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County	Number of Children Tested	Rate of Testing	Number of Children with EBLLs	Rate of Elevation
ANDERSON	212	5.72	17	8.02
ANDREWS	133	6.88	0	0.00
ANGELINA	884	12.49	11	1.24
ARANSAS	97	6.63	0	0.00
ARCHER	47	8.30	< 5	~
ARMSTRONG	< 5	~	0	0.00
ATASCOSA	690	16.59	6	0.87
AUSTIN	211	10.17	9	4.27
BAILEY	55	7.96	0	0.00
BANDERA	74	6.97	< 5	~
BASTROP	715	9.22	9	1.26
BAYLOR	37	15.23	0	0.00
BEE	254	12.52	< 5	~
BELL	3,885	10.78	41	1.06
BEXAR	15,101	8.89	253	1.68
BLANCO	41	7.26	< 5	~
BORDEN	0	0.00	0	0.00
BOSQUE	104	9.13	< 5	~
BOWIE	556	8.13	11	1.98
BRAZORIA	2,417	8.19	27	1.12
BRAZOS	1,544	8.92	21	1.36
BREWSTER	13	2.24	0	0.00
BRISCOE	< 5	~	0	0.00
BROOKS	104	16.25	< 5	~
BROWN	167	6.67	< 5	~
BURLESON	127	10.10	< 5	~
BURNET	328	10.06	< 5	~
CALDWELL	513	14.78	7	1.36
CALHOUN	180	11.64	< 5	~
CALLAHAN	100	11.16	< 5	~
CAMERON	6,953	17.74	78	1.12
CAMP	118	10.96	5	4.24
CARSON	17	5.21	< 5	~
CASS	293	15.03	6	2.05
CASTRO	90	13.57	< 5	~
CHAMBERS	342	8.36	< 5	~
CHEROKEE	616	14.77	18	2.92
CHILDRESS	47	13.02	0	0.00
CLAY	66	12.24	< 5	~
COCHRAN	19	8.68	< 5	~

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COKE	29	12.89	< 5	~
COLEMAN	49	10.08	< 5	~
COLLIN	3,351	4.33	51	1.52
COLLINGSWORTH	< 5	~	0	0.00
COLORADO	89	5.66	< 5	~
COMAL	751	6.62	7	0.93
COMANCHE	109	11.28	5	4.59
CONCHO	30	14.93	0	0.00
COOKE	95	2.84	< 5	~
CORYELL	545	7.92	7	1.28
COTTLE	14	17.50	< 5	~
CRANE	25	6.20	0	0.00
CROCKETT	39	17.57	0	0.00
CROSBY	35	9.14	< 5	~
CULBERSON	8	4.35	0	0.00
DALLAM	26	3.12	< 5	~
DALLAS	17,749	7.85	302	1.70
DAWSON	67	6.22	0	0.00
DEAF SMITH	185	9.57	0	0.00
DELTA	60	14.39	< 5	~
DENTON	3,069	4.57	27	0.88
DEWITT	108	7.43	8	7.41
DICKENS	8	8.79	< 5	~
DIMITT	174	23.48	5	2.87
DONLEY	15	7.61	0	0.00
DUVAL	190	21.71	6	3.16
EASTLAND	123	10.00	0	0.00
ECTOR	1,323	7.90	10	0.76
EDWARDS	12	11.88	< 5	~
EL PASO	7,190	9.35	55	0.76
ELLIS	1,156	7.34	21	1.82
ERATH	355	11.61	5	1.41
FALLS	188	16.36	6	3.19
FANNIN	224	10.16	< 5	~
FAYETTE	121	8.09	< 5	~
FISHER	21	9.25	< 5	~
FLOYD	53	12.41	< 5	~
FOARD	24	37.50	0	0.00
FORT BEND	5,131	8.04	36	0.70
FRANKLIN	89	12.23	< 5	~
FREESTONE	125	8.95	5	4.00
FRIO	256	18.55	5	1.95
GAINES	149	5.62	0	0.00
GALVESTON	2,236	8.78	46	2.06

