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County	Number of Children Tested	Rate of Testing	Number of Children with EBLLs	Rate of Elevation
ANDERSON	5	0.09	< 5	~
ANDREWS	< 5	~	0	0.00
ANGELINA	51	0.46	< 5	~
ARANSAS	< 5	~	0	0.00
ARCHER	0	0.00	0	0.00
ARMSTRONG	0	0.00	0	0.00
ATASCOSA	12	0.18	0	0.00
AUSTIN	5	0.13	0	0.00
BAILEY	0	0.00	0	0.00
BANDERA	< 5	~	< 5	~
BASTROP	7	0.05	0	0.00
BAYLOR	0	0.00	0	0.00
BEE	9	0.27	0	0.00
BELL	49	0.10	< 5	~
BEXAR	906	0.35	55	6.07
BLANCO	< 5	~	0	0.00
BORDEN	0	0.00	0	0.00
BOSQUE	< 5	~	0	0.00
BOWIE	< 5	~	0	0.00
BRAZORIA	43	0.09	< 5	~
BRAZOS	10	0.04	0	0.00
BREWSTER	0	0.00	0	0.00
BRISCOE	0	0.00	0	0.00
BROOKS	< 5	~	0	0.00
BROWN	19	0.48	0	0.00
BURLESON	0	0.00	0	0.00
BURNET	< 5	~	0	0.00
CALDWELL	8	0.16	0	0.00
CALHOUN	< 5	~	< 5	~
CALLAHAN	< 5	~	0	0.00
CAMERON	661	1.04	7	1.06
CAMP	< 5	~	0	0.00
CARSON	< 5	~	0	0.00
CASS	5	0.16	0	0.00
CASTRO	< 5	~	0	0.00
CHAMBERS	12	0.17	< 5	~
CHEROKEE	10	0.16	0	0.00
CHILDRESS	< 5	~	0	0.00
CLAY	< 5	~	0	0.00
COCHRAN	0	0.00	0	0.00

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COKE	< 5	~	0	0.00
COLEMAN	0	0.00	0	0.00
COLLIN	270	0.19	5	1.85
COLLINGSWORTH	< 5	~	0	0.00
COLORADO	< 5	~	0	0.00
COMAL	22	0.11	0	0.00
COMANCHE	< 5	~	0	0.00
CONCHO	0	0.00	0	0.00
COOKE	< 5	~	0	0.00
CORYELL	7	0.07	< 5	~
COTTLE	0	0.00	0	0.00
CRANE	0	0.00	0	0.00
CROCKETT	0	0.00	0	0.00
CROSBY	< 5	~	0	0.00
CULBERSON	0	0.00	0	0.00
DALLAM	0	0.00	0	0.00
DALLAS	988	0.30	49	4.96
DAWSON	< 5	~	0	0.00
DEAF SMITH	< 5	~	0	0.00
DELTA	< 5	~	0	0.00
DENTON	77	0.07	0	0.00
DEWITT	< 5	~	0	0.00
DICKENS	< 5	~	0	0.00
DIMITT	< 5	~	0	0.00
DONLEY	0	0.00	0	0.00
DUVAL	< 5	~	0	0.00
EASTLAND	< 5	~	0	0.00
ECTOR	15	0.06	< 5	~
EDWARDS	0	0.00	0	0.00
EL PASO	277	0.24	< 5	~
ELLIS	23	0.08	0	0.00
ERATH	12	0.27	0	0.00
FALLS	< 5	~	0	0.00
FANNIN	15	0.38	0	0.00
FAYETTE	8	0.32	0	0.00
FISHER	0	0.00	0	0.00
FLOYD	0	0.00	0	0.00
FOARD	0	0.00	0	0.00
FORT BEND	182	0.15	6	3.30
FRANKLIN	0	0.00	0	0.00
FREESTONE	9	0.40	0	0.00
FRIO	5	0.23	0	0.00
GAINES	< 5	~	0	0.00
GALVESTON	61	0.14	< 5	~

