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County	Number of Children Tested	Rate of Testing	Number of Children with EBLLs	Rate of Elevation
ANDERSON	451	12.53	9	2.00
ANDREWS	123	7.73	< 5	~
ANGELINA	1,490	19.28	27	1.81
ARANSAS	93	5.97	< 5	~
ARCHER	64	12.28	6	9.38
ARMSTRONG	6	6.12	0	0.00
ATASCOSA	847	20.15	15	1.77
AUSTIN	262	10.63	7	2.67
BAILEY	89	11.57	< 5	~
BANDERA	132	11.75	< 5	~
BASTROP	1,197	18.89	12	1.00
BAYLOR	56	25.11	< 5	~
BEE	375	17.47	8	2.13
BELL	4,427	11.44	87	1.97
BEXAR	23,627	13.65	580	2.45
BLANCO	51	7.76	0	0.00
BORDEN	< 5	~	0	0.00
BOSQUE	138	10.78	< 5	~
BOWIE	1,164	16.60	37	3.18
BRAZORIA	2,460	8.09	28	1.14
BRAZOS	2,169	9.56	42	1.94
BREWSTER	8	0.98	0	0.00
BRISCOE	6	5.17	0	0.00
BROOKS	142	19.92	10	7.04
BROWN	225	8.13	8	3.56
BURLESON	227	19.22	8	3.52
BURNET	444	13.57	6	1.35
CALDWELL	798	24.79	11	1.38
CALHOUN	187	9.86	< 5	~
CALLAHAN	135	14.24	8	5.93
CAMERON	11,177	21.75	194	1.74
CAMP	218	20.59	10	4.59
CARSON	20	4.91	0	0.00
CASS	420	19.59	20	4.76
CASTRO	62	8.12	0	0.00
CHAMBERS	421	14.35	12	2.85
CHEROKEE	771	16.99	27	3.50
CHILDRESS	9	1.77	0	0.00
CLAY	79	11.11	5	6.33
COCHRAN	42	13.25	0	0.00

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COKE	34	19.54	0	0.00
COLEMAN	66	10.44	< 5	~
COLLIN	5,188	7.42	94	1.81
COLLINGSWORTH	7	2.75	< 5	~
COLORADO	96	6.01	< 5	~
COMAL	974	11.54	11	1.13
COMANCHE	189	17.23	6	3.17
CONCHO	27	13.71	5	18.52
COOKE	276	8.87	12	4.35
CORYELL	595	9.03	12	2.02
COTTLE	16	14.41	0	0.00
CRANE	48	10.79	0	0.00
CROCKETT	37	10.69	0	0.00
CROSBY	52	9.59	< 5	~
CULBERSON	17	6.44	0	0.00
DALLAM	52	6.77	< 5	~
DALLAS	33,811	13.64	701	2.07
DAWSON	59	5.32	< 5	~
DEAF SMITH	120	5.20	< 5	~
DELTA	61	16.80	< 5	~
DENTON	4,378	7.00	56	1.28
DEWITT	196	13.20	20	10.20
DICKENS	10	8.00	< 5	~
DIMMIT	308	30.89	11	3.57
DONLEY	21	7.78	6	28.57
DUVAL	235	22.19	< 5	~
EASTLAND	148	10.20	6	4.05
ECTOR	1,727	11.06	20	1.16
EDWARDS	28	16.87	0	0.00
EL PASO	10,853	12.25	196	1.81
ELLIS	1,810	13.16	31	1.71
ERATH	357	10.03	< 5	~
FALLS	282	22.54	19	6.74
FANNIN	437	18.85	19	4.35
FAYETTE	131	8.22	5	3.82
FISHER	18	6.62	< 5	~
FLOYD	63	11.39	< 5	~
FOARD	19	20.00	< 5	~
FORT BEND	6,036	11.77	60	0.99
FRANKLIN	120	16.06	< 5	~
FREESTONE	197	13.50	< 5	~
FRIO	396	25.83	13	3.28
GAINES	215	10.13	7	3.26
GALVESTON	2,995	11.76	102	3.41

