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County	Number of Children Tested	Rate of Testing	Number of Children with EBLLs	Rate of Elevation
ANDERSON	12	0.20	0	0.00
ANDREWS	14	0.63	0	0.00
ANGELINA	72	0.60	< 5	~
ARANSAS	6	0.28	0	0.00
ARCHER	< 5	~	0	0.00
ARMSTRONG	< 5	~	0	0.00
ATASCOSA	18	0.26	0	0.00
AUSTIN	23	0.60	0	0.00
BAILEY	< 5	~	< 5	~
BANDERA	6	0.30	0	0.00
BASTROP	39	0.35	< 5	~
BAYLOR	< 5	~	0	0.00
BEE	66	1.83	< 5	~
BELL	151	0.33	6	3.97
BEXAR	1,794	0.74	46	2.56
BLANCO	< 5	~	0	0.00
BORDEN	0	0.00	0	0.00
BOSQUE	29	1.35	< 5	~
BOWIE	35	0.31	< 5	~
BRAZORIA	134	0.28	< 5	~
BRAZOS	105	0.51	< 5	~
BREWSTER	6	0.62	0	0.00
BRISCOE	0	0.00	0	0.00
BROOKS	10	1.01	0	0.00
BROWN	18	0.38	0	0.00
BURLESON	20	0.95	< 5	~
BURNET	13	0.25	0	0.00
CALDWELL	15	0.29	< 5	~
CALHOUN	26	0.89	< 5	~
CALLAHAN	7	0.41	0	0.00
CAMERON	1,089	1.55	19	1.74
CAMP	8	0.46	0	0.00
CARSON	0	0.00	0	0.00
CASS	18	0.50	0	0.00
CASTRO	9	0.70	0	0.00
CHAMBERS	31	0.55	0	0.00
CHEROKEE	120	1.73	< 5	~
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	8	0.79	< 5	~
COLLIN	346	0.26	< 5	~
COLLINGSWORTH	0	0.00	0	0.00
COLORADO	< 5	~	0	0.00
COMAL	27	0.19	< 5	~
COMANCHE	9	0.54	< 5	~
CONCHO	0	0.00	0	0.00
COOKE	< 5	~	0	0.00
CORYELL	23	0.19	0	0.00
COTTLE	0	0.00	0	0.00
CRANE	< 5	~	0	0.00
CROCKETT	< 5	~	0	0.00
CROSBY	< 5	~	0	0.00
CULBERSON	5	1.61	0	0.00
DALLAM	0	0.00	0	0.00
DALLAS	4,693	1.42	78	1.66
DAWSON	0	0.00	0	0.00
DEAF SMITH	12	0.37	0	0.00
DELTA	10	1.69	0	0.00
DENTON	877	0.83	23	2.62
DEWITT	5	0.22	0	0.00
DICKENS	< 5	~	0	0.00
DIMMIT	6	0.40	0	0.00
DONLEY	< 5	~	0	0.00
DUVAL	13	0.88	< 5	~
EASTLAND	8	0.38	0	0.00
ECTOR	67	0.33	0	0.00
EDWARDS	< 5	~	0	0.00
EL PASO	1,015	0.83	20	1.97
ELLIS	58	0.25	< 5	~
ERATH	16	0.37	< 5	~
FALLS	< 5	~	0	0.00
FANNIN	16	0.41	0	0.00
FAYETTE	9	0.33	0	0.00
FISHER	< 5	~	0	0.00
FLOYD	< 5	~	0	0.00
FOARD	< 5	~	< 5	~
FORT BEND	385	0.37	5	1.30
FRANKLIN	10	0.71	0	0.00
FREESTONE	5	0.21	< 5	~
FRIO	9	0.42	0	0.00
GAINES	< 5	~	0	0.00
GALVESTON	158	0.41	< 5	~

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GARZA	0	0.00	0	0.00
