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County	Number of Children Tested	Rate of Testing	Number of Children with EBLLs	Rate of Elevation
ANDERSON	247	6.88	28	11.34
ANDREWS	163	10.46	< 5	~
ANGELINA	1,105	14.44	27	2.44
ARANSAS	94	6.22	0	0.00
ARCHER	65	12.90	< 5	~
ARMSTRONG	9	8.74	0	0.00
ATASCOSA	617	15.22	24	3.89
AUSTIN	222	9.46	< 5	~
BAILEY	127	15.97	9	7.09
BANDERA	98	9.14	< 5	~
BASTROP	816	13.72	9	1.10
BAYLOR	57	24.78	< 5	~
BEE	419	19.71	9	2.15
BELL	3,977	10.59	71	1.79
BEXAR	21,453	12.89	434	2.02
BLANCO	51	8.17	< 5	~
BORDEN	5	14.29	0	0.00
BOSQUE	107	8.86	5	4.67
BOWIE	1,010	14.56	52	5.15
BRAZORIA	2,532	8.44	22	0.87
BRAZOS	2,181	10.34	32	1.47
BREWSTER	27	3.37	0	0.00
BRISCOE	9	7.44	0	0.00
BROOKS	138	19.19	7	5.07
BROWN	460	16.69	25	5.43
BURLESON	158	13.36	< 5	~
BURNET	345	11.12	6	1.74
CALDWELL	492	16.10	9	1.83
CALHOUN	241	12.87	6	2.49
CALLAHAN	83	8.92	< 5	~
CAMERON	12,006	24.50	180	1.50
CAMP	196	18.72	< 5	~
CARSON	27	7.07	< 5	~
CASS	423	19.70	15	3.55
CASTRO	138	18.11	< 5	~
CHAMBERS	417	14.71	< 5	~
CHEROKEE	825	18.69	33	4.00
CHILDRESS	6	1.22	0	0.00
CLAY	67	9.50	< 5	~
COCHRAN	69	22.92	0	0.00

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COKE	26	14.86	< 5	~
COLEMAN	81	13.15	6	7.41
COLLIN	4,784	7.04	55	1.15
COLLINGSWORTH	10	3.77	< 5	~
COLORADO	83	5.22	< 5	~
COMAL	929	11.74	17	1.83
COMANCHE	176	16.10	10	5.68
CONCHO	21	11.67	< 5	~
COOKE	242	7.82	21	8.68
CORYELL	652	9.42	27	4.14
COTTLE	7	6.36	< 5	~
CRANE	47	10.93	0	0.00
CROCKETT	45	13.39	< 5	~
CROSBY	105	19.63	< 5	~
CULBERSON	35	14.29	0	0.00
DALLAM	32	4.20	< 5	~
DALLAS	35,536	14.75	700	1.97
DAWSON	23	2.07	0	0.00
DEAF SMITH	152	6.83	0	0.00
DELTA	76	21.17	< 5	~
DENTON	4,676	7.75	61	1.30
DEWITT	205	14.19	14	6.83
DICKENS	10	6.85	0	0.00
DIMMIT	350	36.50	6	1.71
DONLEY	11	4.47	< 5	~
DUVAL	238	22.97	5	2.10
EASTLAND	179	12.70	21	11.73
ECTOR	1,503	9.78	16	1.06
EDWARDS	22	13.50	0	0.00
EL PASO	12,941	15.37	231	1.79
ELLIS	1,429	10.97	29	2.03
ERATH	396	11.67	8	2.02
FALLS	243	19.03	21	8.64
FANNIN	337	14.68	14	4.15
FAYETTE	184	11.76	5	2.72
FISHER	16	6.15	< 5	~
FLOYD	69	12.55	< 5	~
FOARD	13	14.61	5	38.46
FORT BEND	4,713	9.42	35	0.74
FRANKLIN	116	15.28	< 5	~
FREESTONE	128	8.82	7	5.47
FRIO	285	19.35	8	2.81
GAINES	256	12.02	9	3.52
GALVESTON	2,884	11.61	99	3.43

