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County	Number of Children Tested	Rate of Testing	Number of Children with EBLLs	Rate of Elevation
ANDERSON	12	0.20	< 5	~
ANDREWS	0	0.00	0	0.00
ANGELINA	126	1.04	< 5	~
ARANSAS	< 5	~	0	0.00
ARCHER	< 5	~	0	0.00
ARMSTRONG	0	0.00	0	0.00
ATASCOSA	23	0.34	< 5	~
AUSTIN	12	0.30	0	0.00
BAILEY	0	0.00	0	0.00
BANDERA	16	0.81	0	0.00
BASTROP	65	0.56	0	0.00
BAYLOR	0	0.00	0	0.00
BEE	35	1.01	< 5	~
BELL	80	0.15	< 5	~
BEXAR	1,599	0.64	77	4.82
BLANCO	< 5	~	0	0.00
BORDEN	0	0.00	0	0.00
BOSQUE	7	0.35	0	0.00
BOWIE	13	0.12	0	0.00
BRAZORIA	105	0.20	< 5	~
BRAZOS	35	0.15	< 5	~
BREWSTER	< 5	~	< 5	~
BRISCOE	0	0.00	0	0.00
BROOKS	6	0.60	< 5	~
BROWN	8	0.17	0	0.00
BURLESON	< 5	~	0	0.00
BURNET	< 5	~	0	0.00
CALDWELL	25	0.46	< 5	~
CALHOUN	12	0.39	< 5	~
CALLAHAN	< 5	~	0	0.00
CAMERON	1,151	1.66	10	0.87
CAMP	< 5	~	0	0.00
CARSON	0	0.00	0	0.00
CASS	6	0.17	0	0.00
CASTRO	< 5	~	0	0.00
CHAMBERS	19	0.33	0	0.00
CHEROKEE	13	0.18	0	0.00
CHILDRESS	< 5	~	0	0.00
CLAY	< 5	~	0	0.00
COCHRAN	< 5	~	0	0.00

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COKE	0	0.00	0	0.00
COLEMAN	< 5	~	0	0.00
COLLIN	414	0.30	12	2.90
COLLINGSWORTH	0	0.00	0	0.00
COLORADO	8	0.32	0	0.00
COMAL	14	0.10	0	0.00
COMANCHE	15	0.89	0	0.00
CONCHO	< 5	~	0	0.00
COOKE	< 5	~	0	0.00
CORYELL	15	0.11	0	0.00
COTTLE	0	0.00	0	0.00
CRANE	< 5	~	0	0.00
CROCKETT	< 5	~	0	0.00
CROSBY	< 5	~	0	0.00
CULBERSON	0	0.00	0	0.00
DALLAM	0	0.00	0	0.00
DALLAS	2,511	0.74	97	3.86
DAWSON	0	0.00	0	0.00
DEAF SMITH	< 5	~	0	0.00
DELTA	< 5	~	0	0.00
DENTON	215	0.19	12	5.58
DEWITT	10	0.43	< 5	~
DICKENS	< 5	~	0	0.00
DIMMIT	5	0.35	0	0.00
DONLEY	0	0.00	0	0.00
DUVAL	< 5	~	0	0.00
EASTLAND	13	0.60	0	0.00
ECTOR	42	0.19	0	0.00
EDWARDS	< 5	~	0	0.00
EL PASO	472	0.39	< 5	~
ELLIS	29	0.12	0	0.00
ERATH	10	0.22	0	0.00
FALLS	5	0.25	< 5	~
FANNIN	15	0.37	0	0.00
FAYETTE	6	0.22	0	0.00
FISHER	0	0.00	0	0.00
FLOYD	< 5	~	0	0.00
FOARD	5	4.50	< 5	~
FORT BEND	382	0.33	13	3.40
FRANKLIN	< 5	~	0	0.00
FREESTONE	5	0.21	0	0.00
FRIO	8	0.38	0	0.00
GAINES	< 5	~	0	0.00
GALVESTON	172	0.44	7	4.07

