

District Profile  
**TEXAS SENATE DISTRICT 21<sup>1</sup>**  
**ACS 2014-2018 Estimates**

<b>SELECTED POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS</b>	<b>District Estimate<sup>1,2</sup></b>	<b>District Percent<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>State<sup>3</sup></b>
<b>Total population</b>	<b>888,624</b>		<b>27,885,195</b>
Age			
0 to 4 years	70,521	7.9%	7.2%
5 to 17 years	175,954	19.8%	19.0%
18 to 64 years	548,391	61.7%	61.9%
65 years and over	93,758	10.6%	12.0%
Race/Ethnicity			
Anglo (non-Hispanic)	200,982	22.6%	42.3%
Non-Anglo	687,642	77.4%	57.7%
Hispanic	642,227	72.3%	39.2%
Black alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	36,287	4.1%	13.1%
Asian alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	10,692	1.2%	5.4%
<b>Population age 5 and over</b>	<b>818,103</b>		<b>25,886,326</b>
Ability to speak English			
Speaks English only	331,480	40.5%	64.5%
Speaks other than English at home	486,623	59.5%	35.5%
Speaks English very well or well	379,946	46.4%	28.0%
Does not speak English well or at all	106,677	13.0%	7.6%
<b>Special populations<sup>4</sup></b>			
Moved in the past 12 months	125,758	NA	4,378,563
Individuals with disabilities	112,086	NA	3,152,865
Veterans	36,069	NA	1,474,232
Active duty military	534	NA	89,701
<b>SELECTED HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS</b>	<b>District Estimate<sup>1,2</sup></b>	<b>District Percent<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>State<sup>3</sup></b>
<b>Number of households</b>	<b>273,876</b>		<b>9,553,046</b>
Average number of persons per household <sup>4</sup>	3.15	NA	2.86
Households by composition			
1 person	63,637	23.2%	25.1%
2 persons	78,225	28.6%	31.4%
3 or 4 persons	85,787	31.3%	31.1%
5 or more persons	46,227	16.9%	12.4%
Household type			
Family households	191,231	69.8%	69.4%
Nonfamily households	82,645	30.2%	30.6%
<b>Number of families</b>	<b>191,231</b>		<b>6,629,325</b>
Families with children by birth, marriage, or adoption under age 18	92,849	48.6%	47.1%
Married-couple families	59,312	31.0%	32.4%
Families with both parents employed	29,332	15.3%	18.2%
Single-parent families	33,537	17.5%	14.7%
Families with the parent employed	25,727	13.5%	11.9%

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<b>SELECTED EDUCATION CHARACTERISTICS</b>	<b>District Estimate</b> <sup>1,2</sup>	<b>District Percent</b> <sup>3</sup>	<b>State</b> <sup>3</sup>
<b>Population age 3 and over enrolled in school</b>	251,405		7,626,437
School status			
In preschool (public and private)	14,717	5.9%	6.0%
In kindergarten, elementary, middle, or high school (public and private)	180,728	71.9%	69.7%
In preschool through 12th grade (public only)	185,224	73.7%	68.8%
In college, graduate, or professional school	55,960	22.3%	24.3%
<b>Population age 25 and over</b>	538,583		17,815,359
Educational attainment			
Bachelor's degree or higher	99,254	18.4%	29.3%
Less than high school graduate	142,952	26.5%	16.8%
<b>SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>	<b>District Estimate</b> <sup>1,2</sup>	<b>District Percent</b> <sup>3</sup>	<b>State</b> <sup>3</sup>
<b>Civilian employed population age 16 and over</b>	387,542		12,985,624
Civilian employment sector			
Private sector	294,656	76.0%	80.1%
Government sector	63,930	16.5%	13.0%
Self-employed	28,091	7.2%	6.7%
Industry for civilian employed population			
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, and mining	16,065	4.1%	3.1%
Construction	38,266	9.9%	8.4%
Manufacturing	21,548	5.6%	8.6%
Wholesale trade	9,767	2.5%	2.9%
Retail trade	48,182	12.4%	11.4%
Transportation and warehousing and utilities	30,464	7.9%	5.7%
Information	5,346	1.4%	1.8%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	18,231	4.7%	6.6%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste mgmt.	32,404	8.4%	11.4%
Educational services and health care and social assistance	85,261	22.0%	21.6%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services	40,276	10.4%	9.2%
Other services, except public administration	18,889	4.9%	5.2%
Public administration	22,843	5.9%	4.0%
<b>Population age 16 to 64</b>	575,798		18,056,306
Worked at all in the past 12 months	410,205	71.2%	75.2%
Worked 50-52 weeks	315,266	54.8%	58.1%
Usually worked 35 or more hours per week	274,119	47.6%	51.5%
Usually worked less than 35 hours per week	41,147	7.1%	6.6%