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GARZA	40	8.51	0	0.00
GILLESPIE	180	11.46	< 5	~
GLASSCOCK	< 5	~	0	0.00
GOLIAD	67	15.37	7	10.45
GONZALES	244	13.13	10	4.10
GRAY	218	10.46	9	4.13
GRAYSON	1,391	15.17	73	5.25
GREGG	1,327	11.79	48	3.62
GRIMES	291	15.12	13	4.47
GUADALUPE	1,304	12.08	7	0.54
HALE	263	7.01	9	3.42
HALL	22	9.61	0	0.00
HAMILTON	63	11.33	< 5	~
HANSFORD	39	7.53	< 5	~
HARDEMAN	35	10.94	< 5	~
HARDIN	487	11.52	9	1.85
HARRIS	69,158	16.71	862	1.25
HARRISON	1,014	18.60	48	4.73
HARTLEY	6	1.80	0	0.00
HASKELL	47	12.81	< 5	~
HAYS	1,902	11.29	20	1.05
HEMPHILL	28	8.64	0	0.00
HENDERSON	644	10.82	11	1.71
HIDALGO	15,471	16.38	244	1.58
HILL	200	7.17	5	2.50
HOCKLEY	355	16.57	7	1.97
HOOD	108	3.16	< 5	~
HOPKINS	574	19.18	25	4.36
HOUSTON	177	11.24	9	5.08
HOWARD	47	1.84	0	0.00
HUDSPETH	60	19.74	< 5	~
HUNT	905	13.33	40	4.42
HUTCHINSON	146	8.02	< 5	~
IRION	12	10.00	< 5	~
JACK	41	6.81	< 5	~
JACKSON	166	13.71	< 5	~
JASPER	222	7.93	5	2.25
JEFF DAVIS	~	~	~	~
JEFFERSON	3,436	16.18	84	2.44
JIM HOGG	84	16.18	0	0.00
JIM WELLS	815	17.89	11	1.35
JOHNSON	1,018	7.80	18	1.77
JONES	151	13.14	6	3.97
KARNES	124	13.69	5	4.03

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KAUFMAN	1,298	14.05	23	1.77
KENDALL	141	6.57	< 5	~
KENEDY	< 5	~	0	0.00
KENT	< 5	~	0	0.00
KERR	465	13.66	12	2.58
KIMBLE	44	16.54	< 5	~
KING	~	~	~	~
KINNEY	21	8.37	< 5	~
KLEBERG	184	5.75	< 5	~
KNOX	63	20.06	< 5	~
LA SALLE	103	17.46	< 5	~
LAMAR	838	21.15	50	5.97
LAMB	222	16.65	8	3.60
LAMPASAS	101	6.46	< 5	~
LAVACA	140	11.26	11	7.86
LEE	132	10.83	< 5	~
LEON	107	8.42	5	4.67
LIBERTY	844	12.85	15	1.78
LIMESTONE	228	11.88	12	5.26
LIPSCOMB	< 5	~	< 5	~
LIVE OAK	108	15.25	< 5	~
LLANO	125	12.90	< 5	~
LOVING	~	~	~	~
LUBBOCK	3,053	11.45	52	1.70
LYNN	42	8.37	< 5	~
MADISON	189	19.19	< 5	~
MARION	129	19.82	< 5	~
MARTIN	26	5.23	< 5	~
MASON	33	15.28	< 5	~
MATAGORDA	752	23.23	21	2.79
MAVERICK	1,339	20.67	15	1.12
MCCULLOCH	79	13.50	7	8.86
MCLENNAN	3,979	18.83	171	4.30
MCMULLEN	< 5	~	0	0.00
MEDINA	383	10.88	5	1.31
MENARD	17	12.98	< 5	~
MIDLAND	808	5.91	30	3.71
MILAM	475	23.26	22	4.63
MILLS	32	10.06	< 5	~
MITCHELL	69	11.86	< 5	~
MONTAGUE	98	6.63	< 5	~
MONTGOMERY	4,239	10.50	56	1.32
MOORE	196	7.86	8	4.08
MORRIS	154	14.74	< 5	~

