

District Profile
TEXAS SENATE DISTRICT 21¹
ACS 2018-2022 Estimates

SELECTED POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate ^{1,2}	District Percent ³	State ³
Total population	906,205		29,243,342
Age			
0 to 4 years	63,136	7.0%	6.6%
5 to 17 years	166,665	18.4%	18.7%
18 to 64 years	579,313	63.9%	61.8%
65 years and over	97,091	10.7%	12.9%
Race/Ethnicity			
Anglo (non-Hispanic)	214,256	23.6%	40.1%
Non-Anglo	691,949	76.4%	59.9%
Hispanic	634,326	70.0%	39.9%
Black alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	39,927	4.4%	13.7%
Asian alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	16,856	1.9%	6.1%
Population age 5 and over	843,069		27,319,920
Ability to speak English			
Speaks English only	372,749	44.2%	64.9%
Speaks other than English at home	470,320	55.8%	35.1%
Speaks English very well or well	381,587	45.3%	28.4%
Does not speak English well or at all	88,733	10.5%	6.7%
Special populations⁴			
Moved in the past 12 months	127,441	NA	4,235,358
Veterans	33,530	NA	1,416,973
Active duty military	807	NA	110,177
SELECTED HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate ^{1,2}	District Percent ³	State ³
Number of households	309,299		10,490,553
Average number of persons per household ⁴	2.84	NA	2.73
Households by composition			
1 person	74,879	24.2%	25.7%
2 persons	94,333	30.5%	31.4%
3 or 4 persons	93,862	30.3%	30.7%
5 or more persons	46,225	14.9%	12.2%
Household type			
Family households	204,735	66.2%	68.4%
Nonfamily households	104,564	33.8%	31.6%
Number of families	204,735		7,173,843
Families with children by birth, marriage, or adoption under age 18	95,587	46.7%	46.1%
Married-couple families	62,448	30.5%	31.9%
Families with both parents employed	34,291	16.7%	18.6%
Single-parent families	33,139	16.2%	14.2%
Families with the parent employed	25,770	12.6%	11.4%

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SELECTED EDUCATION CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate ^{1,2}	District Percent ³	State ³
Population age 3 and over enrolled in school	255,363		7,768,251
School status			
In preschool (public and private)	12,232	4.8%	5.5%
In kindergarten, elementary, middle, or high school (public and private)	170,206	66.7%	70.1%
In preschool through 12th grade (public only)	169,339	66.3%	67.9%
In college, graduate, or professional school	72,925	28.6%	24.4%
Population age 25 and over	559,690		18,910,948
Educational attainment			
Bachelor's degree or higher	142,923	25.5%	32.3%
Less than high school graduate	122,317	21.9%	14.8%
SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate ^{1,2}	District Percent ³	State ³
Civilian employed population age 16 and over	431,278		13,908,128
Civilian employment sector			
Private sector	324,530	75.2%	79.2%
Government sector	75,426	17.5%	13.7%
Self-employed	30,536	7.1%	6.9%
Industry for civilian employed population			
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, and mining	12,421	2.9%	2.6%
Construction	40,711	9.4%	8.7%
Manufacturing	23,753	5.5%	8.5%
Wholesale trade	8,989	2.1%	2.6%
Retail trade	53,172	12.3%	11.3%
Transportation and warehousing and utilities	34,865	8.1%	6.4%
Information	6,480	1.5%	1.6%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	19,651	4.6%	6.9%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste mgmt.	46,916	10.9%	12.2%
Educational services and health care and social assistance	91,612	21.2%	21.5%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services	43,685	10.1%	8.7%
Other services, except public administration	20,647	4.8%	5.0%
Public administration	28,376	6.6%	4.1%
Population age 16 to 64	605,406		18,929,419
Worked at all in the past 12 months	454,192	75.0%	76.3%
Worked 50-52 weeks	359,718	59.4%	60.4%
Usually worked 35 or more hours per week	308,880	51.0%	53.1%
Usually worked less than 35 hours per week	50,838	8.4%	7.3%

