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1. Overview

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has provided funding to The University of Texas at Austin to analyze the changes in child care policies, supply of subsidized child care, patterns of subsidy utilization, and child care outcomes that have resulted from Texas' decision to devolve management of its subsidized child care program from the state level to 28 local workforce development boards (LWDBs).¹ This report, along with a companion document, *Preliminary Findings from Interviews with Child Care Program Managers*, are the first products from this study, and contain information gathered in the first year of this three-year research initiative².

1.1. Policy Context

Until 1995, the Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS) was responsible for administering Texas subsidized child care programs, which included eligibility determination, utilization of subsidy funds, reimbursement and co-payments to providers, and reports to the federal government. They managed a number of subsidized child care programs through a statewide Child Care Management Services (CCMS) network of 27 local contractors. Typically, CCMS child care brokers in 27 local areas determined client eligibility for various types of subsidized child care and issued vouchers to eligible families. Changes in program eligibility were handled by these brokers, and families typically did not have to change child care providers just because of a change in their program eligibility.

In 1995, the Texas legislature passed its first major welfare reform legislation, HB 1863. One provision of HB 1863 consolidated a number of workforce programs — including child care — under a new agency, the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC), and authorized the creation of 28 local workforce development boards, who would become responsible for the management of many workforce development programs in their geographical areas of the state. At these boards and formed and certified to administer programs, the responsibility for management of many workforce programs were devolved (i.e., transferred from a more centralized to a less centralized authority) to each of the boards. The boundaries for the 28 new local development workforce areas (LWDAs) varied slightly from the boundaries for the prior 27 CCMS regions.

TWC began devolving responsibility for the management of existing child care contracts to LWDBs in September 1997. Beginning in September 1999, the local boards assumed responsibility for defining specific local goals and setting policies for the provision of child care. Currently, LWDBs can set the following types of policies:

- Deciding which eligible populations receive priority (beyond the state's priorities),

¹ Local workforce development boards are comprised of representatives from the private sector, organized labor, community-based organizations, specified agencies, and educational organizations. Chief Elected Officials (CEOs) select the board representatives based on nominations from business organizations. At least one member of each board must have expertise in child development and care. Boards are responsible for establishing policies and administering the workforce programs, including child care, for their region. Boards are prohibited from providing any direct services.

² More information about future products planned from this study can be found at <http://www.utexas.edu/research/cshr/current/devchildcare.htm>

- Managing the waiting list,
- Setting payment schedules for providers,
- Setting sliding scales and co-payments required of clients,
- Determining family eligibility criteria, and
- Establishing the total period of family eligibility.

All LWDBs must adhere to the following three goals in their management of Texas subsidized child care:

1. Expand the availability of full-day child care in order to support participation in employment, training, and educational activities by low-income parents,
2. Support and increase the quality of child care in Texas, and
3. Maximize opportunities to draw down unmatched federal funds for child care services.

1.2. Report Contents

This report contains information gathered during the first year of the research study from a number of different sources. Unless otherwise noted, the information in this document covers the period from October 1997 – September 2001, or federal fiscal years (FFYs) 1998 –2001.³

The data in this report are organized in several different sections. Section 1 gives an overview of this project, the policy context within which Texas local workforce boards were developed, and changes to federal and state-level child care policies that occurred during the first four years of the study period. Section 2 includes maps and rankings that indicate the variation among local workforce areas for a number of demographic, policy, and subsidy utilization variables. Section 3 contains two-page policy and statistical profiles for the state of Texas and each of the 28 local workforce areas. These profiles summarize local policy changes, funding, and patterns of subsidy usages from FY 1998 through FY 2001. They also provide a demographic snapshot of each area in the year 2000. Finally, Section 4 presents a glossary of the terms and acronyms used in this report and the sources from which the data were obtained.

³ Future reports will contain comparable information for FFYs 2002 and 2003.

1.3. State Policy Changes: September 1997 - September 2001

Style codes:

Normal font indicates changes by state legislation.

Italic font indicates rules changes of the Texas Workforce Commission as communicated to local workforce development boards.

1997

September

- Requires that all LWDBs include a child care representative.
- Lowers the age of the youngest child from 5 to 4 for parents to be exempted from work requirement.

1999

January

- *Requires LWDBs to make a plan by February 26, 1999 to accelerate intake and enrollment in order to fully use unspent funds for FY 1998, or to have the unspent funds shifted to other areas with unmet needs and ability to use funds.*
- *Amends Texas administrative code to allow boards to move previously allocated funds that were unspent as of December 23, 1998 and future allocations between funding categories. In doing so, LWDBs must cap administrative costs at 5% of total expenditure and spent at least 4% on quality improvement, and must ensure services to transitional and Choices clients as priority.*

March

- *Requires LWDBs to recommend desired maximization in reimbursement rates and effective dates of such changes to encourage additional providers, especially for infant and toddler care.*

April

- *Revises Child Care Allocation Rules and allows LWDBs to transfer funds between allocation categories on the condition that services be provided to priority populations (participants in the Choices, transitional, FSE&T and TDPRS referrals programs); clarifies that the receipt of child care services does not affect the participant's federal and state time limit unless the services are funded by TANF.*

September

- Requires LWDBs to establish graduated reimbursement rates based on TWC's designated vendor program. The minimum rate for designated vendors must be at least 5% greater than the maximum rate for non-designated vendors and that the vendor rate differential be funded by federal CCDF dedicated for quality improvement.

