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SELECTED POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate [1,2]	District Percent [3]	State [3]
Total population	949,512		28,862,581
Age			
0 to 4 years	68,235	7.2%	6.8%
5 to 17 years	167,915	17.7%	19.0%
18 to 64 years	616,849	65.0%	61.7%
65 years and over	96,513	10.2%	12.5%
Race/Ethnicity			
Anglo (non-Hispanic)	276,458	29.1%	40.7%
Non-Anglo	673,054	70.9%	59.3%
Hispanic	390,297	41.1%	39.8%
Black alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	201,252	21.2%	13.5%
Asian alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	82,931	8.7%	5.9%
Population age 5 and over	881,277		26,903,358
Ability to speak English			
Speaks English only	501,565	56.9%	64.9%
Speaks other than English at home	379,712	43.1%	35.1%
Speaks English very well or well	283,324	32.1%	28.3%
Does not speak English well or at all	96,388	10.9%	6.8%
Special populations[4]			
Moved in the past 12 months	144,645	NA	4,237,650
Veterans	28,688	NA	1,426,641
Active duty military	241	NA	102,600

SELECTED HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate [1,2]	District Percent [3]	State [3]
Number of households	356,819		10,239,341
Average number of persons per household[4]	2.64	NA	2.76
Households by composition			
1 person	106,538	29.9%	25.3%
2 persons	105,380	29.5%	31.3%
3 or 4 persons	106,721	29.9%	31.0%
5 or more persons	38,180	10.7%	12.4%
Household type			
Family households	223,497	62.6%	68.9%
Nonfamily households	133,322	37.4%	31.1%
Number of families	223,497		7,055,810
Families with children by birth, marriage, or adoption under age 18	107,768	48.2%	46.5%
Married-couple families	71,685	32.1%	32.1%
Families with both parents employed	41,673	18.6%	18.6%
Single-parent families	36,083	16.1%	14.3%
Families with the parent employed	29,325	13.1%	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	242,136		7,752,643
School status			
In preschool (public and private)	15,301	6.3%	5.6%
In kindergarten, elementary, middle, or high school (public and private)	166,818	68.9%	70.4%
In preschool through 12th grade (public only)	159,231	65.8%	68.5%
In college, graduate, or professional school	60,017	24.8%	24.0%
Population age 25 and over	629,665		18,619,469
Educational attainment			
Bachelor's degree or higher	250,956	39.9%	31.5%
Less than high school graduate	105,070	16.7%	15.2%

SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate [1,2]	District Percent [3]	State [3]
Civilian employed population age 16 and over	490,387		13,618,630
Civilian employment sector			
Private sector	409,704	83.5%	79.4%
Government sector	48,951	10.0%	13.6%
Self-employed	30,745	6.3%	6.8%
Industry for civilian employed population			
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, and mining	18,627	3.8%	2.8%
Construction	46,870	9.6%	8.7%
Manufacturing	45,917	9.4%	8.5%
Wholesale trade	14,562	3.0%	2.7%
Retail trade	46,687	9.5%	11.1%
Transportation and warehousing and utilities	31,423	6.4%	6.2%
Information	6,176	1.3%	1.6%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	34,699	7.1%	6.8%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste mgmt.	72,311	14.7%	11.9%
Educational services and health care and social assistance	96,578	19.7%	21.7%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services	39,808	8.1%	8.8%
Other services, except public administration	24,574	5.0%	5.0%
Public administration	12,155	2.5%	4.1%
Population age 16 to 64	641,311		18,640,383
Worked at all in the past 12 months	500,239	78.0%	76.0%
Worked 50-52 weeks	397,723	62.0%	59.7%
Usually worked 35 or more hours per week	356,398	55.6%	52.7%
Usually worked less than 35 hours per week	41,325	6.4%	7.0%

