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County	Number of Children Tested	Rate of Testing	Number of Children with EBLLs	Rate of Elevation
ANDERSON	275	23.15	12	4.36
ANDREWS	74	14.20	0	0.00
ANGELINA	1,141	44.80	21	1.84
ARANSAS	71	13.81	< 5	~
ARCHER	45	26.47	0	0.00
ARMSTRONG	< 5	~	0	0.00
ATASCOSA	466	33.65	7	1.50
AUSTIN	198	24.44	< 5	~
BAILEY	66	26.51	< 5	~
BANDERA	80	21.86	0	0.00
BASTROP	844	41.11	13	1.54
BAYLOR	42	56.00	< 5	~
BEE	244	34.03	13	5.33
BELL	3,423	26.82	52	1.52
BEXAR	19,373	33.69	430	2.22
BLANCO	36	16.51	0	0.00
BORDEN	< 5	~	0	0.00
BOSQUE	94	22.27	< 5	~
BOWIE	923	39.68	28	3.03
BRAZORIA	1,812	18.23	20	1.10
BRAZOS	2,163	28.76	32	1.48
BREWSTER	6	2.20	0	0.00
BRISCOE	10	26.32	0	0.00
BROOKS	101	42.62	< 5	~
BROWN	256	28.13	10	3.91
BURLESON	203	52.05	8	3.94
BURNET	337	30.92	5	1.48
CALDWELL	495	46.52	7	1.41
CALHOUN	160	25.85	0	0.00
CALLAHAN	110	35.48	5	4.55
CAMERON	7,147	41.74	130	1.82
CAMP	197	55.81	9	4.57
CARSON	16	11.94	0	0.00
CASS	307	43.61	13	4.23
CASTRO	80	31.13	< 5	~
CHAMBERS	311	32.53	< 5	~
CHEROKEE	714	47.47	24	3.36
CHILDRESS	5	2.94	0	0.00
CLAY	60	25.75	< 5	~
COCHRAN	32	30.19	0	0.00

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COKE	29	51.79	0	0.00
COLEMAN	66	31.58	5	7.58
COLLIN	3,635	15.93	65	1.79
COLLINGSWORTH	5	6.02	< 5	~
COLORADO	84	15.91	< 5	~
COMAL	826	29.61	17	2.06
COMANCHE	120	33.15	6	5.00
CONCHO	22	33.85	< 5	~
COOKE	173	16.89	15	8.67
CORYELL	518	24.31	9	1.74
COTTLE	8	21.62	0	0.00
CRANE	39	26.35	0	0.00
CROCKETT	38	33.04	< 5	~
CROSBY	56	31.28	< 5	~
CULBERSON	25	27.78	< 5	~
DALLAM	18	7.17	< 5	~
DALLAS	24,881	29.96	497	2.00
DAWSON	15	4.00	0	0.00
DEAF SMITH	74	9.66	< 5	~
DELTA	37	31.36	< 5	~
DENTON	2,891	14.18	45	1.56
DEWITT	172	35.32	10	5.81
DICKENS	10	24.39	< 5	~
DIMMIT	294	88.29	< 5	~
DONLEY	7	7.87	< 5	~
DUVAL	173	49.29	< 5	~
EASTLAND	127	26.02	16	12.60
ECTOR	1,252	23.98	17	1.36
EDWARDS	16	28.57	< 5	~
EL PASO	8,855	29.93	214	2.42
ELLIS	1,192	26.37	28	2.35
ERATH	290	24.68	6	2.07
FALLS	210	50.00	14	6.67
FANNIN	267	34.95	14	5.24
FAYETTE	158	29.98	6	3.80
FISHER	15	16.67	< 5	~
FLOYD	45	24.19	5	11.11
FOARD	9	28.13	0	0.00
FORT BEND	4,316	26.19	36	0.83
FRANKLIN	114	46.34	< 5	~
FREESTONE	97	19.96	< 5	~
FRIO	225	43.52	7	3.11
GAINES	239	34.44	5	2.09
GALVESTON	2,476	29.53	79	3.19

