

2018 Community Needs Assessment

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Executive Summary

The 2018 BVCAP (Brazos Valley Community Action Programs) Community Needs Assessment (CNA) is a culmination of information gathered through subsequent surveys, interviews, and focus groups conducted by BVCAP in 2018. BVCAP conducted interviews and surveys using the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) “Community Needs Assessment Guide” issued in January 2018. Specifically, BVCAP gathered data from responses gathered from the TDHCA’s “Attachment A – Community Needs Survey for Residents”, “Attachment B – Client Survey to Evaluate Services”, “Attachment C – Interview of Elected Officials and Board Members”, and “Attachment D – Interview of Organization.” All interview and survey data and associated results are included in this document and the appendices.

Methodology

The 2018 BVCAP CNA includes information relating to compliance with Organizational Standards 1.1 and 1.2 with customer surveys and the data analysis related to the surveys (see appendix D), 2.2 by gathering community needs and resource information from key sectors of the community such as community-based organizations, faith-based organizations, private sector, public sector, and educational institutions (see data collection methods pg. 7 and appendix C), 2.3 will be met as soon as the assessment is accepted by TDHCA and able to be publicized, 3.1 is being met by conducting this assessment and issuing the report, 3.2 with the poverty data related to gender, age and race/ethnicity (see pages 9-13), 3.3 by containing qualitative and quantitative data throughout the assessment, 3.4 by including key findings on the causes and conditions of poverty and the needs of the 12 county service area (see page 8-9), 3.5 by board acceptance of the assessment (see board minutes- May 9, 2018), and 6.4 by including customer satisfaction data and customer input that will be included in the strategic planning process (see page 5).

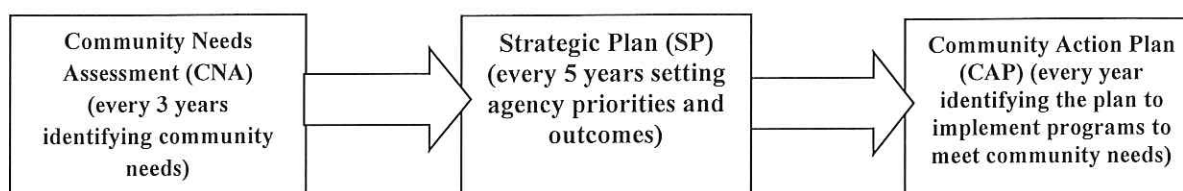
Background

Requirements

The Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Act requires “an assurance that the state will secure from each eligible entity in the state...a community action plan...that includes a community needs assessment for the community served...” In 2001, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (“USHHS”) issued Information Memorandum 49, requiring eligible entities to conduct needs assessments and use the results to design programs to meet community needs. In 2015, USHHS issued Information Memorandum No. 138 establishing Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Organizational Standards, requiring CAAs to conduct a Community Needs Assessment and that they develop a Community Action Plan to address the needs identified in the needs assessment. (*2018 Community Needs Assessment Guide, TDHCA*)

Processes

Community Action Agencies (“CAAs”) must conduct three planning processes:



BVCAP utilized staff, board and community expertise by a planning committee, surveys, interviews, forums, and focus groups to conduct this Community Assessment. The Agency ROMA (Results Oriented Management and Accountability) Implementer led the process of planning, conducting and completing the assessment, supervised by the Energy/Housing Administrator and Executive Director.

Organizational Profile

Affordable Housing

BVCAP partners with the City of College Station to serve as a Community Housing Development Organization with the purpose of providing affordable rental properties in College Station. Since the inception of this program, BVCAP has provided 19 affordable units in College Station.

CSBG Case Management

BVCAP provides case management as a supplemental service to its Utility Assistance program which is described below. Case managers seek to identify needs related to an individual's or family's quality of life which may affect their available resources to pay for basic needs. Once case managers have determined a client's needs, efforts are then made to connect the individuals and/or families to internal programs and/or external agencies that can provide assistance such as continued education and training, counseling, and support for basic needs including food, housing, and clothing. BVCAP provides case management services in all 12 counties served by the agency.

Head Start/Early Head Start

BVCAP Head Start and Early Head Start is an early childhood education program serving 0-5 year olds. The unique education program focuses on the development and individualized involvement of the child and family to promote growth, which will increase lifelong outcomes.

Food Services

BVCAP's Food Services program include Meals on Wheels, Private Pay Meals, and Home Delivered Meals which serve seniors in in Brazos, Burleson, Robertson, and Grimes Counties. The Meals on Wheels program serves persons living at or below the federal poverty level who are disabled and cannot prepare their own meal. Private Pay Meals are hot meals delivered at

lunchtime to homes in which an individual has the means to pay for the service. The Home Delivered Meals program is available to individuals 60 years of age or older who are homebound and unable to prepare their own meals.

Utility Assistance Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program

This service is comprised of three programs: The Crisis Program, The Elderly/Disabled Program, and the Case Management Program. Counties served under these programs include Brazos, Burleson, Grimes, Leon, Madison, Robertson, Waller, Walker, and Washington. The Crisis Program provides immediate assistance to individuals and families who are unable to pay for their electric, natural gas, or propane bills. The Elderly/Disabled Program assists seniors who are 60 years of age or older and disabled individuals over 18 years old with assistance in paying their utilities. Finally, the Case Management Program, described earlier, aims to improve the quality of life of those accessing services through the Utility Assistance program by connecting individuals and families to additional supportive and educational services.

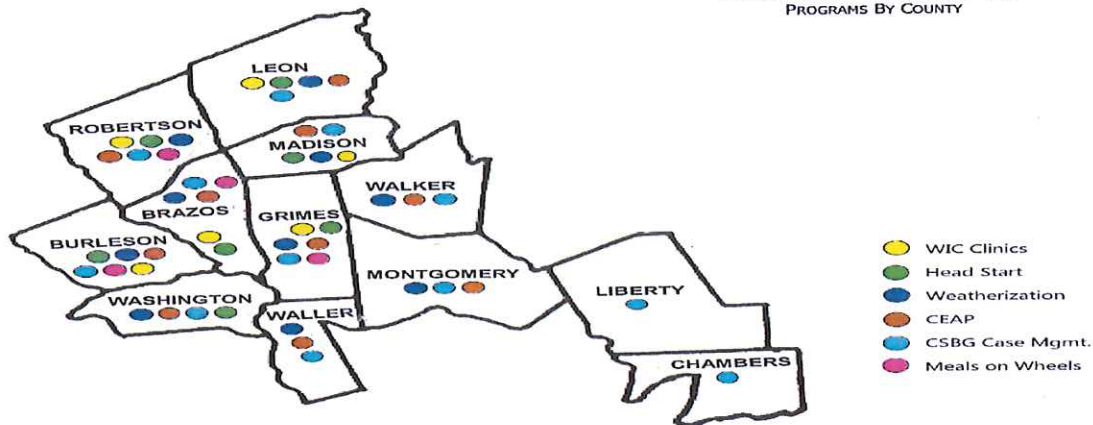
Weatherization

This program is available to low income residents whose homes need to be modified to help control energy costs. BVCAP first conducts an energy audit of the home to determine where energy inefficiencies are located. Services such as sealing windows, installing insulation, repairing or replacing energy inefficient heat and cooling systems, and eliminating structural holes may be provided through the Weatherization program. Counties served include all of the BVCAP service area with the exception of Liberty and Chambers Counties.

Women, Infants and Children Program

The WIC Program provides nutrition assistance and education and additional supportive services to women, infants, and children in Brazos, Burleson, Grimes, Leon, Madison, and Robertson Counties who are earning at or below 185% of the federal poverty level. Specifically, the program serves pregnant women; women who are breastfeeding a baby under 1 year of age; women who have had a baby in the past six months and not breastfeeding; and children under the age of 5. Food vouchers are provided to purchase a limited list of food which includes dairy, protein, grains, and fruits and vegetables. Educational services include information on the importance of breastfeeding; how to breastfeed; nutritional information for babies, toddlers, and young children; and self-care during and post pregnancy, including ways to stay physically active.

