

District Profile
TEXAS SENATE DISTRICT 27¹
ACS 2017-2021 Estimates

SELECTED POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate ^{1,2}	District Percent ³	State ³
Total population	914,261		28,862,581
Age			
0 to 4 years	71,941	7.9%	6.8%
5 to 17 years	203,882	22.3%	19.0%
18 to 64 years	520,645	56.9%	61.7%
65 years and over	117,793	12.9%	12.5%
Race/Ethnicity			
Anglo (non-Hispanic)	119,333	13.1%	40.7%
Non-Anglo	794,928	86.9%	59.3%
Hispanic	774,401	84.7%	39.8%
Black alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	13,356	1.5%	13.5%
Asian alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	8,256	0.9%	5.9%
Population age 5 and over	842,320		26,903,358
Ability to speak English			
Speaks English only	283,285	33.6%	64.9%
Speaks other than English at home	559,035	66.4%	35.1%
Speaks English very well or well	448,623	53.3%	28.3%
Does not speak English well or at all	110,412	13.1%	6.8%
Special populations⁴			
Moved in the past 12 months	88,391	NA	4,237,650
Veterans	32,828	NA	1,426,641
Active duty military	1,559	NA	102,600
SELECTED HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate ^{1,2}	District Percent ³	State ³
Number of households	278,958		10,239,341
Average number of persons per household ⁴	3.22	NA	2.76
Households by composition			
1 person	55,926	20.0%	25.3%
2 persons	76,875	27.6%	31.3%
3 or 4 persons	93,493	33.5%	31.0%
5 or more persons	52,664	18.9%	12.4%
Household type			
Family households	214,589	76.9%	68.9%
Nonfamily households	64,369	23.1%	31.1%
Number of families	214,589		7,055,810
Families with children by birth, marriage, or adoption under age 18	102,281	47.7%	46.5%
Married-couple families	65,916	30.7%	32.1%
Families with both parents employed	33,000	15.4%	18.6%
Single-parent families	36,365	16.9%	14.3%
Families with the parent employed	27,612	12.9%	11.5%

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SELECTED EDUCATION CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate ^{1,2}	District Percent ³	State ³
Population age 3 and over enrolled in school	268,397		7,752,643
School status			
In preschool (public and private)	14,851	5.5%	5.6%
In kindergarten, elementary, middle, or high school (public and private)	203,731	75.9%	70.4%
In preschool through 12th grade (public only)	211,669	78.9%	68.5%
In college, graduate, or professional school	49,815	18.6%	24.0%
Population age 25 and over	541,797		18,619,469
Educational attainment			
Bachelor's degree or higher	96,134	17.7%	31.5%
Less than high school graduate	158,986	29.3%	15.2%
SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate ^{1,2}	District Percent ³	State ³
Civilian employed population age 16 and over	357,558		13,618,630
Civilian employment sector			
Private sector	258,586	72.3%	79.4%
Government sector	65,628	18.4%	13.6%
Self-employed	32,706	9.1%	6.8%
Industry for civilian employed population			
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, and mining	12,605	3.5%	2.8%
Construction	31,698	8.9%	8.7%
Manufacturing	21,825	6.1%	8.5%
Wholesale trade	6,843	1.9%	2.7%
Retail trade	42,778	12.0%	11.1%
Transportation and warehousing and utilities	18,244	5.1%	6.2%
Information	3,424	1.0%	1.6%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	14,412	4.0%	6.8%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste mgmt.	29,351	8.2%	11.9%
Educational services and health care and social assistance	105,427	29.5%	21.7%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services	32,170	9.0%	8.8%
Other services, except public administration	18,360	5.1%	5.0%
Public administration	20,421	5.7%	4.1%
Population age 16 to 64	552,636		18,640,383
Worked at all in the past 12 months	374,947	67.8%	76.0%
Worked 50-52 weeks	291,211	52.7%	59.7%
Usually worked 35 or more hours per week	242,849	43.9%	52.7%
Usually worked less than 35 hours per week	48,362	8.8%	7.0%