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GARZA	0	0.00	0	0.00
GILLESPIE	< 5	~	0	0.00
GLASSCOCK	0	0.00	0	0.00
GOLIAD	0	0.00	0	0.00
GONZALES	< 5	~	0	0.00
GRAY	0	0.00	0	0.00
GRAYSON	41	0.25	0	0.00
GREGG	23	0.14	0	0.00
GRIMES	< 5	~	0	0.00
GUADALUPE	79	0.36	6	7.59
HALE	0	0.00	0	0.00
HALL	0	0.00	0	0.00
HAMILTON	< 5	~	0	0.00
HANSFORD	0	0.00	0	0.00
HARDEMAN	< 5	~	< 5	~
HARDIN	16	0.23	0	0.00
HARRIS	2,294	0.37	50	2.18
HARRISON	5	0.06	0	0.00
HARTLEY	0	0.00	0	0.00
HASKELL	< 5	~	0	0.00
HAYS	17	0.06	< 5	~
HEMPHILL	0	0.00	0	0.00
HENDERSON	< 5	~	0	0.00
HIDALGO	525	0.36	7	1.33
HILL	< 5	~	< 5	~
HOCKLEY	< 5	~	0	0.00
HOOD	5	0.07	0	0.00
HOPKINS	9	0.20	0	0.00
HOUSTON	0	0.00	0	0.00
HOWARD	< 5	~	< 5	~
HUDSPETH	0	0.00	0	0.00
HUNT	8	0.07	< 5	~
HUTCHINSON	< 5	~	0	0.00
IRION	0	0.00	0	0.00
JACK	< 5	~	0	0.00
JACKSON	< 5	~	0	0.00
JASPER	9	0.23	0	0.00
JEFF DAVIS	0	0.00	0	0.00
JEFFERSON	58	0.19	< 5	~
JIM HOGG	< 5	~	0	0.00
JIM WELLS	< 5	~	0	0.00
JOHNSON	13	0.05	0	0.00
JONES	0	0.00	0	0.00
KARNES	< 5	~	0	0.00

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KAUFMAN	20	0.09	< 5	~
KENDALL	11	0.20	0	0.00
KENEDY	0	0.00	0	0.00
KENT	0	0.00	0	0.00
KERR	13	0.26	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	0	0.00	0	0.00
LA SALLE	6	0.94	0	0.00
LAMAR	24	0.40	< 5	~
LAMB	< 5	~	0	0.00
LAMPASAS	0	0.00	0	0.00
LAVACA	< 5	~	0	0.00
LEE	8	0.45	< 5	~
LEON	< 5	~	0	0.00
LIBERTY	37	0.27	0	0.00
LIMESTONE	< 5	~	0	0.00
LIPSCOMB	< 5	~	0	0.00
LIVE OAK	0	0.00	0	0.00
LLANO	< 5	~	0	0.00
LOVING	0	0.00	0	0.00
LUBBOCK	27	0.07	< 5	~
LYNN	0	0.00	0	0.00
MADISON	< 5	~	0	0.00
MARION	< 5	~	0	0.00
MARTIN	< 5	~	0	0.00
MASON	0	0.00	0	0.00
MATAGORDA	< 5	~	< 5	~
MAVERICK	16	0.18	0	0.00
MCCULLOCH	< 5	~	0	0.00
MCLENNAN	54	0.17	0	0.00
MCMULLEN	0	0.00	0	0.00
MEDINA	10	0.17	< 5	~
MENARD	0	0.00	0	0.00
MIDLAND	26	0.10	0	0.00
MILAM	< 5	~	0	0.00
MILLS	< 5	~	0	0.00
MITCHELL	< 5	~	0	0.00
MONTAGUE	0	0.00	0	0.00
MONTGOMERY	99	0.11	0	0.00
MOORE	5	0.15	0	0.00
MORRIS	0	0.00	0	0.00

