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County	Number of Children Tested	Rate of Testing	Number of Children with EBLLs	Rate of Elevation
ANDERSON	274	22.89	8	2.92
ANDREWS	67	12.55	< 5	~
ANGELINA	995	38.70	10	1.01
ARANSAS	67	12.88	0	0.00
ARCHER	43	23.89	< 5	~
ARMSTRONG	< 5	~	< 5	~
ATASCOSA	623	42.67	19	3.05
AUSTIN	242	28.04	13	5.37
BAILEY	48	19.12	< 5	~
BANDERA	80	20.41	< 5	~
BASTROP	972	43.32	18	1.85
BAYLOR	41	52.56	0	0.00
BEE	190	26.24	< 5	~
BELL	3,811	29.12	42	1.10
BEXAR	17,420	29.39	335	1.92
BLANCO	42	18.10	0	0.00
BORDEN	0	0.00	0	0.00
BOSQUE	139	31.17	5	3.60
BOWIE	759	32.26	21	2.77
BRAZORIA	1,927	18.90	18	0.93
BRAZOS	1,815	23.51	28	1.54
BREWSTER	12	4.33	0	0.00
BRISCOE	< 5	~	0	0.00
BROOKS	97	41.10	< 5	~
BROWN	144	15.81	< 5	~
BURLESON	176	44.33	< 5	~
BURNET	366	31.99	< 5	~
CALDWELL	542	48.39	6	1.11
CALHOUN	187	29.13	5	2.67
CALLAHAN	98	29.79	< 5	~
CAMERON	6,747	38.14	110	1.63
CAMP	152	41.99	10	6.58
CARSON	17	11.81	0	0.00
CASS	263	36.94	9	3.42
CASTRO	68	25.37	0	0.00
CHAMBERS	356	34.66	7	1.97
CHEROKEE	688	44.16	33	4.80
CHILDRESS	35	20.23	< 5	~
CLAY	46	18.85	< 5	~
COCHRAN	39	35.45	0	0.00

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COKE	29	49.15	0	0.00
COLEMAN	55	25.46	< 5	~
COLLIN	2,888	12.13	47	1.63
COLLINGSWORTH	8	9.09	< 5	~
COLORADO	92	16.94	< 5	~
COMAL	774	26.28	10	1.29
COMANCHE	112	29.79	0	0.00
CONCHO	26	37.14	0	0.00
COOKE	205	19.73	8	3.90
CORYELL	469	22.27	8	1.71
COTTLE	11	30.56	0	0.00
CRANE	31	19.02	0	0.00
CROCKETT	33	27.97	0	0.00
CROSBY	41	21.03	< 5	~
CULBERSON	20	22.22	0	0.00
DALLAM	26	10.08	< 5	~
DALLAS	21,505	25.37	440	2.05
DAWSON	49	13.07	< 5	~
DEAF SMITH	114	14.41	< 5	~
DELTA	40	32.26	< 5	~
DENTON	2,969	13.89	40	1.35
DEWITT	140	27.72	7	5.00
DICKENS	12	30.00	0	0.00
DIMMIT	232	67.84	5	2.16
DONLEY	15	15.00	< 5	~
DUVAL	130	36.11	< 5	~
EASTLAND	94	19.34	< 5	~
ECTOR	1,131	21.46	10	0.88
EDWARDS	21	38.89	0	0.00
EL PASO	7,903	25.68	128	1.62
ELLIS	1,218	25.10	20	1.64
ERATH	230	19.01	< 5	~
FALLS	197	47.82	13	6.60
FANNIN	265	33.97	16	6.04
FAYETTE	105	19.34	< 5	~
FISHER	18	18.56	0	0.00
FLOYD	39	20.21	0	0.00
FOARD	9	28.13	0	0.00
FORT BEND	4,380	25.26	31	0.71
FRANKLIN	66	26.29	< 5	~
FREESTONE	119	24.34	< 5	~
FRIO	365	67.22	17	4.66
GAINES	166	22.90	< 5	~
GALVESTON	2,313	27.05	85	3.67