GILLESPIE	< 5	~	< 5	~
GLASSCOCK	0	0.00	0	0.00
GOLIAD	< 5	~	0	0.00
GONZALES	6	0.21	0	0.00
GRAY	8	0.27	< 5	~
GRAYSON	44	0.29	< 5	~
GREGG	111	0.70	0	0.00
GRIMES	5	0.16	0	0.00
GUADALUPE	94	0.46	0	0.00
HALE	11	0.21	< 5	~
HALL	< 5	~	0	0.00
HAMILTON	< 5	~	0	0.00
HANSFORD	8	0.89	0	0.00
HARDEMAN	0	0.00	0	0.00
HARDIN	23	0.31	0	0.00
HARRIS	7,630	1.31	111	1.45
HARRISON	39	0.43	< 5	~
HARTLEY	< 5	~	0	0.00
HASKELL	0	0.00	0	0.00
HAYS	90	0.40	< 5	~
HEMPHILL	0	0.00	0	0.00
HENDERSON	18	0.20	0	0.00
HIDALGO	1,598	1.13	16	1.00
HILL	12	0.27	0	0.00
HOCKLEY	5	0.16	0	0.00
HOOD	7	0.12	0	0.00
HOPKINS	163	3.51	< 5	~
HOUSTON	11	0.46	0	0.00
HOWARD	9	0.22	< 5	~
HUDSPETH	6	1.20	0	0.00
HUNT	52	0.45	0	0.00
HUTCHINSON	< 5	~	0	0.00
IRION	0	0.00	0	0.00
JACK	< 5	~	0	0.00
JACKSON	6	0.34	0	0.00
JASPER	10	0.22	0	0.00
JEFF DAVIS	< 5	~	0	0.00
JEFFERSON	449	1.50	9	2.00
JIM HOGG	10	1.32	< 5	~
JIM WELLS	72	1.26	0	0.00
JOHNSON	110	0.50	< 5	~
JONES	< 5	~	0	0.00
KARNES	10	0.65	0	0.00

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KAUFMAN	108	0.63	< 5	~
KENDALL	23	0.51	0	0.00
KENEDY	0	0.00	0	0.00
KENT	0	0.00	0	0.00
KERR	6	0.12	0	0.00
KIMBLE	< 5	~	0	0.00
KING	0	0.00	0	0.00
KINNEY	< 5	~	0	0.00
KLEBERG	23	0.58	0	0.00
KNOX	< 5	~	0	0.00
LA SALLE	6	0.83	0	0.00
LAMAR	19	0.31	< 5	~
LAMB	6	0.30	0	0.00
LAMPASAS	7	0.28	< 5	~
LAVACA	< 5	~	0	0.00
LEE	8	0.38	0	0.00
LEON	5	0.26	0	0.00
LIBERTY	77	0.78	0	0.00
LIMESTONE	< 5	~	0	0.00
LIPSCOMB	< 5	~	0	0.00
LIVE OAK	12	1.05	0	0.00
LLANO	5	0.32	0	0.00
LOVING	0	0.00	0	0.00
LUBBOCK	180	0.51	7	3.89
LYNN	< 5	~	0	0.00
MADISON	5	0.33	0	0.00
MARION	< 5	~	0	0.00
MARTIN	< 5	~	0	0.00
MASON	0	0.00	0	0.00
MATAGORDA	37	0.77	< 5	~
MAVERICK	21	0.23	0	0.00
MCCULLOCH	13	1.25	0	0.00
MCLENNAN	220	0.73	12	5.45
MCMULLEN	0	0.00	0	0.00
MEDINA	16	0.25	0	0.00
MENARD	0	0.00	0	0.00
MIDLAND	91	0.47	< 5	~
MILAM	15	0.47	< 5	~
MILLS	< 5	~	0	0.00
MITCHELL	< 5	~	0	0.00
MONTAGUE	< 5	~	0	0.00
MONTGOMERY	254	0.36	< 5	~
MOORE	66	1.81	< 5	~
MORRIS	11	0.74	0	0.00

