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County	Number of Children Tested	Rate of Testing	Number of Children with EBLLs	Rate of Elevation
ANDERSON	22	0.37	< 5	~
ANDREWS	< 5	~	0	0.00
ANGELINA	121	1.00	7	5.79
ARANSAS	< 5	~	0	0.00
ARCHER	< 5	~	0	0.00
ARMSTRONG	0	0.00	0	0.00
ATASCOSA	60	0.87	< 5	~
AUSTIN	15	0.38	0	0.00
BAILEY	6	0.47	0	0.00
BANDERA	6	0.30	0	0.00
BASTROP	48	0.41	0	0.00
BAYLOR	< 5	~	0	0.00
BEE	53	1.52	< 5	~
BELL	129	0.25	< 5	~
BEXAR	1,426	0.58	35	2.45
BLANCO	0	0.00	0	0.00
BORDEN	0	0.00	0	0.00
BOSQUE	15	0.73	< 5	~
BOWIE	50	0.45	0	0.00
BRAZORIA	128	0.25	< 5	~
BRAZOS	43	0.19	< 5	~
BREWSTER	< 5	~	0	0.00
BRISCOE	0	0.00	0	0.00
BROOKS	< 5	~	0	0.00
BROWN	12	0.25	0	0.00
BURLESON	11	0.50	< 5	~
BURNET	8	0.15	0	0.00
CALDWELL	14	0.26	< 5	~
CALHOUN	21	0.68	0	0.00
CALLAHAN	0	0.00	0	0.00
CAMERON	1,302	1.88	14	1.08
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	40	0.69	0	0.00
CHEROKEE	29	0.41	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	0	0.00	0	0.00
COLLIN	321	0.23	8	2.49
COLLINGSWORTH	0	0.00	0	0.00
COLORADO	5	0.20	0	0.00
COMAL	45	0.32	0	0.00
COMANCHE	< 5	~	< 5	~
CONCHO	< 5	~	< 5	~
COOKE	< 5	~	0	0.00
CORYELL	16	0.12	< 5	~
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	< 5	~	0	0.00
DALLAS	3,242	0.97	79	2.44
DAWSON	0	0.00	0	0.00
DEAF SMITH	< 5	~	0	0.00
DELTA	< 5	~	< 5	~
DENTON	217	0.19	12	5.53
DEWITT	14	0.61	0	0.00
DICKENS	0	0.00	0	0.00
DIMMIT	6	0.42	0	0.00
DONLEY	< 5	~	< 5	~
DUVAL	16	1.07	< 5	~
EASTLAND	5	0.23	0	0.00
ECTOR	45	0.21	0	0.00
EDWARDS	< 5	~	0	0.00
EL PASO	543	0.45	< 5	~
ELLIS	25	0.10	0	0.00
ERATH	14	0.32	0	0.00
FALLS	14	0.71	0	0.00
FANNIN	18	0.45	0	0.00
FAYETTE	5	0.18	0	0.00
FISHER	0	0.00	0	0.00
FLOYD	0	0.00	0	0.00
FOARD	< 5	~	< 5	~
FORT BEND	377	0.33	< 5	~
FRANKLIN	< 5	~	0	0.00
FREESTONE	< 5	~	< 5	~
FRIO	22	1.03	0	0.00
GAINES	< 5	~	0	0.00
GALVESTON	109	0.28	< 5	~

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GARZA	< 5	~	0	0.00
GILLESPIE	< 5	~	< 5	~
GLASSCOCK	0	0.00	0	0.00
GOLIAD	< 5	~	0	0.00
GONZALES	9	0.32	< 5	~
GRAY	< 5	~	0	0.00
GRAYSON	47	0.31	< 5	~
GREGG	53	0.33	< 5	~
GRIMES	8	0.26	0	0.00
GUADALUPE	127	0.58	< 5	~
HALE	6	0.11	0	0.00
HALL	< 5	~	0	0.00
HAMILTON	< 5	~	0	0.00
HANSFORD	< 5	~	0	0.00
HARDEMAN	< 5	~	0	0.00
HARDIN	13	0.17	0	0.00
HARRIS	6,943	1.17	156	2.25
HARRISON	35	0.38	< 5	~
HARTLEY	0	0.00	0	0.00
HASKELL	< 5	~	0	0.00
HAYS	119	0.50	< 5	~
HEMPHILL	0	0.00	0	0.00
HENDERSON	35	0.39	< 5	~
HIDALGO	1,237	0.88	27	2.18
HILL	11	0.25	< 5	~
HOCKLEY	8	0.26	0	0.00
HOOD	< 5	~	0	0.00
HOPKINS	17	0.36	0	0.00
HOUSTON	< 5	~	0	0.00
HOWARD	< 5	~	0	0.00
HUDSPETH	< 5	~	0	0.00
HUNT	31	0.26	< 5	~
HUTCHINSON	< 5	~	< 5	~
IRION	0	0.00	0	0.00
JACK	6	0.64	0	0.00
JACKSON	< 5	~	0	0.00
JASPER	5	0.11	0	0.00
JEFF DAVIS	< 5	~	0	0.00
JEFFERSON	136	0.44	< 5	~
JIM HOGG	< 5	~	0	0.00
JIM WELLS	43	0.76	0	0.00
JOHNSON	42	0.18	0	0.00
JONES	< 5	~	0	0.00
KARNES	5	0.33	0	0.00

