

District Profile
TEXAS HOUSE DISTRICT 78¹
ACS 2015-2019 Estimates

SELECTED POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate^{1,2}	District Percent³	State³
Total population	172,498		28,260,856
Age			
0 to 4 years	13,579	7.9%	7.1%
5 to 17 years	33,875	19.6%	18.9%
18 to 64 years	106,382	61.7%	61.8%
65 years and over	18,662	10.8%	12.3%
Race/Ethnicity			
Anglo (non-Hispanic)	34,962	20.3%	42.0%
Non-Anglo	137,536	79.7%	58.0%
Hispanic	123,089	71.4%	39.3%
Black alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	10,702	6.2%	13.2%
Asian alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	5,708	3.3%	5.5%
Population age 5 and over	158,919		26,261,053
Ability to speak English			
Speaks English only	66,486	41.8%	64.5%
Speaks other than English at home	92,433	58.2%	35.5%
Speaks English very well or well	77,977	49.1%	28.1%
Does not speak English well or at all	14,456	9.1%	7.4%
Special populations⁴			
Moved in the past 12 months	25,757	NA	4,358,441
Individuals with disabilities	17,934	NA	3,187,623
Veterans	13,115	NA	1,453,450
Active duty military	2,731	NA	93,394
SELECTED HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate^{1,2}	District Percent³	State³
Number of households	56,832		9,691,647
Average number of persons per household ⁴	3.01	NA	2.85
Households by composition			
1 person	13,262	23.3%	25.2%
2 persons	16,798	29.6%	31.4%
3 or 4 persons	19,794	34.8%	31.1%
5 or more persons	6,978	12.3%	12.4%
Household type			
Family households	41,917	73.8%	69.3%
Nonfamily households	14,915	26.2%	30.7%
Number of families	41,917		6,712,183
Families with children by birth, marriage, or adoption under age 18	19,414	46.3%	46.8%
Married-couple families	13,366	31.9%	32.3%
Families with both parents employed	7,116	17.0%	18.4%
Single-parent families	6,048	14.4%	14.5%
Families with the parent employed	5,379	12.8%	11.8%

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SELECTED EDUCATION CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate ^{1,2}	District Percent ³	State ³
Population age 3 and over enrolled in school	52,608		7,681,758
School status			
In preschool (public and private)	3,524	6.7%	6.0%
In kindergarten, elementary, middle, or high school (public and private)	33,921	64.5%	69.8%
In preschool through 12th grade (public only)	34,013	64.7%	68.8%
In college, graduate, or professional school	15,163	28.8%	24.3%
Population age 25 and over	107,433		18,131,554
Educational attainment			
Bachelor's degree or higher	36,516	34.0%	29.9%
Less than high school graduate	14,992	14.0%	16.3%
SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate ^{1,2}	District Percent ³	State ³
Civilian employed population age 16 and over	76,958		13,253,631
Civilian employment sector			
Private sector	56,008	72.8%	80.1%
Government sector	16,404	21.3%	13.0%
Self-employed	4,347	5.6%	6.7%
Industry for civilian employed population			
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, and mining	776	1.0%	3.0%
Construction	3,554	4.6%	8.6%
Manufacturing	4,945	6.4%	8.5%
Wholesale trade	1,976	2.6%	2.9%
Retail trade	8,969	11.7%	11.4%
Transportation and warehousing and utilities	4,987	6.5%	5.9%
Information	1,497	1.9%	1.7%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	3,853	5.0%	6.7%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste mgmt.	8,422	10.9%	11.5%
Educational services and health care and social assistance	21,568	28.0%	21.6%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services	7,249	9.4%	9.2%
Other services, except public administration	3,056	4.0%	5.2%
Public administration	6,106	7.9%	4.0%
Population age 16 to 64	112,061		18,273,711
Worked at all in the past 12 months	82,151	73.3%	75.4%
Worked 50-52 weeks	65,719	58.6%	59.0%
Usually worked 35 or more hours per week	56,056	50.0%	52.2%
Usually worked less than 35 hours per week	9,663	8.6%	6.8%

