

District Profile
TEXAS HOUSE DISTRICT 144¹
ACS 2014-2018 Estimates

SELECTED POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate^{1,2}	District Percent³	State³
Total population	167,675		27,885,195
Age			
0 to 4 years	15,545	9.3%	7.2%
5 to 17 years	37,305	22.2%	19.0%
18 to 64 years	101,079	60.3%	61.9%
65 years and over	13,746	8.2%	12.0%
Race/Ethnicity			
Anglo (non-Hispanic)	26,521	15.8%	42.3%
Non-Anglo	141,154	84.2%	57.7%
Hispanic	133,057	79.4%	39.2%
Black alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	7,757	4.6%	13.1%
Asian alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	1,039	0.6%	5.4%
Population age 5 and over	152,130		25,886,326
Ability to speak English			
Speaks English only	64,571	42.4%	64.5%
Speaks other than English at home	87,559	57.6%	35.5%
Speaks English very well or well	59,853	39.3%	28.0%
Does not speak English well or at all	27,706	18.2%	7.6%
Special populations⁴			
Moved in the past 12 months	28,252	NA	4,378,563
Individuals with disabilities	18,194	NA	3,152,865
Veterans	4,310	NA	1,474,232
Active duty military	58	NA	89,701
SELECTED HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate^{1,2}	District Percent³	State³
Number of households	49,171		9,553,046
Average number of persons per household ⁴	3.40	NA	2.86
Households by composition			
1 person	9,760	19.8%	25.1%
2 persons	10,797	22.0%	31.4%
3 or 4 persons	17,991	36.6%	31.1%
5 or more persons	10,623	21.6%	12.4%
Household type			
Family households	37,379	76.0%	69.4%
Nonfamily households	11,792	24.0%	30.6%
Number of families	37,379		6,629,325
Families with children by birth, marriage, or adoption under age 18	20,153	53.9%	47.1%
Married-couple families	13,096	35.0%	32.4%
Families with both parents employed	4,740	12.7%	18.2%
Single-parent families	7,057	18.9%	14.7%
Families with the parent employed	5,272	14.1%	11.9%

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SELECTED EDUCATION CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate^{1,2}	District Percent³	State³
Population age 3 and over enrolled in school	48,492		7,626,437
School status			
In preschool (public and private)	2,749	5.7%	6.0%
In kindergarten, elementary, middle, or high school (public and private)	37,534	77.4%	69.7%
In preschool through 12th grade (public only)	38,851	80.1%	68.8%
In college, graduate, or professional school	8,209	16.9%	24.3%
Population age 25 and over	97,025		17,815,359
Educational attainment			
Bachelor's degree or higher	6,674	6.9%	29.3%
Less than high school graduate	36,917	38.0%	16.8%
SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate^{1,2}	District Percent³	State³
Civilian employed population age 16 and over	70,075		12,985,624
Civilian employment sector			
Private sector	59,787	85.3%	80.1%
Government sector	5,615	8.0%	13.0%
Self-employed	4,627	6.6%	6.7%
Industry for civilian employed population			
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, and mining	857	1.2%	3.1%
Construction	14,607	20.8%	8.4%
Manufacturing	8,113	11.6%	8.6%
Wholesale trade	1,765	2.5%	2.9%
Retail trade	8,325	11.9%	11.4%
Transportation and warehousing and utilities	4,769	6.8%	5.7%
Information	455	0.6%	1.8%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	2,851	4.1%	6.6%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste mgmt.	6,080	8.7%	11.4%
Educational services and health care and social assistance	9,530	13.6%	21.6%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services	7,269	10.4%	9.2%
Other services, except public administration	4,309	6.1%	5.2%
Public administration	1,145	1.6%	4.0%
Population age 16 to 64	106,101		18,056,306
Worked at all in the past 12 months	76,601	72.2%	75.2%
Worked 50-52 weeks	55,966	52.7%	58.1%
Usually worked 35 or more hours per week	49,917	47.0%	51.5%
Usually worked less than 35 hours per week	6,049	5.7%	6.6%