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GARZA	34	21.52	< 5	~
GILLESPIE	141	24.96	6	4.26
GLASSCOCK	< 5	~	0	0.00
GOLIAD	50	33.78	< 5	~
GONZALES	164	25.51	6	3.66
GRAY	133	18.84	9	6.77
GRAYSON	1,322	43.15	57	4.31
GREGG	1,217	31.91	40	3.29
GRIMES	264	39.17	12	4.55
GUADALUPE	1,065	29.76	12	1.13
HALE	168	13.13	5	2.98
HALL	8	10.39	0	0.00
HAMILTON	33	17.19	< 5	~
HANSFORD	46	26.14	< 5	~
HARDEMAN	30	28.57	< 5	~
HARDIN	263	19.31	< 5	~
HARRIS	53,286	37.51	687	1.29
HARRISON	686	38.56	35	5.10
HARTLEY	9	8.11	0	0.00
HASKELL	42	33.60	< 5	~
HAYS	1,289	20.94	12	0.93
HEMPHILL	28	25.45	0	0.00
HENDERSON	496	24.22	16	3.23
HIDALGO	11,286	34.09	210	1.86
HILL	200	21.46	7	3.50
HOCKLEY	241	32.18	7	2.90
HOOD	98	8.49	0	0.00
HOPKINS	367	36.23	19	5.18
HOUSTON	178	34.10	6	3.37
HOWARD	20	2.35	0	0.00
HUDSPETH	36	32.73	0	0.00
HUNT	726	31.27	52	7.16
HUTCHINSON	150	25.17	7	4.67
IRION	8	18.60	0	0.00
JACK	35	17.07	< 5	~
JACKSON	120	29.78	< 5	~
JASPER	155	16.98	< 5	~
JEFF DAVIS	0	~	~	~
JEFFERSON	2,166	30.27	49	2.26
JIM HOGG	69	38.98	0	0.00
JIM WELLS	654	41.29	12	1.83
JOHNSON	507	11.48	9	1.78
JONES	144	37.80	12	8.33
KARNES	87	28.52	< 5	~

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KAUFMAN	793	24.57	13	1.64
KENDALL	121	16.24	< 5	~
KENEDY	< 5	~	0	0.00
KENT	< 5	~	0	0.00
KERR	397	33.73	< 5	~
KIMBLE	29	30.53	< 5	~
KING	0	~	~	~
KINNEY	21	23.86	0	0.00
KLEBERG	158	14.66	< 5	~
KNOX	51	49.04	< 5	~
LA SALLE	64	30.19	< 5	~
LAMAR	545	41.29	30	5.50
LAMB	101	22.54	< 5	~
LAMPASAS	83	15.43	5	6.02
LAVACA	126	31.58	8	6.35
LEE	127	30.53	< 5	~
LEON	139	32.03	6	4.32
LIBERTY	622	28.04	10	1.61
LIMESTONE	198	30.46	10	5.05
LIPSCOMB	< 5	~	0	0.00
LIVE OAK	75	29.64	< 5	~
LLANO	98	29.17	< 5	~
LOVING	~	~	~	~
LUBBOCK	1,636	17.90	24	1.47
LYNN	24	13.56	0	0.00
MADISON	165	48.67	< 5	~
MARION	71	32.72	< 5	~
MARTIN	23	13.69	< 5	~
MASON	22	29.33	< 5	~
MATAGORDA	467	42.88	9	1.93
MAVERICK	1,316	57.85	25	1.90
MCCULLOCH	57	28.08	5	8.77
MCLENNAN	3,925	54.67	153	3.90
MCMULLEN	< 5	~	0	0.00
MEDINA	258	21.30	< 5	~
MENARD	14	34.15	0	0.00
MIDLAND	917	19.74	16	1.74
MILAM	319	44.93	11	3.45
MILLS	12	10.91	0	0.00
MITCHELL	39	19.90	0	0.00
MONTAGUE	48	9.86	0	0.00
MONTGOMERY	3,570	25.72	46	1.29
MOORE	66	7.88	< 5	~
MORRIS	144	40.91	6	4.17