SERVICE AREA MAP PROGRAMS BY COUNTY



Community Needs Assessment Results Overview

Survey Results:

Trends in the CSBG area:

Several themes emerged across all counties which include the following:

- Lack of utility assistance (agency level need)
- Lack of money for food (family level need)
- Lack of home energy efficiency (community level need)
- Lack of funds to pay rent (family level need)
- Lack of prescription assistance (community level need)

Analysis of survey data revealed the top needs per county and per BVCAP's 12 county service area as a whole. Although the first need of the service area is identified as "lack of utility assistance", 409 of the 547 individuals surveyed received utility assistance services after completing their survey. Other needs included lack of money for food, lack of home energy efficiency, lack of funds to pay rent, and lack of prescription assistance.

Customer Satisfaction

Among the individuals surveyed, 76.74% were very satisfied with the overall service experience, 1.65% were fairly satisfied, 19.78% did not respond to this question, 1.10% had no opinion, and 0.73% were dissatisfied. All customers that were dissatisfied or needed additional assistance were followed up with if they filled in the "optional" name field.

Community Forum Results:

Community Forums conducted for BVCAP's 12 county service area identified the top five needs as help with utilities, health insurance/affordable medical care, affordable housing, prescription assistance, and transportation. Additionally, there was a separate forum held in Washington County that added food and mental/behavioral counseling or classes as the top needs in their county specifically.

Focus Group Results:

While discussing the Community Needs Assessment, the BVCAP board had an informal focus group conversation detailing that they believe that Affordable Housing is the #1 need. They believe that utility assistance came up as our #1 need because most of the people that returned surveys are already living in a home and that there may be a different perspective according to situations/areas lived. Board members also discussed that employment is tied to affordable housing and then gave a brief example of a company that would like to locate in one of two of our smaller rural counties, but decided not to because there is not enough housing in either area. Focus groups were held in Brazos and Montgomery Counties, with agencies representing each county in the service area, and residents including veterans, and current/previous customers of BVCAP. The consensus of the focus groups was that individuals/families are unable to pay their utility bills, buy food, or purchase their prescriptions because of limited income due to many factors such as unemployment, being underemployed, and living on a fixed income. Focus groups also brought up that rent is very high in the largest areas of the service area, which makes it difficult to pay. As far as needing help to make homes more energy efficient (Weatherization), the focus group focused on the lack of income to afford to make needed repairs before homes are approved to be weatherized and the fact that a lot of the homes are older homes in need of those repairs before they are "tightened up" by the Weatherization program.

Community Needs Assessment Process Overview

Timeline:

- January-April: Gather data (surveys completed by Board Members, Elected Officials, Clients, Community Members, community forums, focus groups)
- April 1-22: Data Consolidation/Analysis
- April 23-27: Draft Report
- April 30: Draft Report to Executive Committee
- April 30-May 8: Final Report
- May 9: Board Approval to meet Organizational Standard 3.5
- May 10-May 23: Final Report
- May 24: Submit to TDHCA

Data Collection Plan:

Data Collection Plan						
County	Poverty Population	County Poverty Population as % of Total Service Area	Survey	Interviews	Forums	Focus Groups
Brazos	20,187	35.13%	✓	✓	✓	✓
Burleson	886	1.54%	✓	✓	✓	
Chambers	1,455	2.53%	✓	✓	✓	
Grimes	1,568	2.73%	✓	✓	✓	
Leon	987	1.72%	✓	✓	✓	
Liberty	4,185	7.28%	✓	✓	✓	
Madison	697	1.21%	✓	✓	✓	
Montgomery	17,588	30.61%	✓	✓	✓	✓
Robertson	1,040	1.81%	✓	✓	✓	
Walker	4,909	8.54%	✓	✓	✓	
Waller	2,364	4.11%	✓	✓	✓	
Washington	1,596	7.28%	✓	✓	✓	

Staff, Board, Partners, Community Involvement, Community Outreach:

The 2018 BVCAP Community Needs Assessment Process included a planning committee made up of 5 staff members and 1 board member that met monthly. Many partners and community members were involved in community forums and focus groups. Outreach was done in our 12-county service area by staff presenting at community organizations, by phone calls and by email.

Data Collection Methods

This assessment consisted of three components: secondary data analysis, qualitative data collected from organizations (Org Std 2.2- faith-based such as Lincoln Bible Church, community organizations such as Focusing Families, private sector such as Structure Roofing and Exteriors, public sector such as The Good Shepherd Mission, education institutions such as Sam Houston State University), elected officials, community forums, focus groups and quantitative data from a series of household/client (Org Std 1.1, 1.2) surveys.

Secondary Data Analysis

Existing data previously collected for other purposes, called secondary data, were compiled from credible state and federal sources to provide a context for analyzing and interpreting the survey data collected specifically for this assessment. Sources of secondary data include the 2010 Census and more recent Census estimates, and communitycommons.org.

Community Profile

Headquartered in Bryan, Texas, (about 90 miles northwest of Houston), BVCAP serves a population of over a million (2016 census estimate) that ranges from small rural counties of less than 16,000 to its largest suburban service area, a county with a population of over half a million. The 12-county service area surrounds the Houston area to the south and stretches nearly 200 miles to the north. Counties served include Brazos, Burleson, Chambers, Grimes, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Montgomery, Robertson, Walker, Waller, and Washington.

Key Findings

Poverty percentages in the BVCAP service area range from 9.2% in Chambers County as the lowest and 24.9% in Brazos County as the highest. In the entire area, 8.9% of Seniors and 18.77% of children are in poverty. According to Community Commons data, females are almost 3% more likely to be in poverty than males within the twelve counties.

Average per capita income is at \$29,228.53; lower than the United States of \$29,829.00. Household income is also lower than the average for Texas. A staggering 48.44% of the BVCAP service area receives free or reduced lunches in school. These range from 31.87% in Chambers County as the lowest and 70.32% in Madison County. Only 9% of the report area receive SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program). An additional 41,238 individuals are below poverty and not receiving SNAP. These findings could be the contributing factors causing the needs of lack of food, and lack of funds for rent.

Although our focus groups identified unemployment as one of the factors impacting customers being able to pay their bills, the average unemployment rate in the twelve county service area is 4.1%, which is the same as the average in the entire state of Texas and lower than the overall United States rate of 4.4%. However, when broken down by county, unemployment rates range from 2.9% to 6.3% with the highest percentages being in rural counties.

Houses in the twelve county service area have a median age of 17-32 years. Over 50% of homes are occupied by owners and 0.46% of homes are declared as unsafe/unsanitary compared to the Texas percentage of 0.47% and United States at 0.39%. Almost 2% of homes are unsafe/unsanitary in one rural county of the report area. There is a 5.5% vacancy rate which is 2.9% higher than the percentages in Texas and the United States. Business vacancy rates are at 11.1% per the service area.

Overall, 15.66% of the service area have no high school diploma, which is lower than the Texas average of 17.65% and higher than the United States of 13.02%. When broken down per county, the range of percentages for people without a high school diploma is 13.23% to 23.81%. Adult Literacy for the report area is lower than the average for Texas and the United States.

In the BVCAP twelve county service area, 15.52% of the population is uninsured compared to the United States at 8.4% and Texas at 16.49%. This may be the reason that lack of

prescription assistance came up as one of the top five needs. However, there are medical providers in all counties, with Federally Qualified Health Centers in ten of the twelve counties.

Demographics

Poverty

2016 poverty estimates show a total of 165,846 persons living below the poverty level in the report area. Poverty information is at 100% of the federal poverty income guidelines.

Report Area	All Ages No of Persons	All Ages Poverty Rate	Age 0-17 No of Persons	Age 0- 17 Poverty Rate	Age 5-17 No of Persons	Age 5- 17 Poverty Rate
Report Area	165,846	15.23%	49,254	18.77%	33,071	17.23%
Brazos County, TX	51,022	24.9%	10,040	22.5%	6,347	20.6%
Burleson County, TX	2,519	14.4%	970	24.4%	666	23.2%
Chambers County, TX	3,646	9.2%	1,388	12.6%	970	11.8%
Grimes County, TX	4,124	16.7%	1,518	24.9%	1,076	24.3%
Leon County, TX	3,090	18%	1,043	26.7%	707	24.9%
Liberty County, TX	12,164	15.9%	4,705	22.9%	3,329	22.5%
Madison County, TX	1,993	17.3%	702	23.3%	484	21.7%
Montgomery County, TX	59,836	10.9%	20,772	14.2%	13,975	12.9%
Robertson County, TX	3,097	18.7%	1,191	29.4%	825	28.4%
Walker County, TX	12,123	22.3%	2,588	24.2%	1,764	23.5%
Waller County, TX	7,591	16.5%	2,790	23.3%	1,863	21.5%
Washington County, TX	4,641	14.1%	1,547	20.8%	1,065	20%
Texas	8,522,584	15.81%	3,232,172	22.66%	2,222,978	21.53%
United States	44,268,996	13.90%	14,115,713	19.18%	9,648,486	17.95%

Data Source: US Census Bureau, Small Area Income Poverty Estimates. 2016. Source geography: County



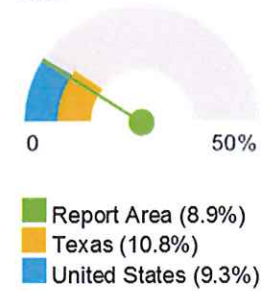
Seniors in Poverty

Poverty rates for seniors (persons age 65 and over) are shown below. According to American Community Survey estimates, there were 11,281 seniors, or 8.9% percent, living in poverty within the report area.

