

District Profile
TEXAS HOUSE DISTRICT 8¹
ACS 2012-2016 Estimates

SELECTED POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate^{1,2}	District percent³	State³
Total population	160,435		26,956,435
Age			
0 to 4 years	9,625	6.0%	7.3%
5 to 17 years	26,978	16.8%	19.1%
18 to 64 years	97,521	60.8%	62.1%
65 years and over	26,311	16.4%	11.5%
Population 5 years and over	150,810		24,985,749
Ability to speak English			
Speaks English only	124,423	82.5%	64.8%
Speaks other than English at home	26,387	17.5%	35.2%
Speaks English very well or well	20,260	13.4%	27.5%
Does not speak English well or at all	6,127	4.1%	7.7%
Special populations⁴			
Moved in the past 12 months	24,185	NA	4,375,825
Individuals with disabilities	23,755	NA	3,083,141
Veterans	11,478	NA	1,513,294
Active duty military	46	NA	92,754
SELECTED HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS			
	District estimate^{1,2}	District percent³	State³
Number of households	54,126		9,289,554
Average number of persons per household ^{4,5}	2.65	NA	2.84
Households by composition			
1 person	13,574	25.1%	25.1%
2 persons	19,491	36.0%	31.4%
3 or 4 persons	15,195	28.1%	31.1%
5 or more persons	5,866	10.8%	12.5%
Household type			
Family households	38,844	71.8%	69.4%
Nonfamily households	15,282	28.2%	30.6%
Number of families	38,844		6,450,049
Families with children by birth, marriage or adoption under 18 years	16,114	41.5%	47.8%
Married-couple families	10,661	27.4%	32.5%
Families with both parents employed	6,419	16.5%	18.0%
Single-parent families	5,453	14.0%	15.3%
Families with the parent employed	4,307	11.1%	12.1%

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SELECTED EDUCATION CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate ^{1,2}	District percent ³	State ³
Population age 3 and over enrolled in school	37,157		7,488,362
School status			
In preschool (public and private)	2,030	5.5%	6.1%
In kindergarten, elementary, middle, or high school (public and private)	27,866	75.0%	69.2%
In preschool through 12th grade (public only)	28,664	77.1%	68.6%
In college, graduate, or professional school	7,261	19.5%	24.6%
Population age 25 and over	110,719		17,085,128
Educational attainment			
Bachelor's degree or higher	15,257	13.8%	28.1%
Less than high school graduate	22,860	20.6%	17.7%
SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate ^{1,2}	District percent ³	State ³
Civilian employed population age 16 and over	61,614		12,371,392
Civilian employment sector			
Private sector	46,047	74.7%	79.7%
Government sector	10,999	17.9%	13.5%
Self-employed	4,428	7.2%	6.6%
Industry for civilian employed population			
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, and mining	4,494	7.3%	3.3%
Construction	4,763	7.7%	8.0%
Manufacturing	6,211	10.1%	8.9%
Wholesale trade	1,272	2.1%	3.0%
Retail trade	8,317	13.5%	11.5%
Transportation and warehousing and utilities	3,671	6.0%	5.5%
Information	644	1.0%	1.8%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	2,560	4.2%	6.6%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste mgmt.	3,824	6.2%	11.2%
Educational services and health care and social assistance	13,347	21.7%	21.6%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services	4,971	8.1%	9.0%
Other services, except public administration	2,664	4.3%	5.3%
Public administration	4,876	7.9%	4.2%
Population 16 to 64 years	101,924		17,502,656
Worked at all in the past 12 months	64,778	63.6%	74.7%
Worked 50 - 52 weeks	49,028	48.1%	57.0%
Usually worked 35 or more hours per week	43,212	42.4%	50.4%
Usually worked less than 35 hours per week	5,816	5.7%	6.6%

