

District Profile  
**TEXAS SENATE DISTRICT 27<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>	<b>818,080</b>		<b>26,956,435</b>
Age			
0 to 4 years	74,325	9.1%	7.3%
5 to 17 years	189,281	23.1%	19.1%
18 to 64 years	454,539	55.6%	62.1%
65 years and over	99,935	12.2%	11.5%
<b>Population 5 years and over</b>	<b>743,755</b>		<b>24,985,749</b>
Ability to speak English			
Speaks English only	166,495	22.4%	64.8%
Speaks other than English at home	577,260	77.6%	35.2%
Speaks English very well or well	440,711	59.3%	27.5%
Does not speak English well or at all	136,549	18.4%	7.7%
<b>Special populations<sup>4</sup></b>			
Moved in the past 12 months	79,719	NA	4,375,825
Individuals with disabilities	111,491	NA	3,083,141
Veterans	26,152	NA	1,513,294
Active duty military	556	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>	<b>231,282</b>		<b>9,289,554</b>
Average number of persons per household <sup>4,5</sup>	3.49	NA	2.84
Households by composition			
1 person	41,558	18.0%	25.1%
2 persons	59,541	25.7%	31.4%
3 or 4 persons	76,867	33.2%	31.1%
5 or more persons	53,316	23.1%	12.5%
Household type			
Family households	183,561	79.4%	69.4%
Nonfamily households	47,721	20.6%	30.6%
<b>Number of families</b>	<b>183,561</b>		<b>6,450,049</b>
Families with children by birth, marriage or adoption under 18 years	92,363	50.3%	47.8%
Married-couple families	58,663	32.0%	32.5%
Families with both parents employed	25,925	14.1%	18.0%
Single-parent families	33,700	18.4%	15.3%
Families with the parent employed	22,608	12.3%	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>	255,613		7,488,362
School status			
In preschool (public and private)	16,831	6.6%	6.1%
In kindergarten, elementary, middle, or high school (public and private)	192,557	75.3%	69.2%
In preschool through 12th grade (public only)	203,111	79.5%	68.6%
In college, graduate, or professional school	46,225	18.1%	24.6%
<b>Population age 25 and over</b>	463,855		17,085,128
Educational attainment			
Bachelor's degree or higher	70,161	15.1%	28.1%
Less than high school graduate	170,042	36.7%	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>	291,803		12,371,392
Civilian employment sector			
Private sector	211,970	72.6%	79.7%
Government sector	50,608	17.3%	13.5%
Self-employed	28,626	9.8%	6.6%
Industry for civilian employed population			
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, and mining	9,902	3.4%	3.3%
Construction	21,908	7.5%	8.0%
Manufacturing	14,275	4.9%	8.9%
Wholesale trade	7,593	2.6%	3.0%
Retail trade	39,207	13.4%	11.5%
Transportation and warehousing and utilities	14,916	5.1%	5.5%
Information	4,531	1.6%	1.8%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	12,644	4.3%	6.6%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste mgmt.	23,593	8.1%	11.2%
Educational services and health care and social assistance	89,094	30.5%	21.6%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services	25,820	8.8%	9.0%
Other services, except public administration	15,138	5.2%	5.3%
Public administration	13,182	4.5%	4.2%
<b>Population 16 to 64 years</b>	482,180		17,502,656
Worked at all in the past 12 months	310,926	64.5%	74.7%
Worked 50 - 52 weeks	232,989	48.3%	57.0%
Usually worked 35 or more hours per week	191,767	39.8%	50.4%
Usually worked less than 35 hours per week	41,222	8.5%	6.6%

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<b>Workers age 16 and over</b>	286,542		12,237,558
Means of transportation to work			
Public transportation	1,269	0.4%	1.5%
Private vehicle	264,005	92.1%	90.9%
Walk / bicycle / motorcycle	5,530	1.9%	2.0%
Taxi / other means	6,599	2.3%	1.2%
Worked at home	9,139	3.2%	4.3%
Travel time to work <sup>6</sup>			
Less than 15 minutes	86,362	30.1%	25.1%
15 minutes to 29 minutes	126,792	44.2%	34.7%
30 minutes to 44 minutes	45,466	15.9%	20.4%
45 minutes to 59 minutes	9,316	3.3%	8.0%
60 minutes or more	9,467	3.3%	7.5%
<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>7</sup>	270,610	33.6%	16.7%
Per capita income <sup>4,5</sup>	\$14,766	NA	\$27,828
<b>Number of households</b>	231,282		9,289,554
Annual household income			
Less than \$10,000	33,393	14.4%	6.9%
\$10,000 to \$24,999	56,235	24.3%	15.3%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	60,617	26.2%	23.6%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	55,537	24.0%	29.7%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	22,033	9.5%	18.8%
\$200,000 and over	3,467	1.5%	5.7%
Households with social security income	70,848	30.6%	25.0%
Households with supplemental security income (SSI)	23,285	10.1%	4.9%
Households with public assistance income <sup>8</sup>	6,160	2.7%	1.6%
<b>Number of families living in poverty</b>	53,808		835,775
With related children under 18	43,009	79.9%	79.4%
Married couple families	19,799	36.8%	28.2%
Single-parent families	23,210	43.1%	51.2%
Female head of household	20,770	38.6%	44.5%
Male head of household	2,440	4.5%	6.7%

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<b>Number of housing units</b>	276,251		10,441,643
Age of housing			
Built in 2010 or later	12,444	4.5%	4.8%
Built between 2000 and 2009	67,309	24.4%	21.2%
Built between 1990 and 1999	50,638	18.3%	15.6%
Built between 1970 and 1989	93,721	33.9%	33.2%
Built before 1970	52,139	18.9%	25.2%
Occupancy status			
Owner-occupied	156,686	56.7%	55.0%
Renter-occupied	74,596	27.0%	33.9%
Vacant	44,969	16.3%	11.0%
Median gross rent (contract rent plus estimated utility and fuel cost) <sup>4,5</sup>	\$644	NA	\$911
Median value of owner-occupied housing units <sup>4,5</sup>	\$73,900	NA	\$142,700
<b>Number of owner-occupied housing units</b>	156,686		5,747,458
Value of owner-occupied housing			
Less than \$50,000	49,354	31.5%	11.3%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	56,969	36.4%	21.6%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	36,792	23.5%	35.7%
\$200,000 to \$499,999	12,089	7.7%	26.1%
\$500,000 and above	1,482	0.9%	5.3%
Selected monthly owner costs as a percentage of household income <sup>9</sup>			
35 percent or more	27,843	17.8%	16.0%
20 to 34.9 percent	35,070	22.4%	25.6%
Less than 20 percent	90,312	57.6%	57.6%
Vehicles available in owner-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	6,877	4.4%	2.2%
One or more vehicles	149,809	95.6%	97.8%
<b>Number of renter-occupied housing units</b>	74,596		3,542,096
Gross rent <sup>10</sup>			
Less than \$500	19,753	26.5%	8.2%
\$500 to \$749	23,484	31.5%	21.1%
\$750 to \$999	14,884	20.0%	27.0%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	5,381	7.2%	17.5%
\$1,250 and above	2,816	3.8%	20.8%
Gross rent as a percentage of household income <sup>9</sup>			
35 percent or more	27,712	37.1%	36.1%
20 to 34.9 percent	19,423	26.0%	31.4%
Less than 20 percent	15,888	21.3%	25.0%
Vehicles available in renter-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	11,079	14.9%	11.1%
One or more vehicles	63,517	85.1%	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.