

District Profile
TEXAS SENATE DISTRICT 17¹
ACS 2012-2016 Estimates

SELECTED POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate ^{1,2}	District percent ³	State ³
Total population	873,190		26,956,435
Age			
0 to 4 years	58,661	6.7%	7.3%
5 to 17 years	148,494	17.0%	19.1%
18 to 64 years	563,328	64.5%	62.1%
65 years and over	102,707	11.8%	11.5%
Population 5 years and over	814,529		24,985,749
Ability to speak English			
Speaks English only	517,258	63.5%	64.8%
Speaks other than English at home	297,271	36.5%	35.2%
Speaks English very well or well	251,123	30.8%	27.5%
Does not speak English well or at all	46,148	5.7%	7.7%
Special populations⁴			
Moved in the past 12 months	149,779	NA	4,375,825
Individuals with disabilities	69,556	NA	3,083,141
Veterans	37,079	NA	1,513,294
Active duty military	215	NA	92,754
SELECTED HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS			
	District estimate ^{1,2}	District percent ³	State ³
Number of households	332,790		9,289,554
Average number of persons per household ^{4,5}	2.61	NA	2.84
Households by composition			
1 person	98,300	29.5%	25.1%
2 persons	102,782	30.9%	31.4%
3 or 4 persons	99,206	29.8%	31.1%
5 or more persons	32,502	9.8%	12.5%
Household type			
Family households	218,046	65.5%	69.4%
Nonfamily households	114,744	34.5%	30.6%
Number of families	218,046		6,450,049
Families with children by birth, marriage or adoption under 18 years	101,559	46.6%	47.8%
Married-couple families	77,080	35.4%	32.5%
Families with both parents employed	42,796	19.6%	18.0%
Single-parent families	24,479	11.2%	15.3%
Families with the parent employed	20,825	9.6%	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	230,468		7,488,362
School status			
In preschool (public and private)	16,751	7.3%	6.1%
In kindergarten, elementary, middle, or high school (public and private)	150,669	65.4%	69.2%
In preschool through 12th grade (public only)	135,763	58.9%	68.6%
In college, graduate, or professional school	63,048	27.4%	24.6%
Population age 25 and over	592,919		17,085,128
Educational attainment			
Bachelor's degree or higher	285,865	48.2%	28.1%
Less than high school graduate	53,805	9.1%	17.7%
SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate ^{1,2}	District percent ³	State ³
Civilian employed population age 16 and over	447,198		12,371,392
Civilian employment sector			
Private sector	371,636	83.1%	79.7%
Government sector	45,321	10.1%	13.5%
Self-employed	29,716	6.6%	6.6%
Industry for civilian employed population			
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, and mining	21,295	4.8%	3.3%
Construction	26,044	5.8%	8.0%
Manufacturing	39,904	8.9%	8.9%
Wholesale trade	15,603	3.5%	3.0%
Retail trade	48,164	10.8%	11.5%
Transportation and warehousing and utilities	18,866	4.2%	5.5%
Information	7,545	1.7%	1.8%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	34,215	7.7%	6.6%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste mgmt.	70,679	15.8%	11.2%
Educational services and health care and social assistance	98,270	22.0%	21.6%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services	32,850	7.3%	9.0%
Other services, except public administration	21,875	4.9%	5.3%
Public administration	11,888	2.7%	4.2%
Population 16 to 64 years	586,518		17,502,656
Worked at all in the past 12 months	455,755	77.7%	74.7%
Worked 50 - 52 weeks	359,611	61.3%	57.0%
Usually worked 35 or more hours per week	324,500	55.3%	50.4%
Usually worked less than 35 hours per week	35,111	6.0%	6.6%

