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County	Number of Children Tested	Rate of Testing	Number of Children with EBLLs	Rate of Elevation
ANDERSON	331	9.11	21	6.34
ANDREWS	188	12.32	< 5	~
ANGELINA	1,024	13.41	24	2.34
ARANSAS	90	6.06	< 5	~
ARCHER	64	12.43	8	12.50
ARMSTRONG	8	7.21	0	0.00
ATASCOSA	691	17.33	20	2.89
AUSTIN	202	8.80	7	3.47
BAILEY	129	16.17	< 5	~
BANDERA	123	11.37	9	7.32
BASTROP	834	14.12	12	1.44
BAYLOR	46	19.74	< 5	~
BEE	454	21.27	31	6.83
BELL	3,484	9.43	75	2.15
BEXAR	20,113	12.33	488	2.43
BLANCO	40	6.54	< 5	~
BORDEN	< 5	~	0	0.00
BOSQUE	107	8.89	< 5	~
BOWIE	1,046	15.16	35	3.35
BRAZORIA	2,190	7.29	28	1.28
BRAZOS	2,010	10.15	41	2.04
BREWSTER	44	5.75	0	0.00
BRISCOE	6	5.08	0	0.00
BROOKS	168	23.70	< 5	~
BROWN	434	15.59	22	5.07
BURLESON	157	13.22	7	4.46
BURNET	293	9.62	9	3.07
CALDWELL	534	17.64	15	2.81
CALHOUN	176	9.61	5	2.84
CALLAHAN	80	8.73	0	0.00
CAMERON	11,061	23.37	211	1.91
CAMP	174	16.78	7	4.02
CARSON	24	6.12	< 5	~
CASS	377	17.76	13	3.45
CASTRO	115	14.84	0	0.00
CHAMBERS	321	11.24	5	1.56
CHEROKEE	923	20.97	30	3.25
CHILDRESS	< 5	~	0	0.00
CLAY	68	9.48	< 5	~
COCHRAN	73	24.25	< 5	~

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COKE	36	20.93	< 5	~
COLEMAN	95	15.73	7	7.37
COLLIN	4,425	6.51	89	2.01
COLLINGSWORTH	6	2.19	0	0.00
COLORADO	128	8.15	< 5	~
COMAL	827	10.69	15	1.81
COMANCHE	181	16.48	10	5.52
CONCHO	17	9.34	< 5	~
COOKE	257	8.25	29	11.28
CORYELL	537	7.38	14	2.61
COTTLE	9	8.11	0	0.00
CRANE	45	10.47	< 5	~
CROCKETT	44	13.06	< 5	~
CROSBY	77	14.56	0	0.00
CULBERSON	37	15.35	< 5	~
DALLAM	9	1.19	< 5	~
DALLAS	34,405	14.49	850	2.47
DAWSON	30	2.64	< 5	~
DEAF SMITH	101	4.58	< 5	~
DELTA	96	26.37	9	9.38
DENTON	4,613	7.72	77	1.67
DEWITT	192	13.28	13	6.77
DICKENS	13	9.35	< 5	~
DIMMIT	328	34.31	7	2.13
DONLEY	12	4.69	0	0.00
DUVAL	188	18.01	< 5	~
EASTLAND	138	9.99	12	8.70
ECTOR	1,454	9.55	31	2.13
EDWARDS	22	13.66	< 5	~
EL PASO	11,545	14.07	277	2.40
ELLIS	1,221	9.52	31	2.54
ERATH	354	10.76	< 5	~
FALLS	212	16.88	23	10.85
FANNIN	360	15.52	14	3.89
FAYETTE	180	11.39	12	6.67
FISHER	23	9.06	< 5	~
FLOYD	73	13.59	0	0.00
FOARD	11	12.79	< 5	~
FORT BEND	4,140	8.21	30	0.72
FRANKLIN	124	16.08	< 5	~
FREESTONE	122	8.42	< 5	~
FRIO	287	20.14	8	2.79
GAINES	198	9.23	5	2.53
GALVESTON	2,619	10.64	58	2.21

