

POVERTY PROFILE Walker 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			
	Walker County	Texas		Walker County	Texas
Total population	81,268	30,503,301	Asian	1.2%	6%
% under 18 years	14.4%	24.8%	Black	23.3%	14%
% over age 65	14.4%	13.4%	White	55.8%	40%
Project annual growth rate	6.4%	4.7%	Hispanic/Latino	18.7%	40%
Residents who are foreign born	7.3%	17.1%	Others	.9%	1%
Veterans	4,396	1,416,973	Land area 569 square miles 233rd largest in Texas		
Veterans who are female	.5%	11.8%			
Income/Poverty					



	Walker County	Texas
Median household income	\$47,194	\$73,035
Unemployment rate	4.7%	3.9%
% population living in poverty	20%	14%
% persons over 65 in poverty	10.1%	12.3%
% children in poverty	15%	19.2%
Children eligible for free lunch program	56%	61%
Projected living wage (hourly salary)	\$41.86	\$43.60

Family/Living Arrangements



	Walker County	lexas
Total number of households	24,592	10,490,553
% children in single parent households	32%	15%
% households with language other than English	17.1%	35.1%
% severe housing problems	21%	17%
% severe housing cost burden	18%	14%

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Health/Wellness



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% persons without health insurance coverage	20%	18%	
Food insecurity (at daily risk of hunger)	14%	12%	
Limited access to healthy foods	8%	8%	
% with frequent mental distress	18%	16%	

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