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SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS (continued)	District estimate^{1,2}	District percent³	State³
Workers age 16 and over	440,494		12,237,558
Means of transportation to work			
Public transportation	10,179	2.3%	1.5%
Private vehicle	398,506	90.5%	90.9%
Walk / bicycle / motorcycle	7,222	1.6%	2.0%
Taxi / other means	3,551	0.8%	1.2%
Worked at home	21,036	4.8%	4.3%
Travel time to work ⁶			
Less than 15 minutes	88,178	20.0%	25.1%
15 minutes to 29 minutes	151,118	34.3%	34.7%
30 minutes to 44 minutes	103,513	23.5%	20.4%
45 minutes to 59 minutes	42,347	9.6%	8.0%
60 minutes or more	34,302	7.8%	7.5%
	District estimate^{1,2}	District percent³	State³
SELECTED INCOME CHARACTERISTICS			
Persons in poverty ⁷	81,456	9.4%	16.7%
Per capita income ^{4,5}	\$45,273	NA	\$27,828
Number of households	332,790		9,289,554
Annual household income			
Less than \$10,000	14,745	4.4%	6.9%
\$10,000 to \$24,999	33,567	10.1%	15.3%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	60,669	18.2%	23.6%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	95,609	28.7%	29.7%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	81,171	24.4%	18.8%
\$200,000 and over	47,029	14.1%	5.7%
Households with social security income	69,128	20.8%	25.0%
Households with supplemental security income (SSI)	8,951	2.7%	4.9%
Households with public assistance income ⁸	3,459	1.0%	1.6%
Number of families living in poverty	16,194		835,775
With related children under 18	11,558	71.4%	79.4%
Married couple families	4,272	26.4%	28.2%
Single-parent families	7,286	45.0%	51.2%
Female head of household	6,180	38.2%	44.5%
Male head of household	1,106	6.8%	6.7%

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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate ^{1,2}	District percent ³	State ³
Number of housing units	365,037		10,441,643
Age of housing			
Built in 2010 or later	16,761	4.6%	4.8%
Built between 2000 and 2009	74,423	20.4%	21.2%
Built between 1990 and 1999	64,090	17.6%	15.6%
Built between 1970 and 1989	140,512	38.5%	33.2%
Built before 1970	69,251	19.0%	25.2%
Occupancy status			
Owner-occupied	196,245	53.8%	55.0%
Renter-occupied	136,545	37.4%	33.9%
Vacant	32,247	8.8%	11.0%
Median gross rent (contract rent plus estimated utility and fuel cost) ^{4,5}	\$1,144	NA	\$911
Median value of owner-occupied housing units ^{4,5}	\$214,600	NA	\$142,700
Number of owner-occupied housing units	196,245		5,747,458
Value of owner-occupied housing			
Less than \$50,000	7,060	3.6%	11.3%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	20,912	10.7%	21.6%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	64,120	32.7%	35.7%
\$200,000 to \$499,999	70,694	36.0%	26.1%
\$500,000 and above	33,459	17.0%	5.3%
Selected monthly owner costs as a percentage of household income ⁹			
35 percent or more	32,468	16.5%	16.0%
20 to 34.9 percent	47,710	24.3%	25.6%
Less than 20 percent	114,595	58.4%	57.6%
Vehicles available in owner-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	2,793	1.4%	2.2%
One or more vehicles	193,452	98.6%	97.8%
Number of renter-occupied housing units	136,545		3,542,096
Gross rent ¹⁰			
Less than \$500	2,474	1.8%	8.2%
\$500 to \$749	14,960	11.0%	21.1%
\$750 to \$999	32,012	23.4%	27.0%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	28,988	21.2%	17.5%
\$1,250 and above	53,745	39.4%	20.8%
Gross rent as a percentage of household income ⁹			
35 percent or more	44,571	32.6%	36.1%
20 to 34.9 percent	43,679	32.0%	31.4%
Less than 20 percent	41,565	30.4%	25.0%
Vehicles available in renter-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	11,130	8.2%	11.1%
One or more vehicles	125,415	91.8%	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.