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GARZA	32	20.92	0	0.00
GILLESPIE	129	21.46	9	6.98
GLASSCOCK	5	16.13	0	0.00
GOLIAD	49	30.63	< 5	~
GONZALES	139	21.22	6	4.32
GRAY	129	17.94	7	5.43
GRAYSON	1,192	38.18	27	2.27
GREGG	936	24.16	21	2.24
GRIMES	219	30.93	6	2.74
GUADALUPE	990	26.16	26	2.63
HALE	319	24.86	9	2.82
HALL	11	13.41	0	0.00
HAMILTON	44	22.22	0	0.00
HANSFORD	23	12.30	0	0.00
HARDEMAN	29	27.10	< 5	~
HARDIN	277	20.15	5	1.81
HARRIS	51,420	35.10	607	1.18
HARRISON	678	37.50	29	4.28
HARTLEY	15	11.81	0	0.00
HASKELL	35	26.92	< 5	~
HAYS	1,434	21.39	15	1.05
HEMPHILL	12	11.11	0	0.00
HENDERSON	535	25.26	7	1.31
HIDALGO	8,836	25.31	144	1.63
HILL	207	21.81	7	3.38
HOCKLEY	219	29.48	< 5	~
HOOD	195	16.44	< 5	~
HOPKINS	315	30.35	12	3.81
HOUSTON	186	35.63	< 5	~
HOWARD	24	2.79	< 5	~
HUDSPETH	34	29.31	0	0.00
HUNT	937	38.14	21	2.24
HUTCHINSON	128	21.55	0	0.00
IRION	16	38.10	0	0.00
JACK	20	9.30	0	0.00
JACKSON	124	30.92	< 5	~
JASPER	247	26.79	7	2.83
JEFF DAVIS	< 5	~	0	0.00
JEFFERSON	1,857	25.45	34	1.83
JIM HOGG	67	37.02	< 5	~
JIM WELLS	578	36.24	13	2.25
JOHNSON	544	11.73	< 5	~
JONES	119	30.28	7	5.88
KARNES	112	35.78	< 5	~

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KAUFMAN	880	25.35	18	2.05
KENDALL	92	11.50	< 5	~
KENEDY	< 5	~	0	0.00
KENT	5	25.00	0	0.00
KERR	403	33.70	11	2.73
KIMBLE	27	27.00	< 5	~
KING	0	0.00	0	0.00
KINNEY	24	26.37	0	0.00
KLEBERG	209	19.03	6	2.87
KNOX	35	33.33	< 5	~
LA SALLE	54	25.00	< 5	~
LAMAR	563	42.39	31	5.51
LAMB	109	23.59	< 5	~
LAMPASAS	62	10.84	< 5	~
LAVACA	117	28.54	< 5	~
LEE	114	26.70	< 5	~
LEON	136	30.36	< 5	~
LIBERTY	722	31.71	6	0.83
LIMESTONE	211	32.21	8	3.79
LIPSCOMB	10	10.31	0	0.00
LIVE OAK	88	33.85	0	0.00
LLANO	108	30.77	< 5	~
LOVING	< 5	~	0	0.00
LUBBOCK	1,669	17.77	19	1.14
LYNN	32	17.58	< 5	~
MADISON	161	45.48	< 5	~
MARION	70	32.71	< 5	~
MARTIN	32	18.08	< 5	~
MASON	20	25.32	< 5	~
MATAGORDA	454	40.97	< 5	~
MAVERICK	1,123	47.95	29	2.58
MCCULLOCH	42	19.27	< 5	~
MCLENNAN	3,531	48.34	125	3.54
MCMULLEN	< 5	~	0	0.00
MEDINA	262	20.45	< 5	~
MENARD	14	33.33	< 5	~
MIDLAND	1,065	22.66	17	1.60
MILAM	253	34.56	8	3.16
MILLS	5	4.13	< 5	~
MITCHELL	36	17.31	0	0.00
MONTAGUE	67	13.45	< 5	~
MONTGOMERY	3,234	21.91	31	0.96
MOORE	80	9.38	0	0.00
MORRIS	116	32.13	5	4.31

