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County	Number of Children Tested	Rate of Testing	Number of Children with EBLLs	Rate of Elevation
ANDERSON	316	8.80	17	5.38
ANDREWS	117	7.45	0	0.00
ANGELINA	1,571	20.43	30	1.91
ARANSAS	78	5.05	< 5	~
ARCHER	64	12.67	0	0.00
ARMSTRONG	< 5	~	0	0.00
ATASCOSA	656	15.98	12	1.83
AUSTIN	288	12.04	6	2.08
BAILEY	93	12.08	< 5	~
BANDERA	106	9.72	0	0.00
BASTROP	1,033	16.93	18	1.74
BAYLOR	49	22.17	< 5	~
BEE	438	20.67	17	3.88
BELL	3,870	10.13	67	1.73
BEXAR	24,512	14.39	553	2.26
BLANCO	51	8.02	0	0.00
BORDEN	< 5	~	0	0.00
BOSQUE	141	11.28	< 5	~
BOWIE	1,058	15.15	37	3.50
BRAZORIA	2,582	8.58	24	0.93
BRAZOS	2,381	10.66	36	1.51
BREWSTER	10	1.23	0	0.00
BRISCOE	10	8.55	0	0.00
BROOKS	115	16.22	5	4.35
BROWN	333	12.04	11	3.30
BURLESON	245	20.89	12	4.90
BURNET	418	13.12	7	1.67
CALDWELL	708	22.65	8	1.13
CALHOUN	202	10.85	< 5	~
CALLAHAN	129	13.83	5	3.88
CAMERON	12,083	23.88	218	1.80
CAMP	226	21.71	11	4.87
CARSON	18	4.50	0	0.00
CASS	437	20.43	21	4.81
CASTRO	157	20.96	< 5	~
CHAMBERS	409	14.34	< 5	~
CHEROKEE	857	19.21	27	3.15
CHILDRESS	41	8.17	< 5	~
CLAY	73	10.46	< 5	~
COCHRAN	43	14.01	0	0.00

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COKE	37	21.51	< 5	~
COLEMAN	97	15.65	7	7.22
COLLIN	4,893	7.13	88	1.80
COLLINGSWORTH	17	6.77	< 5	~
COLORADO	110	6.98	< 5	~
COMAL	989	12.03	21	2.12
COMANCHE	144	13.33	7	4.86
CONCHO	30	15.71	< 5	~
COOKE	221	7.17	22	9.95
CORYELL	623	9.34	15	2.41
COTTLE	15	13.39	0	0.00
CRANE	52	12.21	0	0.00
CROCKETT	50	14.71	< 5	~
CROSBY	89	16.82	< 5	~
CULBERSON	31	11.97	< 5	~
DALLAM	62	8.08	8	12.90
DALLAS	34,421	14.03	735	2.14
DAWSON	24	2.20	< 5	~
DEAF SMITH	193	8.51	5	2.59
DELTA	49	13.73	< 5	~
DENTON	3,982	6.50	56	1.41
DEWITT	196	13.40	11	5.61
DICKENS	10	8.00	< 5	~
DIMMIT	319	32.82	< 5	~
DONLEY	23	9.02	5	21.74
DUVAL	227	21.85	< 5	~
EASTLAND	168	11.78	19	11.31
ECTOR	1,701	10.97	22	1.29
EDWARDS	18	10.78	< 5	~
EL PASO	11,845	13.65	246	2.08
ELLIS	1,454	10.91	39	2.68
ERATH	348	9.91	8	2.30
FALLS	248	19.62	18	7.26
FANNIN	365	15.90	14	3.84
FAYETTE	193	12.32	7	3.63
FISHER	25	9.33	< 5	~
FLOYD	58	10.64	6	10.34
FOARD	18	19.57	< 5	~
FORT BEND	5,481	10.92	53	0.97
FRANKLIN	144	19.38	< 5	~
FREESTONE	131	9.03	< 5	~
FRIO	278	18.62	9	3.24
GAINES	304	14.57	9	2.96
GALVESTON	2,992	11.88	104	3.48