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MOTLEY	< 5	~	0	0.00
NACOGDOCHES	496	21.88	32	6.45
NAVARRO	522	36.22	27	5.17
NEWTON	37	11.21	< 5	~
NOLAN	90	21.58	< 5	~
NUECES	2,763	27.08	48	1.74
OCHILTREE	39	10.26	< 5	~
OLDHAM	10	19.23	< 5	~
ORANGE	656	31.57	10	1.52
PALO PINTO	66	8.65	5	7.58
PANOLA	85	14.78	< 5	~
PARKER	467	16.27	5	1.07
PARMER	23	6.71	0	0.00
PECOS	82	16.94	< 5	~
POLK	603	56.36	16	2.65
POTTER	1,582	38.47	59	3.73
PRESIDIO	6	2.26	0	0.00
RAINS	58	23.87	< 5	~
RANDALL	709	22.30	10	1.41
REAGAN	28	25.69	< 5	~
REAL	30	39.47	0	0.00
RED RIVER	120	38.46	6	5.00
REEVES	161	46.00	< 5	~
REFUGIO	48	24.37	< 5	~
ROBERTS	< 5	~	0	0.00
ROBERTSON	175	39.77	7	4.00
ROCKWALL	428	22.15	< 5	~
RUNNELS	84	31.46	< 5	~
RUSK	235	17.00	9	3.83
SABINE	32	14.04	0	0.00
SAN AUGUSTINE	50	23.92	< 5	~
SAN JACINTO	219	35.73	< 5	~
SAN PATRICIO	656	30.22	8	1.22
SAN SABA	13	9.85	0	0.00
SCHLEICHER	12	12.63	0	0.00
SCURRY	115	22.91	< 5	~
SHACKELFORD	18	20.69	< 5	~
SHELBY	182	24.04	< 5	~
SHERMAN	6	7.06	0	0.00
SMITH	2,544	39.73	82	3.22
SOMERVELL	20	9.09	< 5	~
STARR	1,436	50.83	41	2.86
STEPHENS	79	33.19	6	7.59
STERLING	10	35.71	0	0.00

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STONEWALL	5	19.23	0	0.00
SUTTON	29	24.37	0	0.00
SWISHER	54	26.21	0	0.00
TARRANT	10,326	18.18	187	1.81
TAYLOR	1,416	34.40	48	3.39
TERRELL	7	30.43	0	0.00
TERRY	83	21.01	6	7.23
THROCKMORTON	8	25.81	0	0.00
TITUS	668	59.48	15	2.25
TOM GREEN	1,197	37.20	21	1.75
TRAVIS	10,044	27.40	163	1.62
TRINITY	156	49.68	8	5.13
TYLER	144	33.03	5	3.47
UPSHUR	281	30.05	6	2.14
UPTON	28	28.57	0	0.00
UVALDE	385	45.03	5	1.30
VAL VERDE	482	25.94	5	1.04
VAN ZANDT	391	32.10	9	2.30
VICTORIA	723	27.34	25	3.46
WALKER	363	23.74	7	1.93
WALLER	261	19.11	5	1.92
WARD	94	27.81	< 5	~
WASHINGTON	240	26.70	9	3.75
WEBB	3,742	33.29	42	1.12
WHARTON	452	38.44	10	2.21
WHEELER	31	21.53	8	25.81
WICHITA	1,204	33.47	61	5.07
WILBARGER	82	19.52	< 5	~
WILLACY	339	40.41	< 5	~
WILLIAMSON	3,544	26.41	47	1.33
WILSON	338	34.42	< 5	~
WINKLER	53	22.55	< 5	~
WISE	153	9.30	< 5	~
WOOD	259	28.84	11	4.25
YOAKUM	56	20.00	0	0.00
YOUNG	125	25.56	6	4.80
ZAPATA	180	25.71	< 5	~
ZAVALA	299	62.03	11	3.68
UNKNOWN COUNTY	18,945	n/a	135	0.71
<b>TEXAS TOTAL</b>	<b>263,103</b>	<b>32.08</b>	<b>5,019</b>	<b>1.91</b>

## 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](mailto: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.