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GARZA	26	9.45	< 5	~
GILLESPIE	128	7.95	7	5.47
GLASSCOCK	9	10.47	0	0.00
GOLIAD	30	6.70	0	0.00
GONZALES	161	9.80	5	3.11
GRAY	119	7.55	< 5	~
GRAYSON	1,248	12.13	29	2.32
GREGG	981	9.79	19	1.94
GRIMES	198	9.63	< 5	~
GUADALUPE	1,217	9.60	13	1.07
HALE	196	7.53	5	2.55
HALL	20	12.99	< 5	~
HAMILTON	54	10.11	< 5	~
HANSFORD	39	8.13	0	0.00
HARDEMAN	39	16.81	< 5	~
HARDIN	288	7.07	0	0.00
HARRIS	48,310	11.72	431	0.89
HARRISON	693	13.80	16	2.31
HARTLEY	14	3.61	0	0.00
HASKELL	34	12.83	< 5	~
HAYS	1,015	5.46	12	1.18
HEMPHILL	21	8.24	0	0.00
HENDERSON	440	7.99	11	2.50
HIDALGO	6,831	7.68	92	1.35
HILL	252	9.62	6	2.38
HOCKLEY	203	11.26	< 5	~
HOOD	345	8.98	< 5	~
HOPKINS	289	10.20	6	2.08
HOUSTON	95	6.93	< 5	~
HOWARD	50	1.93	< 5	~
HUDSPETH	31	16.40	< 5	~
HUNT	765	10.26	21	2.75
HUTCHINSON	105	6.63	6	5.71
IRION	10	10.42	0	0.00
JACK	25	4.76	< 5	~
JACKSON	95	7.38	< 5	~
JASPER	163	6.93	< 5	~
JEFF DAVIS	< 5	~	0	0.00
JEFFERSON	1,971	9.56	55	2.79
JIM HOGG	60	15.08	< 5	~
JIM WELLS	554	16.87	17	3.07
JOHNSON	637	4.46	8	1.26
JONES	120	11.74	7	5.83
KARNES	97	9.46	< 5	~

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KAUFMAN	1,091	8.40	13	1.19
KENDALL	72	2.79	< 5	~
KENEDY	0	0.00	0	0.00
KENT	< 5	~	0	0.00
KERR	325	9.58	14	4.31
KIMBLE	27	9.44	< 5	~
KING	0	0.00	0	0.00
KINNEY	18	9.47	0	0.00
KLEBERG	251	9.57	< 5	~
KNOX	40	14.76	< 5	~
LA SALLE	54	12.03	0	0.00
LAMAR	552	13.96	17	3.08
LAMB	90	8.28	< 5	~
LAMPASAS	82	5.83	< 5	~
LAVACA	89	5.97	5	5.62
LEE	73	5.67	< 5	~
LEON	100	9.04	< 5	~
LIBERTY	693	8.58	11	1.59
LIMESTONE	153	9.42	< 5	~
LIPSCOMB	8	3.92	0	0.00
LIVE OAK	100	12.74	< 5	~
LLANO	146	13.43	< 5	~
LOVING	< 5	~	0	0.00
LUBBOCK	1,601	6.42	19	1.19
LYNN	18	4.00	< 5	~
MADISON	141	14.81	< 5	~
MARION	78	14.94	< 5	~
MARTIN	39	7.93	0	0.00
MASON	29	13.06	< 5	~
MATAGORDA	383	12.09	< 5	~
MAVERICK	963	15.35	16	1.66
MCCULLOCH	55	11.13	< 5	~
MCLENNAN	2,501	11.82	63	2.52
MCMULLEN	7	16.28	0	0.00
MEDINA	329	9.05	< 5	~
MENARD	22	20.37	0	0.00
MIDLAND	1,821	10.63	12	0.66
MILAM	244	14.38	8	3.28
MILLS	14	5.76	0	0.00
MITCHELL	56	9.09	< 5	~
MONTAGUE	56	4.21	< 5	~
MONTGOMERY	3,134	6.29	32	1.02
MOORE	113	5.00	< 5	~
MORRIS	124	14.42	< 5	~