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GARZA	46	9.79	< 5	~
GILLESPIE	190	11.52	6	3.16
GLASSCOCK	< 5	~	0	0.00
GOLIAD	78	17.93	< 5	~
GONZALES	212	11.18	7	3.30
GRAY	262	12.43	16	6.11
GRAYSON	1,714	18.71	78	4.55
GREGG	1,374	12.13	48	3.49
GRIMES	339	17.09	15	4.42
GUADALUPE	1,469	13.58	18	1.23
HALE	216	5.67	6	2.78
HALL	31	13.54	< 5	~
HAMILTON	67	11.84	< 5	~
HANSFORD	47	9.04	< 5	~
HARDEMAN	51	16.19	< 5	~
HARDIN	457	10.97	5	1.09
HARRIS	70,676	16.91	1,019	1.44
HARRISON	906	16.76	45	4.97
HARTLEY	19	5.65	0	0.00
HASKELL	58	15.80	< 5	~
HAYS	2,346	12.97	28	1.19
HEMPHILL	31	9.54	0	0.00
HENDERSON	612	10.01	20	3.27
HIDALGO	14,252	14.71	270	1.89
HILL	242	8.64	10	4.13
HOCKLEY	309	14.10	8	2.59
HOOD	117	3.38	0	0.00
HOPKINS	488	16.20	23	4.71
HOUSTON	205	13.04	7	3.41
HOWARD	35	1.38	0	0.00
HUDSPETH	45	14.52	0	0.00
HUNT	868	12.55	61	7.03
HUTCHINSON	162	9.01	8	4.94
IRION	15	11.81	0	0.00
JACK	41	6.77	< 5	~
JACKSON	145	12.08	< 5	~
JASPER	247	8.98	8	3.24
JEFF DAVIS	0	0.00	~	~
JEFFERSON	3,296	15.40	62	1.88
JIM HOGG	99	18.97	0	0.00
JIM WELLS	813	17.28	13	1.60
JOHNSON	840	6.35	13	1.55
JONES	182	16.04	12	6.59
KARNES	143	15.91	< 5	~

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KAUFMAN	1,159	12.19	22	1.90
KENDALL	173	7.86	< 5	~
KENEDY	< 5	~	0	0.00
KENT	< 5	~	0	0.00
KERR	470	13.48	< 5	~
KIMBLE	40	14.29	< 5	~
KING	0	0.00	~	~
KINNEY	28	11.07	0	0.00
KLEBERG	210	6.52	5	2.38
KNOX	83	27.04	< 5	~
LA SALLE	87	14.26	5	5.75
LAMAR	738	18.49	42	5.69
LAMB	146	11.01	< 5	~
LAMPASAS	120	7.44	7	5.83
LAVACA	152	12.54	12	7.89
LEE	156	12.82	< 5	~
LEON	174	13.56	7	4.02
LIBERTY	803	12.03	13	1.62
LIMESTONE	282	14.51	12	4.26
LIPSCOMB	< 5	~	0	0.00
LIVE OAK	111	15.02	< 5	~
LLANO	124	12.42	< 5	~
LOVING	~	~	~	~
LUBBOCK	2,328	8.54	33	1.42
LYNN	35	6.80	< 5	~
MADISON	210	21.11	< 5	~
MARION	102	15.74	9	8.82
MARTIN	33	6.67	< 5	~
MASON	31	13.90	< 5	~
MATAGORDA	829	25.35	16	1.93
MAVERICK	1,494	22.28	31	2.07
MCCULLOCH	88	14.81	9	10.23
MCLENNAN	4,444	20.75	182	4.10
MCMULLEN	< 5	~	0	0.00
MEDINA	429	11.97	< 5	~
MENARD	17	12.88	0	0.00
MIDLAND	1,140	8.27	21	1.84
MILAM	462	22.14	17	3.68
MILLS	14	4.27	0	0.00
MITCHELL	78	13.22	< 5	~
MONTAGUE	82	5.59	< 5	~
MONTGOMERY	4,204	10.19	54	1.28
MOORE	116	4.63	< 5	~
MORRIS	170	16.27	6	3.53

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MOTLEY	< 5	~	0	0.00
NACOGDOCHES	588	8.56	37	6.29
NAVARRO	790	18.36	34	4.30
NEWTON	60	6.13	< 5	~
NOLAN	118	9.55	< 5	~
NUECES	3,032	10.04	52	1.72
OCHILTREE	74	6.46	< 5	~
OLDHAM	10	6.67	< 5	~
ORANGE	1,097	17.24	12	1.09
PALO PINTO	91	3.99	6	6.59
PANOLA	101	5.80	7	6.93
PARKER	789	9.19	5	0.63
PARMER	88	8.39	0	0.00
PECOS	189	13.18	< 5	~
POLK	654	20.60	17	2.60
POTTER	1,970	16.08	86	4.37
PRESIDIO	8	1.03	0	0.00
RAINS	86	11.98	< 5	~
RANDALL	884	9.09	16	1.81
REAGAN	47	14.46	< 5	~
REAL	36	16.67	0	0.00
RED RIVER	161	17.31	7	4.35
REEVES	355	34.80	5	1.41
REFUGIO	68	11.66	< 5	~
ROBERTS	< 5	~	0	0.00
ROBERTSON	206	15.85	9	4.37
ROCKWALL	536	9.07	< 5	~
RUNNELS	105	13.22	5	4.76
RUSK	297	7.17	14	4.71
SABINE	44	6.59	0	0.00
SAN AUGUSTINE	79	12.82	< 5	~
SAN JACINTO	278	15.29	< 5	~
SAN PATRICIO	755	11.65	10	1.32
SAN SABA	20	5.21	0	0.00
SCHLEICHER	21	7.37	< 5	~
SCURRY	172	11.47	< 5	~
SHACKELFORD	27	10.89	< 5	~
SHELBY	245	10.88	< 5	~
SHERMAN	7	2.85	0	0.00
SMITH	3,594	18.96	98	2.73
SOMERVELL	24	3.77	< 5	~
STARR	1,600	19.47	45	2.81
STEPHENS	106	14.80	7	6.60
STERLING	12	13.79	0	0.00

