

District Profile
TEXAS SENATE DISTRICT 27¹
ACS 2010-2014 Estimates

SELECTED POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate^{1,2}	District percent³	State³
Total population	808,588		26,092,033
Age			
0 to 4 years	74,239	9.2%	7.4%
5 to 17 years	190,511	23.6%	19.4%
18 to 64 years	450,944	55.8%	62.3%
65 years and over	92,894	11.5%	10.9%
Population 5 years and over	734,349		24,151,280
Ability to speak English			
Speaks English only	165,361	22.5%	65.1%
Speaks other than English at home	568,988	77.5%	34.9%
Speaks English very well or well	427,770	58.3%	27.0%
Does not speak English well or at all	141,218	19.2%	8.0%
Special populations⁴			
Moved in the past 12 months	89,178	NA	4,370,297
Individuals with disabilities	110,795	NA	2,969,042
Veterans	28,605	NA	1,564,501
Active duty military	713	NA	97,573
SELECTED HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS			
	District estimate^{1,2}	District percent³	State³
Number of households	227,792		9,013,582
Average number of persons per household ^{4,5}	3.50	NA	2.83
Households by composition			
1 person	39,663	17.4%	24.9%
2 persons	57,840	25.4%	31.4%
3 or 4 persons	76,762	33.7%	31.1%
5 or more persons	53,527	23.5%	12.6%
Household type			
Family households	182,159	80.0%	69.6%
Nonfamily households	45,633	20.0%	30.4%
Number of families	182,159		6,277,955
Families with children by birth, marriage or adoption under 18 years	93,836	51.5%	48.4%
Married-couple families	60,386	33.2%	32.9%
Families with both parents employed	26,902	14.8%	18.0%
Single-parent families	33,450	18.4%	15.6%
Families with the parent employed	22,171	12.2%	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	256,958		7,366,632
School status			
In preschool (public and private)	15,494	6.0%	6.1%
In kindergarten, elementary, middle, or high school (public and private)	194,381	75.6%	69.0%
In preschool through 12th grade (public only)	204,037	79.4%	68.4%
In college, graduate, or professional school	47,083	18.3%	24.9%
Population age 25 and over	455,149		16,426,730
Educational attainment			
Bachelor's degree or higher	65,413	14.4%	27.1%
Less than high school graduate	172,927	38.0%	18.4%
SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate ^{1,2}	District percent ³	State ³
Civilian employed population age 16 and over	281,163		11,809,010
Civilian employment sector			
Private sector	201,650	71.7%	78.8%
Government sector	51,386	18.3%	14.3%
Self-employed	27,645	9.8%	6.7%
Industry for civilian employed population			
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, and mining	9,407	3.3%	3.3%
Construction	21,281	7.6%	7.8%
Manufacturing	13,611	4.8%	9.3%
Wholesale trade	7,470	2.7%	3.0%
Retail trade	36,636	13.0%	11.6%
Transportation and warehousing and utilities	14,104	5.0%	5.4%
Information	4,390	1.6%	1.8%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	10,810	3.8%	6.6%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste mgmt.	22,240	7.9%	10.9%
Educational services and health care and social assistance	85,743	30.5%	21.8%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services	24,208	8.6%	8.8%
Other services, except public administration	16,280	5.8%	5.4%
Public administration	14,983	5.3%	4.4%
Population 16 to 64 years	478,453		17,008,325
Worked at all in the past 12 months	306,170	64.0%	74.3%
Worked 50 - 52 weeks	221,750	46.3%	56.1%
Usually worked 35 or more hours per week	183,587	38.4%	49.3%
Usually worked less than 35 hours per week	38,163	8.0%	6.7%