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GARZA	32	6.50	< 5	~
GILLESPIE	196	12.74	8	4.08
GLASSCOCK	7	7.78	< 5	~
GOLIAD	69	15.90	< 5	~
GONZALES	199	10.77	13	6.53
GRAY	165	8.05	5	3.03
GRAYSON	1,189	12.95	50	4.21
GREGG	1,403	12.61	52	3.71
GRIMES	249	13.17	11	4.42
GUADALUPE	1,246	11.53	16	1.28
HALE	223	5.96	6	2.69
HALL	14	5.83	< 5	~
HAMILTON	24	4.19	0	0.00
HANSFORD	31	5.90	< 5	~
HARDEMAN	42	13.00	< 5	~
HARDIN	579	13.48	5	0.86
HARRIS	62,762	15.34	891	1.42
HARRISON	1,130	20.89	59	5.22
HARTLEY	5	1.47	0	0.00
HASKELL	38	10.33	< 5	~
HAYS	1,980	12.51	26	1.31
HEMPHILL	11	3.26	< 5	~
HENDERSON	670	11.38	15	2.24
HIDALGO	14,407	15.59	304	2.11
HILL	250	9.05	6	2.40
HOCKLEY	310	14.61	< 5	~
HOOD	176	5.19	< 5	~
HOPKINS	624	21.10	17	2.72
HOUSTON	163	10.10	5	3.07
HOWARD	61	2.37	0	0.00
HUDSPETH	48	16.16	< 5	~
HUNT	1,089	16.23	61	5.60
HUTCHINSON	157	8.53	9	5.73
IRION	17	14.78	0	0.00
JACK	36	6.13	< 5	~
JACKSON	130	10.75	9	6.92
JASPER	190	6.75	< 5	~
JEFF DAVIS	< 5	~	0	0.00
JEFFERSON	3,411	16.20	72	2.11
JIM HOGG	97	19.21	< 5	~
JIM WELLS	614	14.08	8	1.30
JOHNSON	1,136	8.74	17	1.50
JONES	164	14.31	6	3.66
KARNES	109	12.11	7	6.42

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KAUFMAN	1,118	12.32	41	3.67
KENDALL	134	6.38	< 5	~
KENEDY	< 5	~	0	0.00
KENT	< 5	~	0	0.00
KERR	539	16.16	27	5.01
KIMBLE	56	21.37	0	0.00
KING	0	0.00	0	0.00
KINNEY	30	12.24	0	0.00
KLEBERG	414	13.18	12	2.90
KNOX	69	21.97	< 5	~
LA SALLE	89	15.86	< 5	~
LAMAR	776	19.68	40	5.15
LAMB	228	17.03	14	6.14
LAMPASAS	116	7.53	< 5	~
LAVACA	102	8.19	< 5	~
LEE	137	11.22	< 5	~
LEON	112	8.97	< 5	~
LIBERTY	704	10.79	21	2.98
LIMESTONE	210	11.09	7	3.33
LIPSCOMB	< 5	~	< 5	~
LIVE OAK	106	14.99	6	5.66
LLANO	86	9.01	< 5	~
LOVING	< 5	~	0	0.00
LUBBOCK	2,812	10.74	72	2.56
LYNN	38	7.52	< 5	~
MADISON	149	15.24	< 5	~
MARION	119	18.51	6	5.04
MARTIN	34	6.88	< 5	~
MASON	25	11.63	< 5	~
MATAGORDA	654	20.59	16	2.45
MAVERICK	1,272	20.39	13	1.02
MCCULLOCH	81	13.61	< 5	~
MCLENNAN	3,439	16.54	149	4.33
MCMULLEN	7	14.29	0	0.00
MEDINA	377	10.73	< 5	~
MENARD	15	10.49	0	0.00
MIDLAND	1,430	10.58	66	4.62
MILAM	421	20.69	18	4.28
MILLS	19	5.99	< 5	~
MITCHELL	52	8.80	0	0.00
MONTAGUE	94	6.33	5	5.32
MONTGOMERY	3,910	9.82	47	1.20
MOORE	228	9.26	10	4.39
MORRIS	172	16.78	10	5.81

