

POVERTY PROFILE Fort Bend County

Catholic Charities' network of programs work together to alleviate poverty with offices at locations throughout the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. We are people of faith helping people in need achieve self-sufficiency and live with dignity.

Data pulled from U.S. Census Bureau sources, including American Community Survey; and University of Wisconsin research

Demographic Snapshot		Race/Ethnicity			
	Fort Bend County	Texas		Fort Bend County	Texas
Total population	916,778	30,503,301	Asian	22%	6%
% under 18 years	26.5%	24.8%	Black	22%	14%
% over age 65	12.5%	13.4%	White	29%	40%
Project annual growth rate	8%	4.7%	Hispanic/Latino	26%	40%
Residents who are foreign born	30%	17.1%	Others	1%	1%
Veterans	27,247	1,416,973	Land area 861.8 square miles 181st largest in Texas		
Veterans who are female	12.9%	11.8%			

Income/Poverty



	Fort Bend County	Texas
Median household income	\$109,987	\$73,035
Unemployment rate	3.9%	3.9%
% population living in poverty	7.9%	14%
% persons over 65 in poverty	8.5%	12.3%
% children in poverty	9.8%	19.2%
Children eligible for free lunch program	43%	61%
Projected living wage (hourly salary)	\$47.78	\$43.60

Family/Living Arrangements



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Total number of households	270,136	10,490,553
% children in single parent households	16%	15%
% households with language other than English	40.5%	35.1%
% severe housing problems	14%	17%
% severe housing cost burden	13%	14%

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Health/Wellness



	Fort Bend County	Texas
% persons without health insurance coverage	14%	18%
Food insecurity (at daily risk of hunger)	9%	12%
Limited access to healthy foods	6%	8%
% with frequent mental distress	13%	16%
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