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SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS (continued)	District estimate ^{1,2}	District percent ³	State ³
Workers age 16 and over	276,096		11,685,902
Means of transportation to work			
Public transportation	1,125	0.4%	1.6%
Private vehicle	256,310	92.8%	91.0%
Walk / bicycle / motorcycle	6,190	2.2%	2.1%
Taxi / other means	4,548	1.6%	1.3%
Worked at home	7,923	2.9%	4.1%
Travel time to work ⁶			
Less than 15 minutes	88,376	32.0%	25.9%
15 minutes to 29 minutes	118,534	42.9%	35.1%
30 minutes to 44 minutes	43,871	15.9%	20.3%
45 minutes to 59 minutes	8,879	3.2%	7.6%
60 minutes or more	8,513	3.1%	7.0%
SELECTED INCOME CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate ^{1,2}	District percent ³	State ³
Persons in poverty ⁷	284,629	35.7%	17.7%
Per capita income ^{4,5}	\$14,209	NA	\$26,513
Number of households	227,792		9,013,582
Annual household income			
Less than \$10,000	34,447	15.1%	7.3%
\$10,000 to \$24,999	56,745	24.9%	16.1%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	59,532	26.1%	24.2%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	53,689	23.6%	29.5%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	20,000	8.8%	17.8%
\$200,000 and over	3,379	1.5%	5.0%
Households with social security income	69,050	30.3%	24.6%
Households with supplemental security income (SSI)	22,469	9.9%	4.9%
Households with public assistance income ⁸	6,744	3.0%	1.8%
Number of families living in poverty	56,303		862,797
With related children under 18	45,525	80.9%	80.4%
Married couple families	21,382	38.0%	29.6%
Single-parent families	24,143	42.9%	50.8%
Female head of household	21,295	37.8%	44.1%
Male head of household	2,848	5.1%	6.8%

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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate ^{1,2}	District percent ³	State ³
Number of housing units	271,998		10,187,189
Age of housing			
Built in 2010 or later	5,313	2.0%	2.1%
Built between 2000 and 2009	64,136	23.6%	21.9%
Built between 1990 and 1999	52,817	19.4%	15.5%
Built between 1970 and 1989	96,111	35.3%	34.3%
Built before 1970	53,621	19.7%	26.2%
Occupancy status			
Owner-occupied	153,989	56.6%	55.5%
Renter-occupied	73,803	27.1%	33.0%
Vacant	44,206	16.3%	11.5%
Median gross rent (contract rent plus estimated utility and fuel cost) ^{4,5}	\$629	NA	\$870
Median value of owner-occupied housing units ^{4,5}	\$71,700	NA	\$131,400
Number of owner-occupied housing units	153,989		5,652,542
Value of owner-occupied housing			
Less than \$50,000	49,031	31.8%	12.3%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	58,924	38.3%	23.7%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	33,470	21.7%	37.1%
\$200,000 to \$499,999	10,993	7.1%	22.7%
\$500,000 and above	1,571	1.0%	4.3%
Selected monthly owner costs as a percentage of household income ⁹			
35 percent or more	29,340	19.1%	17.4%
20 to 34.9 percent	36,144	23.5%	27.0%
Less than 20 percent	85,372	55.4%	54.8%
Vehicles available in owner-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	6,964	4.5%	2.4%
One or more vehicles	147,025	95.5%	97.6%
Number of renter-occupied housing units	73,803		3,361,040
Gross rent ¹⁰			
Less than \$500	21,208	28.7%	9.3%
\$500 to \$749	23,412	31.7%	24.0%
\$750 to \$999	13,614	18.4%	27.3%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	4,999	6.8%	16.4%
\$1,250 and above	2,824	3.8%	17.4%
Gross rent as a percentage of household income ⁹			
35 percent or more	29,065	39.4%	36.9%
20 to 34.9 percent	18,680	25.3%	31.0%
Less than 20 percent	15,205	20.6%	24.3%
Vehicles available in renter-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	11,817	16.0%	11.8%
One or more vehicles	61,986	84.0%	88.2%

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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 2010-2014 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 22% across senate and house districts.