

District Profile  
**TEXAS SENATE DISTRICT 27<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>829,476</b>		<b>27,885,195</b>
Age			
0 to 4 years	73,645	8.9%	7.2%
5 to 17 years	189,866	22.9%	19.0%
18 to 64 years	463,425	55.9%	61.9%
65 years and over	102,540	12.4%	12.0%
Race/Ethnicity			
Anglo (non-Hispanic)	66,752	8.0%	42.3%
Non-Anglo	762,724	92.0%	57.7%
Hispanic	752,420	90.7%	39.2%
Black alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	5,619	0.7%	13.1%
Asian alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	5,867	0.7%	5.4%
<b>Population age 5 and over</b>	<b>755,831</b>		<b>25,886,326</b>
Ability to speak English			
Speaks English only	171,782	22.7%	64.5%
Speaks other than English at home	584,049	77.3%	35.5%
Speaks English very well or well	450,656	59.6%	28.0%
Does not speak English well or at all	133,393	17.6%	7.6%
<b>Special populations<sup>4</sup></b>			
Moved in the past 12 months	71,715	NA	4,378,563
Individuals with disabilities	109,809	NA	3,152,865
Veterans	23,428	NA	1,474,232
Active duty military	613	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>236,251</b>		<b>9,553,046</b>
Average number of persons per household <sup>4</sup>	3.47	NA	2.86
Households by composition			
1 person	42,386	17.9%	25.1%
2 persons	62,820	26.6%	31.4%
3 or 4 persons	79,925	33.8%	31.1%
5 or more persons	51,120	21.6%	12.4%
Household type			
Family households	188,233	79.7%	69.4%
Nonfamily households	48,018	20.3%	30.6%
<b>Number of families</b>	<b>188,233</b>		<b>6,629,325</b>
Families with children by birth, marriage, or adoption under age 18	93,101	49.5%	47.1%
Married-couple families	59,301	31.5%	32.4%
Families with both parents employed	26,845	14.3%	18.2%
Single-parent families	33,800	18.0%	14.7%
Families with the parent employed	23,798	12.6%	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>	254,626		7,626,437
School status			
In preschool (public and private)	17,064	6.7%	6.0%
In kindergarten, elementary, middle, or high school (public and private)	191,297	75.1%	69.7%
In preschool through 12th grade (public only)	202,278	79.4%	68.8%
In college, graduate, or professional school	46,265	18.2%	24.3%
<b>Population age 25 and over</b>	473,784		17,815,359
Educational attainment			
Bachelor's degree or higher	75,742	16.0%	29.3%
Less than high school graduate	165,567	34.9%	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>	307,804		12,985,624
Civilian employment sector			
Private sector	225,171	73.2%	80.1%
Government sector	52,794	17.2%	13.0%
Self-employed	29,238	9.5%	6.7%
Industry for civilian employed population			
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, and mining	10,005	3.3%	3.1%
Construction	24,167	7.9%	8.4%
Manufacturing	14,690	4.8%	8.6%
Wholesale trade	7,633	2.5%	2.9%
Retail trade	39,839	12.9%	11.4%
Transportation and warehousing and utilities	15,218	4.9%	5.7%
Information	4,436	1.4%	1.8%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	12,574	4.1%	6.6%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste mgmt.	24,810	8.1%	11.4%
Educational services and health care and social assistance	94,332	30.6%	21.6%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services	29,438	9.6%	9.2%
Other services, except public administration	16,431	5.3%	5.2%
Public administration	14,231	4.6%	4.0%
<b>Population age 16 to 64</b>	492,264		18,056,306
Worked at all in the past 12 months	322,991	65.6%	75.2%
Worked 50-52 weeks	246,474	50.1%	58.1%
Usually worked 35 or more hours per week	201,953	41.0%	51.5%
Usually worked less than 35 hours per week	44,521	9.0%	6.6%

