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County	Number of Children Tested	Rate of Testing	Number of Children with EBLLs	Rate of Elevation
ANDERSON	27	0.45	< 5	~
ANDREWS	13	0.57	0	0.00
ANGELINA	71	0.59	< 5	~
ARANSAS	< 5	~	0	0.00
ARCHER	0	0.00	0	0.00
ARMSTRONG	< 5	~	0	0.00
ATASCOSA	33	0.48	< 5	~
AUSTIN	12	0.31	0	0.00
BAILEY	< 5	~	0	0.00
BANDERA	10	0.50	< 5	~
BASTROP	42	0.37	0	0.00
BAYLOR	< 5	~	< 5	~
BEE	67	1.86	< 5	~
BELL	118	0.25	< 5	~
BEXAR	2,020	0.82	38	1.88
BLANCO	0	0.00	0	0.00
BORDEN	0	0.00	0	0.00
BOSQUE	15	0.70	< 5	~
BOWIE	20	0.18	0	0.00
BRAZORIA	124	0.25	5	4.03
BRAZOS	77	0.36	< 5	~
BREWSTER	< 5	~	0	0.00
BRISCOE	0	0.00	0	0.00
BROOKS	11	1.10	0	0.00
BROWN	17	0.36	0	0.00
BURLESON	10	0.46	0	0.00
BURNET	13	0.25	0	0.00
CALDWELL	20	0.37	0	0.00
CALHOUN	8	0.27	0	0.00
CALLAHAN	0	0.00	0	0.00
CAMERON	1,244	1.77	18	1.45
CAMP	5	0.29	0	0.00
CARSON	< 5	~	0	0.00
CASS	12	0.34	0	0.00
CASTRO	6	0.47	0	0.00
CHAMBERS	25	0.44	0	0.00
CHEROKEE	74	1.06	< 5	~
CHILDRESS	0	0.00	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	5	0.51	0	0.00
COLLIN	393	0.29	< 5	~
COLLINGSWORTH	< 5	~	0	0.00
COLORADO	6	0.24	0	0.00
COMAL	31	0.22	0	0.00
COMANCHE	6	0.36	0	0.00
CONCHO	0	0.00	0	0.00
COOKE	6	0.12	< 5	~
CORYELL	16	0.13	0	0.00
COTTLE	0	0.00	0	0.00
CRANE	0	0.00	0	0.00
CROCKETT	< 5	~	0	0.00
CROSBY	8	0.85	< 5	~
CULBERSON	< 5	~	0	0.00
DALLAM	0	0.00	0	0.00
DALLAS	5,681	1.70	110	1.94
DAWSON	< 5	~	0	0.00
DEAF SMITH	< 5	~	0	0.00
DELTA	19	3.34	0	0.00
DENTON	1,026	0.95	9	0.88
DEWITT	6	0.26	0	0.00
DICKENS	< 5	~	0	0.00
DIMMIT	< 5	~	0	0.00
DONLEY	< 5	~	0	0.00
DUVAL	14	0.93	< 5	~
EASTLAND	< 5	~	0	0.00
ECTOR	76	0.37	< 5	~
EDWARDS	0	0.00	0	0.00
EL PASO	754	0.62	8	1.06
ELLIS	51	0.21	0	0.00
ERATH	14	0.32	0	0.00
FALLS	7	0.35	< 5	~
FANNIN	14	0.35	0	0.00
FAYETTE	6	0.22	0	0.00
FISHER	< 5	~	0	0.00
FLOYD	0	0.00	0	0.00
FOARD	< 5	~	< 5	~
FORT BEND	329	0.31	7	2.13
FRANKLIN	9	0.62	0	0.00
FREESTONE	7	0.28	< 5	~
FRIO	7	0.32	0	0.00
GAINES	< 5	~	0	0.00
GALVESTON	133	0.34	< 5	~

