

District Profile  
**TEXAS SENATE DISTRICT 27<sup>1</sup>**  
**ACS 2015-2019 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>831,859</b>		<b>28,260,856</b>
Age			
0 to 4 years	72,676	8.7%	7.1%
5 to 17 years	191,302	23.0%	18.9%
18 to 64 years	463,235	55.7%	61.8%
65 years and over	104,646	12.6%	12.3%
Race/Ethnicity			
Anglo (non-Hispanic)	65,022	7.8%	42.0%
Non-Anglo	766,837	92.2%	58.0%
Hispanic	756,863	91.0%	39.3%
Black alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	5,776	0.7%	13.2%
Asian alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	5,557	0.7%	5.5%
<b>Population age 5 and over</b>	<b>759,183</b>		<b>26,261,053</b>
Ability to speak English			
Speaks English only	182,425	24.0%	64.5%
Speaks other than English at home	576,758	76.0%	35.5%
Speaks English very well or well	449,184	59.2%	28.1%
Does not speak English well or at all	127,574	16.8%	7.4%
<b>Special populations<sup>4</sup></b>			
Moved in the past 12 months	70,631	NA	4,358,441
Individuals with disabilities	106,811	NA	3,187,623
Veterans	22,601	NA	1,453,450
Active duty military	929	NA	93,394
<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>238,491</b>		<b>9,691,647</b>
Average number of persons per household <sup>4</sup>	3.45	NA	2.85
Households by composition			
1 person	43,098	18.1%	25.2%
2 persons	62,700	26.3%	31.4%
3 or 4 persons	80,536	33.8%	31.1%
5 or more persons	52,157	21.9%	12.4%
Household type			
Family households	189,410	79.4%	69.3%
Nonfamily households	49,081	20.6%	30.7%
<b>Number of families</b>	<b>189,410</b>		<b>6,712,183</b>
Families with children by birth, marriage, or adoption under age 18	94,449	49.9%	46.8%
Married-couple families	60,974	32.2%	32.3%
Families with both parents employed	27,526	14.5%	18.4%
Single-parent families	33,475	17.7%	14.5%
Families with the parent employed	24,625	13.0%	11.8%

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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>	254,114		7,681,758
School status			
In preschool (public and private)	16,767	6.6%	6.0%
In kindergarten, elementary, middle, or high school (public and private)	192,154	75.6%	69.8%
In preschool through 12th grade (public only)	202,742	79.8%	68.8%
In college, graduate, or professional school	45,193	17.8%	24.3%
<b>Population age 25 and over</b>	476,704		18,131,554
Educational attainment			
Bachelor's degree or higher	76,162	16.0%	29.9%
Less than high school graduate	162,029	34.0%	16.3%
<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>	313,157		13,253,631
Civilian employment sector			
Private sector	227,939	72.8%	80.1%
Government sector	53,998	17.2%	13.0%
Self-employed	30,623	9.8%	6.7%
Industry for civilian employed population			
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, and mining	9,847	3.1%	3.0%
Construction	24,552	7.8%	8.6%
Manufacturing	17,010	5.4%	8.5%
Wholesale trade	6,652	2.1%	2.9%
Retail trade	40,115	12.8%	11.4%
Transportation and warehousing and utilities	15,159	4.8%	5.9%
Information	4,412	1.4%	1.7%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	12,823	4.1%	6.7%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste mgmt.	26,269	8.4%	11.5%
Educational services and health care and social assistance	94,738	30.3%	21.6%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services	29,884	9.5%	9.2%
Other services, except public administration	17,195	5.5%	5.2%
Public administration	14,501	4.6%	4.0%
<b>Population age 16 to 64</b>	492,557		18,273,711
Worked at all in the past 12 months	327,168	66.4%	75.4%
Worked 50-52 weeks	253,021	51.4%	59.0%
Usually worked 35 or more hours per week	208,551	42.3%	52.2%
Usually worked less than 35 hours per week	44,470	9.0%	6.8%