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GARZA	53	11.28	< 5	~
GILLESPIE	177	10.38	5	2.82
GLASSCOCK	< 5	~	0	0.00
GOLIAD	60	13.33	< 5	~
GONZALES	210	10.95	9	4.29
GRAY	169	7.92	< 5	~
GRAYSON	2,057	22.25	76	3.69
GREGG	1,181	10.35	27	2.29
GRIMES	283	13.89	9	3.18
GUADALUPE	1,320	11.93	25	1.89
HALE	222	5.81	8	3.60
HALL	9	3.85	0	0.00
HAMILTON	79	13.72	7	8.86
HANSFORD	31	5.76	0	0.00
HARDEMAN	61	19.18	6	9.84
HARDIN	460	11.04	10	2.17
HARRIS	72,831	17.13	1,017	1.40
HARRISON	910	16.72	47	5.16
HARTLEY	14	4.02	0	0.00
HASKELL	58	15.51	0	0.00
HAYS	2,270	12.03	20	0.88
HEMPHILL	21	6.46	0	0.00
HENDERSON	672	10.83	16	2.38
HIDALGO	12,380	12.45	211	1.70
HILL	164	5.79	7	4.27
HOCKLEY	343	15.50	6	1.75
HOOD	144	4.10	0	0.00
HOPKINS	487	15.95	21	4.31
HOUSTON	208	13.22	5	2.40
HOWARD	23	0.90	0	0.00
HUDSPETH	60	18.52	< 5	~
HUNT	814	11.50	39	4.79
HUTCHINSON	182	10.16	< 5	~
IRION	11	8.59	0	0.00
JACK	27	4.35	< 5	~
JACKSON	95	7.92	< 5	~
JASPER	448	16.26	11	2.46
JEFF DAVIS	< 5	~	0	0.00
JEFFERSON	3,009	13.95	77	2.56
JIM HOGG	94	17.74	< 5	~
JIM WELLS	878	18.57	15	1.71
JOHNSON	932	6.91	9	0.97
JONES	167	14.52	9	5.39
KARNES	172	18.76	< 5	~

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KAUFMAN	1,337	13.60	37	2.77
KENDALL	173	7.61	< 5	~
KENEDY	< 5	~	0	0.00
KENT	< 5	~	0	0.00
KERR	545	15.43	12	2.20
KIMBLE	24	8.42	0	0.00
KING	0	0.00	~	~
KINNEY	27	10.23	0	0.00
KLEBERG	240	7.40	8	3.33
KNOX	67	21.68	< 5	~
LA SALLE	74	11.80	< 5	~
LAMAR	696	17.38	51	7.33
LAMB	148	11.01	< 5	~
LAMPASAS	116	7.03	< 5	~
LAVACA	151	12.41	13	8.61
LEE	144	11.67	5	3.47
LEON	193	14.78	< 5	~
LIBERTY	821	12.16	11	1.34
LIMESTONE	304	15.49	16	5.26
LIPSCOMB	5	1.83	0	0.00
LIVE OAK	134	17.80	6	4.48
LLANO	129	12.67	< 5	~
LOVING	< 5		0	0.00
LUBBOCK	2,242	8.12	45	2.01
LYNN	36	6.86	< 5	~
MADISON	229	22.54	8	3.49
MARION	97	15.09	7	7.22
MARTIN	25	4.91	< 5	~
MASON	34	14.85	< 5	~
MATAGORDA	758	22.97	14	1.85
MAVERICK	1,424	20.90	21	1.47
MCCULLOCH	72	11.75	8	11.11
MCLENNAN	4,261	19.77	153	3.59
MCMULLEN	6	10.00	< 5	~
MEDINA	436	11.85	5	1.15
MENARD	19	13.97	< 5	~
MIDLAND	843	6.06	14	1.66
MILAM	412	19.34	13	3.16
MILLS	18	5.28	0	0.00
MITCHELL	52	8.67	< 5	~
MONTAGUE	98	6.65	< 5	~
MONTGOMERY	4,132	9.73	59	1.43
MOORE	127	5.03	< 5	~
MORRIS	219	20.64	8	3.65