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<b>Workers age 16 and over</b>	<b>303,600</b>		<b>12,842,820</b>
Means of transportation to work			
Public transportation	1,231	0.4%	1.4%
Private vehicle	274,805	90.5%	90.7%
Walk / bicycle / motorcycle	5,072	1.7%	1.9%
Taxi / other means	8,752	2.9%	1.2%
Worked at home	13,740	4.5%	4.7%
Travel time to work <sup>5</sup>			
Less than 15 minutes	91,075	30.0%	24.1%
15 minutes to 29 minutes	132,584	43.7%	34.4%
30 minutes to 44 minutes	45,202	14.9%	20.6%
45 minutes to 59 minutes	10,203	3.4%	8.3%
60 minutes or more	10,796	3.6%	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>	256,804	31.4%	15.5%
Per capita income <sup>4</sup>	\$15,950	NA	\$30,143
<b>Number of households</b>	<b>236,251</b>		<b>9,553,046</b>
Annual household income			
Less than \$10,000	30,153	12.8%	6.4%
\$10,000 to \$24,999	55,561	23.5%	13.6%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	60,847	25.8%	22.4%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	59,051	25.0%	30.0%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	26,657	11.3%	20.7%
\$200,000 and over	3,982	1.7%	6.9%
Households with social security income	72,724	30.8%	25.4%
Households with supplemental security income (SSI)	23,036	9.8%	4.8%
Households with public assistance income <sup>7</sup>	4,920	2.1%	1.5%
Households that received food stamps/SNAP in the past 12 months	66,389	28.1%	12.2%
<b>Number of families living in poverty</b>	<b>51,993</b>		<b>788,889</b>
With related children under age 18	40,904	78.7%	77.9%
Married couple families	18,282	35.2%	27.1%
Single-parent families	22,622	43.5%	50.8%
Female head of household	20,102	38.7%	44.2%
Male head of household	2,520	4.8%	6.5%

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<b>Number of housing units</b>	284,788		10,769,900
Age of housing			
Built in 2010 or later	21,200	7.4%	8.4%
Built between 2000 and 2009	69,456	24.4%	20.0%
Built between 1990 and 1999	52,101	18.3%	15.4%
Built between 1970 and 1989	91,255	32.0%	32.0%
Built before 1970	50,776	17.8%	24.2%
Occupancy status			
Owner-occupied	160,122	56.2%	54.9%
Renter-occupied	76,129	26.7%	33.8%
Vacant	48,537	17.0%	11.3%
Median gross rent (contract rent plus estimated utility and fuel cost) <sup>4</sup>	\$696	NA	\$998
Median value of owner-occupied housing units <sup>4</sup>	\$76,900	NA	\$161,700
<b>Number of owner-occupied housing units</b>	160,122		5,917,771
Value of owner-occupied housing			
Less than \$50,000	47,862	29.9%	9.8%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	57,122	35.7%	18.3%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	39,786	24.8%	33.5%
\$200,000 to \$499,999	13,706	8.6%	31.6%
\$500,000 and above	1,646	1.0%	6.8%
Selected monthly owner costs as a percentage of household income <sup>8</sup>			
35 percent or more	26,942	16.8%	15.5%
20 to 34.9 percent	34,013	21.2%	25.1%
Less than 20 percent	95,864	59.9%	58.6%
Vehicles available in owner-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	6,528	4.1%	2.1%
One or more vehicles	153,594	95.9%	97.9%
<b>Number of renter-occupied housing units</b>	76,129		3,635,275
Gross rent <sup>9</sup>			
Less than \$500	16,952	22.3%	6.7%
\$500 to \$749	22,775	29.9%	15.7%
\$750 to \$999	18,356	24.1%	25.2%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	6,144	8.1%	20.1%
\$1,250 and above	3,904	5.1%	27.1%
Gross rent as a percentage of household income <sup>8</sup>			
35 percent or more	28,057	36.9%	36.0%
20 to 34.9 percent	21,088	27.7%	31.7%
Less than 20 percent	16,120	21.2%	24.9%
Vehicles available in renter-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	10,602	13.9%	10.6%
One or more vehicles	65,527	86.1%	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.