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GARZA	< 5	~	0	0.00
GILLESPIE	5	0.19	0	0.00
GLASSCOCK	0	0.00	0	0.00
GOLIAD	< 5	~	0	0.00
GONZALES	9	0.32	< 5	~
GRAY	0	0.00	0	0.00
GRAYSON	50	0.33	0	0.00
GREGG	38	0.23	< 5	~
GRIMES	< 5	~	< 5	~
GUADALUPE	138	0.63	< 5	~
HALE	6	0.11	0	0.00
HALL	< 5	~	0	0.00
HAMILTON	< 5	~	0	0.00
HANSFORD	0	0.00	0	0.00
HARDEMAN	< 5	~	0	0.00
HARDIN	8	0.11	0	0.00
HARRIS	6,297	1.06	100	1.59
HARRISON	16	0.17	< 5	~
HARTLEY	0	0.00	0	0.00
HASKELL	0	0.00	0	0.00
HAYS	102	0.42	< 5	~
HEMPHILL	0	0.00	0	0.00
HENDERSON	26	0.29	< 5	~
HIDALGO	735	0.52	7	0.95
HILL	6	0.14	< 5	~
HOCKLEY	5	0.16	0	0.00
HOOD	< 5	~	0	0.00
HOPKINS	6	0.13	0	0.00
HOUSTON	5	0.20	0	0.00
HOWARD	< 5	~	< 5	~
HUDSPETH	< 5	~	0	0.00
HUNT	22	0.19	< 5	~
HUTCHINSON	5	0.17	0	0.00
IRION	0	0.00	0	0.00
JACK	< 5	~	0	0.00
JACKSON	0	0.00	0	0.00
JASPER	14	0.31	0	0.00
JEFF DAVIS	0	0.00	0	0.00
JEFFERSON	88	0.28	< 5	~
JIM HOGG	6	0.77	0	0.00
JIM WELLS	35	0.60	0	0.00
JOHNSON	43	0.19	< 5	~
JONES	< 5	~	0	0.00
KARNES	10	0.67	0	0.00

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KAUFMAN	35	0.20	< 5	~
KENDALL	32	0.75	0	0.00
KENEDY	0	0.00	0	0.00
KENT	0	0.00	0	0.00
KERR	15	0.29	0	0.00
KIMBLE	< 5	~	0	0.00
KING	0	0.00	0	0.00
KINNEY	0	0.00	0	0.00
KLEBERG	< 5	~	0	0.00
KNOX	< 5	~	0	0.00
LA SALLE	5	0.67	0	0.00
LAMAR	28	0.45	0	0.00
LAMB	< 5	~	0	0.00
LAMPASAS	5	0.19	0	0.00
LAVACA	< 5	~	0	0.00
LEE	< 5	~	0	0.00
LEON	5	0.26	0	0.00
LIBERTY	59	0.57	0	0.00
LIMESTONE	6	0.21	0	0.00
LIPSCOMB	0	0.00	0	0.00
LIVE OAK	8	0.75	< 5	~
LLANO	< 5	~	0	0.00
LOVING	0	0.00	0	0.00
LUBBOCK	59	0.16	< 5	~
LYNN	0	0.00	0	0.00
MADISON	8	0.53	< 5	~
MARION	< 5	~	0	0.00
MARTIN	< 5	~	0	0.00
MASON	< 5	~	0	0.00
MATAGORDA	111	2.34	6	5.41
MAVERICK	20	0.22	< 5	~
MCCULLOCH	12	1.21	0	0.00
MCLENNAN	195	0.65	5	2.56
MCMULLEN	< 5	~	0	0.00
MEDINA	17	0.27	0	0.00
MENARD	< 5	~	< 5	~
MIDLAND	32	0.16	0	0.00
MILAM	6	0.19	0	0.00
MILLS	< 5	~	0	0.00
MITCHELL	< 5	~	0	0.00
MONTAGUE	< 5	~	0	0.00
MONTGOMERY	212	0.28	< 5	~
MOORE	16	0.40	0	0.00
MORRIS	< 5	~	0	0.00