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MOTLEY	9	12.68	0	0.00
NACOGDOCHES	351	6.95	< 5	~
NAVARRO	517	11.68	10	1.93
NEWTON	57	8.68	< 5	~
NOLAN	125	10.87	11	8.80
NUECES	2,673	9.57	30	1.12
OCHILTREE	26	2.76	< 5	~
OLDHAM	7	9.21	0	0.00
ORANGE	562	8.66	< 5	~
PALO PINTO	83	3.85	< 5	~
PANOLA	102	6.49	< 5	~
PARKER	921	8.35	7	0.76
PARMER	82	9.16	0	0.00
PECOS	134	11.00	0	0.00
POLK	114	3.54	< 5	~
POTTER	1,275	12.83	31	2.43
PRESIDIO	7	1.18	< 5	~
RAINS	63	8.57	< 5	~
RANDALL	618	5.82	7	1.13
REAGAN	43	13.44	< 5	~
REAL	22	13.50	0	0.00
RED RIVER	111	15.33	5	4.50
REEVES	122	11.05	< 5	~
REFUGIO	44	9.44	< 5	~
ROBERTS	< 5	~	0	0.00
ROBERTSON	138	11.13	< 5	~
ROCKWALL	441	5.33	< 5	~
RUNNELS	103	13.83	6	5.83
RUSK	208	6.03	< 5	~
SABINE	44	7.41	< 5	~
SAN AUGUSTINE	61	12.03	0	0.00
SAN JACINTO	131	7.40	< 5	~
SAN PATRICIO	744	12.84	9	1.21
SAN SABA	13	3.51	0	0.00
SCHLEICHER	31	21.68	< 5	~
SCURRY	101	7.38	< 5	~
SHACKELFORD	27	13.85	0	0.00
SHELBY	129	6.21	< 5	~
SHERMAN	20	8.55	< 5	~
SMITH	1,459	7.84	38	2.60
SOMERVELL	57	10.23	< 5	~
STARR	755	10.47	9	1.19
STEPHENS	58	8.83	< 5	~
STERLING	14	11.67	< 5	~

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STONEWALL	7	8.86	0	0.00
SUTTON	21	7.98	0	0.00
SWISHER	48	9.58	< 5	~
TARRANT	11,530	6.78	105	0.91
TAYLOR	1,256	10.02	27	2.15
TERRELL	< 5	~	0	0.00
TERRY	64	5.97	< 5	~
THROCKMORTON	9	9.18	0	0.00
TITUS	442	15.38	14	3.17
TOM GREEN	1,107	11.55	8	0.72
TRAVIS	7,627	7.77	90	1.18
TRINITY	136	16.50	< 5	~
TYLER	121	10.68	< 5	~
UPSHUR	243	8.49	< 5	~
UPTON	32	11.90	0	0.00
UVALDE	272	12.39	< 5	~
VAL VERDE	427	9.15	5	1.17
VAN ZANDT	298	7.02	5	1.68
VICTORIA	572	7.66	8	1.40
WALKER	286	6.91	< 5	~
WALLER	350	7.96	< 5	~
WARD	68	6.22	0	0.00
WASHINGTON	253	10.86	9	3.56
WEBB	3,520	12.52	40	1.14
WHARTON	344	9.61	< 5	~
WHEELER	48	13.60	< 5	~
WICHITA	1,035	10.65	24	2.32
WILBARGER	113	11.70	< 5	~
WILLACY	153	10.13	< 5	~
WILLIAMSON	2,483	5.21	24	0.97
WILSON	279	8.09	< 5	~
WINKLER	54	7.58	0	0.00
WISE	130	2.55	< 5	~
WOOD	230	8.81	< 5	~
YOAKUM	40	4.67	< 5	~
YOUNG	103	8.00	5	4.85
ZAPATA	133	9.81	0	0.00
ZAVALA	0	0.00	0	0.00
UNKNOWN COUNTY	5,006	n/a	5	0.10
TEXAS TOTAL	217,879	9.09	2,849	1.31



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.