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SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS (continued)	District Estimate^{1,2}	District Percent³	State³
Workers age 16 and over	68,238		12,842,820
Means of transportation to work			
Public transportation	338	0.5%	1.4%
Private vehicle	63,541	93.1%	90.7%
Walk / bicycle / motorcycle	1,503	2.2%	1.9%
Taxi / other means	844	1.2%	1.2%
Worked at home	2,012	2.9%	4.7%
Travel time to work ⁵			
Less than 15 minutes	17,154	25.1%	24.1%
15 minutes to 29 minutes	23,706	34.7%	34.4%
30 minutes to 44 minutes	13,999	20.5%	20.6%
45 minutes to 59 minutes	4,858	7.1%	8.3%
60 minutes or more	6,509	9.5%	7.9%
SELECTED INCOME CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate^{1,2}	District Percent³	State³
Persons in poverty ⁶	33,570	20.1%	15.5%
Per capita income ⁴	\$17,734	NA	\$30,143
Number of households	49,171		9,553,046
Annual household income			
Less than \$10,000	3,388	6.9%	6.4%
\$10,000 to \$24,999	8,928	18.2%	13.6%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	13,769	28.0%	22.4%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	16,596	33.8%	30.0%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	5,988	12.2%	20.7%
\$200,000 and over	502	1.0%	6.9%
Households with social security income	11,114	22.6%	25.4%
Households with supplemental security income (SSI)	2,792	5.7%	4.8%
Households with public assistance income ⁷	674	1.4%	1.5%
Households that received food stamps/SNAP in the past 12 months	10,153	20.6%	12.2%
Number of families living in poverty	6,686		788,889
With related children under age 18	5,635	84.3%	77.9%
Married couple families	2,208	33.0%	27.1%
Single-parent families	3,427	51.3%	50.8%
Female head of household	2,885	43.1%	44.2%
Male head of household	542	8.1%	6.5%

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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate ^{1,2}	District Percent ³	State ³
Number of housing units	54,331		10,769,900
Age of housing			
Built in 2010 or later	1,016	1.9%	8.4%
Built between 2000 and 2009	3,495	6.4%	20.0%
Built between 1990 and 1999	2,745	5.1%	15.4%
Built between 1970 and 1989	13,815	25.4%	32.0%
Built before 1970	33,260	61.2%	24.2%
Occupancy status			
Owner-occupied	25,884	47.6%	54.9%
Renter-occupied	23,287	42.9%	33.8%
Vacant	5,160	9.5%	11.3%
Median gross rent (contract rent plus estimated utility and fuel cost) ⁴	\$877	NA	\$998
Median value of owner-occupied housing units ⁴	\$88,100	NA	\$161,700
Number of owner-occupied housing units	25,884		5,917,771
Value of owner-occupied housing			
Less than \$50,000	4,158	16.1%	9.8%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	11,892	45.9%	18.3%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	8,930	34.5%	33.5%
\$200,000 to \$499,999	769	3.0%	31.6%
\$500,000 and above	135	0.5%	6.8%
Selected monthly owner costs as a percentage of household income ⁸			
35 percent or more	3,733	14.4%	15.5%
20 to 34.9 percent	5,424	21.0%	25.1%
Less than 20 percent	16,483	63.7%	58.6%
Vehicles available in owner-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	521	2.0%	2.1%
One or more vehicles	25,363	98.0%	97.9%
Number of renter-occupied housing units	23,287		3,635,275
Gross rent ⁹			
Less than \$500	1,046	4.5%	6.7%
\$500 to \$749	5,608	24.1%	15.7%
\$750 to \$999	8,186	35.2%	25.2%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	5,228	22.5%	20.1%
\$1,250 and above	2,384	10.2%	27.1%
Gross rent as a percentage of household income ⁸			
35 percent or more	8,666	37.2%	36.0%
20 to 34.9 percent	7,658	32.9%	31.7%
Less than 20 percent	5,917	25.4%	24.9%
Vehicles available in renter-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	2,562	11.0%	10.6%
One or more vehicles	20,725	89.0%	89.4%

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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 2014-2018 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. The percentages of units with no cash rent range from 1% to 22% across senate and house districts.