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SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS (continued)	District Estimate ^{1,2}	District Percent ³	State ³
Workers age 16 and over	424,989		13,755,352
Means of transportation to work			
Public transportation	5,448	1.3%	1.0%
Private vehicle	363,746	85.6%	84.8%
Walk / bicycle / motorcycle	9,156	2.2%	1.8%
Taxi / other means	6,004	1.4%	1.4%
Worked at home	40,635	9.6%	11.0%
Travel time to work ⁵			
Less than 15 minutes	100,975	23.8%	21.9%
15 minutes to 29 minutes	135,345	31.8%	32.4%
30 minutes to 44 minutes	76,048	17.9%	19.7%
45 minutes to 59 minutes	34,756	8.2%	7.7%
60 minutes or more	37,230	8.8%	7.2%
SELECTED INCOME CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate ^{1,2}	District Percent ³	State ³
Persons in poverty ⁶	166,272	18.9%	13.9%
Per capita income ⁴	\$29,472	NA	\$37,514
Number of households	309,299		10,490,553
Annual household income			
Less than \$10,000	19,865	6.4%	5.1%
\$10,000 to \$24,999	39,314	12.7%	10.6%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	62,540	20.2%	18.8%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	96,025	31.0%	29.4%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	72,515	23.4%	25.5%
\$200,000 and over	19,040	6.2%	10.6%
Households with social security income	72,702	23.5%	25.3%
Households with supplemental security income (SSI)	17,859	5.8%	4.5%
Households with public assistance income ⁷	7,065	2.3%	2.0%
Number of families living in poverty	30,042		765,437
With related children under age 18	23,182	77.2%	74.6%
Married couple families	7,223	24.0%	25.0%
Single-parent families	15,959	53.1%	49.6%
Female head of household	14,008	46.6%	43.1%
Male head of household	1,951	6.5%	6.5%

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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate ^{1,2}	District Percent ³	State ³
Number of housing units	342,463		11,654,971
Age of housing			
Built in 2010 or later	72,720	21.2%	16.8%
Built between 2000 and 2009	75,685	22.1%	18.2%
Built between 1990 and 1999	56,945	16.6%	14.0%
Built between 1970 and 1989	88,408	25.8%	29.4%
Built before 1970	48,705	14.2%	21.6%
Occupancy status			
Owner-occupied	183,901	53.7%	56.2%
Renter-occupied	125,398	36.6%	33.8%
Vacant	33,164	9.7%	10.0%
Average gross rent (contract rent plus estimated utility and fuel cost) ⁴	\$1,295	NA	\$1,349
Average value of owner-occupied housing units ⁴	\$241,666	NA	\$311,438
Number of owner-occupied housing units	183,901		6,545,727
Value of owner-occupied housing			
Less than \$50,000	18,625	10.1%	6.7%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	24,995	13.6%	9.9%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	46,669	25.4%	23.5%
\$200,000 to \$499,999	81,262	44.2%	46.4%
\$500,000 and above	12,350	6.7%	13.5%
Selected monthly owner costs as a percentage of household income ⁸			
35 percent or more	30,044	16.3%	16.0%
20 to 34.9 percent	48,269	26.2%	24.7%
Less than 20 percent	103,768	56.4%	58.4%
Vehicles available in owner-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	5,641	3.1%	2.1%
One or more vehicles	178,260	96.9%	97.9%
Number of renter-occupied housing units	125,398		3,944,826
Gross rent ⁹			
Less than \$500	5,814	4.6%	4.4%
\$500 to \$749	10,023	8.0%	6.6%
\$750 to \$999	19,349	15.4%	16.2%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	24,885	19.8%	20.4%
\$1,250 and above	58,091	46.3%	47.8%
Gross rent as a percentage of household income ⁸			
35 percent or more	48,065	38.3%	37.8%
20 to 34.9 percent	39,704	31.7%	32.1%
Less than 20 percent	27,808	22.2%	23.5%
Vehicles available in renter-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	11,591	9.2%	10.5%
One or more vehicles	113,807	90.8%	89.5%

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- ¹ These district profiles use the census geographies for the Texas house and senate districts corresponding to PlanH2316 and PlanS2168. Comparisons to previous profiles should be made with caution. In some past profiles, including the 2017-2021 vintage, districts were compiled by aggregating block group data since census geographies did not correspond to the legislative plans in effect at the time in Texas. Additionally, the Census Bureau advises against comparing estimates from overlapping 5-year periods.
- ² The ACS data is gathered from surveys distributed to a sample of the population. The margin of error (MOE) that accompanies each of the estimates is 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 values. For these variables, the state estimate is provided.
- ⁵ Individuals who worked at home are not included in these categories.
- ⁶ Percentages are based on the population for whom poverty status is determined.
- ⁷ Public assistance income includes Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) but not SSI or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)/food stamps.
- ⁸ Households reporting no income or a negative income (where expenses are more than income) are excluded.
- ⁹ 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.