

District Profile
TEXAS SENATE DISTRICT 26¹
ACS 2012-2016 Estimates

SELECTED POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate^{1,2}	District percent³	State³
Total population	852,433		26,956,435
Age			
0 to 4 years	60,716	7.1%	7.3%
5 to 17 years	153,691	18.0%	19.1%
18 to 64 years	540,883	63.5%	62.1%
65 years and over	97,143	11.4%	11.5%
Population 5 years and over	791,717		24,985,749
Ability to speak English			
Speaks English only	416,675	52.6%	64.8%
Speaks other than English at home	375,042	47.4%	35.2%
Speaks English very well or well	313,982	39.7%	27.5%
Does not speak English well or at all	61,060	7.7%	7.7%
Special populations⁴			
Moved in the past 12 months	156,968	NA	4,375,825
Individuals with disabilities	125,725	NA	3,083,141
Veterans	63,920	NA	1,513,294
Active duty military	5,205	NA	92,754
SELECTED HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate^{1,2}	District percent³	State³
Number of households	289,565		9,289,554
Average number of persons per household ^{4,5}	2.88	NA	2.84
Households by composition			
1 person	85,078	29.4%	25.1%
2 persons	83,089	28.7%	31.4%
3 or 4 persons	85,260	29.4%	31.1%
5 or more persons	36,138	12.5%	12.5%
Household type			
Family households	185,174	63.9%	69.4%
Nonfamily households	104,391	36.1%	30.6%
Number of families	185,174		6,450,049
Families with children by birth, marriage or adoption under 18 years	86,264	46.6%	47.8%
Married-couple families	49,526	26.7%	32.5%
Families with both parents employed	26,988	14.6%	18.0%
Single-parent families	36,738	19.8%	15.3%
Families with the parent employed	28,547	15.4%	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	241,440		7,488,362
School status			
In preschool (public and private)	13,148	5.4%	6.1%
In kindergarten, elementary, middle, or high school (public and private)	154,790	64.1%	69.2%
In preschool through 12th grade (public only)	155,056	64.2%	68.6%
In college, graduate, or professional school	73,502	30.4%	24.6%
Population age 25 and over	541,439		17,085,128
Educational attainment			
Bachelor's degree or higher	112,866	20.8%	28.1%
Less than high school graduate	109,948	20.3%	17.7%
SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate ^{1,2}	District percent ³	State ³
Civilian employed population age 16 and over	383,684		12,371,392
Civilian employment sector			
Private sector	313,236	81.6%	79.7%
Government sector	51,488	13.4%	13.5%
Self-employed	18,650	4.9%	6.6%
Industry for civilian employed population			
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, and mining	3,593	0.9%	3.3%
Construction	30,436	7.9%	8.0%
Manufacturing	22,748	5.9%	8.9%
Wholesale trade	8,003	2.1%	3.0%
Retail trade	46,625	12.2%	11.5%
Transportation and warehousing and utilities	16,716	4.4%	5.5%
Information	6,373	1.7%	1.8%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	32,882	8.6%	6.6%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste mgmt.	41,410	10.8%	11.2%
Educational services and health care and social assistance	90,805	23.7%	21.6%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services	48,711	12.7%	9.0%
Other services, except public administration	18,736	4.9%	5.3%
Public administration	16,646	4.3%	4.2%
Population 16 to 64 years	564,725		17,502,656
Worked at all in the past 12 months	414,540	73.4%	74.7%
Worked 50 - 52 weeks	312,585	55.4%	57.0%
Usually worked 35 or more hours per week	269,019	47.6%	50.4%
Usually worked less than 35 hours per week	43,566	7.7%	6.6%

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SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS (continued)	District estimate^{1,2}	District percent³	State³
Workers age 16 and over	383,004		12,237,558
Means of transportation to work			
Public transportation	13,886	3.6%	1.5%
Private vehicle	344,929	90.1%	90.9%
Walk / bicycle / motorcycle	10,148	2.6%	2.0%
Taxi / other means	3,251	0.8%	1.2%
Worked at home	10,790	2.8%	4.3%
Travel time to work ⁶			
Less than 15 minutes	86,447	22.6%	25.1%
15 minutes to 29 minutes	170,058	44.4%	34.7%
30 minutes to 44 minutes	78,184	20.4%	20.4%
45 minutes to 59 minutes	19,715	5.1%	8.0%
60 minutes or more	17,810	4.7%	7.5%
SELECTED INCOME CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate^{1,2}	District percent³	State³
Persons in poverty ⁷	176,846	21.2%	16.7%
Per capita income ^{4,5}	\$20,951	NA	\$27,828
Number of households	289,565		9,289,554
Annual household income			
Less than \$10,000	28,538	9.9%	6.9%
\$10,000 to \$24,999	53,431	18.5%	15.3%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	79,024	27.3%	23.6%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	87,308	30.2%	29.7%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	36,186	12.5%	18.8%
\$200,000 and over	5,078	1.8%	5.7%
Households with social security income	78,410	27.1%	25.0%
Households with supplemental security income (SSI)	21,493	7.4%	4.9%
Households with public assistance income ⁸	5,921	2.0%	1.6%
Number of families living in poverty	32,070		835,775
With related children under 18	24,788	77.3%	79.4%
Married couple families	7,318	22.8%	28.2%
Single-parent families	17,470	54.5%	51.2%
Female head of household	15,754	49.1%	44.5%
Male head of household	1,716	5.4%	6.7%

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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate ^{1,2}	District percent ³	State ³
Number of housing units	318,581		10,441,643
Age of housing			
Built in 2010 or later	10,136	3.2%	4.8%
Built between 2000 and 2009	45,906	14.4%	21.2%
Built between 1990 and 1999	33,813	10.6%	15.6%
Built between 1970 and 1989	110,839	34.8%	33.2%
Built before 1970	117,887	37.0%	25.2%
Occupancy status			
Owner-occupied	147,510	46.3%	55.0%
Renter-occupied	142,055	44.6%	33.9%
Vacant	29,016	9.1%	11.0%
Median gross rent (contract rent plus estimated utility and fuel cost) ^{4,5}	\$856	NA	\$911
Median value of owner-occupied housing units ^{4,5}	\$105,400	NA	\$142,700
Number of owner-occupied housing units	147,510		5,747,458
Value of owner-occupied housing			
Less than \$50,000	15,474	10.5%	11.3%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	53,300	36.1%	21.6%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	63,280	42.9%	35.7%
\$200,000 to \$499,999	13,802	9.4%	26.1%
\$500,000 and above	1,654	1.1%	5.3%
Selected monthly owner costs as a percentage of household income ⁹			
35 percent or more	24,135	16.4%	16.0%
20 to 34.9 percent	37,810	25.6%	25.6%
Less than 20 percent	84,171	57.1%	57.6%
Vehicles available in owner-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	6,053	4.1%	2.2%
One or more vehicles	141,457	95.9%	97.8%
Number of renter-occupied housing units	142,055		3,542,096
Gross rent ¹⁰			
Less than \$500	15,238	10.7%	8.2%
\$500 to \$749	34,054	24.0%	21.1%
\$750 to \$999	40,873	28.8%	27.0%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	25,181	17.7%	17.5%
\$1,250 and above	20,982	14.8%	20.8%
Gross rent as a percentage of household income ⁹			
35 percent or more	54,327	38.2%	36.1%
20 to 34.9 percent	43,925	30.9%	31.4%
Less than 20 percent	33,924	23.9%	25.0%
Vehicles available in renter-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	22,915	16.1%	11.1%
One or more vehicles	119,140	83.9%	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.