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<b>Workers age 16 and over</b>	309,468		13,115,511
Means of transportation to work			
Public transportation	1,487	0.5%	1.4%
Private vehicle	277,689	89.7%	90.5%
Walk / bicycle / motorcycle	5,006	1.6%	1.9%
Taxi / other means	8,857	2.9%	1.2%
Worked at home	16,429	5.3%	5.0%
Travel time to work <sup>5</sup>			
Less than 15 minutes	94,154	30.4%	23.6%
15 minutes to 29 minutes	130,482	42.2%	34.2%
30 minutes to 44 minutes	46,915	15.2%	20.8%
45 minutes to 59 minutes	10,793	3.5%	8.3%
60 minutes or more	10,695	3.5%	8.1%
 <b>SELECTED INCOME CHARACTERISTICS</b>	 <b>District Estimate</b> <sup>1,2</sup>	 <b>District Percent</b> <sup>3</sup>	 <b>State</b> <sup>3</sup>
Persons in poverty <sup>6</sup>	244,716	29.8%	14.7%
Per capita income <sup>4</sup>	\$16,604	NA	\$31,277
<b>Number of households</b>	238,491		9,691,647
Annual household income			
Less than \$10,000	27,855	11.7%	6.1%
\$10,000 to \$24,999	54,379	22.8%	12.9%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	61,265	25.7%	21.8%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	61,539	25.8%	30.1%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	28,832	12.1%	21.7%
\$200,000 and over	4,621	1.9%	7.4%
Households with social security income	73,144	30.7%	25.6%
Households with supplemental security income (SSI)	23,028	9.7%	4.7%
Households with public assistance income <sup>7</sup>	4,595	1.9%	1.4%
Households that received food stamps/SNAP in the past 12 months	65,808	27.6%	11.8%
<b>Number of families living in poverty</b>	49,778		759,269
With related children under age 18	38,734	77.8%	77.1%
Married couple families	17,272	34.7%	26.2%
Single-parent families	21,462	43.1%	50.9%
Female head of household	19,100	38.4%	44.4%
Male head of household	2,362	4.7%	6.4%

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<b>Number of housing units</b>	287,864		10,937,026
Age of housing			
Built in 2010 or later	25,286	8.8%	10.4%
Built between 2000 and 2009	68,800	23.9%	19.3%
Built between 1990 and 1999	50,911	17.7%	15.2%
Built between 1970 and 1989	93,599	32.5%	31.4%
Built before 1970	49,268	17.1%	23.7%
Occupancy status			
Owner-occupied	159,881	55.5%	54.9%
Renter-occupied	78,610	27.3%	33.7%
Vacant	49,373	17.2%	11.4%
Median gross rent (contract rent plus estimated utility and fuel cost) <sup>4</sup>	\$722	NA	\$1,045
Median value of owner-occupied housing units <sup>4</sup>	\$80,100	NA	\$172,500
<b>Number of owner-occupied housing units</b>	159,881		6,004,802
Value of owner-occupied housing			
Less than \$50,000	44,975	28.1%	8.9%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	56,791	35.5%	16.5%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	41,667	26.1%	32.2%
\$200,000 to \$499,999	14,640	9.2%	34.8%
\$500,000 and above	1,808	1.1%	7.6%
Selected monthly owner costs as a percentage of household income <sup>8</sup>			
35 percent or more	26,137	16.3%	15.3%
20 to 34.9 percent	32,407	20.3%	24.9%
Less than 20 percent	98,232	61.4%	59.0%
Vehicles available in owner-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	6,100	3.8%	2.1%
One or more vehicles	153,781	96.2%	97.9%
<b>Number of renter-occupied housing units</b>	78,610		3,686,845
Gross rent <sup>9</sup>			
Less than \$500	15,871	20.2%	6.2%
\$500 to \$749	22,115	28.1%	13.4%
\$750 to \$999	20,366	25.9%	24.2%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	7,021	8.9%	20.7%
\$1,250 and above	4,775	6.1%	30.5%
Gross rent as a percentage of household income <sup>8</sup>			
35 percent or more	28,360	36.1%	35.9%
20 to 34.9 percent	21,612	27.5%	32.1%
Less than 20 percent	17,689	22.5%	24.9%
Vehicles available in renter-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	10,477	13.3%	10.5%
One or more vehicles	68,133	86.7%	89.5%

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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 2015-2019 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.