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GARZA	< 5	~	0	0.00
GILLESPIE	< 5	~	0	0.00
GLASSCOCK	0	0.00	0	0.00
GOLIAD	< 5	~	0	0.00
GONZALES	7	0.25	0	0.00
GRAY	6	0.20	0	0.00
GRAYSON	46	0.31	< 5	~
GREGG	90	0.56	< 5	~
GRIMES	< 5	~	0	0.00
GUADALUPE	113	0.54	0	0.00
HALE	7	0.13	0	0.00
HALL	0	0.00	0	0.00
HAMILTON	7	0.81	< 5	~
HANSFORD	< 5	~	0	0.00
HARDEMAN	< 5	~	0	0.00
HARDIN	26	0.35	0	0.00
HARRIS	7,563	1.29	124	1.64
HARRISON	29	0.32	< 5	~
HARTLEY	< 5	~	0	0.00
HASKELL	< 5	~	0	0.00
HAYS	124	0.54	0	0.00
HEMPHILL	< 5	~	0	0.00
HENDERSON	18	0.20	0	0.00
HIDALGO	1,780	1.25	19	1.07
HILL	9	0.20	0	0.00
HOCKLEY	7	0.22	0	0.00
HOOD	< 5	~	0	0.00
HOPKINS	206	4.42	7	3.40
HOUSTON	5	0.21	0	0.00
HOWARD	8	0.20	0	0.00
HUDSPETH	< 5	~	0	0.00
HUNT	68	0.58	< 5	~
HUTCHINSON	< 5	~	0	0.00
IRION	0	0.00	0	0.00
JACK	0	0.00	0	0.00
JACKSON	5	0.28	0	0.00
JASPER	5	0.11	0	0.00
JEFF DAVIS	0	0.00	0	0.00
JEFFERSON	227	0.75	8	3.52
JIM HOGG	10	1.31	0	0.00
JIM WELLS	50	0.87	< 5	~
JOHNSON	84	0.37	0	0.00
JONES	< 5	~	< 5	~
KARNES	< 5	~	0	0.00

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KAUFMAN	100	0.57	< 5	~
KENDALL	8	0.18	0	0.00
KENEDY	< 5	~	0	0.00
KENT	0	0.00	0	0.00
KERR	12	0.23	0	0.00
KIMBLE	< 5	~	0	0.00
KING	0	0.00	0	0.00
KINNEY	0	0.00	0	0.00
KLEBERG	53	1.29	< 5	~
KNOX	0	0.00	0	0.00
LA SALLE	11	1.52	0	0.00
LAMAR	19	0.31	0	0.00
LAMB	11	0.55	0	0.00
LAMPASAS	< 5	~	0	0.00
LAVACA	7	0.31	< 5	~
LEE	10	0.48	0	0.00
LEON	12	0.63	0	0.00
LIBERTY	84	0.84	< 5	~
LIMESTONE	9	0.32	0	0.00
LIPSCOMB	0	0.00	0	0.00
LIVE OAK	8	0.71	0	0.00
LLANO	< 5	~	0	0.00
LOVING	< 5	~	0	0.00
LUBBOCK	220	0.62	0	0.00
LYNN	< 5	~	0	0.00
MADISON	9	0.59	0	0.00
MARION	8	0.83	0	0.00
MARTIN	< 5	~	0	0.00
MASON	< 5	~	0	0.00
MATAGORDA	91	1.90	< 5	~
MAVERICK	26	0.28	0	0.00
MCCULLOCH	20	1.99	0	0.00
MCLENNAN	224	0.75	6	2.68
MCMULLEN	0	0.00	0	0.00
MEDINA	17	0.27	0	0.00
MENARD	0	0.00	0	0.00
MIDLAND	96	0.49	< 5	~
MILAM	16	0.49	< 5	~
MILLS	< 5	~	0	0.00
MITCHELL	0	0.00	0	0.00
MONTAGUE	< 5	~	0	0.00
MONTGOMERY	274	0.37	< 5	~
MOORE	55	1.47	< 5	~
MORRIS	8	0.54	< 5	~