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MOTLEY	0	0.00	0	0.00
NACOGDOCHES	6	0.08	0	0.00
NAVARRO	11	0.15	< 5	~
NEWTON	< 5	~	0	0.00
NOLAN	< 5	~	0	0.00
NUECES	37	0.09	< 5	~
OCHILTREE	0	0.00	0	0.00
OLDHAM	0	0.00	0	0.00
ORANGE	57	0.54	0	0.00
PALO PINTO	< 5	~	0	0.00
PANOLA	< 5	~	0	0.00
PARKER	10	0.05	0	0.00
PARMER	0	0.00	0	0.00
PECOS	0	0.00	0	0.00
POLK	< 5	~	0	0.00
POTTER	29	0.18	< 5	~
PRESIDIO	< 5	~	0	0.00
RAINS	0	0.00	0	0.00
RANDALL	11	0.06	0	0.00
REAGAN	< 5	~	0	0.00
REAL	< 5	~	< 5	~
RED RIVER	5	0.43	< 5	~
REEVES	< 5	~	0	0.00
REFUGIO	< 5	~	< 5	~
ROBERTS	0	0.00	0	0.00
ROBERTSON	< 5	~	0	0.00
ROCKWALL	14	0.09	0	0.00
RUNNELS	< 5	~	0	0.00
RUSK	< 5	~	0	0.00
SABINE	< 5	~	0	0.00
SAN AUGUSTINE	< 5	~	0	0.00
SAN JACINTO	< 5	~	0	0.00
SAN PATRICIO	< 5	~	0	0.00
SAN SABA	0	0.00	0	0.00
SCHLEICHER	0	0.00	0	0.00
SCURRY	< 5	~	0	0.00
SHACKELFORD	< 5	~	0	0.00
SHELBY	10	0.32	0	0.00
SHERMAN	< 5	~	0	0.00
SMITH	19	0.07	< 5	~
SOMERVELL	< 5	~	0	0.00
STARR	64	0.59	0	0.00
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	0.00
TARRANT	397	0.14	27	6.80
TAYLOR	5	0.03	< 5	~
TERRELL	0	0.00	0	0.00
TERRY	< 5	~	0	0.00
THROCKMORTON	0	0.00	0	0.00
TITUS	0	0.00	0	0.00
TOM GREEN	9	0.06	0	0.00
TRAVIS	210	0.15	15	7.14
TRINITY	< 5	~	0	0.00
TYLER	5	0.26	0	0.00
UPSHUR	6	0.12	0	0.00
UPTON	0	0.00	0	0.00
UVALDE	10	0.30	0	0.00
VAL VERDE	6	0.09	0	0.00
VAN ZANDT	< 5	~	0	0.00
VICTORIA	6	0.05	0	0.00
WALKER	5	0.09	0	0.00
WALLER	< 5	~	0	0.00
WARD	0	0.00	0	0.00
WASHINGTON	0	0.00	0	0.00
WEBB	929	2.11	8	0.86
WHARTON	9	0.17	0	0.00
WHEELER	6	0.90	0	0.00
WICHITA	< 5	~	0	0.00
WILBARGER	0	0.00	0	0.00
WILLACY	19	0.80	< 5	~
WILLIAMSON	33	0.04	0	0.00
WILSON	13	0.21	< 5	~
WINKLER	< 5	~	0	0.00
WISE	5	0.06	0	0.00
WOOD	6	0.14	0	0.00
YOAKUM	0	0.00	0	0.00
YOUNG	< 5	~	< 5	~
ZAPATA	7	0.29	< 5	~
ZAVALA	0	0.00	0	0.00
UNKNOWN COUNTY	180	n/a	0	0.00
TEXAS TOTAL	9,568	0.25	271	2.83



Blood Lead Surveillance Branch

Data Considerations

1. Analysis is based on a current dataset (01/10/2024) and is considered provisional and subject to change.
2. Rates are per 100.
3. Rates that cannot be calculated are indicated with “~”.
4. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) currently defines a reference level of 5 µg/dL to identify individuals with elevated blood lead levels.
5. Each person is represented once at the date of the highest test for the given calendar year.
6. Each person’s residential geography is represented by the address at the time of the highest test per calendar year.
7. 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.
8. Caution should be used when interpreting data with a small count (i.e., less than 20).
9. Cell sizes of 1-4 are expressed as "< 5" to protect the identity of individuals.
10. Population data (if applicable) is obtained from Texas Demographic Center, located at <https://demographics.texas.gov/Data/TPEPP/>

Identification of Persons/Entities with Blood Lead Data:

1. No person will attempt to use these data to identify any person or entity.
2. If the identity of a person or entity should be discovered inadvertently:
3. No use will be made of this knowledge
4. 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 .
5. The information that would identify the individual or entity will be destroyed, as requested by the Blood Lead Surveillance Branch.
6. No one else will be informed of the discovery.