Report Area	Ages 65 and Up Total Population	Ages 65 and Up In Poverty	Ages 65 and Up Poverty Rate
Report Area	127,062	11,281	8.9%
Brazos County, TX	16,681	1,770	10.6%
Burleson County, TX	3,262	301	9.2%
Chambers County, TX	3,983	482	12.1%
Grimes County, TX	3,998	577	14.4%
Leon County, TX	3,844	295	7.7%
Liberty County, TX	9,785	1,035	10.6%
Madison County, TX	1,876	148	7.9%
Montgomery County, TX	61,453	4,742	7.7%
Robertson County, TX	2,947	363	12.3%
Walker County, TX	7,399	535	7.2%
Waller County, TX	5,271	259	4.9%
Washington County, TX	6,563	774	11.8%
Texas	3,008,037	326,261	10.8%
United States	44,874,586	4,195,427	9.3%

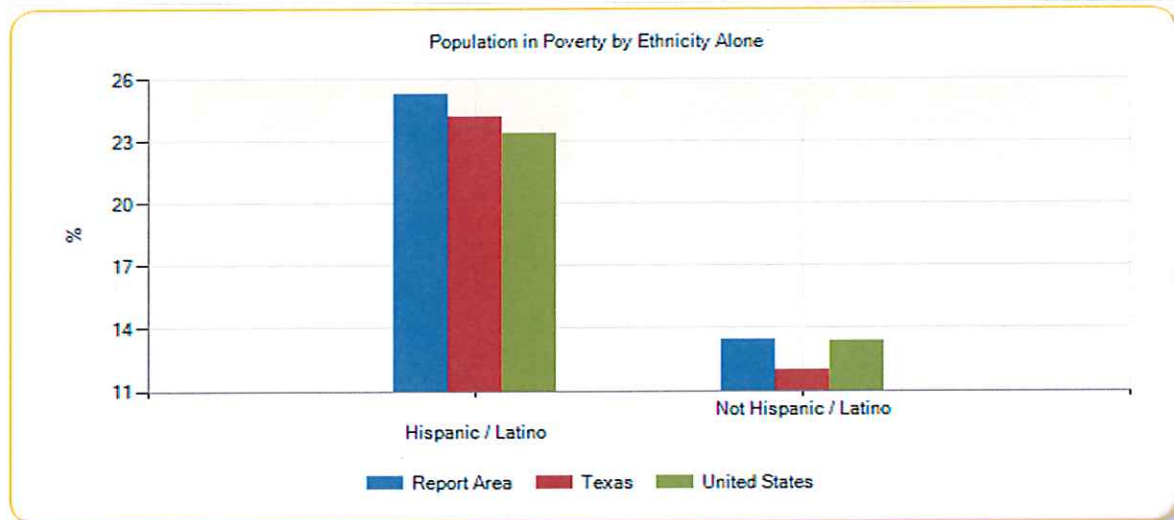
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Ages 65 and Up Poverty Rate



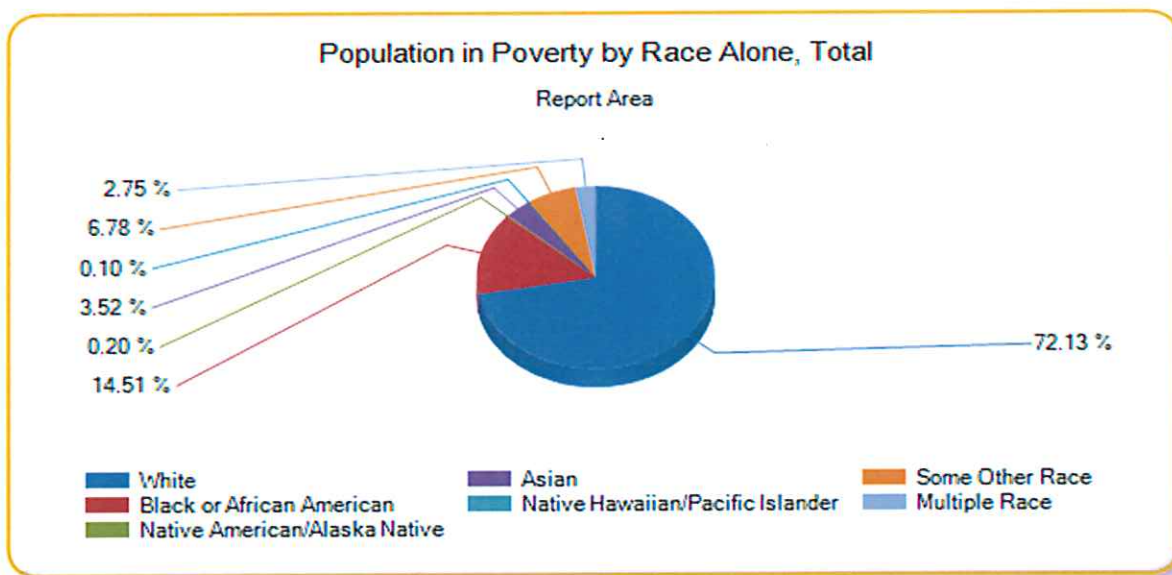
Population in Poverty by Ethnicity Alone

Report Area	Total Hispanic / Latino	Total Not Hispanic / Latino	Percent Hispanic / Latino	Percent Not Hispanic / Latino
Report Area	57,574	107,307	25.29%	13.42%
Brazos County, TX	13,686	38,966	28.34%	26.53%
Burleson County, TX	488	1,841	14.19%	13.47%
Chambers County, TX	1,585	2,826	19.83%	9.46%
Grimes County, TX	1,102	3,717	20.12%	20.29%
Leon County, TX	850	1,844	36.2%	12.75%
Liberty County, TX	4,496	7,952	31.63%	13.82%
Madison County, TX	360	1,201	24.57%	15.04%
Montgomery County, TX	27,115	29,689	23.5%	7.44%
Robertson County, TX	412	2,048	12.76%	15.63%
Walker County, TX	2,218	9,854	28.36%	23.24%
Waller County, TX	3,611	4,375	27.63%	15.15%
Washington County, TX	1,651	2,994	33.37%	10.93%
Texas	2,468,927	1,928,380	24.16%	11.97%
United States	12,653,597	34,278,628	23.4%	13.36%