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<b>Workers age 16 and over</b>	381,257		12,842,820
Means of transportation to work			
Public transportation	7,345	1.9%	1.4%
Private vehicle	346,964	91.0%	90.7%
Walk / bicycle / motorcycle	8,594	2.3%	1.9%
Taxi / other means	4,624	1.2%	1.2%
Worked at home	13,730	3.6%	4.7%
Travel time to work <sup>5</sup>			
Less than 15 minutes	106,114	27.8%	24.1%
15 minutes to 29 minutes	131,135	34.4%	34.4%
30 minutes to 44 minutes	70,221	18.4%	20.6%
45 minutes to 59 minutes	29,242	7.7%	8.3%
60 minutes or more	30,815	8.1%	7.9%
 <b>SELECTED INCOME CHARACTERISTICS</b>	 <b>District Estimate <sup>1,2</sup></b>	 <b>District Percent <sup>3</sup></b>	 <b>State <sup>3</sup></b>
Persons in poverty <sup>6</sup>	203,342	23.6%	15.5%
Per capita income <sup>4</sup>	\$21,281	NA	\$30,143
<b>Number of households</b>	273,876		9,553,046
Annual household income			
Less than \$10,000	25,539	9.3%	6.4%
\$10,000 to \$24,999	47,112	17.2%	13.6%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	69,551	25.4%	22.4%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	81,379	29.7%	30.0%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	41,976	15.3%	20.7%
\$200,000 and over	8,319	3.0%	6.9%
Households with social security income	71,645	26.2%	25.4%
Households with supplemental security income (SSI)	17,804	6.5%	4.8%
Households with public assistance income <sup>7</sup>	4,190	1.5%	1.5%
Households that received food stamps/SNAP in the past 12 months	52,850	19.3%	12.2%
<b>Number of families living in poverty</b>	36,600		788,889
With related children under age 18	29,349	80.2%	77.9%
Married couple families	11,093	30.3%	27.1%
Single-parent families	18,256	49.9%	50.8%
Female head of household	15,693	42.9%	44.2%
Male head of household	2,563	7.0%	6.5%

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<b>Number of housing units</b>	314,358		10,769,900
Age of housing			
Built in 2010 or later	26,870	8.5%	8.4%
Built between 2000 and 2009	66,042	21.0%	20.0%
Built between 1990 and 1999	57,464	18.3%	15.4%
Built between 1970 and 1989	104,559	33.3%	32.0%
Built before 1970	59,423	18.9%	24.2%
Occupancy status			
Owner-occupied	164,798	52.4%	54.9%
Renter-occupied	109,078	34.7%	33.8%
Vacant	40,482	12.9%	11.3%
Median gross rent (contract rent plus estimated utility and fuel cost) <sup>4</sup>	\$963	NA	\$998
Median value of owner-occupied housing units <sup>4</sup>	\$122,600	NA	\$161,700
<b>Number of owner-occupied housing units</b>	164,798		5,917,771
Value of owner-occupied housing			
Less than \$50,000	26,054	15.8%	9.8%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	40,233	24.4%	18.3%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	59,811	36.3%	33.5%
\$200,000 to \$499,999	35,204	21.4%	31.6%
\$500,000 and above	3,496	2.1%	6.8%
Selected monthly owner costs as a percentage of household income <sup>8</sup>			
35 percent or more	27,275	16.6%	15.5%
20 to 34.9 percent	41,294	25.1%	25.1%
Less than 20 percent	94,323	57.2%	58.6%
Vehicles available in owner-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	5,872	3.6%	2.1%
One or more vehicles	158,926	96.4%	97.9%
<b>Number of renter-occupied housing units</b>	109,078		3,635,275
Gross rent <sup>9</sup>			
Less than \$500	11,101	10.2%	6.7%
\$500 to \$749	17,345	15.9%	15.7%
\$750 to \$999	26,281	24.1%	25.2%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	22,295	20.4%	20.1%
\$1,250 and above	24,265	22.2%	27.1%
Gross rent as a percentage of household income <sup>8</sup>			
35 percent or more	42,480	38.9%	36.0%
20 to 34.9 percent	31,922	29.3%	31.7%
Less than 20 percent	22,904	21.0%	24.9%
Vehicles available in renter-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	12,140	11.1%	10.6%
One or more vehicles	96,938	88.9%	89.4%

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- <sup>1</sup> 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 2014-2018 ACS Summary File, the Census Bureau reported data for the most recent Texas house and senate districts.
- <sup>2</sup> 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.
- <sup>3</sup> State and district percentages are based on the totals in the general category shown above each group and marked by a gray bar.
- <sup>4</sup> 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.
- <sup>5</sup> Individuals who worked at home are not included in these categories.
- <sup>6</sup> Percentages are based on the population for whom poverty status is determined.
- <sup>7</sup> Public assistance income includes Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) but not SSI or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)/food stamps.
- <sup>8</sup> Households reporting no income or a negative income (where expenses are more than income) are excluded.
- <sup>9</sup> 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. The percentages of units with no cash rent range from 1% to 22% across senate and house districts.