

District Profile  
**TEXAS HOUSE DISTRICT 144<sup>1</sup>**  
**ACS 2012-2016 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>	167,119		26,956,435
<b>Age</b>			
0 to 4 years	15,644	9.4%	7.3%
5 to 17 years	37,625	22.5%	19.1%
18 to 64 years	100,569	60.2%	62.1%
65 years and over	13,281	7.9%	11.5%
<b>Population 5 years and over</b>	151,475		24,985,749
<b>Ability to speak English</b>			
Speaks English only	64,702	42.7%	64.8%
Speaks other than English at home	86,773	57.3%	35.2%
Speaks English very well or well	57,793	38.2%	27.5%
Does not speak English well or at all	28,980	19.1%	7.7%
<b>Special populations<sup>4</sup></b>			
Moved in the past 12 months	31,947	NA	4,375,825
Individuals with disabilities	19,955	NA	3,083,141
Veterans	4,622	NA	1,513,294
Active duty military	37	NA	92,754
<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>	49,458		9,289,554
Average number of persons per household <sup>4,5</sup>	3.37	NA	2.84
<b>Households by composition</b>			
1 person	9,570	19.3%	25.1%
2 persons	10,832	21.9%	31.4%
3 or 4 persons	18,744	37.9%	31.1%
5 or more persons	10,312	20.9%	12.5%
<b>Household type</b>			
Family households	37,712	76.3%	69.4%
Nonfamily households	11,746	23.7%	30.6%
<b>Number of families</b>	37,712		6,450,049
<b>Families with children by birth, marriage or adoption under 18 years</b>	21,323	56.5%	47.8%
Married-couple families	13,250	35.1%	32.5%
Families with both parents employed	4,516	12.0%	18.0%
Single-parent families	8,073	21.4%	15.3%
Families with the parent employed	6,161	16.3%	12.1%

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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>	48,861		7,488,362
School status			
In preschool (public and private)	2,796	5.7%	6.1%
In kindergarten, elementary, middle, or high school (public and private)	38,213	78.2%	69.2%
In preschool through 12th grade (public only)	39,502	80.8%	68.6%
In college, graduate, or professional school	7,852	16.1%	24.6%
<b>Population age 25 and over</b>	95,494		17,085,128
Educational attainment			
Bachelor's degree or higher	6,119	6.4%	28.1%
Less than high school graduate	37,359	39.1%	17.7%
<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>	67,674		12,371,392
Civilian employment sector			
Private sector	58,081	85.8%	79.7%
Government sector	5,365	7.9%	13.5%
Self-employed	4,196	6.2%	6.6%
Industry for civilian employed population			
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, and mining	967	1.4%	3.3%
Construction	13,650	20.2%	8.0%
Manufacturing	8,259	12.2%	8.9%
Wholesale trade	1,764	2.6%	3.0%
Retail trade	7,778	11.5%	11.5%
Transportation and warehousing and utilities	4,439	6.6%	5.5%
Information	502	0.7%	1.8%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	2,838	4.2%	6.6%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste mgmt.	5,754	8.5%	11.2%
Educational services and health care and social assistance	9,292	13.7%	21.6%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services	7,104	10.5%	9.0%
Other services, except public administration	4,115	6.1%	5.3%
Public administration	1,212	1.8%	4.2%
<b>Population 16 to 64 years</b>	106,255		17,502,656
Worked at all in the past 12 months	75,028	70.6%	74.7%
Worked 50 - 52 weeks	53,457	50.3%	57.0%
Usually worked 35 or more hours per week	47,372	44.6%	50.4%
Usually worked less than 35 hours per week	6,085	5.7%	6.6%



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<b>Number of housing units</b>	54,741		10,441,643
Age of housing			
Built in 2010 or later	802	1.5%	4.8%
Built between 2000 and 2009	4,080	7.5%	21.2%
Built between 1990 and 1999	2,937	5.4%	15.6%
Built between 1970 and 1989	13,459	24.6%	33.2%
Built before 1970	33,463	61.1%	25.2%
Occupancy status			
Owner-occupied	25,841	47.2%	55.0%
Renter-occupied	23,617	43.1%	33.9%
Vacant	5,283	9.7%	11.0%
Median gross rent (contract rent plus estimated utility and fuel cost) <sup>4,5</sup>	\$797	NA	\$911
Median value of owner-occupied housing units <sup>4,5</sup>	\$81,100	NA	\$142,700
<b>Number of owner-occupied housing units</b>	25,841		5,747,458
Value of owner-occupied housing			
Less than \$50,000	4,535	17.5%	11.3%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	14,291	55.3%	21.6%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	6,489	25.1%	35.7%
\$200,000 to \$499,999	445	1.7%	26.1%
\$500,000 and above	81	0.3%	5.3%
Selected monthly owner costs as a percentage of household income <sup>9</sup>			
35 percent or more	4,110	15.9%	16.0%
20 to 34.9 percent	5,801	22.4%	25.6%
Less than 20 percent	15,665	60.6%	57.6%
Vehicles available in owner-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	689	2.7%	2.2%
One or more vehicles	25,152	97.3%	97.8%
<b>Number of renter-occupied housing units</b>	23,617		3,542,096
Gross rent <sup>10</sup>			
Less than \$500	1,772	7.5%	8.2%
\$500 to \$749	7,723	32.7%	21.1%
\$750 to \$999	7,126	30.2%	27.0%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	4,463	18.9%	17.5%
\$1,250 and above	1,528	6.5%	20.8%
Gross rent as a percentage of household income <sup>9</sup>			
35 percent or more	8,533	36.1%	36.1%
20 to 34.9 percent	7,876	33.3%	31.4%
Less than 20 percent	5,735	24.3%	25.0%
Vehicles available in renter-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	2,956	12.5%	11.1%
One or more vehicles	20,661	87.5%	88.9%

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- <sup>1</sup> Comparisons to the previous district profiles should be made with caution. Previous district profiles were compiled by 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 2012-2016 ACS, 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 margins of error (MOEs) that accompany each of the estimates are 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> Statistical weights are used to calculate the district estimates.
- <sup>6</sup> Individuals who work at home are not included in these categories.
- <sup>7</sup> Percentages are based on the population for whom poverty status is determined.
- <sup>8</sup> Public assistance income includes Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) but not SSI or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) / food stamps.
- <sup>9</sup> Households reporting no income or a negative income (where expenses are more than income) are excluded.
- <sup>10</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. The percentages of units with no cash rent range from 1% to 21% across senate and house districts.