- Exempts employment requirement for caretakers of physically and mentally disabled children; changes the criteria for employment exemptions for TANF recipients, to be effective January of 2000.
- Additional TANF funds (\$7 million) for FY 2000 will be transferred from Texas Department of Human Services into the child care strategy and added to LWDBs' CCDF allocations, based on TWC's Child Care Allocation Rule.

2000

January

- Lowers the age of the youngest child from 4 to 3 for parents to be exempted from work requirement.

February

- *Changes basis for assessing parent fees from a family's gross monthly income to a sliding fee based on family size, family's gross monthly income and the number of children in care.*

March

- Requires LWDBs to make policies to continue child care services for participants in education, for a limited time as determined by the boards but not to exceed 4 years.

September

- Lowers the age of youngest child from 3 to 2 for parents to be exempted from work requirement.

2001

September

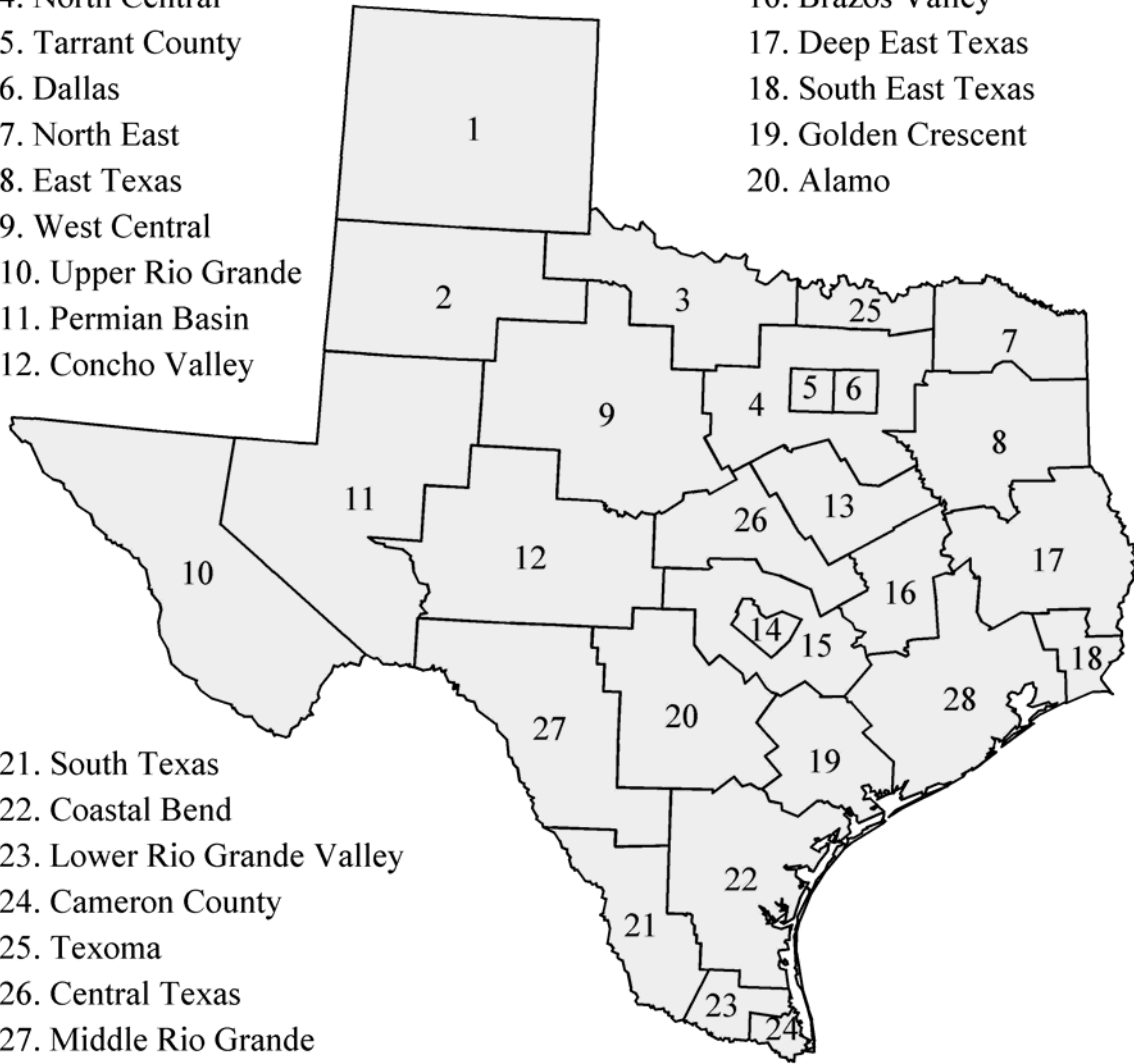
- Lowers the age of the youngest child from 2 to 1 for parents to be exempted from work requirement.
- Elected not to transfer of TANF funds to CCDF.
- Provides that LWDBs use money provided by a local school board or local educational entity, as permitted by federal law, to obtain federal matching funds for child care.
- Requires TWC to ensure that federal child care funds dedicated to quality improvement activities are used to improve quality and availability of child care only; defines a quality child care program.
- Provides for hardship exemptions for federal time limits under TANF services.
- *Provides that children of parents eligible for Workforce Applicant Child Care get second priority in services.*
- *Required coordination between Head Start/Early Head Start providers and TWC/local boards regarding subsidized child care services. Coordination must ensure (to the extent practicable that full-day, full year child care services are available to meet the needs of low-income parents participating in work-related activities.*