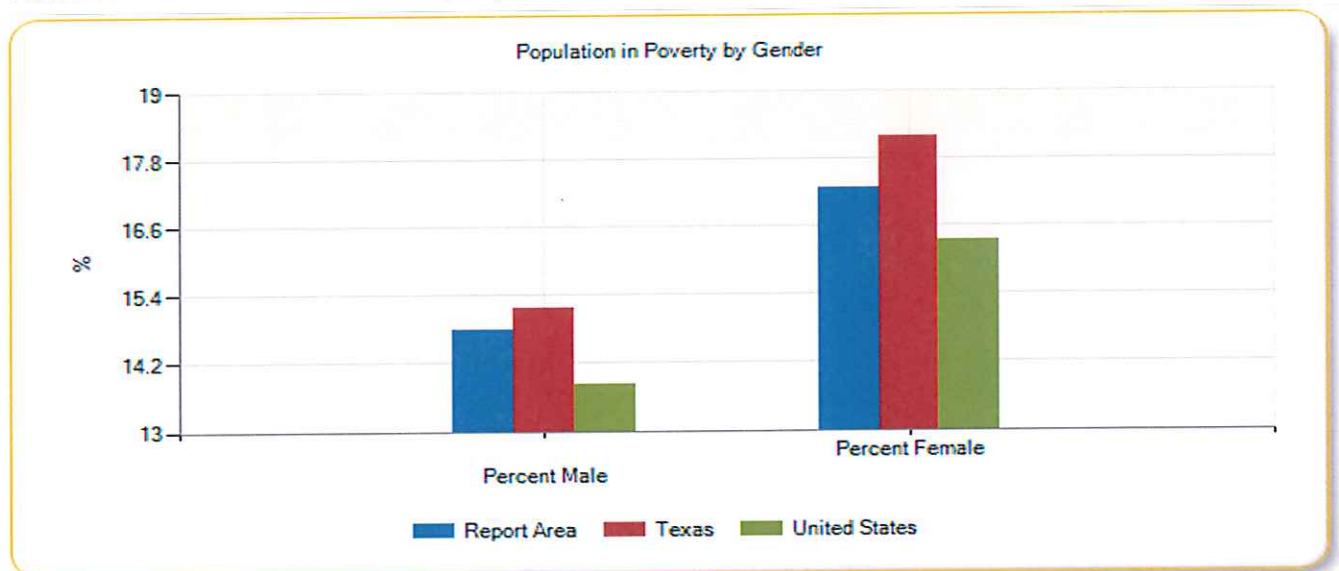
Population in Poverty by Race Alone, Total

Report Area	White	Black or African American	Native American / Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Multiple Race
Report Area	118,922	23,926	337	5,808	171	11,185	4,532
Brazos County, TX	35,309	7,161	64	4,246	20	4,146	1,706
Burleson County, TX	1,494	534	6	0	0	194	101
Chambers County, TX	3,436	376	27	89	0	468	15
Grimes County, TX	3,151	1,443	44	0	0	118	63
Leon County, TX	2,340	267	5	0	0	18	64
Liberty County, TX	9,915	1,199	46	121	13	807	347
Madison County, TX	1,140	350	4	0	0	20	47
Montgomery County, TX	45,601	3,627	39	1,007	138	4,717	1,675
Robertson County, TX	1,268	1,059	4	7	0	39	83
Walker County, TX	7,951	3,475	63	163	0	286	134
Waller County, TX	4,512	2,788	35	21	0	333	297
Washington County, TX	2,805	1,647	0	154	0	39	0
Texas	3,054,970	697,386	26,264	129,228	3,024	373,974	112,461
United States	28,424,685	10,111,248	692,998	2,009,019	108,956	3,765,448	1,819,871



Population in Poverty by Gender

Report Area	Total Male	Total Female	Percent Male	Percent Female
Report Area	75,455	89,426	14.81%	17.27%
Brazos County, TX	25,257	27,395	25.88%	28.08%
Burleson County, TX	1,017	1,312	11.91%	15.31%
Chambers County, TX	2,063	2,348	10.98%	12.32%
Grimes County, TX	2,172	2,647	18.52%	21.94%
Leon County, TX	1,243	1,451	14.88%	17.16%
Liberty County, TX	5,366	7,082	14.65%	20.17%
Madison County, TX	711	850	15.66%	17.3%
Montgomery County, TX	25,697	31,107	10.11%	11.95%
Robertson County, TX	1,205	1,255	14.87%	15.26%
Walker County, TX	5,082	6,990	21.74%	26.04%
Waller County, TX	3,665	4,321	17.07%	21.1%
Washington County, TX	1,977	2,668	12.26%	16.46%
Texas	1,966,846	2,430,461	15.17%	18.18%
United States	21,012,839	25,919,386	13.82%	16.34%



Employment

Labor force, employment, and unemployment data for each county in the report area is provided in the table below. Overall, the report area experienced an average 4.1% percent unemployment rate in February 2018.

Report Area	Labor Force	Number Employed	Number Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
Report Area	542,517	520,161	22,356	4.1%
Brazos County, TX	119,430	115,989	3,441	2.9%
Burleson County, TX	8,375	8,053	322	3.8%
Chambers County, TX	18,887	17,702	1,185	6.3%
Grimes County, TX	10,833	10,345	488	4.5%
Leon County, TX	6,082	5,721	361	5.9%
Liberty County, TX	32,252	30,110	2,142	6.6%
Madison County, TX	4,635	4,431	204	4.4%
Montgomery County, TX	272,931	261,754	11,177	4.1%
Robertson County, TX	7,671	7,348	323	4.2%
Walker County, TX	23,918	22,841	1,077	4.5%
Waller County, TX	22,593	21,553	1,040	4.6%
Washington County, TX	14,910	14,314	596	4%
Texas	13,811,924	13,241,913	570,011	4.1%
United States	162,581,545	155,381,962	7,199,583	4.4%

Unemployment Rate



Data Source: US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. 2018 - February. Source geography: County

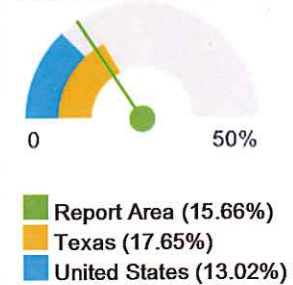
Education

Educational Attainment

Educational Attainment shows the distribution of educational attainment levels in the report area. Educational attainment is calculated for persons over 25, and is an estimated average for the period from 2012 to 2016.

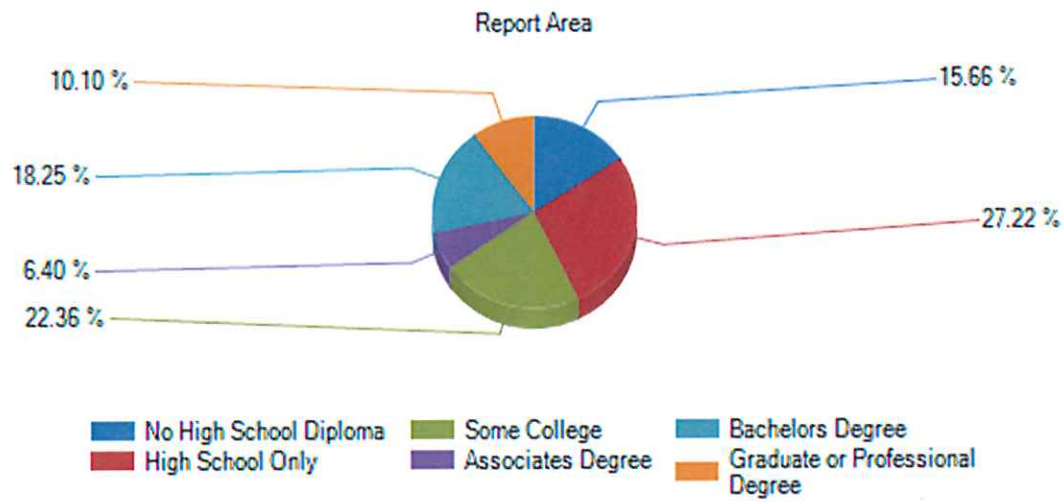
Report Area	Percent No High School Diploma	Percent High School Only	Percent Some College	Percent Associates Degree	Percent Bachelors Degree	Percent Graduate or Professional Degree
Report Area	15.66%	27.21%	22.36%	6.4%	18.25%	10.1%
Brazos County, TX	14.36%	19.6%	20.4%	5.9%	21.5%	18.3%
Burleson County, TX	19.58%	39.3%	21.4%	4.9%	9.5%	5.3%
Chambers County, TX	16.21%	29.2%	25.3%	8.2%	14.5%	6.7%
Grimes County, TX	22.24%	35.1%	24.2%	5.4%	8.8%	4.4%
Leon County, TX	15.47%	38%	23.5%	6.3%	12.1%	4.6%
Liberty County, TX	23.81%	39.1%	21.9%	5.2%	7.3%	2.7%
Madison County, TX	22.44%	36.9%	23.9%	4.4%	9.5%	2.8%
Montgomery County, TX	13.23%	24.1%	22.7%	7%	21.8%	11.1%
Robertson County, TX	17.44%	35.3%	25.2%	4.7%	12.1%	5.2%
Walker County, TX	17.44%	36.6%	21.8%	4.6%	13.8%	5.8%
Waller County, TX	21.62%	30.5%	22.6%	6.5%	13.5%	5.2%
Washington County, TX	17.42%	31.4%	21.3%	7.9%	15.8%	6.3%
Texas	17.65%	25.1%	22.4%	6.8%	18.5%	9.6%
United States	13.02%	27.5%	21%	8.2%	18.8%	11.5%