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KAUFMAN	46	0.26	< 5	~
KENDALL	18	0.41	0	0.00
KENEDY	0	0.00	0	0.00
KENT	0	0.00	0	0.00
KERR	19	0.37	< 5	~
KIMBLE	0	0.00	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	12	1.65	0	0.00
LAMAR	16	0.26	< 5	~
LAMB	6	0.30	0	0.00
LAMPASAS	5	0.19	0	0.00
LAVACA	11	0.49	< 5	~
LEE	< 5	~	0	0.00
LEON	18	0.92	< 5	~
LIBERTY	56	0.55	< 5	~
LIMESTONE	< 5	~	0	0.00
LIPSCOMB	0	0.00	0	0.00
LIVE OAK	9	0.82	0	0.00
LLANO	< 5	~	0	0.00
LOVING	< 5	~	0	0.00
LUBBOCK	73	0.20	< 5	~
LYNN	5	0.64	0	0.00
MADISON	15	0.98	0	0.00
MARION	< 5	~	0	0.00
MARTIN	< 5	~	0	0.00
MASON	0	0.00	0	0.00
MATAGORDA	99	2.10	< 5	~
MAVERICK	21	0.23	< 5	~
MCCULLOCH	22	2.18	0	0.00
MCLENNAN	256	0.85	10	3.91
MCMULLEN	0	0.00	0	0.00
MEDINA	10	0.16	< 5	~
MENARD	0	0.00	0	0.00
MIDLAND	134	0.67	< 5	~
MILAM	17	0.54	< 5	~
MILLS	< 5	~	0	0.00
MITCHELL	0	0.00	0	0.00
MONTAGUE	0	0.00	0	0.00
MONTGOMERY	166	0.22	0	0.00
MOORE	10	0.26	< 5	~
MORRIS	9	0.59	0	0.00

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MOTLEY	0	0.00	0	0.00
NACOGDOCHES	62	0.76	0	0.00
NAVARRO	27	0.39	0	0.00
NEWTON	< 5	~	0	0.00
NOLAN	10	0.50	0	0.00
NUECES	146	0.34	< 5	~
OCHILTREE	0	0.00	0	0.00
OLDHAM	< 5	~	0	0.00
ORANGE	36	0.33	0	0.00
PALO PINTO	5	0.14	0	0.00
PANOLA	< 5	~	< 5	~
PARKER	24	0.13	0	0.00
PARMER	< 5	~	0	0.00
PECOS	18	0.89	0	0.00
POLK	7	0.14	0	0.00
POTTER	152	0.85	19	12.50
PRESIDIO	0	0.00	0	0.00
RAINS	5	0.45	0	0.00
RANDALL	27	0.16	< 5	~
REAGAN	< 5	~	0	0.00
REAL	< 5	~	0	0.00
RED RIVER	< 5	~	0	0.00
REEVES	278	17.59	< 5	~
REFUGIO	< 5	~	0	0.00
ROBERTS	0	0.00	0	0.00
ROBERTSON	5	0.23	0	0.00
ROCKWALL	17	0.12	0	0.00
RUNNELS	< 5	~	0	0.00
RUSK	26	0.38	< 5	~
SABINE	< 5	~	0	0.00
SAN AUGUSTINE	7	0.81	0	0.00
SAN JACINTO	19	0.56	0	0.00
SAN PATRICIO	23	0.26	0	0.00
SAN SABA	< 5	~	0	0.00
SCHLEICHER	< 5	~	0	0.00
SCURRY	14	0.61	0	0.00
SHACKELFORD	< 5	~	0	0.00
SHELBY	11	0.31	0	0.00
SHERMAN	< 5	~	0	0.00
SMITH	439	1.55	7	1.59
SOMERVELL	0	0.00	0	0.00
STARR	91	1.01	< 5	~
STEPHENS	5	0.43	0	0.00
STERLING	0	0.00	0	0.00

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STONEWALL	0	0.00	0	0.00
SUTTON	0	0.00	0	0.00
SWISHER	< 5	~	0	0.00
TARRANT	788	0.29	39	4.95
TAYLOR	76	0.46	6	7.89
TERRELL	0	0.00	0	0.00
TERRY	< 5	~	0	0.00
THROCKMORTON	0	0.00	0	0.00
TITUS	16	0.31	0	0.00
TOM GREEN	23	0.17	< 5	~
TRAVIS	492	0.36	21	4.27
TRINITY	< 5	~	0	0.00
TYLER	22	1.07	< 5	~
UPSHUR	20	0.38	0	0.00
UPTON	< 5	~	0	0.00
UVALDE	13	0.34	< 5	~
VAL VERDE	23	0.32	0	0.00
VAN ZANDT	36	0.57	0	0.00
VICTORIA	17	0.14	0	0.00
WALKER	23	0.40	0	0.00
WALLER	9	0.14	< 5	~
WARD	42	2.91	0	0.00
WASHINGTON	11	0.29	< 5	~
WEBB	1,395	3.05	21	1.51
WHARTON	14	0.25	0	0.00
WHEELER	< 5	~	0	0.00
WICHITA	26	0.17	< 5	~
WILBARGER	0	0.00	0	0.00
WILLACY	80	2.69	< 5	~
WILLIAMSON	114	0.15	< 5	~
WILSON	16	0.25	< 5	~
WINKLER	9	0.82	0	0.00
WISE	25	0.30	0	0.00
WOOD	29	0.65	0	0.00
YOAKUM	0	0.00	0	0.00
YOUNG	< 5	~	0	0.00
ZAPATA	19	0.74	0	0.00
ZAVALA	14	0.77	0	0.00
UNKNOWN COUNTY	3,448	n/a	80	2.32
TEXAS TOTAL	27,030	0.73	631	2.33

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.