

District Profile  
**TEXAS HOUSE DISTRICT 79<sup>1</sup>**  
**ACS 2017-2021 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>207,578</b>		<b>28,862,581</b>
Age			
0 to 4 years	14,217	6.8%	6.8%
5 to 17 years	38,019	18.3%	19.0%
18 to 64 years	130,585	62.9%	61.7%
65 years and over	24,757	11.9%	12.5%
Race/Ethnicity			
Anglo (non-Hispanic)	28,454	13.7%	40.7%
Non-Anglo	179,124	86.3%	59.3%
Hispanic	163,083	78.6%	39.8%
Black alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	13,164	6.3%	13.5%
Asian alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	4,173	2.0%	5.9%
<b>Population age 5 and over</b>	<b>193,361</b>		<b>26,903,358</b>
Ability to speak English			
Speaks English only	74,311	38.4%	64.9%
Speaks other than English at home	119,050	61.6%	35.1%
Speaks English very well or well	102,600	53.1%	28.3%
Does not speak English well or at all	16,450	8.5%	6.8%
<b>Special populations<sup>4</sup></b>			
Moved in the past 12 months	32,213	NA	4,237,650
Veterans	14,891	NA	1,426,641
Active duty military	9,547	NA	102,600
<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>69,226</b>		<b>10,239,341</b>
Average number of persons per household <sup>4</sup>	2.90	NA	2.76
Households by composition			
1 person	16,258	23.5%	25.3%
2 persons	20,025	28.9%	31.3%
3 or 4 persons	23,517	34.0%	31.0%
5 or more persons	9,426	13.6%	12.4%
Household type			
Family households	49,957	72.2%	68.9%
Nonfamily households	19,269	27.8%	31.1%
<b>Number of families</b>	<b>49,957</b>		<b>7,055,810</b>
Families with children by birth, marriage, or adoption under age 18	22,394	44.8%	46.5%
Married-couple families	13,851	27.7%	32.1%
Families with both parents employed	7,018	14.0%	18.6%
Single-parent families	8,543	17.1%	14.3%
Families with the parent employed	7,048	14.1%	11.5%

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<b>SELECTED EDUCATION CHARACTERISTICS</b>	<b>District Estimate<sup>1,2</sup></b>	<b>District Percent<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>State<sup>3</sup></b>
<b>Population age 3 and over enrolled in school</b>	<b>60,020</b>		<b>7,752,643</b>
School status			
In preschool (public and private)	2,853	4.8%	5.6%
In kindergarten, elementary, middle, or high school (public and private)	38,204	63.7%	70.4%
In preschool through 12th grade (public only)	38,010	63.3%	68.5%
In college, graduate, or professional school	18,963	31.6%	24.0%
<b>Population age 25 and over</b>	<b>128,603</b>		<b>18,619,469</b>
Educational attainment			
Bachelor's degree or higher	34,204	26.6%	31.5%
Less than high school graduate	17,451	13.6%	15.2%
<b>SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>	<b>District Estimate<sup>1,2</sup></b>	<b>District Percent<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>State<sup>3</sup></b>
<b>Civilian employed population age 16 and over</b>	<b>90,480</b>		<b>13,618,630</b>
Civilian employment sector			
Private sector	66,468	73.5%	79.4%
Government sector	19,146	21.2%	13.6%
Self-employed	4,770	5.3%	6.8%
Industry for civilian employed population			
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, and mining	814	0.9%	2.8%
Construction	5,430	6.0%	8.7%
Manufacturing	5,436	6.0%	8.5%
Wholesale trade	2,078	2.3%	2.7%
Retail trade	10,853	12.0%	11.1%
Transportation and warehousing and utilities	6,545	7.2%	6.2%
Information	1,668	1.8%	1.6%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	4,359	4.8%	6.8%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste mgmt.	10,502	11.6%	11.9%
Educational services and health care and social assistance	22,821	25.2%	21.7%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services	9,465	10.5%	8.8%
Other services, except public administration	3,177	3.5%	5.0%
Public administration	7,332	8.1%	4.1%
<b>Population age 16 to 64</b>	<b>137,020</b>		<b>18,640,383</b>
Worked at all in the past 12 months	103,814	75.8%	76.0%
Worked 50-52 weeks	82,040	59.9%	59.7%
Usually worked 35 or more hours per week	71,658	52.3%	52.7%
Usually worked less than 35 hours per week	10,382	7.6%	7.0%

