

District Profile
TEXAS HOUSE DISTRICT 79¹
ACS 2018-2022 Estimates

SELECTED POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate^{1,2}	District Percent³	State³
Total population	205,919		29,243,342
Age			
0 to 4 years	14,614	7.1%	6.6%
5 to 17 years	37,352	18.1%	18.7%
18 to 64 years	128,500	62.4%	61.8%
65 years and over	25,453	12.4%	12.9%
Race/Ethnicity			
Anglo (non-Hispanic)	26,360	12.8%	40.1%
Non-Anglo	179,559	87.2%	59.9%
Hispanic	163,670	79.5%	39.9%
Black alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	13,157	6.4%	13.7%
Asian alone or in combination with 1 or more other races	3,997	1.9%	6.1%
Population age 5 and over	191,305		27,319,920
Ability to speak English			
Speaks English only	72,311	37.8%	64.9%
Speaks other than English at home	118,994	62.2%	35.1%
Speaks English very well or well	102,759	53.7%	28.4%
Does not speak English well or at all	16,235	8.5%	6.7%
Special populations⁴			
Moved in the past 12 months	30,814	NA	4,235,358
Veterans	13,965	NA	1,416,973
Active duty military	8,169	NA	110,177
SELECTED HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate^{1,2}	District Percent³	State³
Number of households	69,721		10,490,553
Average number of persons per household ⁴	2.88	NA	2.73
Households by composition			
1 person	16,531	23.7%	25.7%
2 persons	19,857	28.5%	31.4%
3 or 4 persons	24,132	34.6%	30.7%
5 or more persons	9,201	13.2%	12.2%
Household type			
Family households	49,906	71.6%	68.4%
Nonfamily households	19,815	28.4%	31.6%
Number of families	49,906		7,173,843
Families with children by birth, marriage, or adoption under age 18	22,818	45.7%	46.1%
Married-couple families	14,359	28.8%	31.9%
Families with both parents employed	7,261	14.5%	18.6%
Single-parent families	8,459	16.9%	14.2%
Families with the parent employed	6,989	14.0%	11.4%

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SELECTED EDUCATION CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate^{1,2}	District Percent³	State³
Population age 3 and over enrolled in school	58,964		7,768,251
School status			
In preschool (public and private)	3,144	5.3%	5.5%
In kindergarten, elementary, middle, or high school (public and private)	37,684	63.9%	70.1%
In preschool through 12th grade (public only)	37,794	64.1%	67.9%
In college, graduate, or professional school	18,136	30.8%	24.4%
Population age 25 and over	127,957		18,910,948
Educational attainment			
Bachelor's degree or higher	34,433	26.9%	32.3%
Less than high school graduate	17,935	14.0%	14.8%
SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate^{1,2}	District Percent³	State³
Civilian employed population age 16 and over	89,645		13,908,128
Civilian employment sector			
Private sector	65,907	73.5%	79.2%
Government sector	19,045	21.2%	13.7%
Self-employed	4,555	5.1%	6.9%
Industry for civilian employed population			
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, and mining	798	0.9%	2.6%
Construction	4,935	5.5%	8.7%
Manufacturing	5,327	5.9%	8.5%
Wholesale trade	2,171	2.4%	2.6%
Retail trade	11,017	12.3%	11.3%
Transportation and warehousing and utilities	6,681	7.5%	6.4%
Information	1,728	1.9%	1.6%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	5,009	5.6%	6.9%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste mgmt.	9,930	11.1%	12.2%
Educational services and health care and social assistance	23,170	25.8%	21.5%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services	8,990	10.0%	8.7%
Other services, except public administration	2,855	3.2%	5.0%
Public administration	7,034	7.8%	4.1%
Population age 16 to 64	134,236		18,929,419
Worked at all in the past 12 months	101,762	75.8%	76.3%
Worked 50-52 weeks	80,880	60.3%	60.4%
Usually worked 35 or more hours per week	69,600	51.8%	53.1%
Usually worked less than 35 hours per week	11,280	8.4%	7.3%

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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS	District Estimate ^{1,2}	District Percent ³	State ³
Number of housing units	73,714		11,654,971
Age of housing			
Built in 2010 or later	7,528	10.2%	16.8%
Built between 2000 and 2009	8,601	11.7%	18.2%
Built between 1990 and 1999	11,637	15.8%	14.0%
Built between 1970 and 1989	30,535	41.4%	29.4%
Built before 1970	15,413	20.9%	21.6%
Occupancy status			
Owner-occupied	40,320	54.7%	56.2%
Renter-occupied	29,401	39.9%	33.8%
Vacant	3,993	5.4%	10.0%
Average gross rent (contract rent plus estimated utility and fuel cost) ⁴	\$1,104	NA	\$1,349
Average value of owner-occupied housing units ⁴	\$182,664	NA	\$311,438
Number of owner-occupied housing units	40,320		6,545,727
Value of owner-occupied housing			
Less than \$50,000	1,543	3.8%	6.7%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	3,365	8.3%	9.9%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	24,720	61.3%	23.5%
\$200,000 to \$499,999	10,111	25.1%	46.4%
\$500,000 and above	581	1.4%	13.5%
Selected monthly owner costs as a percentage of household income ⁸			
35 percent or more	7,051	17.5%	16.0%
20 to 34.9 percent	9,577	23.8%	24.7%
Less than 20 percent	23,299	57.8%	58.4%
Vehicles available in owner-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	794	2.0%	2.1%
One or more vehicles	39,526	98.0%	97.9%
Number of renter-occupied housing units	29,401		3,944,826
Gross rent ⁹			
Less than \$500	1,403	4.8%	4.4%
\$500 to \$749	2,694	9.2%	6.6%
\$750 to \$999	7,629	25.9%	16.2%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	8,220	28.0%	20.4%
\$1,250 and above	8,625	29.3%	47.8%
Gross rent as a percentage of household income ⁸			
35 percent or more	11,804	40.1%	37.8%
20 to 34.9 percent	9,982	34.0%	32.1%
Less than 20 percent	6,481	22.0%	23.5%
Vehicles available in renter-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	2,666	9.1%	10.5%
One or more vehicles	26,735	90.9%	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.