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MOTLEY	< 5	~	0	0.00
NACOGDOCHES	693	10.88	21	3.03
NAVARRO	850	20.20	40	4.71
NEWTON	73	7.51	< 5	~
NOLAN	187	15.32	7	3.74
NUECES	3,179	10.84	58	1.82
OCHILTREE	17	1.52	0	0.00
OLDHAM	12	8.96	< 5	
ORANGE	981	15.26	19	1.94
PALO PINTO	211	9.37	6	2.84
PANOLA	167	9.52	5	2.99
PARKER	1,071	12.68	17	1.59
PARMER	26	2.40	< 5	
PECOS	212	14.78	7	3.30
POLK	521	16.80	9	1.73
POTTER	1,713	14.01	77	4.50
PRESIDIO	12	1.68	0	0.00
RAINS	121	17.51	5	4.13
RANDALL	645	6.55	13	2.02
REAGAN	57	17.87	< 5	
REAL	32	15.84	< 5	
RED RIVER	185	20.65	8	4.32
REEVES	245	24.14	< 5	
REFUGIO	70	13.13	< 5	~
ROBERTS	0	0.00	0	0.00
ROBERTSON	198	15.33	5	2.53
ROCKWALL	329	5.38	< 5	~
RUNNELS	93	11.89	< 5	~
RUSK	402	9.80	18	4.48
SABINE	33	5.25	< 5	~
SAN AUGUSTINE	62	10.60	0	0.00
SAN JACINTO	228	12.60	7	3.07
SAN PATRICIO	799	12.79	20	2.50
SAN SABA	31	7.95	0	0.00
SCHLEICHER	39	11.82	0	0.00
SCURRY	214	14.41	5	2.34
SHACKELFORD	25	10.78	5	20.00
SHELBY	147	6.50	7	4.76
SHERMAN	11	4.64	0	0.00
SMITH	3,550	19.40	126	3.55
SOMERVELL	41	7.06	0	0.00
STARR	1,688	22.37	21	1.24
STEPHENS	71	10.06	< 5	~
STERLING	10	11.11	< 5	~

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STONEWALL	5	5.81	< 5	~
SUTTON	34	8.99	0	0.00
SWISHER	39	5.94	0	0.00
TARRANT	15,804	9.48	273	1.73
TAYLOR	1,317	10.93	32	2.43
TERRELL	< 5	~	0	0.00
TERRY	136	11.48	< 5	~
THROCKMORTON	8	8.25	0	0.00
TITUS	723	21.86	11	1.52
TOM GREEN	1,211	12.68	22	1.82
TRAVIS	10,726	10.60	168	1.57
TRINITY	157	16.70	7	4.46
TYLER	139	10.84	5	3.60
UPSHUR	360	12.63	9	2.50
UPTON	27	8.97	< 5	~
UVALDE	407	16.33	6	1.47
VAL VERDE	599	11.34	13	2.17
VAN ZANDT	593	16.32	25	4.22
VICTORIA	805	10.35	27	3.35
WALKER	419	9.64	5	1.19
WALLER	277	7.10	7	2.53
WARD	104	10.69	< 5	~
WASHINGTON	251	9.86	10	3.98
WEBB	5,152	16.59	99	1.92
WHARTON	585	16.66	13	2.22
WHEELER	47	10.61	5	10.64
WICHITA	1,320	12.20	38	2.88
WILBARGER	87	7.13	6	6.90
WILLACY	615	27.78	18	2.93
WILLIAMSON	4,024	10.23	60	1.49
WILSON	375	12.86	< 5	~
WINKLER	80	11.32	< 5	~
WISE	308	6.48	7	2.27
WOOD	443	16.92	25	5.64
YOAKUM	89	10.56	< 5	~
YOUNG	106	7.18	10	9.43
ZAPATA	154	7.81	0	0.00
ZAVALA	332	24.87	11	3.31
UNKNOWN COUNTY	29,173	n/a	324	1.11
TEXAS TOTAL	330,130	13.97	6,905	2.09

Blood Lead Surveillance Branch

Data Considerations:

1. Analysis based on data as of 05/02/2019 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.