median value of owner-occupied housing units ⁴	\$102,000	NA	\$172,500
Number of owner-occupied housing units	38,216		6,004,802
Value of owner-occupied housing			
Less than \$50,000	7,335	19.2%	8.9%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	11,454	30.0%	16.5%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	11,300	29.6%	32.2%
\$200,000 to \$499,999	7,108	18.6%	34.8%
\$500,000 and above	1,019	2.7%	7.6%
Selected monthly owner costs as a percentage of household income ⁸			
35 percent or more	5,751	15.0%	15.3%
20 to 34.9 percent	8,323	21.8%	24.9%
Less than 20 percent	23,827	62.3%	59.0%
Vehicles available in owner-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	1,081	2.8%	2.1%
One or more vehicles	37,135	97.2%	97.9%
Number of renter-occupied housing units	15,549		3,686,845
Gross rent ⁹			
Less than \$500	2,040	13.1%	6.2%
\$500 to \$749	3,999	25.7%	13.4%
\$750 to \$999	3,978	25.6%	24.2%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	1,997	12.8%	20.7%
\$1,250 and above	1,152	7.4%	30.5%
Gross rent as a percentage of household income ⁸			
35 percent or more	4,372	28.1%	35.9%
20 to 34.9 percent	4,494	28.9%	32.1%
Less than 20 percent	4,129	26.6%	24.9%
Vehicles available in renter-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	2,013	12.9%	10.5%
One or more vehicles	13,536	87.1%	89.5%

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- ¹ Comparisons to the previous district profiles should be made with caution. Previous district profiles were compiled by Texas Legislative Council (TLC) Research by aggregating census block group data into senate and house districts. Block groups that crossed district lines were counted in the district totals of the district in which more than 50% of the population lived. In the 2015-2019 ACS Summary File, the Census Bureau reported data for the most recent Texas house and senate districts.
- ² The ACS data is gathered from surveys distributed to a sample of the population. The margin of error (MOE) that accompanies each of the estimates is available upon request from TLC. The MOE indicates the reliability of these estimates.
- ³ State and district percentages are based on the totals in the general category shown above each group and marked by a gray bar.
- ⁴ This report does not include state and district percentages for the special populations group or the variables that illustrate average or median values. For these variables, the state estimate is provided.
- ⁵ Individuals who worked at home are not included in these categories.
- ⁶ Percentages are based on the population for whom poverty status is determined.
- ⁷ Public assistance income includes Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) but not SSI or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)/food stamps.
- ⁸ Households reporting no income or a negative income (where expenses are more than income) are excluded.
- ⁹ Only housing units with tenants paying rent are included in these categories. Rental units with tenants living in them for free or in exchange for services are not included.