Percent Population with No High School Diploma

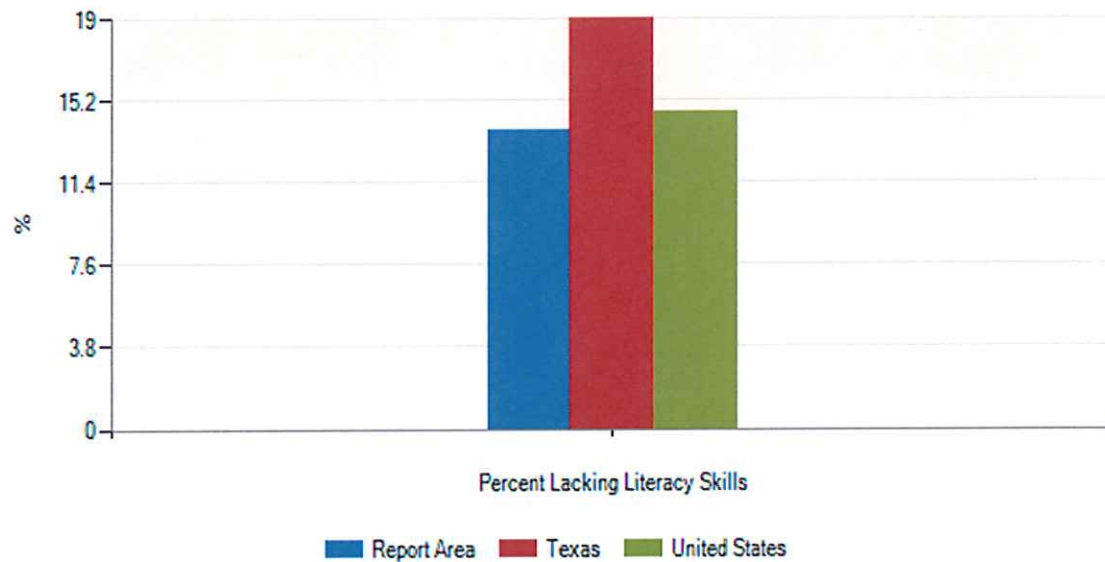


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Percent Population with No High School Diploma



Percentage of Adults Lacking Literacy Skills



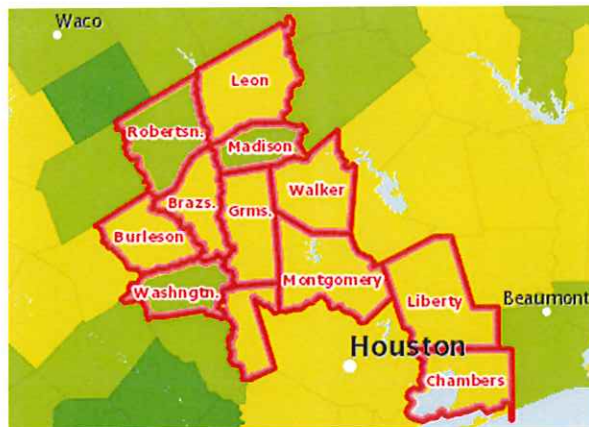
Housing

Housing Age

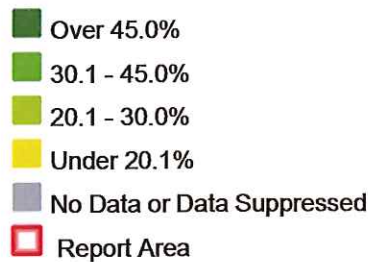
Total housing units, median year built and median age in 2016 for the report area are shown below. Housing units used in housing age include only those where the year built is known.

Report Area	Total Housing Units	Median Year Built	Median Age (from 2016)
Report Area	423,800		no data
Brazos County, TX	83,504	1989	25
Burleson County, TX	8,894	1985	29
Chambers County, TX	14,440	1996	18
Grimes County, TX	10,983	1986	28
Leon County, TX	9,545	1985	29
Liberty County, TX	29,609	1988	26
Madison County, TX	5,174	1982	32
Montgomery County, TX	196,210	1997	17
Robertson County, TX	8,540	1982	32
Walker County, TX	25,003	1989	25
Waller County, TX	16,148	1991	23
Washington County, TX	15,750	1984	30
Texas	10,441,643	1985	29
United States	134,054,899	1977	37

Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2012-16. Source geography: County



Housing Constructed Before 1960, Percent by County, ACS 2012-16

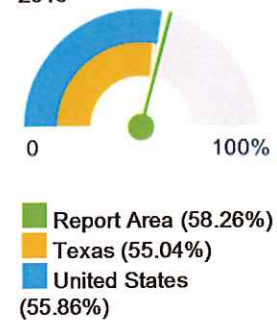


Homeowners

The U.S. Census Bureau estimated there were 182,433 homeowners in the report area in 2000, and 69.77% owner occupied homes in the report area for the 5 year estimated period from 2012 - 2016.

Report Area	Owner Occupied Homes 2000	Owner Occupied Homes 2000	Owner Occupied Homes 2016	Owner Occupied Homes 2016
Report Area	182,433	69.77%	246,887	58.26%
Brazos County, TX	25,160	45.58%	34,076	40.81%
Burleson County, TX	5,073	79.73%	5,099	57.33%
Chambers County, TX	7,641	83.61%	10,436	72.27%
Grimes County, TX	6,027	77.74%	6,946	63.24%
Leon County, TX	5,125	82.81%	5,025	52.65%
Liberty County, TX	18,356	78.98%	19,193	64.82%
Madison County, TX	3,013	76.98%	2,805	54.21%
Montgomery County, TX	80,688	78.11%	128,765	65.63%
Robertson County, TX	4,421	71.55%	4,620	54.1%
Walker County, TX	10,952	59.84%	11,134	44.53%
Waller County, TX	7,650	72.46%	9,632	59.65%
Washington County, TX	8,327	73.55%	9,156	58.13%
Texas	4,716,959	63.8%	5,747,458	55.04%
United States	69,815,753	66.19%	74,881,068	55.86%

Owner Occupied Homes
2016




Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2012-16. Source geography: County

Vacancy Rates

The U.S. Postal Service provided information quarterly to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on addresses identified as vacant in the previous quarter. Residential and business vacancy rates for the report area in the first quarter of 2015 are reported.

For this reporting period, a total of 26,841 residential addresses were identified as vacant in the report area, a vacancy rate of 5.5%, and 4,350 business addresses were also reported as vacant, a rate of 11.1%.

Report Area	Residential Addresses	Vacant Residential Addresses	Residential Vacancy Rate	Business Addresses	Vacant Business Addresses	Business Vacancy Rate	Residential Vacancy Rate
Report Area	490,672	26,841	5.5%	39,206	4,350	11.1%	
Brazos County, TX	100,444	2,007	2%	8,400	585	7%	
Burleson County, TX	7,204	985	13.7%	486	49	10.1%	
Chambers County, TX	14,636	811	5.5%	938	85	9.1%	
Grimes County, TX	11,616	1,412	12.2%	662	156	23.6%	
Leon County, TX	6,687	966	14.4%	229	30	13.1%	
Liberty County, TX	33,844	3,710	11%	2,173	309	14.2%	
Madison County, TX	5,042	641	12.7%	485	55	11.3%	
Montgomery County, TX	235,864	10,621	4.5%	19,829	2,414	12.2%	
Robertson County, TX	7,379	835	11.3%	487	63	12.9%	
Walker County, TX	32,644	2,024	6.2%	2,411	229	9.5%	
Waller County, TX	17,235	1,399	8.1%	1,129	154	13.6%	
Washington County, TX	18,077	1,430	7.9%	1,977	221	11.2%	
Texas	11,854,524	307,588	2.6%	1,164,708	106,323	9.1%	
United States	146,832,025	3,825,190	2.6%	13,835,679	1,232,945	8.9%	

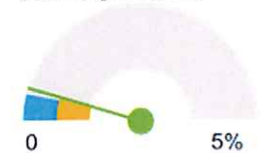
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Number of Unsafe, Unsanitary Homes

The number and percentage of occupied housing units without plumbing are shown for the report area. U.S. Census data shows 1,955 housing units in the report area were without plumbing in 2000 and ACS five year estimates show 1,719 housing units in the report area were without plumbing in 2016.