2. Key Indicators Maps

Local Workforce Development Areas

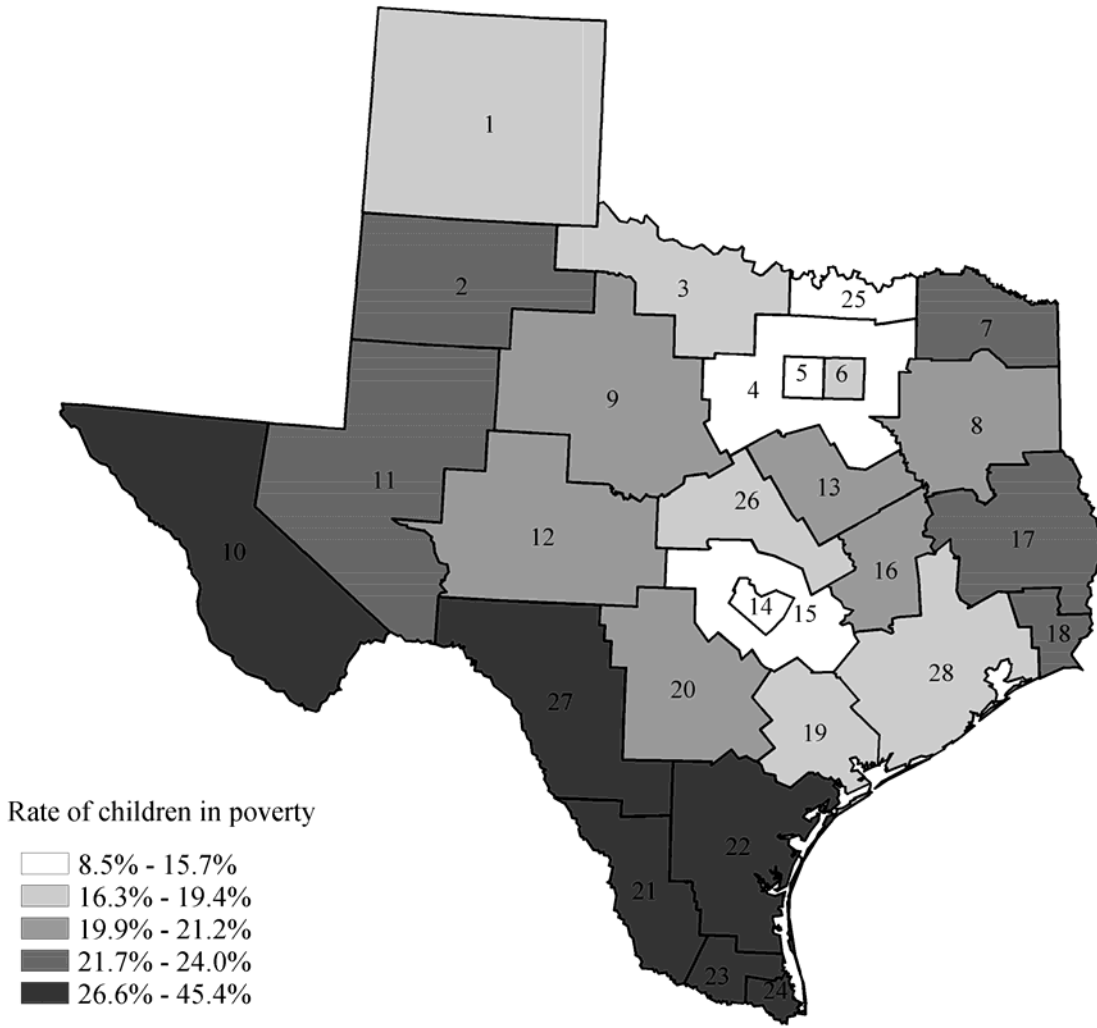
- 1. Panhandle
- 2. South Plains
- 3. North Texas
- 4. North Central
- 5. Tarrant County
- 6. Dallas
- 7. North East
- 8. East Texas
- 9. West Central
- 10. Upper Rio Grande
- 11. Permian Basin
- 12. Concho Valley

- 13. Heart of Texas
- 14. Capital Area
- 15. Rural Capital
- 16. Brazos Valley
- 17. Deep East Texas
- 18. South East Texas
- 19. Golden Crescent
- 20. Alamo



- 21. South Texas
- 22. Coastal Bend
- 23. Lower Rio Grande Valley
- 24. Cameron County
- 25. Texoma
- 26. Central Texas
- 27. Middle Rio Grande
- 28. Gulf Coast