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MOTLEY	0	0.00	0	0.00
NACOGDOCHES	26	0.34	0	0.00
NAVARRO	24	0.36	< 5	~
NEWTON	< 5	~	< 5	~
NOLAN	5	0.25	0	0.00
NUECES	213	0.48	< 5	~
OCHILTREE	< 5	~	0	0.00
OLDHAM	0	0.00	0	0.00
ORANGE	109	1.03	0	0.00
PALO PINTO	8	0.22	0	0.00
PANOLA	13	0.42	6	46.15
PARKER	39	0.23	0	0.00
PARMER	< 5	~	0	0.00
PECOS	9	0.47	0	0.00
POLK	11	0.23	0	0.00
POTTER	313	1.82	18	5.75
PRESIDIO	< 5	~	0	0.00
RAINS	19	1.63	0	0.00
RANDALL	42	0.26	0	0.00
REAGAN	0	0.00	0	0.00
REAL	6	2.18	< 5	~
RED RIVER	< 5	~	< 5	~
REEVES	143	9.40	0	0.00
REFUGIO	6	0.68	< 5	~
ROBERTS	0	0.00	0	0.00
ROBERTSON	6	0.28	0	0.00
ROCKWALL	20	0.14	0	0.00
RUNNELS	< 5	~	0	0.00
RUSK	17	0.26	0	0.00
SABINE	< 5	~	0	0.00
SAN AUGUSTINE	< 5	~	0	0.00
SAN JACINTO	15	0.45	< 5	~
SAN PATRICIO	53	0.59	0	0.00
SAN SABA	0	0.00	0	0.00
SCHLEICHER	< 5	~	0	0.00
SCURRY	14	0.65	0	0.00
SHACKELFORD	< 5	~	0	0.00
SHELBY	6	0.17	0	0.00
SHERMAN	6	1.35	0	0.00
SMITH	89	0.32	< 5	~
SOMERVELL	< 5	~	0	0.00
STARR	415	4.16	5	1.20
STEPHENS	< 5	~	0	0.00
STERLING	< 5	~	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	2,194	0.82	47	2.14
TAYLOR	50	0.31	6	12.00
TERRELL	< 5	~	0	0.00
TERRY	5	0.30	0	0.00
THROCKMORTON	< 5	~	0	0.00
TITUS	19	0.38	0	0.00
TOM GREEN	18	0.14	0	0.00
TRAVIS	623	0.49	16	2.57
TRINITY	< 5	~	0	0.00
TYLER	10	0.46	< 5	~
UPSHUR	25	0.48	0	0.00
UPTON	0	0.00	0	0.00
UVALDE	32	0.81	< 5	~
VAL VERDE	12	0.16	< 5	~
VAN ZANDT	26	0.40	< 5	~
VICTORIA	106	0.91	< 5	~
WALKER	15	0.27	< 5	~
WALLER	25	0.44	0	0.00
WARD	6	0.42	0	0.00
WASHINGTON	< 5	~	0	0.00
WEBB	1,035	2.26	19	1.84
WHARTON	64	1.14	< 5	~
WHEELER	< 5	~	< 5	~
WICHITA	23	0.15	0	0.00
WILBARGER	5	0.29	0	0.00
WILLACY	107	3.61	< 5	~
WILLIAMSON	205	0.29	< 5	~
WILSON	23	0.36	0	0.00
WINKLER	6	0.59	0	0.00
WISE	8	0.10	< 5	~
WOOD	44	0.98	< 5	~
YOAKUM	< 5	~	0	0.00
YOUNG	14	0.60	< 5	~
ZAPATA	12	0.50	0	0.00
ZAVALA	9	0.50	0	0.00
UNKNOWN	5,159	n/	129	2.50
<b>TEXAS</b>	<b>35,170</b>	<b>0.98</b>	<b>691</b>	<b>1.96</b>

## 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.