Report Area	Occupied Housing Units 2000	Housing Units without Plumbing 2000	Percent without Plumbing 2000	Occupied Housing Units 2016	Housing Units without Plumbing 2016	Percent without Plumbing 2016
Report Area	261,459	1,955	0.75%	372,874	1,719	0.46%
Brazos County, TX	55,202	268	0.45%	75,797	104	0.14%
Burleson County, TX	6,363	72	0.88%	6,385	84	1.32%
Chambers County, TX	9,139	70	0.68%	12,967	154	1.19%
Grimes County, TX	7,753	188	1.98%	9,000	122	1.36%
Leon County, TX	6,189	79	0.95%	6,279	20	0.32%
Liberty County, TX	23,242	145	0.55%	25,611	211	0.82%
Madison County, TX	3,914	28	0.58%	4,121	36	0.87%
Montgomery County, TX	103,296	606	0.54%	179,587	767	0.43%
Robertson County, TX	6,179	63	0.8%	6,366	36	0.57%
Walker County, TX	18,303	155	0.73%	20,695	26	0.13%
Waller County, TX	10,557	138	1.15%	14,082	72	0.51%
Washington County, TX	11,322	143	1.08%	11,984	87	0.73%
Texas	7,393,354	54,853	0.67%	9,289,554	43,464	0.47%
United States	106,741,426	736,626	0.69%	117,706,238	453,650	0.39%

Percentage of Housing Units Without Complete Plumbing Facilities



Report Area (0.46%)
Texas (0.47%)
United States (0.39%)

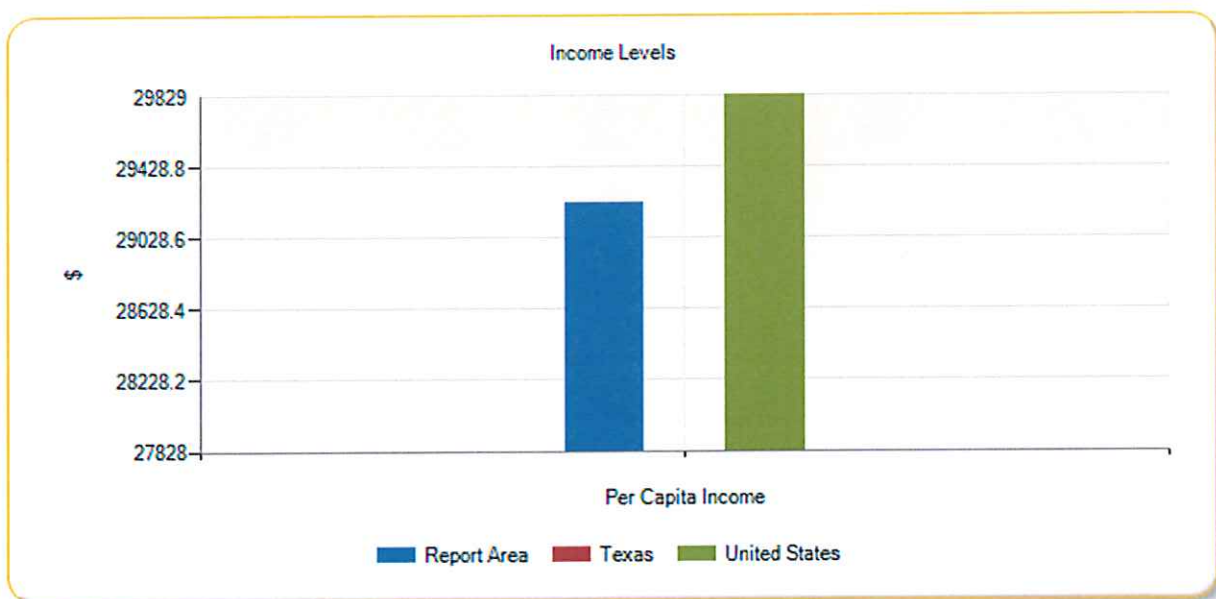
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Income and Asset Building

Income Levels

Two common measures of income are Median Household Income and Per Capita Income, based on U.S. Census Bureau estimates. Both measures are shown for the report area below. The average Per Capita income for the report area is \$29,228.53, compared to a national average of \$29,829.

Report Area	Median Household Income	Per Capita Income
Report Area	no data	\$29,228.53
Brazos County, TX	\$41,654	\$24,157
Burleson County, TX	\$52,513	\$25,833
Chambers County, TX	\$70,396	\$29,729
Grimes County, TX	\$47,839	\$21,173
Leon County, TX	\$47,441	\$27,271
Liberty County, TX	\$49,655	\$22,065
Madison County, TX	\$43,209	\$17,698
Montgomery County, TX	\$70,805	\$35,912
Robertson County, TX	\$49,142	\$22,980
Walker County, TX	\$40,090	\$16,419
Waller County, TX	\$53,508	\$23,338
Washington County, TX	\$52,718	\$25,976
Texas	\$54,727	\$27,828
United States	\$55,322	\$29,829

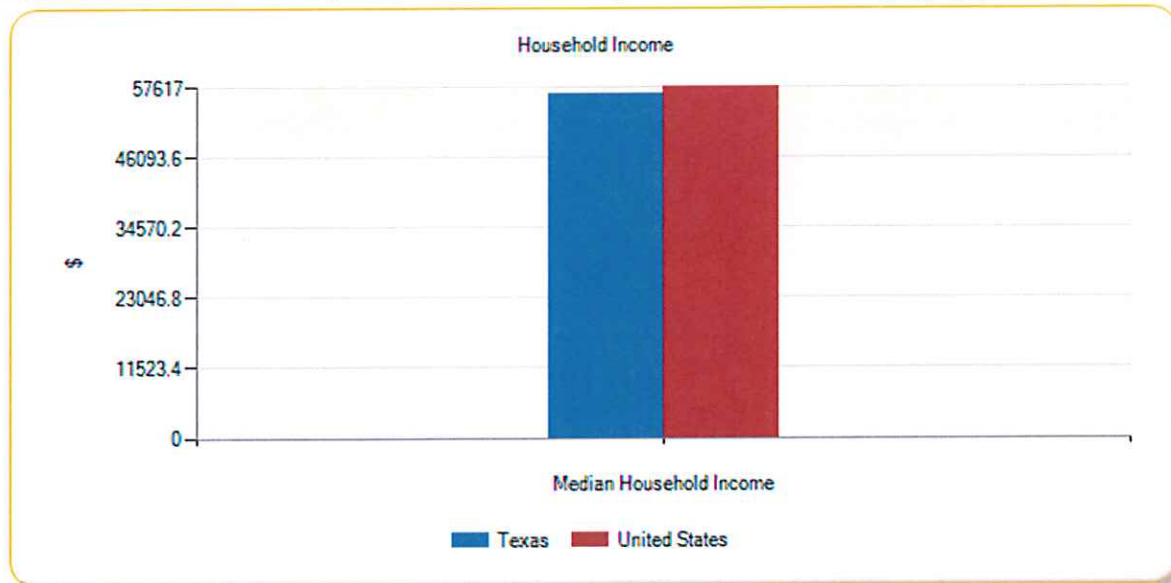


Household Income

Median annual household incomes in the report area for 2016 are shown in the table below.

Report Area	Median Household Income
Brazos County, TX	\$42,279
Burleson County, TX	\$48,533
Chambers County, TX	\$80,279
Grimes County, TX	\$50,891
Leon County, TX	\$44,891
Liberty County, TX	\$48,592
Madison County, TX	\$42,429
Montgomery County, TX	\$72,506
Robertson County, TX	\$42,680
Walker County, TX	\$42,709
Waller County, TX	\$56,407
Washington County, TX	\$53,157
Texas	\$56,583
United States	\$57,617

Data Source: US Census Bureau, Small Area Income Poverty Estimates. 2016. Source geography: County



Health and Social/Behavioral

Nutrition

Free and Reduced Lunch Program

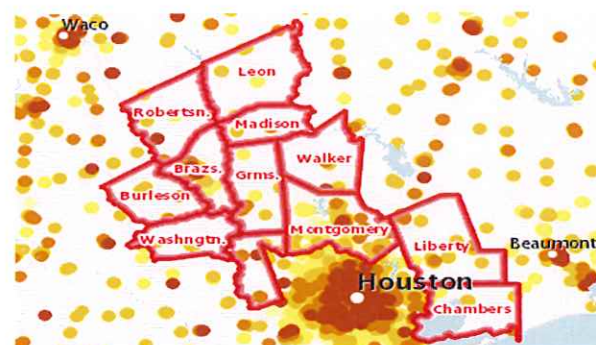
The following report shows that 94,919 students (or 48.44 percent) were eligible for free or reduced price lunches during the 2013 - 2014 school year, which is more than the national average of 52.35 percent.