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Workers age 16 and over	353,241		13,464,482
Means of transportation to work			
Public transportation	1,093	0.3%	1.1%
Private vehicle	314,782	89.1%	86.7%
Walk / bicycle / motorcycle	5,674	1.6%	1.8%
Taxi / other means	8,236	2.3%	1.3%
Worked at home	23,456	6.6%	9.1%
Travel time to work ⁵			
Less than 15 minutes	109,465	31.0%	22.4%
15 minutes to 29 minutes	138,976	39.3%	33.1%
30 minutes to 44 minutes	53,487	15.1%	20.0%
45 minutes to 59 minutes	14,013	4.0%	7.9%
60 minutes or more	13,844	3.9%	7.5%
SELECTED INCOME CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate ^{1,2}	District Percent ³	State ³
Persons in poverty ⁶	228,268	25.4%	14.0%
Per capita income ⁴	\$20,516	NA	\$34,255
Number of households	278,958		10,239,341
Annual household income			
Less than \$10,000	25,846	9.3%	5.7%
\$10,000 to \$24,999	54,292	19.5%	11.5%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	65,165	23.4%	20.2%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	78,999	28.3%	29.9%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	45,959	16.5%	23.9%
\$200,000 and over	8,697	3.1%	8.7%
Households with social security income	85,923	30.8%	25.2%
Households with supplemental security income (SSI)	23,375	8.4%	4.6%
Households with public assistance income ⁷	5,657	2.0%	1.9%
Number of families living in poverty	47,135		757,317
With related children under age 18	35,563	75.4%	75.4%
Married couple families	14,375	30.5%	25.4%
Single-parent families	21,188	45.0%	50.0%
Female head of household	18,128	38.5%	43.6%
Male head of household	3,060	6.5%	6.4%

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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate ^{1,2}	District Percent ³	State ³
Number of housing units	336,007		11,433,880
Age of housing			
Built in 2010 or later	41,576	12.4%	14.5%
Built between 2000 and 2009	72,294	21.5%	18.4%
Built between 1990 and 1999	55,189	16.4%	14.6%
Built between 1970 and 1989	106,946	31.8%	30.1%
Built before 1970	60,002	17.9%	22.3%
Occupancy status			
Owner-occupied	190,462	56.7%	55.9%
Renter-occupied	88,496	26.3%	33.7%
Vacant	57,049	17.0%	10.4%
Average gross rent (contract rent plus estimated utility and fuel cost) ⁴	\$877	NA	\$1,228
Average value of owner-occupied housing units ⁴	\$139,739	NA	\$260,134
Number of owner-occupied housing units	190,462		6,391,061
Value of owner-occupied housing			
Less than \$50,000	42,518	22.3%	7.7%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	58,567	30.7%	12.9%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	55,862	29.3%	28.7%
\$200,000 to \$499,999	29,003	15.2%	41.2%
\$500,000 and above	4,512	2.4%	9.5%
Selected monthly owner costs as a percentage of household income ⁸			
35 percent or more	28,325	14.9%	15.5%
20 to 34.9 percent	39,132	20.5%	24.6%
Less than 20 percent	119,931	63.0%	59.0%
Vehicles available in owner-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	6,033	3.2%	2.1%
One or more vehicles	184,429	96.8%	97.9%
Number of renter-occupied housing units	88,496		3,848,280
Gross rent ⁹			
Less than \$500	14,654	16.6%	5.2%
\$500 to \$749	18,843	21.3%	9.4%
\$750 to \$999	23,018	26.0%	20.6%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	11,206	12.7%	21.5%
\$1,250 and above	12,238	13.8%	38.7%
Gross rent as a percentage of household income ⁸			
35 percent or more	31,978	36.1%	36.8%
20 to 34.9 percent	26,072	29.5%	32.3%
Less than 20 percent	20,070	22.7%	24.1%
Vehicles available in renter-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	11,378	12.9%	10.4%
One or more vehicles	77,118	87.1%	89.6%

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- ¹ The 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. Comparisons to the previous district profiles should be made with caution.
- 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 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.