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SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS (continued)	District Estimate [1,2]	District Percent [3]	State [3]
Workers age 16 and over	481,768		13,464,482
Means of transportation to work			
Public transportation	10,382	2.2%	1.1%
Private vehicle	411,098	85.3%	86.7%
Walk / bicycle / motorcycle	9,201	1.9%	1.8%
Taxi / other means	7,719	1.6%	1.3%
Worked at home	43,368	9.0%	9.1%
Travel time to work[5]			
Less than 15 minutes	72,093	15.0%	22.4%
15 minutes to 29 minutes	170,757	35.4%	33.1%
30 minutes to 44 minutes	120,539	25.0%	20.0%
45 minutes to 59 minutes	40,928	8.5%	7.9%
60 minutes or more	34,083	7.1%	7.5%

SELECTED INCOME CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate [1,2]	District Percent [3]	State [3]
Persons in poverty[6]	141,833	15.1%	14.0%
Per capita income[4]	$43,009	NA	$34,255
Number of households	356,819		10,239,341
Annual household income			
Less than $10,000	21,767	6.1%	5.7%
$10,000 to $24,999	37,586	10.5%	11.5%
$25,000 to $49,999	69,705	19.5%	20.2%
$50,000 to $99,999	99,217	27.8%	29.9%
$100,000 to $199,999	80,628	22.6%	23.9%
$200,000 and over	47,916	13.4%	8.7%
Households with social security income	67,190	18.8%	25.2%
Households with supplemental security income (SSI)	14,387	4.0%	4.6%
Households with public assistance income[7]	8,268	2.3%	1.9%
Number of families living in poverty	27,622		757,317
With related children under age 18	20,703	75.0%	75.4%
Married couple families	6,690	24.2%	25.4%
Single-parent families	14,013	50.7%	50.0%
Female head of household	12,420	45.0%	43.6%
Male head of household	1,593	5.8%	6.4%

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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate [1,2]	District Percent [3]	State [3]
Number of housing units	392,641		11,433,880
Age of housing			
Built in 2010 or later	59,181	15.1%	14.5%
Built between 2000 and 2009	74,582	19.0%	18.4%
Built between 1990 and 1999	49,519	12.6%	14.6%
Built between 1970 and 1989	116,728	29.7%	30.1%
Built before 1970	92,631	23.6%	22.3%
Occupancy status			
Owner-occupied	185,846	47.3%	55.9%
Renter-occupied	170,973	43.5%	33.7%
Vacant	35,822	9.1%	10.4%
Average gross rent (contract rent plus estimated utility and fuel cost)[4]	$1,327	NA	$1,228
Average value of owner-occupied housing units[4]	$383,043	NA	$260,134
Number of owner-occupied housing units	185,846		6,391,061
Value of owner-occupied housing			
Less than $50,000	7,257	3.9%	7.7%
$50,000 to $99,999	12,345	6.6%	12.9%
$100,000 to $199,999	59,359	31.9%	28.7%
$200,000 to $499,999	69,969	37.6%	41.2%
$500,000 and above	36,916	19.9%	9.5%
Selected monthly owner costs as a percentage of household income[8]			
35 percent or more	31,450	16.9%	15.5%
20 to 34.9 percent	45,933	24.7%	24.6%
Less than 20 percent	107,287	57.7%	59.0%
Vehicles available in owner-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	3,540	1.9%	2.1%
One or more vehicles	182,306	98.1%	97.9%
Number of renter-occupied housing units	170,973		3,848,280
Gross rent[9]			
Less than $500	4,714	2.8%	5.2%
$500 to $749	10,277	6.0%	9.4%
$750 to $999	36,002	21.1%	20.6%
$1,000 to $1,249	35,545	20.8%	21.5%
$1,250 and above	80,136	46.9%	38.7%
Gross rent as a percentage of household income[8]			
35 percent or more	67,355	39.4%	36.8%
20 to 34.9 percent	52,773	30.9%	32.3%
Less than 20 percent	42,454	24.8%	24.1%
Vehicles available in renter-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	19,485	11.4%	10.4%
One or more vehicles	151,488	88.6%	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.