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MOTLEY	< 5	~	0	0.00
NACOGDOCHES	480	21.04	13	2.71
NAVARRO	483	32.61	17	3.52
NEWTON	70	20.96	< 5	~
NOLAN	83	19.53	< 5	~
NUECES	2,572	24.63	33	1.28
OCHILTREE	30	7.65	< 5	~
OLDHAM	9	15.52	0	0.00
ORANGE	560	26.97	8	1.43
PALO PINTO	72	9.27	< 5	~
PANOLA	147	25.34	0	0.00
PARKER	334	10.87	6	1.80
PARMER	30	8.45	0	0.00
PECOS	85	17.93	0	0.00
POLK	145	13.22	6	4.14
POTTER	1,329	31.97	61	4.59
PRESIDIO	26	9.45	6	23.08
RAINS	76	29.80	< 5	~
RANDALL	610	18.88	10	1.64
REAGAN	42	36.21	0	0.00
REAL	19	23.17	0	0.00
RED RIVER	83	26.52	6	7.23
REEVES	129	35.44	< 5	~
REFUGIO	52	25.62	< 5	~
ROBERTS	< 5	~	0	0.00
ROBERTSON	147	33.11	5	3.40
ROCKWALL	349	17.01	< 5	~
RUNNELS	94	34.06	< 5	~
RUSK	274	19.20	9	3.28
SABINE	64	26.56	0	0.00
SAN AUGUSTINE	67	32.37	< 5	~
SAN JACINTO	152	23.00	8	5.26
SAN PATRICIO	630	28.82	5	0.79
SAN SABA	17	12.41	0	0.00
SCHLEICHER	17	17.53	0	0.00
SCURRY	127	24.85	< 5	~
SHACKELFORD	21	22.11	< 5	~
SHELBY	163	21.28	< 5	~
SHERMAN	7	7.53	< 5	~
SMITH	1,928	29.27	57	2.96
SOMERVELL	34	14.23	< 5	~
STARR	1,072	37.25	13	1.21
STEPHENS	54	21.60	< 5	~
STERLING	18	64.29	0	0.00

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STONEWALL	12	42.86	< 5	~
SUTTON	38	30.89	0	0.00
SWISHER	65	30.81	< 5	~
TARRANT	12,147	20.68	207	1.70
TAYLOR	1,300	31.61	32	2.46
TERRELL	< 5	~	0	0.00
TERRY	61	15.33	< 5	~
THROCKMORTON	8	25.00	0	0.00
TITUS	519	44.25	14	2.70
TOM GREEN	1,252	39.19	8	0.64
TRAVIS	9,294	24.50	163	1.75
TRINITY	119	36.06	< 5	~
TYLER	144	32.00	< 5	~
UPSHUR	205	21.27	8	3.90
UPTON	33	33.00	0	0.00
UVALDE	340	37.99	5	1.47
VAL VERDE	483	25.86	13	2.69
VAN ZANDT	420	32.94	5	1.19
VICTORIA	751	27.90	16	2.13
WALKER	330	21.06	6	1.82
WALLER	285	19.60	8	2.81
WARD	42	12.28	< 5	~
WASHINGTON	278	30.38	8	2.88
WEBB	3,799	32.19	56	1.47
WHARTON	471	39.71	10	2.12
WHEELER	33	21.71	< 5	~
WICHITA	1,065	29.68	42	3.94
WILBARGER	91	21.98	< 5	~
WILLACY	239	27.50	5	2.09
WILLIAMSON	3,114	22.01	49	1.57
WILSON	325	31.13	8	2.46
WINKLER	53	21.81	0	0.00
WISE	101	5.80	< 5	~
WOOD	262	27.99	12	4.58
YOAKUM	46	15.86	< 5	~
YOUNG	103	21.15	< 5	~
ZAPATA	136	18.97	< 5	~
ZAVALA	229	46.83	6	2.62
UNKNOWN COUNTY	34,124	n/a	93	0.27
TEXAS TOTAL	262,944	31.02	4,133	1.57

Blood Lead Surveillance Branch

Data Considerations:

1. Analysis based on data as of 11/25/2019 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.