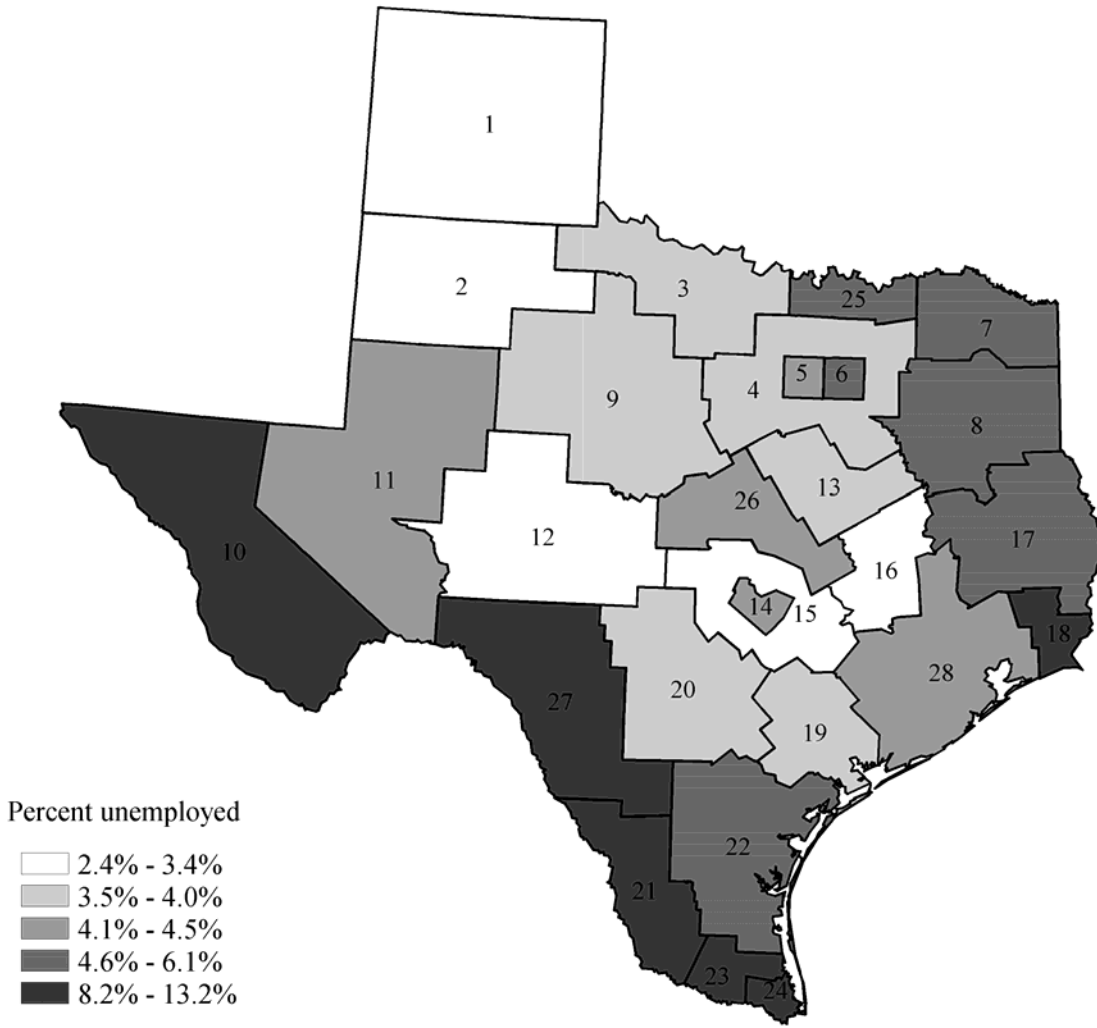
Child poverty rate (2000)



Rank	Board	Value
1	North Central (4)	8.5%
2	Rural Capital (15)	9.2%
3	Tarrant County (5)	13.8%
4	Capital Area (14)	13.9%
5	Texoma (25)	15.7%
6	Central Texas (26)	16.3%
7	North Texas (3)	17.3%
8	Gulf Coast (28)	17.6%
9	Dallas (6)	18.0%
10	Panhandle (1)	18.7%
11	Golden Crescent (19)	19.4%
12	East Texas (8)	19.9%
13	Heart of Texas (13)	20.8%
14	Concho Valley (12)	21.0%
15	West Central (9)	21.2%

Rank	Board	Value
15	Brazos Valley (16)	21.2%
15	Alamo (20)	21.2%
16	South East Texas (18)	21.7%
17	Permian Basin (11)	22.2%
18	North East (7)	23.2%
19	South Plains (2)	23.5%
20	Deep East Texas (17)	24.0%
21	Coastal Bend (22)	26.6%
22	Upper Rio Grande (10)	31.6%
23	Middle Rio Grande (27)	38.0%
24	Cameron County (24)	43.1%
25	South Texas (21)	43.7%
26	Lower Rio Grande Valley (23)	45.4%