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SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS (continued)	District estimate^{1,2}	District percent³	State³
Workers age 16 and over	60,223		12,237,558
Means of transportation to work			
Public transportation	83	0.1%	1.5%
Private vehicle	56,834	94.4%	90.9%
Walk / bicycle / motorcycle	852	1.4%	2.0%
Taxi / other means	421	0.7%	1.2%
Worked at home	2,033	3.4%	4.3%
Travel time to work ⁶			
Less than 15 minutes	21,370	35.5%	25.1%
15 minutes to 29 minutes	18,830	31.3%	34.7%
30 minutes to 44 minutes	8,406	14.0%	20.4%
45 minutes to 59 minutes	3,706	6.2%	8.0%
60 minutes or more	5,878	9.8%	7.5%
	District estimate^{1,2}	District percent³	State³
SELECTED INCOME CHARACTERISTICS			
Persons in poverty ⁷	26,424	18.4%	16.7%
Per capita income ^{4,5}	\$20,596	NA	\$27,828
Number of households	54,126		9,289,554
Annual household income			
Less than \$10,000	4,005	7.4%	6.9%
\$10,000 to \$24,999	10,983	20.3%	15.3%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	15,391	28.4%	23.6%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	15,665	28.9%	29.7%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	6,888	12.7%	18.8%
\$200,000 and over	1,194	2.2%	5.7%
Households with social security income	20,302	37.5%	25.0%
Households with supplemental security income (SSI)	2,789	5.2%	4.9%
Households with public assistance income ⁸	698	1.3%	1.6%
Number of families living in poverty	5,590		835,775
With related children under 18	4,391	78.6%	79.4%
Married couple families	1,536	27.5%	28.2%
Single-parent families	2,855	51.1%	51.2%
Female head of household	2,533	45.3%	44.5%
Male head of household	322	5.8%	6.7%

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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate ^{1,2}	District percent ³	State ³
Number of housing units	66,042		10,441,643
Age of housing			
Built in 2010 or later	1,892	2.9%	4.8%
Built between 2000 and 2009	11,583	17.5%	21.2%
Built between 1990 and 1999	9,645	14.6%	15.6%
Built between 1970 and 1989	21,472	32.5%	33.2%
Built before 1970	21,450	32.5%	25.2%
Occupancy status			
Owner-occupied	38,595	58.4%	55.0%
Renter-occupied	15,531	23.5%	33.9%
Vacant	11,916	18.0%	11.0%
Median gross rent (contract rent plus estimated utility and fuel cost) ^{4,5}	\$706	NA	\$911
Median value of owner-occupied housing units ^{4,5}	\$85,300	NA	\$142,700
Number of owner-occupied housing units	38,595		5,747,458
Value of owner-occupied housing			
Less than \$50,000	9,154	23.7%	11.3%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	13,331	34.5%	21.6%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	10,089	26.1%	35.7%
\$200,000 to \$499,999	5,243	13.6%	26.1%
\$500,000 and above	778	2.0%	5.3%
Selected monthly owner costs as a percentage of household income ⁹			
35 percent or more	5,646	14.6%	16.0%
20 to 34.9 percent	8,954	23.2%	25.6%
Less than 20 percent	23,607	61.2%	57.6%
Vehicles available in owner-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	991	2.6%	2.2%
One or more vehicles	37,604	97.4%	97.8%
Number of renter-occupied housing units	15,531		3,542,096
Gross rent ¹⁰			
Less than \$500	2,839	18.3%	8.2%
\$500 to \$749	4,546	29.3%	21.1%
\$750 to \$999	3,633	23.4%	27.0%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	1,494	9.6%	17.5%
\$1,250 and above	643	4.1%	20.8%
Gross rent as a percentage of household income ⁹			
35 percent or more	4,830	31.1%	36.1%
20 to 34.9 percent	4,044	26.0%	31.4%
Less than 20 percent	4,074	26.2%	25.0%
Vehicles available in renter-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	2,254	14.5%	11.1%
One or more vehicles	13,277	85.5%	88.9%

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- ¹ 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.
- ² 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.
- 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 Statistical weights are used to calculate the district estimates.
- ⁶ Individuals who work at home are not included in these categories.
- ⁷ Percentages are based on the population for whom poverty status is determined.
- ⁸ Public assistance income includes Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) but not SSI or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) / food stamps.
- ⁹ Households reporting no income or a negative income (where expenses are more than income) are excluded.
- ¹⁰ 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.