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MOTLEY	< 5	~	0	0.00
NACOGDOCHES	33	0.42	< 5	~
NAVARRO	27	0.40	0	0.00
NEWTON	< 5	~	0	0.00
NOLAN	6	0.29	0	0.00
NUECES	127	0.29	< 5	~
OCHILTREE	< 5	~	0	0.00
OLDHAM	0	0.00	0	0.00
ORANGE	49	0.46	< 5	~
PALO PINTO	< 5	~	0	0.00
PANOLA	20	0.63	< 5	~
PARKER	33	0.19	< 5	~
PARMER	< 5	~	0	0.00
PECOS	< 5	~	0	0.00
POLK	8	0.16	0	0.00
POTTER	305	1.74	20	6.56
PRESIDIO	< 5	~	0	0.00
RAINS	28	2.47	< 5	~
RANDALL	46	0.28	< 5	~
REAGAN	0	0.00	0	0.00
REAL	< 5	~	0	0.00
RED RIVER	< 5	~	0	0.00
REEVES	130	8.29	0	0.00
REFUGIO	7	0.80	< 5	~
ROBERTS	0	0.00	0	0.00
ROBERTSON	15	0.68	0	0.00
ROCKWALL	28	0.20	0	0.00
RUNNELS	5	0.37	< 5	~
RUSK	20	0.30	0	0.00
SABINE	8	0.79	0	0.00
SAN AUGUSTINE	6	0.66	< 5	~
SAN JACINTO	20	0.59	0	0.00
SAN PATRICIO	34	0.38	0	0.00
SAN SABA	< 5	~	0	0.00
SCHLEICHER	0	0.00	0	0.00
SCURRY	12	0.54	0	0.00
SHACKELFORD	0	0.00	0	0.00
SHELBY	16	0.45	0	0.00
SHERMAN	< 5	~	0	0.00
SMITH	117	0.41	< 5	~
SOMERVELL	0	0.00	0	0.00
STARR	365	3.76	< 5	~
STEPHENS	< 5	~	0	0.00
STERLING	0	0.00	0	0.00

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STONEWALL	< 5	~	0	0.00
SUTTON	0	0.00	0	0.00
SWISHER	0	0.00	0	0.00
TARRANT	1,557	0.58	32	2.06
TAYLOR	58	0.36	< 5	~
TERRELL	0	0.00	0	0.00
TERRY	< 5	~	0	0.00
THROCKMORTON	0	0.00	0	0.00
TITUS	28	0.55	0	0.00
TOM GREEN	12	0.09	0	0.00
TRAVIS	609	0.46	17	2.79
TRINITY	< 5	~	0	0.00
TYLER	7	0.33	0	0.00
UPSHUR	26	0.49	0	0.00
UPTON	< 5	~	0	0.00
UVALDE	17	0.43	< 5	~
VAL VERDE	13	0.18	< 5	~
VAN ZANDT	29	0.45	0	0.00
VICTORIA	118	1.00	0	0.00
WALKER	14	0.25	< 5	~
WALLER	8	0.13	< 5	~
WARD	8	0.55	0	0.00
WASHINGTON	< 5	~	0	0.00
WEBB	1,167	2.53	21	1.80
WHARTON	69	1.22	0	0.00
WHEELER	< 5	~	< 5	~
WICHITA	24	0.16	< 5	~
WILBARGER	< 5	~	< 5	~
WILLACY	108	3.62	< 5	~
WILLIAMSON	265	0.36	8	3.02
WILSON	16	0.25	0	0.00
WINKLER	< 5	~	< 5	~
WISE	28	0.33	< 5	~
WOOD	29	0.65	0	0.00
YOAKUM	< 5	~	0	0.00
YOUNG	7	0.30	0	0.00
ZAPATA	11	0.45	0	0.00
ZAVALA	11	0.61	0	0.00
UNKNOWN COUNTY	4,548	n/a	95	2.09
TEXAS TOTAL	35,014	0.96	650	1.86

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.