Report Area	Total Students	Number Free/Reduced Price Lunch Eligible	Percent Free/Reduced Price Lunch Eligible
Report Area	195,944	94,919	48.44%
Brazos County, TX	29,787	17,139	57.54%
Burleson County, TX	2,746	1,661	60.49%
Chambers County, TX	8,507	2,711	31.87%
Grimes County, TX	4,514	2,998	66.42%
Leon County, TX	3,137	1,724	54.96%
Liberty County, TX	15,648	9,656	61.71%
Madison County, TX	2,689	1,891	70.32%
Montgomery County, TX	105,351	42,569	40.41%
Robertson County, TX	3,329	2,122	63.74%
Walker County, TX	8,388	4,856	57.89%
Waller County, TX	6,474	4,759	73.51%
Washington County, TX	5,374	2,833	52.72%
Texas	5,300,635	3,123,844	58.94%
United States	50,611,787	25,893,504	52.61%

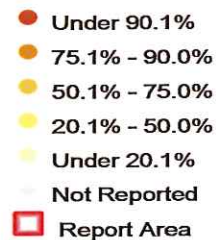
Percent Students Eligible for Free or Reduced Price Lunch



Data Source: National Center for Education Statistics, NCES - Common Core of Data. 2015-16. Source geography: Address



Students Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Lunch, NCES CCD 2015-16



Households Receiving SNAP by Poverty Status (ACS)

The below table shows that according to the American Community Survey (ACS), 33,405 households (or 9%) received SNAP payments during 2016. During this same period there were 41,238 households with income levels below the poverty level that were not receiving SNAP payments.

Report Area	Households Receiving SNAP Total	Households Receiving SNAP Percent	Households Receiving SNAP Income Below Poverty	Households Receiving SNAP Income Above Poverty	Households Not Receiving SNAP Total	Households Not Receiving SNAP Percent	Households Not Receiving SNAP Income Below Poverty	Households Not Receiving SNAP Income Above Poverty
Report Area	33,405	9%	16,224	17,181	339,469	91%	41,238	298,231
Brazos County, TX	6,659	8.79%	3,653	3,006	69,138	91.21%	16,534	52,604
Burleson County, TX	948	14.85%	465	483	5,437	85.15%	421	5,016
Chambers County, TX	731	5.64%	216	515	12,236	94.36%	1,239	10,997
Grimes County, TX	1,397	15.52%	721	676	7,603	84.48%	847	6,756
Leon County, TX	656	10.45%	372	284	5,623	89.55%	615	5,008
Liberty County, TX	4,312	16.84%	2,228	2,084	21,299	83.16%	1,957	19,342
Madison County, TX	575	13.95%	301	274	3,546	86.05%	396	3,150
Montgomery County, TX	12,001	6.68%	5,559	6,442	167,586	93.32%	12,029	155,557
Robertson County, TX	1,146	18%	514	632	5,220	82%	526	4,694
Walker County, TX	1,456	7.04%	698	758	19,239	92.96%	4,211	15,028
Waller County, TX	2,469	17.53%	981	1,488	11,613	82.47%	1,383	10,230
Washington County, TX	1,055	8.8%	516	539	10,929	91.2%	1,080	9,849
Texas	1,220,336	13.14%	620,671	599,665	8,069,218	86.86%	786,239	7,282,979
United States	15,360,951	13.05%	7,727,684	7,633,267	102,355,286	86.95%	8,924,556	93,430,730

Federally Qualified Health Centers

Federally Qualified Health Centers in this selected area.

County	Provider Number	FQHC Name	Address	City	Phone
Brazos County	PN: 671861	COLLEGE STATION COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER	1651 ROCK PRAIRIE ROAD - SUITE 102	COLLEGE STATION	(979) 693-7400
Brazos County	PN: 451942	BRAZOS VALLEY COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY	3370 SOUTH TEXAS AVENUE	BRYAN	(797) 779-7443
Brazos County	PN: 671953	ROCK PRAIRIE FAMILY MEDICINE AND OBSTETRICS	1602 ROCK PRAIRIE ROAD, SUITE 230	COLLEGE STATION	(979) 694-4796
Brazos County	PN: 741824	HEALTH POINT BRYAN	2700 EAST 29TH STREET, SUITE 300	BRYAN	(979) 776-0371
Brazos County	PN: 741830	ST JOSEPH HEALTH POINT BRYAN	1301 MEMORIAL DRIVE	BRYAN	(979) 731-4520
Burleson County	PN: 671972	BURLESON COUNTY COMMUNITY HEALTH CLINIC	600 MEMORY LANE	SOMERVILLE	(979) 596-1441
Burleson County	PN: 671973	HEALTH POINT CALDWELL	302 WEST HWY 21	CALDWELL	(978) 567-3287
Chambers County	PN: 671872	BAYSIDE CLINIC	621 S ROSS STERLING	ANAHUAC	(409) 267-4126
Chambers County	PN: 671903	WEST CHAMBERS MEDICAL CLINIC	9825 EAGLE DRIVE	BAYTOWN	(281) 576-0670
Grimes County	PN: 451981	GRIMES COUNTY COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER	702 LA SALLE	NAVASOTA	(939) 825-7969
Leon County	PN: 671848	LEON COUNTY COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER	607 LASSATER	CENTERVIEW	(903) 536-3687

Liberty County	PN: 671866	HEALTH CENTER OF SOUTHEAST TEXAS	307 N WILLIAM BARNETT AVE	CLEVELAND	(281) 592- 2224
Liberty County	PN: 741886	HEALTH CENTER OF SOUTHEAST TEXAS - LIBERTY	1202 NORTH TRAVIS STREET	LIBERTY	(936) 334- 1185
Madison County	PN: 671828	MADISON COUNTY COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER	813 STATE STREET - SUITE 105	MADISONVILLE	(979) 279- 0701
Montgomery County	PN: 741910	LONE STAR FAMILY HEALTH CENTER	201 LINCOLN RIDGE	WILLIS	(936) 224- 4200
Montgomery County	PN: 451966	LONE STAR FAMILY HEALTH CENTER	605 SOUTH CONROE MEDICAL DRIVE	CONROE	(936) 523- 5242
Montgomery County	PN: 741840	LONE STAR COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER	440 RAYFORD ROAD, SUITE 150	SPRING	(832) 246- 8770
Robertson County	PN: 451986	ROBERTSON COUNTY COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER	1002 WEST BROWN STREET	HEARNE	(979) 279- 0701
Robertson County	PN: 671974	HEARNE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER	709 BARTON STREET	HEARNE	(979) 279- 3451
Robertson County	PN: 671981	ST JOSEPH HEALTH POINT FRANKLIN	808 WEST US HWY 79	FRANKLIN	(979) 828- 4540
Waller County	PN: 671851	ACCESS HEALTH	REDA BLA ND EVANS AT O J BAKER STREET	PRAIRIE VIEW	(281) 342- 4530
Waller County	PN: 741868	HEALTH POINT HEMPSTEAD	215 FM 1488 ROAD	HEMPSTEAD	(979) 826- 8200
Waller County	PN: 741922	ACCESSHEALTH	533 FM 359 SOUTH	BROOKSHIRE	(281) 822- 4235

Data Source: US Department of Health Human Services, Center for Medicare Medicaid Services,
Provider of Services File. Dec. 2016. Source geography: County

Medicare and Medicaid Providers

Total institutional Medicare and Medicaid providers, including hospitals, nursing facilities, Federally qualified health centers, rural health clinics and community mental health centers for the report area are shown. According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, there were 223 active Medicare and Medicaid institutional service providers in the report area in the fourth quarter of 2016.