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MOTLEY	< 5	~	0	0.00
NACOGDOCHES	671	10.14	11	1.64
NAVARRO	784	18.43	33	4.21
NEWTON	90	9.22	< 5	~
NOLAN	155	12.57	< 5	~
NUECES	3,108	10.46	61	1.96
OCHILTREE	28	2.47	< 5	~
OLDHAM	7	5.00	0	0.00
ORANGE	979	15.32	24	2.45
PALO PINTO	126	5.52	5	3.97
PANOLA	108	6.20	< 5	~
PARKER	971	11.50	13	1.34
PARMER	28	2.62	0	0.00
PECOS	205	14.32	< 5	~
POLK	587	18.65	17	2.90
POTTER	1,771	14.41	72	4.07
PRESIDIO	12	1.61	0	0.00
RAINS	102	14.51	5	4.90
RANDALL	759	7.78	10	1.32
REAGAN	43	13.44	< 5	~
REAL	40	19.14	< 5	~
RED RIVER	200	22.08	14	7.00
REEVES	287	28.59	< 5	~
REFUGIO	78	13.76	< 5	~
ROBERTS	< 5	~	0	0.00
ROBERTSON	193	14.79	8	4.15
ROCKWALL	386	6.49	< 5	~
RUNNELS	89	11.37	5	5.62
RUSK	286	6.96	8	2.80
SABINE	35	5.45	0	0.00
SAN AUGUSTINE	52	8.81	0	0.00
SAN JACINTO	298	16.30	< 5	~
SAN PATRICIO	880	13.79	8	0.91
SAN SABA	42	10.85	< 5	~
SCHLEICHER	29	9.42	0	0.00
SCURRY	135	9.07	< 5	~
SHACKELFORD	32	13.33	< 5	~
SHELBY	166	7.37	5	3.01
SHERMAN	9	3.88	0	0.00
SMITH	3,358	18.05	114	3.39
SOMERVELL	21	3.42	0	0.00
STARR	1,767	22.36	42	2.38
STEPHENS	88	12.39	< 5	~
STERLING	18	20.69	0	0.00

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STONEWALL	6	7.89	0	0.00
SUTTON	43	12.01	< 5	~
SWISHER	56	8.82	< 5	~
TARRANT	14,609	8.74	253	1.73
TAYLOR	1,423	11.68	60	4.22
TERRELL	< 5	~	0	0.00
TERRY	176	15.06	6	3.41
THROCKMORTON	8	8.60	< 5	~
TITUS	735	22.20	12	1.63
TOM GREEN	1,284	13.34	25	1.95
TRAVIS	11,218	10.74	176	1.57
TRINITY	192	20.82	7	3.65
TYLER	174	13.38	< 5	~
UPSHUR	288	10.18	< 5	~
UPTON	24	8.30	0	0.00
UVALDE	424	16.78	9	2.12
VAL VERDE	934	17.47	12	1.28
VAN ZANDT	507	13.93	19	3.75
VICTORIA	897	11.47	32	3.57
WALKER	503	11.26	6	1.19
WALLER	364	9.18	< 5	~
WARD	108	11.11	0	0.00
WASHINGTON	290	11.29	11	3.79
WEBB	6,056	18.96	110	1.82
WHARTON	574	16.31	15	2.61
WHEELER	43	9.82	5	11.63
WICHITA	1,525	14.05	65	4.26
WILBARGER	83	6.78	5	6.02
WILLACY	606	26.05	8	1.32
WILLIAMSON	4,009	10.14	55	1.37
WILSON	337	11.68	8	2.37
WINKLER	78	11.27	< 5	~
WISE	252	5.26	< 5	~
WOOD	339	12.92	13	3.83
YOAKUM	82	9.93	< 5	~
YOUNG	150	10.20	< 5	~
ZAPATA	209	10.37	< 5	~
ZAVALA	346	25.35	18	5.20
UNKNOWN COUNTY	25,770	n/a	322	1.25
<b>TEXAS TOTAL</b>	<b>343,649</b>	<b>14.36</b>	<b>6,435</b>	<b>1.87</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.