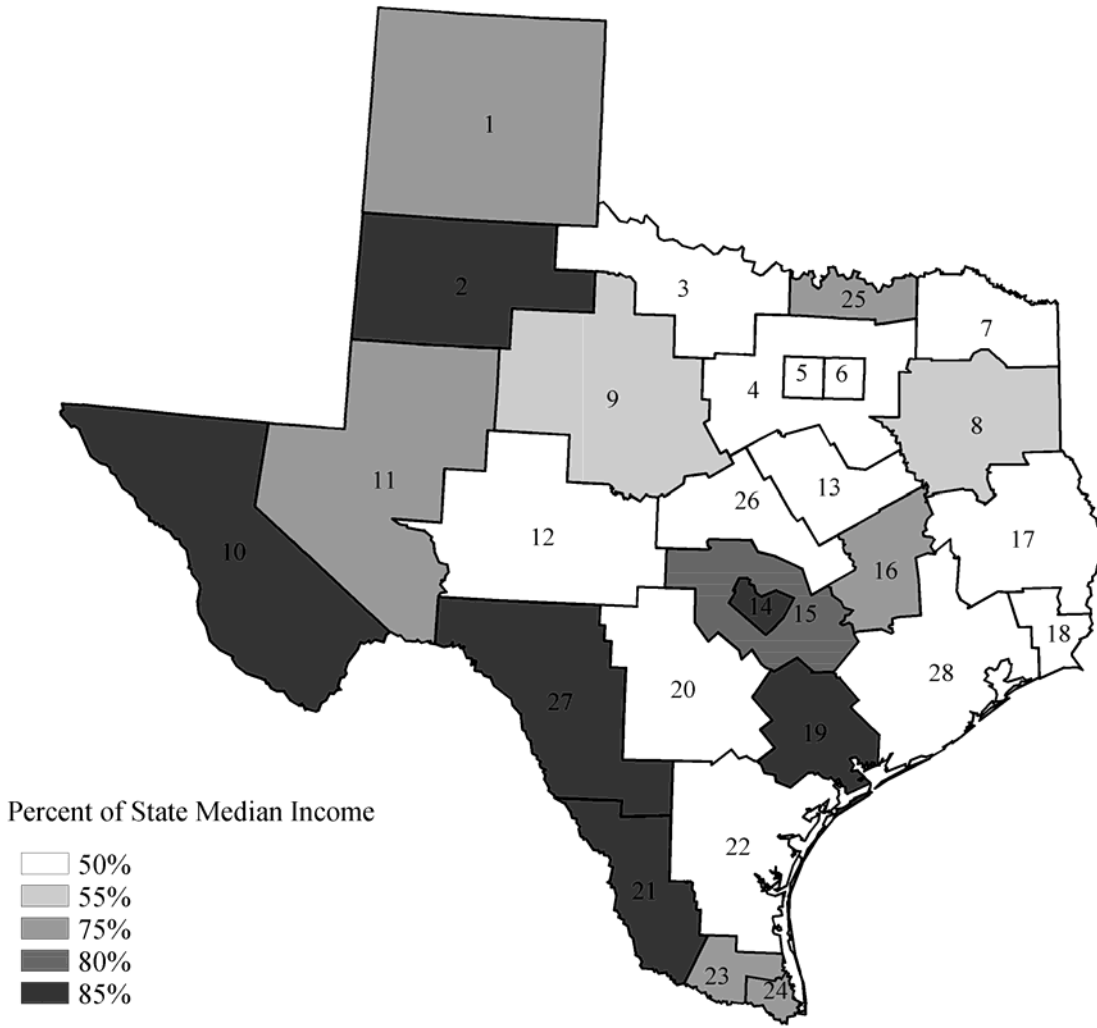
Unemployment rate (2001)



Rank	Board	Value
1	Brazos Valley (16)	2.4%
2	Concho Valley (12)	2.9%
3	Panhandle (1)	3.1%
4	South Plains (2)	3.3%
5	Rural Capital (15)	3.4%
6	North Texas (3)	3.5%
7	West Central (9)	3.7%
8	North Central (4)	3.8%
9	Alamo (20)	3.9%
10	Heart of Texas (13)	4.0%
10	Golden Crescent (19)	4.0%
11	Capital Area (14)	4.1%
11	Central Texas (26)	4.1%
12	Tarrant County (5)	4.2%
13	Permian Basin (11)	4.4%

Rank	Board	Value
14	Gulf Coast (28)	4.5%
15	East Texas (8)	4.6%
16	Dallas (6)	5.3%
17	North East (7)	5.4%
17	Texoma (25)	5.4%
18	Coastal Bend (22)	5.6%
19	Deep East Texas (17)	6.1%
20	Upper Rio Grande (10)	8.2%
20	South East Texas (18)	8.2%
21	Cameron County (24)	9.2%
22	South Texas (21)	9.6%
23	Middle Rio Grande (27)	12.4%
24	Lower Rio Grande Valley (23)	13.2%

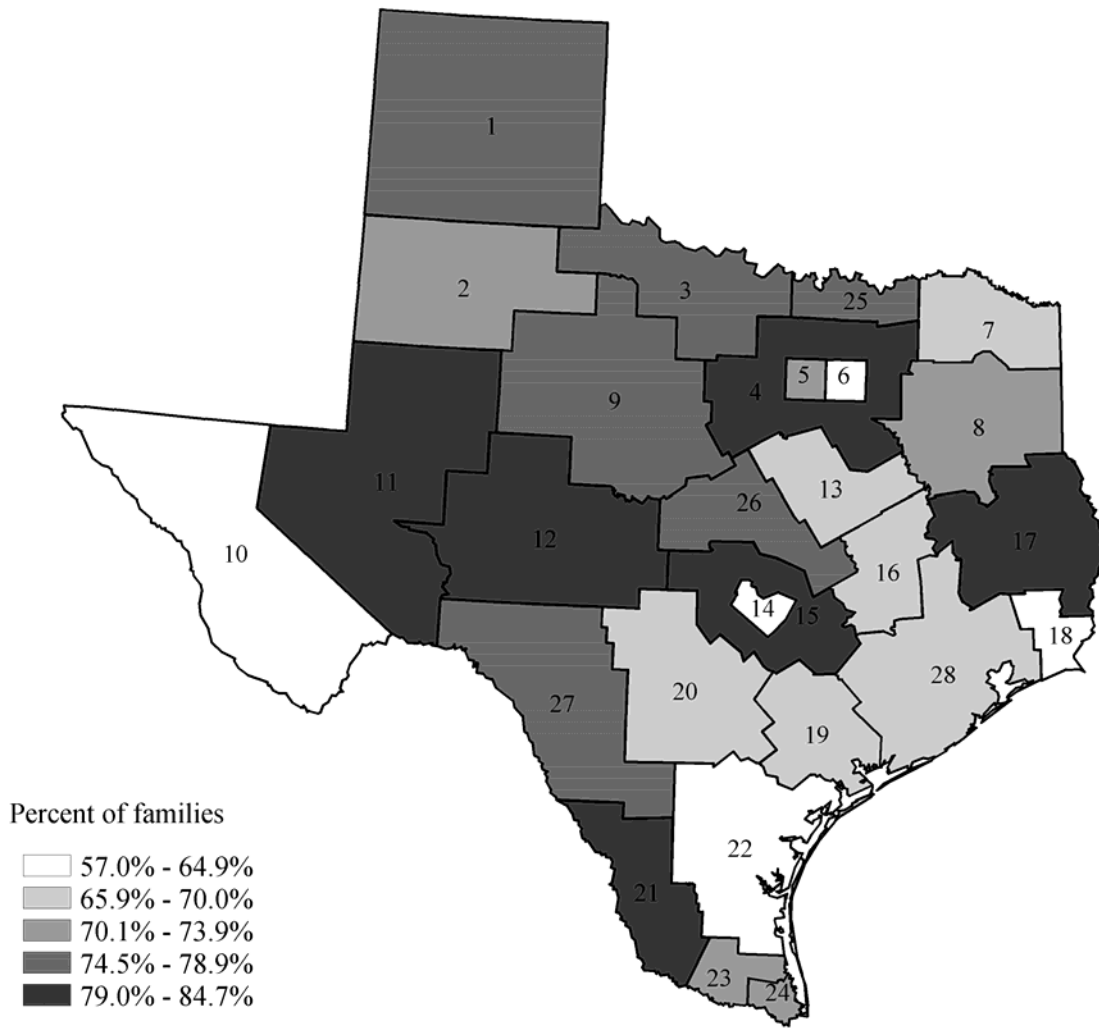
Basic income eligibility (2001)