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Workers age 16 and over	78,377		13,115,511
Means of transportation to work			
Public transportation	569	0.7%	1.4%
Private vehicle	72,289	92.2%	90.5%
Walk / bicycle / motorcycle	635	0.8%	1.9%
Taxi / other means	1,432	1.8%	1.2%
Worked at home	3,452	4.4%	5.0%
Travel time to work ⁵			
Less than 15 minutes	17,068	21.8%	23.6%
15 minutes to 29 minutes	32,628	41.6%	34.2%
30 minutes to 44 minutes	18,628	23.8%	20.8%
45 minutes to 59 minutes	3,934	5.0%	8.3%
60 minutes or more	2,667	3.4%	8.1%
SELECTED INCOME CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate^{1,2}	District Percent³	State³
Persons in poverty ⁶	25,294	14.8%	14.7%
Per capita income ⁴	\$27,427	NA	\$31,277
Number of households	56,832		9,691,647
Annual household income			
Less than \$10,000	3,673	6.5%	6.1%
\$10,000 to \$24,999	7,245	12.7%	12.9%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	12,432	21.9%	21.8%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	17,689	31.1%	30.1%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	13,139	23.1%	21.7%
\$200,000 and over	2,654	4.7%	7.4%
Households with social security income	13,084	23.0%	25.6%
Households with supplemental security income (SSI)	2,387	4.2%	4.7%
Households with public assistance income ⁷	1,059	1.9%	1.4%
Households that received food stamps/SNAP in the past 12 months	7,216	12.7%	11.8%
Number of families living in poverty	4,824		759,269
With related children under age 18	3,751	77.8%	77.1%
Married couple families	1,497	31.0%	26.2%
Single-parent families	2,254	46.7%	50.9%
Female head of household	2,010	41.7%	44.4%
Male head of household	244	5.1%	6.4%

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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS ⁴	District Estimate ^{1,2}	District Percent ³	State ³
Number of housing units	63,060		10,937,026
Age of housing			
Built in 2010 or later	8,785	13.9%	10.4%
Built between 2000 and 2009	12,555	19.9%	19.3%
Built between 1990 and 1999	11,547	18.3%	15.2%
Built between 1970 and 1989	21,258	33.7%	31.4%
Built before 1970	8,915	14.1%	23.7%
Occupancy status			
Owner-occupied	38,619	61.2%	54.9%
Renter-occupied	18,213	28.9%	33.7%
Vacant	6,228	9.9%	11.4%
Median gross rent (contract rent plus estimated utility and fuel cost) ⁴	\$953	NA	\$1,045
Median value of owner-occupied housing units ⁴	\$148,700	NA	\$172,500
Number of owner-occupied housing units	38,619		6,004,802
Value of owner-occupied housing			
Less than \$50,000	2,213	5.7%	8.9%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	6,662	17.3%	16.5%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	18,492	47.9%	32.2%
\$200,000 to \$499,999	10,443	27.0%	34.8%
\$500,000 and above	809	2.1%	7.6%
Selected monthly owner costs as a percentage of household income ⁸			
35 percent or more	6,448	16.7%	15.3%
20 to 34.9 percent	9,368	24.3%	24.9%
Less than 20 percent	22,315	57.8%	59.0%
Vehicles available in owner-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	743	1.9%	2.1%
One or more vehicles	37,876	98.1%	97.9%
Number of renter-occupied housing units	18,213		3,686,845
Gross rent ⁹			
Less than \$500	1,063	5.8%	6.2%
\$500 to \$749	2,458	13.5%	13.4%
\$750 to \$999	6,168	33.9%	24.2%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	3,762	20.7%	20.7%
\$1,250 and above	3,891	21.4%	30.5%
Gross rent as a percentage of household income ⁸			
35 percent or more	6,116	33.6%	35.9%
20 to 34.9 percent	5,379	29.5%	32.1%
Less than 20 percent	5,054	27.7%	24.9%
Vehicles available in renter-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	1,536	8.4%	10.5%
One or more vehicles	16,677	91.6%	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.