

# Texas County

County Seat: Houston

County  
Composite  
Rank



Population: 25,775

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2012	2016	2012	2016		State Rate	County Rank
<b>Economic Well-Being</b>							
Children under 18 in poverty	2,011	2,181	36.6%	39.9%	↓	19.2%	113
Food insecurity for children <sup>b</sup>	1,450	1,420	24.7%	23.4%	↑	18.6%	92
<b>Health</b>							
Low birthweight infants <sup>a,c</sup>	119	111	7.8%	7.5%	↑	8.2%	51
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) <sup>b,d</sup>	42	33	7.4	5.9	↑	7.2	51
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) <sup>b,d</sup>	19	30	3.3	5.4	↓	9.2	67
<b>Family &amp; Community</b>							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	26	19	34.1	26.5	↑	23.3	60
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) <sup>a</sup>	13	45	2.3	8.0	↓	4.2	89
<b>Education</b>							
Graduation rate	259	281	92.5%	95.3%	↑	91.5%	52
Achievement proficiency <sup>a,e</sup>							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	135	169	47.0%	53.7%		60.7%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	182	164	63.0%	57.3%		59.3%	
4th grade Math (MAP)	148	147	52.1%	49.7%		52.6%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)	160	171	56.7%	60.6%		66.2%	

Trend: ↑ better ↓ worse → no change

<sup>a</sup> Outcome not included in County Composite Rank.

<sup>b</sup> Data based on 2011 and 2015.

<sup>c</sup> Data based on 5-year time spans, 2007-2011 and 2012-2016.

<sup>d</sup> If no number is listed, the count is suppressed by DHSS for confidentiality purposes.

<sup>e</sup> Achievement proficiency measures those that scored proficient or above on the MAP tests and Algebra I End of Course exam. Comparisons between 2012 and 2016 data should be treated with caution due to differences in testing standards; accordingly, no trend arrows or county ranks are shown.

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2014  
**62**

2018  
**94**

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## Contextual Indicators

### Demographics

Total population	2012	25,757
	2016	25,775
Child population under 18	2012	5,608
	2016	5,593
Children under 18 as % of total population	2012	21.8%
	2016	21.7%
Child population under 6	2012	1,839
	2016	1,733
Children under 6 as % of total population	2012	7.1%
	2016	6.7%
Minority child population under 18	2012	376
	2016	339
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2012	6.7%
	2016	6.1%
Minority child population under 6	2012	145
	2016	124
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2012	7.9%
	2016	7.2%
Children in single-parent families	2007-2011	32.0%
	2012-2016	27.6%
Children in married-parent families	2007-2011	67.3%
	2012-2016	71.0%

### Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2007-2011	36.3%
	2012-2016	45.2%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2007-2011	36.6%
	2012-2016	36.1%
Housing cost-burdened households	2007-2011	22.1%
	2012-2016	17.4%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2007-2011	44.8%
	2012-2016	54.7%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2012	48.6%
	2016	39.9%
Median income family household with children under 18	2007-2011	\$41,269
	2012-2016	\$42,423
Adult unemployment	2012	7.3%
	2016	6.2%
Child homelessness	2012	0.7%
	2016	0.5%

### Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2012	54.0
	2017	44.3
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2012	—
	2017	8.1%
School attendance, grades K-12	2012	95.0%
	2016	95.1%

### Family & Community

Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2007-2011	59.2
	2012-2016	65.7
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2007-2011	7.8%
	2012-2016	9.5%
Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2012	44.5
	2016	14.5
Annual high school dropout rate	2012	1.5%
	2016	1.6%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2012	2.9
	2016	5.0
Children living in high poverty areas	2007-2011	49.8%
	2012-2016	49.4%

### Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2007-2011	12.5
	2012-2016	10.8
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	46.2
	2012-2016	33.1
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	43.1
	2012-2016	19.9
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	37.4
	2012-2016	98.8
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 <sup>a</sup>	2007-2011	100.0%
	2012-2016	75.0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) <sup>b</sup>	2006-2010	
	2011-2015	16.3
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2006-2010	90.2
	2011-2015	86.7
Uninsured children	2011	9.6%
	2015	10.1%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2012	94.3%
	2016	94.8%

<sup>a</sup> If no % listed, no vehicle fatalities happened in the county during that period.

<sup>b</sup> If no rate listed, rate is suppressed for confidentiality purposes.