Rank	Board	Value
1	North Texas (3)	50%
1	North Central (4)	50%
1	Tarrant County (5)	50%
1	Dallas (6)	50%
1	North East (7)	50%
1	Concho Valley (12)	50%
1	Heart of Texas (13)	50%
1	Deep East Texas (17)	50%
1	South East Texas (18)	50%
1	Alamo (20)	50%
1	Coastal Bend (22)	50%
1	Central Texas (26)	50%
1	Gulf Coast (28)	50%
2	East Texas (8)	55%
2	West Central (9)	55%

Rank	Board	Value
3	Panhandle (1)	75%
3	Permian Basin (11)	75%
3	Brazos Valley (16)	75%
3	Lower Rio Grande Valley (23)	75%
3	Cameron County (24)	75%
3	Texoma (25)	75%
4	Rural Capital (15)	80%
5	South Plains (2)	85%
5	Upper Rio Grande (10)	85%
5	Capital Area (14)	85%
5	Golden Crescent (19)	85%
5	South Texas (21)	85%
5	Middle Rio Grande (27)	85%

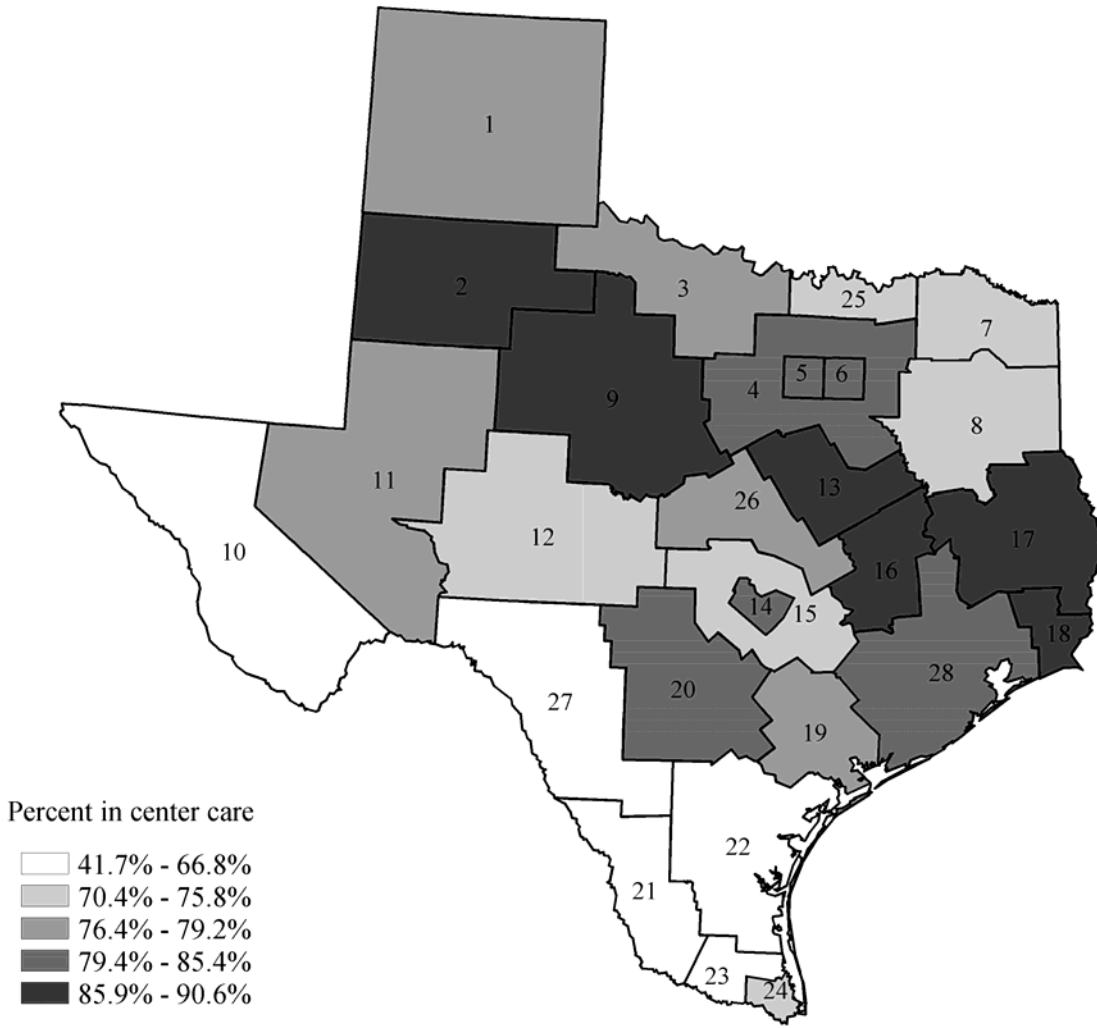
Families with co-payment due (2001)