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MOTLEY	< 5	~	0	0.00
NACOGDOCHES	513	7.47	12	2.34
NAVARRO	861	19.75	32	3.72
NEWTON	126	12.71	7	5.56
NOLAN	128	10.22	< 5	~
NUECES	2,909	9.53	35	1.20
OCHILTREE	50	4.30	< 5	~
OLDHAM	8	5.06	0	0.00
ORANGE	1,093	17.24	21	1.92
PALO PINTO	106	4.61	< 5	~
PANOLA	97	5.54	8	8.25
PARKER	962	10.88	5	0.52
PARMER	47	4.39	0	0.00
PECOS	164	11.40	< 5	~
POLK	395	12.23	10	2.53
POTTER	1,595	12.95	86	5.39
PRESIDIO	10	1.26	< 5	~
RAINS	58	7.90	< 5	~
RANDALL	718	7.36	23	3.20
REAGAN	50	15.15	0	0.00
REAL	34	14.98	0	0.00
RED RIVER	159	16.99	21	13.21
REEVES	342	32.66	< 5	~
REFUGIO	96	16.19	< 5	~
ROBERTS	< 5	~	0	0.00
ROBERTSON	212	16.04	14	6.60
ROCKWALL	578	9.60	< 5	~
RUNNELS	109	13.57	6	5.50
RUSK	288	6.86	10	3.47
SABINE	60	8.72	< 5	~
SAN AUGUSTINE	101	16.21	0	0.00
SAN JACINTO	230	12.31	< 5	~
SAN PATRICIO	924	14.21	12	1.30
SAN SABA	20	5.06	0	0.00
SCHLEICHER	18	6.27	0	0.00
SCURRY	180	11.84	0	0.00
SHACKELFORD	34	13.18	7	20.59
SHELBY	234	10.26	8	3.42
SHERMAN	25	9.73	0	0.00
SMITH	2,471	12.81	64	2.59
SOMERVELL	28	4.20	< 5	~
STARR	1,459	17.63	34	2.33
STEPHENS	86	11.81	< 5	~
STERLING	10	11.63	0	0.00

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STONEWALL	10	12.35	0	0.00
SUTTON	36	9.97	< 5	~
SWISHER	74	12.07	8	10.81
TARRANT	16,158	9.44	330	2.04
TAYLOR	1,714	13.99	60	3.50
TERRELL	6	8.82	< 5	~
TERRY	158	13.32	9	5.70
THROCKMORTON	9	9.57	0	0.00
TITUS	814	24.10	17	2.09
TOM GREEN	1,408	14.57	10	0.71
TRAVIS	11,991	10.89	260	2.17
TRINITY	140	14.71	< 5	~
TYLER	235	17.94	9	3.83
UPSHUR	358	12.44	11	3.07
UPTON	52	17.39	< 5	~
UVALDE	424	16.06	< 5	~
VAL VERDE	862	15.55	21	2.44
VAN ZANDT	508	13.67	16	3.15
VICTORIA	813	10.20	23	2.83
WALKER	422	9.12	6	1.42
WALLER	314	7.54	7	2.23
WARD	120	11.85	< 5	~
WASHINGTON	299	11.15	7	2.34
WEBB	4,696	13.93	82	1.75
WHARTON	670	18.88	9	1.34
WHEELER	53	12.02	8	15.09
WICHITA	1,564	14.49	72	4.60
WILBARGER	106	8.43	13	12.26
WILLACY	523	20.86	5	0.96
WILLIAMSON	4,294	10.45	64	1.49
WILSON	449	15.00	12	2.67
WINKLER	55	7.91	< 5	~
WISE	156	3.11	< 5	~
WOOD	331	12.21	12	3.63
YOAKUM	55	6.47	< 5	~
YOUNG	165	11.21	10	6.06
ZAPATA	189	9.03	< 5	~
ZAVALA	290	20.31	10	3.45
UNKNOWN COUNTY	26,776	n/a	319	1.19
TEXAS TOTAL	346,877	14.03	6767	1.95

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.