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<b>Workers age 16 and over</b>	<b>98,272</b>		<b>13,464,482</b>
Means of transportation to work			
Public transportation	551	0.6%	1.1%
Private vehicle	88,693	90.3%	86.7%
Walk / bicycle / motorcycle	2,625	2.7%	1.8%
Taxi / other means	1,695	1.7%	1.3%
Worked at home	4,708	4.8%	9.1%
Travel time to work <sup>5</sup>			
Less than 15 minutes	26,739	27.2%	22.4%
15 minutes to 29 minutes	44,548	45.3%	33.1%
30 minutes to 44 minutes	16,109	16.4%	20.0%
45 minutes to 59 minutes	3,407	3.5%	7.9%
60 minutes or more	2,761	2.8%	7.5%
<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>	32,217	16.1%	14.0%
Per capita income <sup>4</sup>	\$24,606	NA	\$34,255
<b>Number of households</b>	<b>69,226</b>		<b>10,239,341</b>
Annual household income			
Less than \$10,000	4,068	5.9%	5.7%
\$10,000 to \$24,999	10,555	15.2%	11.5%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	16,272	23.5%	20.2%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	23,580	34.1%	29.9%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	12,927	18.7%	23.9%
\$200,000 and over	1,824	2.6%	8.7%
Households with social security income	17,695	25.6%	25.2%
Households with supplemental security income (SSI)	3,723	5.4%	4.6%
Households with public assistance income <sup>7</sup>	1,947	2.8%	1.9%
<b>Number of families living in poverty</b>	<b>6,708</b>		<b>757,317</b>
With related children under age 18	5,024	74.9%	75.4%
Married couple families	1,751	26.1%	25.4%
Single-parent families	3,273	48.8%	50.0%
Female head of household	2,873	42.8%	43.6%
Male head of household	400	6.0%	6.4%

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<b>SELECTED HOUSING 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 housing units</b>	<b>73,871</b>		<b>11,433,880</b>
Age of housing			
Built in 2010 or later	6,685	9.0%	14.5%
Built between 2000 and 2009	8,683	11.8%	18.4%
Built between 1990 and 1999	12,688	17.2%	14.6%
Built between 1970 and 1989	30,293	41.0%	30.1%
Built before 1970	15,522	21.0%	22.3%
Occupancy status			
Owner-occupied	40,535	54.9%	55.9%
Renter-occupied	28,691	38.8%	33.7%
Vacant	4,645	6.3%	10.4%
Average gross rent (contract rent plus estimated utility and fuel cost) <sup>4</sup>	\$1,015	NA	\$1,228
Average value of owner-occupied housing units <sup>4</sup>	\$148,198	NA	\$260,134
<b>Number of owner-occupied housing units</b>	<b>40,535</b>		<b>6,391,061</b>
Value of owner-occupied housing			
Less than \$50,000	1,503	3.7%	7.7%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	5,829	14.4%	12.9%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	26,609	65.6%	28.7%
\$200,000 to \$499,999	6,282	15.5%	41.2%
\$500,000 and above	312	0.8%	9.5%
Selected monthly owner costs as a percentage of household income <sup>8</sup>			
35 percent or more	6,634	16.4%	15.5%
20 to 34.9 percent	9,934	24.5%	24.6%
Less than 20 percent	23,630	58.3%	59.0%
Vehicles available in owner-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	908	2.2%	2.1%
One or more vehicles	39,627	97.8%	97.9%
<b>Number of renter-occupied housing units</b>	<b>28,691</b>		<b>3,848,280</b>
Gross rent <sup>9</sup>			
Less than \$500	1,337	4.7%	5.2%
\$500 to \$749	4,027	14.0%	9.4%
\$750 to \$999	9,243	32.2%	20.6%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	7,466	26.0%	21.5%
\$1,250 and above	5,754	20.1%	38.7%
Gross rent as a percentage of household income <sup>8</sup>			
35 percent or more	11,082	38.6%	36.8%
20 to 34.9 percent	9,840	34.3%	32.3%
Less than 20 percent	6,556	22.9%	24.1%
Vehicles available in renter-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	2,694	9.4%	10.4%
One or more vehicles	25,997	90.6%	89.6%

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- <sup>1</sup> 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.
- <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 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.