Rank	Board	Value
1	South East Texas (18)	57.0%
2	Capital Area (14)	59.4%
3	Dallas (6)	60.4%
4	Coastal Bend (22)	63.5%
5	Upper Rio Grande (10)	64.9%
6	Alamo (20)	65.9%
7	Brazos Valley (16)	67.3%
7	Gulf Coast (28)	67.3%
8	Golden Crescent (19)	67.5%
9	Heart of Texas (13)	69.0%
10	North East (7)	70.0%
11	East Texas (8)	70.1%
12	Cameron County (24)	72.4%
13	Lower Rio Grande Valley (23)	72.8%

Rank	Board	Value
14	Tarrant County (5)	72.9%
15	South Plains (2)	73.9%
16	West Central (9)	74.5%
17	North Texas (3)	74.6%
18	Central Texas (26)	75.4%
19	Middle Rio Grande (27)	75.5%
20	Texoma (25)	76.4%
21	Panhandle (1)	78.9%
22	North Central (4)	79.0%
23	Permian Basin (11)	79.1%
24	South Texas (21)	80.0%
25	Concho Valley (12)	82.0%
26	Deep East Texas (17)	82.7%
27	Rural Capital (15)	84.7%

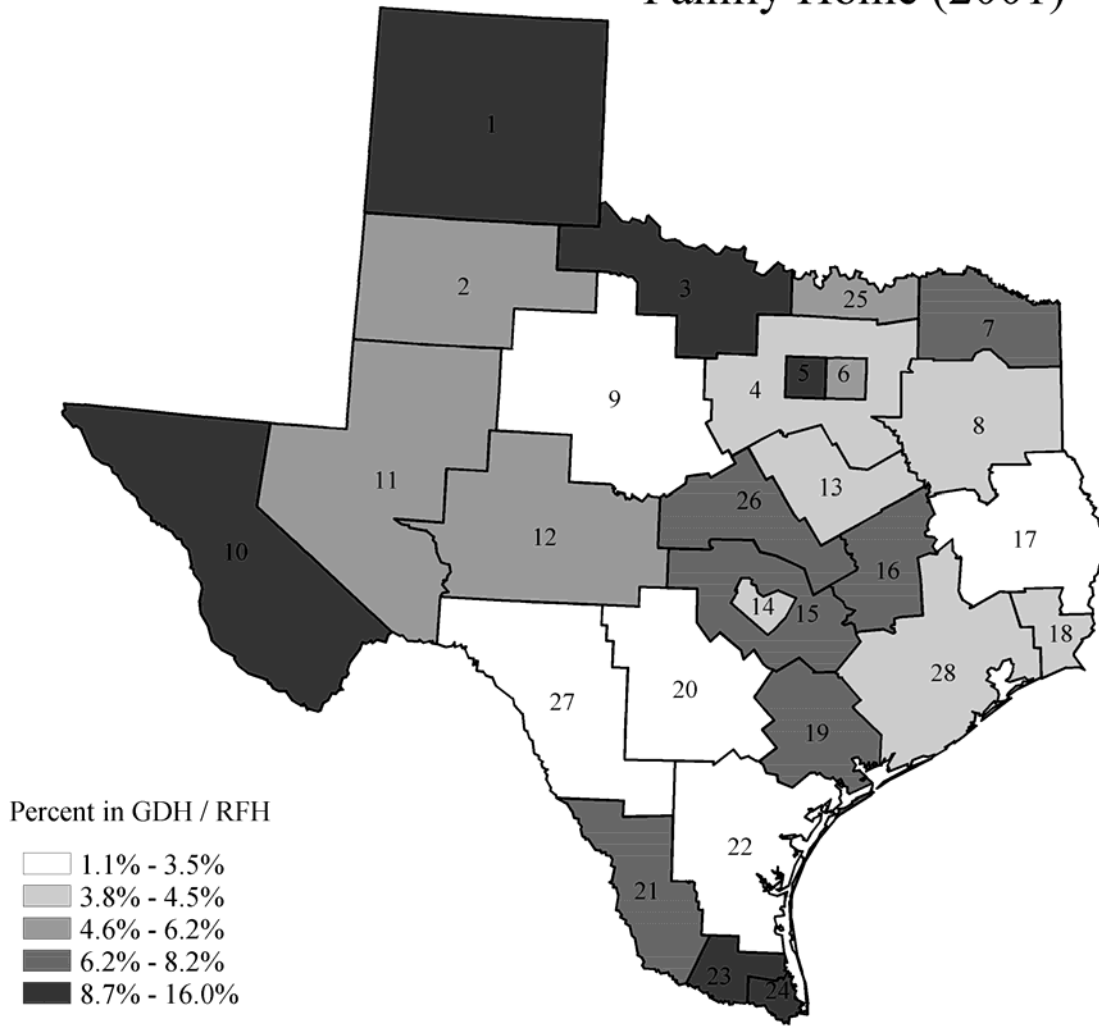
Care arrangement: Center (2001)