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MOTLEY	0	0.00	0	0.00
NACOGDOCHES	10	0.12	0	0.00
NAVARRO	18	0.26	0	0.00
NEWTON	11	0.75	0	0.00
NOLAN	< 5	~	0	0.00
NUECES	116	0.27	< 5	~
OCHILTREE	0	0.00	0	0.00
OLDHAM	< 5	~	0	0.00
ORANGE	69	0.63	0	0.00
PALO PINTO	8	0.22	0	0.00
PANOLA	< 5	~	< 5	~
PARKER	20	0.11	0	0.00
PARMER	5	0.28	0	0.00
PECOS	13	0.64	0	0.00
POLK	5	0.10	0	0.00
POTTER	76	0.42	< 5	~
PRESIDIO	0	0.00	0	0.00
RAINS	< 5	~	0	0.00
RANDALL	33	0.19	< 5	~
REAGAN	0	0.00	0	0.00
REAL	< 5	~	0	0.00
RED RIVER	< 5	~	0	0.00
REEVES	277	17.79	0	0.00
REFUGIO	0	0.00	0	0.00
ROBERTS	0	0.00	0	0.00
ROBERTSON	13	0.59	0	0.00
ROCKWALL	33	0.23	0	0.00
RUNNELS	0	0.00	0	0.00
RUSK	9	0.13	0	0.00
SABINE	< 5	~	0	0.00
SAN AUGUSTINE	< 5	~	0	0.00
SAN JACINTO	7	0.21	0	0.00
SAN PATRICIO	17	0.20	< 5	~
SAN SABA	< 5	~	0	0.00
SCHLEICHER	< 5	~	0	0.00
SCURRY	< 5	~	< 5	~
SHACKELFORD	< 5	~	0	0.00
SHELBY	6	0.17	0	0.00
SHERMAN	13	2.93	< 5	~
SMITH	141	0.50	< 5	~
SOMERVELL	0	0.00	0	0.00
STARR	84	0.93	< 5	~
STEPHENS	< 5	~	0	0.00
STERLING	0	0.00	0	0.00

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STONEWALL	0	0.00	0	0.00
SUTTON	< 5	~	0	0.00
SWISHER	5	0.47	< 5	~
TARRANT	838	0.31	44	5.25
TAYLOR	13	0.08	< 5	~
TERRELL	0	0.00	0	0.00
TERRY	0	0.00	0	0.00
THROCKMORTON	0	0.00	0	0.00
TITUS	14	0.27	0	0.00
TOM GREEN	11	0.08	0	0.00
TRAVIS	527	0.38	34	6.45
TRINITY	< 5	~	0	0.00
TYLER	10	0.50	0	0.00
UPSHUR	11	0.21	0	0.00
UPTON	0	0.00	0	0.00
UVALDE	< 5	~	0	0.00
VAL VERDE	27	0.37	0	0.00
VAN ZANDT	20	0.32	< 5	~
VICTORIA	18	0.15	0	0.00
WALKER	15	0.25	0	0.00
WALLER	14	0.22	< 5	~
WARD	9	0.62	0	0.00
WASHINGTON	5	0.13	< 5	~
WEBB	1,259	2.75	13	1.03
WHARTON	21	0.38	0	0.00
WHEELER	< 5	~	0	0.00
WICHITA	26	0.17	0	0.00
WILBARGER	< 5	~	0	0.00
WILLACY	68	2.24	0	0.00
WILLIAMSON	139	0.18	5	3.60
WILSON	25	0.40	0	0.00
WINKLER	< 5	~	0	0.00
WISE	10	0.12	0	0.00
WOOD	10	0.23	0	0.00
YOAKUM	5	0.37	< 5	~
YOUNG	0	0.00	0	0.00
ZAPATA	7	0.27	0	0.00
ZAVALA	5	0.27	0	0.00
UNKNOWN COUNTY	3,041	n/a	89	2.93
TEXAS TOTAL	23,580	0.63	619	2.63

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.