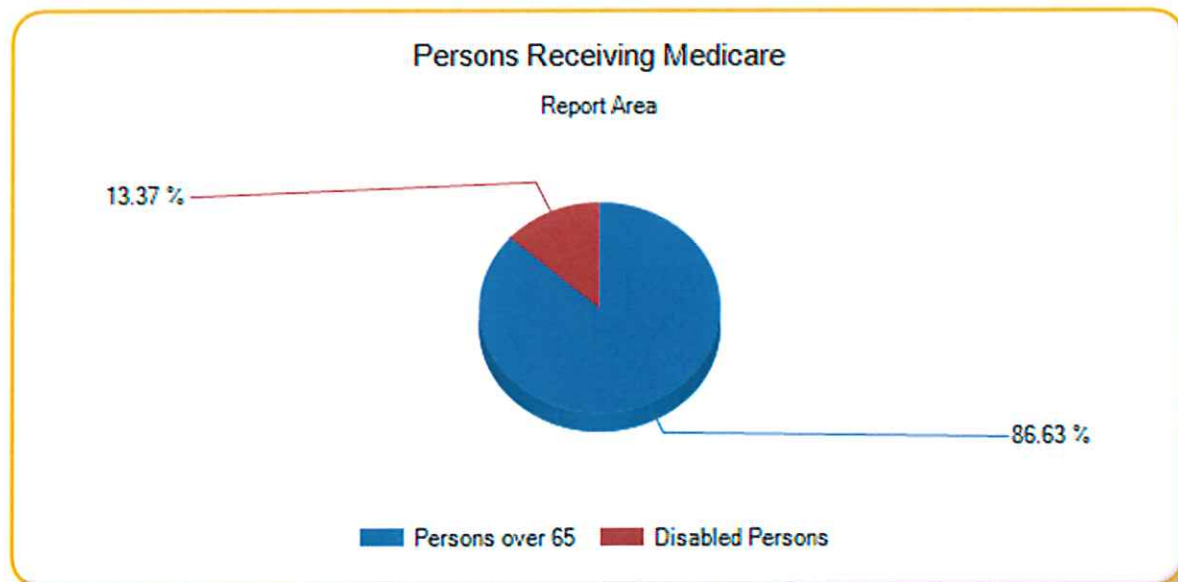
Report Area	Total Institutional Providers	Hospitals	Nursing Facilities	Federally Qualified Health Centers	Rural Health Clinics	Community Mental Health Centers
Report Area	223	27	40	23	9	0
Brazos County, TX	46	6	6	5	0	0
Burleson County, TX	5	1	2	2	0	0
Chambers County, TX	8	2	1	2	1	0
Grimes County, TX	4	1	2	1	0	0
Leon County, TX	2	0	1	1	0	0
Liberty County, TX	23	3	4	2	2	0
Madison County, TX	7	1	2	1	1	0
Montgomery County, TX	73	11	9	3	0	0
Robertson County, TX	10	0	4	3	1	0
Walker County, TX	15	1	3	0	2	0
Waller County, TX	15	0	1	3	0	0
Washington County, TX	15	1	5	0	2	0
Texas	7,850	697	1,214	417	302	15
United States	72,892	7,175	15,652	7,666	4,156	163

Data Source: US Department of Health Human Services, Center for Medicare Medicaid Services, Provider of Services File. Dec. 2016. Source geography: County

Persons Receiving Medicare

The total number of persons receiving Medicare is shown, broken down by number over 65 and number of disabled persons receiving Medicare for the report area. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services reported that a total of 159,794 persons were receiving Medicare benefits in the report area in 2017. A large number of individuals in our society are aware that persons over 65 years of age receive Medicare; however, many of them are unaware that disabled persons also receive Medicare benefits. A total of 21,366 disabled persons in the report area received Medicare benefits in 2017.

Report Area	Persons Over 65 Receiving Medicare	Disabled Persons Receiving Medicare	Total Persons Receiving Medicare
Report Area	138,427	21,366	159,794
Brazos County, TX	19,107	3,090	22,198
Burleson County, TX	3,417	556	3,973
Chambers County, TX	2,736	452	3,188
Grimes County, TX	4,655	747	5,402
Leon County, TX	4,676	616	5,292
Liberty County, TX	12,013	2,674	14,688
Madison County, TX	68,808	9,676	78,484
Montgomery County, TX	2,766	457	3,222
Robertson County, TX	8,285	1,271	9,557
Walker County, TX	4,749	723	5,472
Waller County, TX	7,215	1,104	8,318
Texas	6,628,852	1,143,360	7,772,811
United States	49,775,028	8,768,041	58,543,069

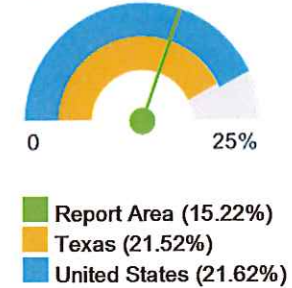


Population Receiving Medicaid

This indicator reports the percentage of the population with insurance enrolled in Medicaid (or other means-tested public health insurance). This indicator is relevant because it assesses vulnerable populations which are more likely to have multiple health access, health status, and social support needs; when combined with poverty data, providers can use this measure to identify gaps in eligibility and enrollment.

Report Area	Total Population (For Whom Insurance Status is Determined)	Population with Any Health Insurance	Population Receiving Medicaid	Percent of Insured Population Receiving Medicaid
Report Area	1,049,287	882,021	134,253	15.22%
Brazos County, TX	206,103	177,061	23,750	13.41%
Burleson County, TX	17,239	13,808	2,977	21.56%
Chambers County, TX	37,872	31,625	5,104	16.14%
Grimes County, TX	23,784	19,649	4,748	24.16%
Leon County, TX	16,821	13,763	3,075	22.34%
Liberty County, TX	71,930	56,809	13,881	24.43%
Madison County, TX	9,490	7,680	1,591	20.72%
Montgomery County, TX	515,754	436,984	57,251	13.1%
Robertson County, TX	16,332	13,208	2,759	20.89%
Walker County, TX	53,304	45,815	5,974	13.04%
Waller County, TX	46,796	36,972	8,488	22.96%
Washington County, TX	33,862	28,647	4,655	16.25%
Texas	26,478,868	21,364,057	4,598,018	21.52%
United States	313,576,137	276,875,891	59,874,221	21.62%

Percent of Insured
Population Receiving
Medicaid



Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2012-16. Source geography: Tract

Uninsured Population

The uninsured population is calculated by estimating the number of persons eligible for insurance (generally those under 65) minus the estimated number of insured persons.

Report Area	Insurance Population (2016 Estimate)	Number Insured	Number Uninsured	Percent Uninsured
Report Area	1,088,794	785,640	168,985	15.52%
Brazos County, TX	209,896	156,366	30,850	14.7%
Burleson County, TX	17,417	11,467	2,713	15.58%
Chambers County, TX	38,072	29,762	5,524	14.51%
Grimes County, TX	27,140	16,050	4,279	15.77%
Leon County, TX	16,923	10,159	2,954	17.46%
Liberty County, TX	78,598	52,509	13,595	17.3%
Madison County, TX	13,843	7,441	2,096	15.14%
Montgomery County, TX	518,849	400,990	81,793	15.76%
Robertson County, TX	16,537	10,850	2,653	16.04%
Walker County, TX	69,926	38,152	8,314	11.89%
Waller County, TX	47,049	30,445	9,537	20.27%
Washington County, TX	34,544	21,449	4,677	13.54%
Texas	26,956,435	19,498,708	4,444,791	16.49%
United States	318,558,162	240,510,253	26,749,668	8.4%

Percent Uninsured



■ Report Area (15.52%)
■ Texas (16.49%)
■ United States (8.4%)

Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. US Census Bureau, Small Area Health Insurance Estimates. 2016. Source geography: County

CAA Organizational Strengths, Assets, and Challenges

BVCAP's strengths and assets include administrative costs of less than 5%, strong leadership, senior staff remaining with the agency through the split from BVCAA (Brazos Valley Community Action Agency), partnerships with community organizations, and programs are and have been successful for years. Challenges include the changes for the board members as our agency split; they are now on the BVCAA and BVCAP boards, and approximately one third are also on the board for BVCOG (Brazos Valley Council of Governments). Although BVCAP has partnerships with many organizations, we have challenged staff to reach out to even more entities. The challenge that is most apparent is that BVCAP is starting "from scratch" when it comes to agency plans such as the Community Needs Assessment and the Strategic Plan. We expect that this assessment is only a small glimpse into what it will grow into in the future.