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STONEWALL	5	6.17	0	0.00
SUTTON	35	9.97	0	0.00
SWISHER	64	10.65	0	0.00
TARRANT	13,142	7.80	240	1.83
TAYLOR	1,731	14.14	57	3.29
TERRELL	7	10.29	0	0.00
TERRY	135	11.49	7	5.19
THROCKMORTON	11	11.83	0	0.00
TITUS	743	22.46	19	2.56
TOM GREEN	1,505	15.47	28	1.86
TRAVIS	12,227	11.34	233	1.91
TRINITY	213	22.85	14	6.57
TYLER	234	18.20	8	3.42
UPSHUR	335	11.73	8	2.39
UPTON	46	15.65	0	0.00
UVALDE	437	16.92	6	1.37
VAL VERDE	764	13.85	7	0.92
VAN ZANDT	494	13.52	13	2.63
VICTORIA	844	10.69	29	3.44
WALKER	535	11.71	11	2.06
WALLER	346	8.56	5	1.45
WARD	148	14.80	5	3.38
WASHINGTON	310	11.79	15	4.84
WEBB	5,167	15.70	59	1.14
WHARTON	546	15.42	13	2.38
WHEELER	48	11.11	9	18.75
WICHITA	1,499	13.82	81	5.40
WILBARGER	101	8.05	< 5	~
WILLACY	486	19.83	5	1.03
WILLIAMSON	4,374	10.92	67	1.53
WILSON	458	15.72	< 5	~
WINKLER	69	10.10	< 5	~
WISE	207	4.23	< 5	~
WOOD	327	12.24	17	5.20
YOAKUM	82	9.90	0	0.00
YOUNG	159	10.81	6	3.77
ZAPATA	212	10.25	< 5	~
ZAVALA	331	23.56	12	3.63
UNKNOWN COUNTY	26,071	n/a	227	0.87
TEXAS TOTAL	347,600	14.29	6,841	1.97

Blood Lead Surveillance Branch

Data Considerations:

1. Analysis based on data as of 01/10/2019 and is considered provisional and subject to change.
2. Rate per 100.
3. Rates that cannot be calculated are indicated with " ~ ".
4. For analytical purposes in the Blood Lead Surveillance Branch (BLSB), a child is considered to be under 15 years of age based on the date of the blood draw for a lead test. An adult is considered to be 15 years or older based on the date of the blood draw for a lead test.
5. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) currently defines a reference level of 5 µg/dL to identify individuals with elevated blood lead levels.
6. Each person is represented once at the date of the highest test for the given calendar year.
7. Each person's residential geography is represented by the address at the time of the highest test per calendar year.
8. Because BLSB only actively gathers addresses for individuals with blood lead levels 5 µg/dL or greater, persons with blood lead levels less than 5 µg/dL may be under-represented geographically due to the lack of availability of address information.
9. Caution should be used when interpreting data with a small count (i.e., less than 20).
10. Cell sizes of 1-4 are expressed as "< 5" to protect the identity of individuals.
11. Population data were obtained from the DSHS Center for Health Statistics Population Data for Texas.

Identification of Persons/Entities with Blood Lead Data:

No person will attempt to use these data to identify any person or entity.

If the identity of a person or entity should be discovered inadvertently:

1. No use will be made of this knowledge
2. The Blood Lead Surveillance Branch will be notified immediately of the incident via phone at (800) 588 – 1248 or email at TexasBloodLead@dshs.texas.gov .
3. The information that would identify the individual or entity will be destroyed, as requested by the Blood Lead Surveillance Branch.
4. No one else will be informed of the discovery.