Rank	Board	Value
1	South Texas (21)	41.7%
2	Lower Rio Grande Valley (23)	55.7%
3	Middle Rio Grande (27)	57.7%
4	Upper Rio Grande (10)	65.0%
5	Coastal Bend (22)	66.8%
6	East Texas (8)	70.4%
7	Cameron County (24)	74.2%
8	Concho Valley (12)	74.3%
9	Rural Capital (15)	74.5%
10	North East (7)	74.8%
11	Texoma (25)	75.8%
12	Permian Basin (11)	76.4%
13	North Texas (3)	76.6%
13	Golden Crescent (19)	76.6%

Rank	Board	Value
14	Panhandle (1)	78.9%
15	Central Texas (26)	79.2%
16	Alamo (20)	79.4%
17	North Central (4)	80.1%
18	Dallas (6)	82.8%
19	Gulf Coast (28)	83.5%
20	Tarrant County (5)	84.7%
21	Capital Area (14)	85.4%
22	South East Texas (18)	85.9%
23	Heart of Texas (13)	86.4%
24	South Plains (2)	87.2%
25	West Central (9)	89.0%
26	Brazos Valley (16)	89.5%
27	Deep East Texas (17)	90.6%

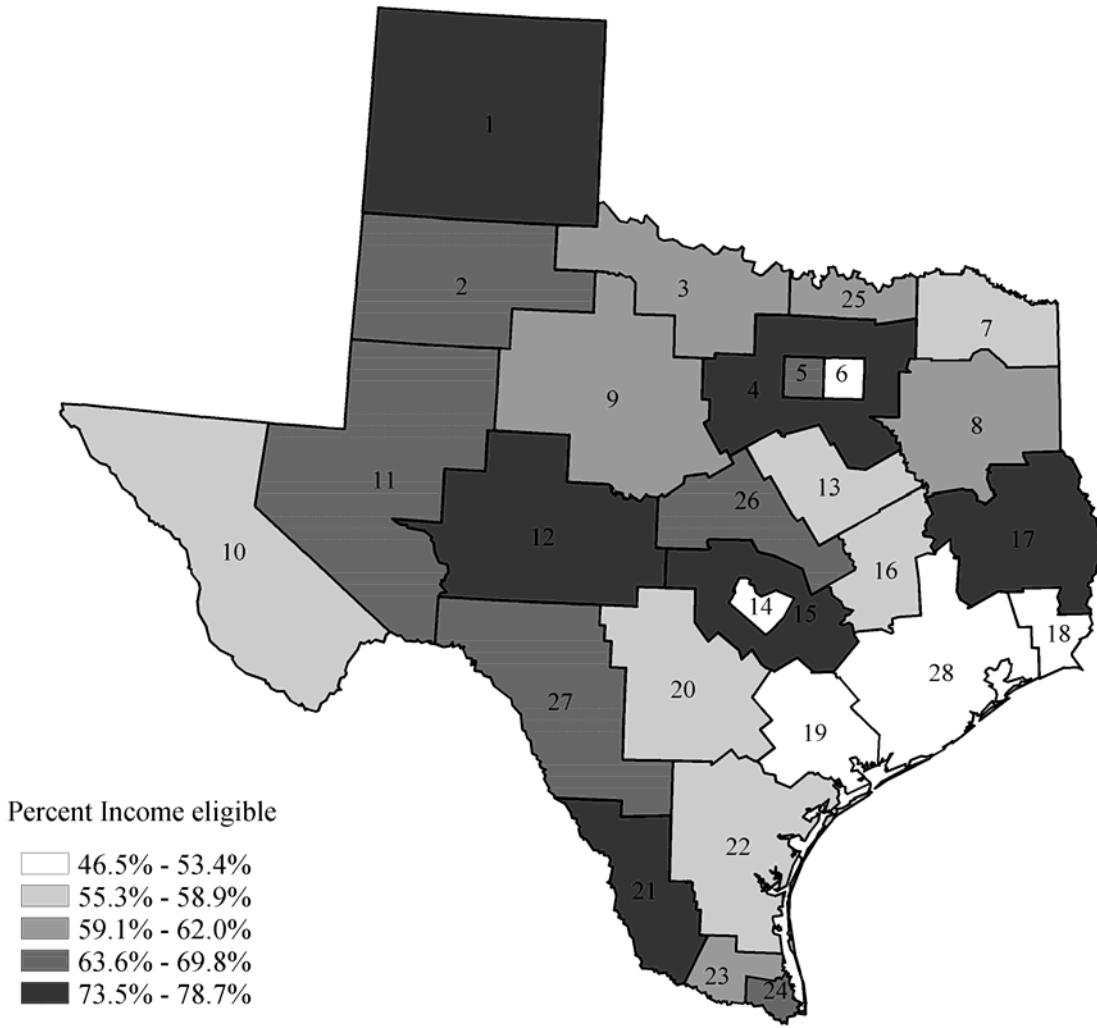
Care arrangement: Group Day Home / Registered Family Home (2001)



Rank	Board	Value
1	Middle Rio Grande (27)	1.1%
2	Alamo (20)	3.1%
3	Coastal Bend (22)	3.2%
4	Deep East Texas (17)	3.3%
5	West Central (9)	3.5%
6	East Texas (8)	3.8%
7	North Central (4)	4.0%
8	Capital Area (14)	4.3%
9	South East Texas (18)	4.3%
9	Gulf Coast (28)	4.3%
10	Heart of Texas (13)	4.5%
11	Dallas (6)	4.6%
12	South Plains (2)	4.9%
13	Concho Valley (12)	5.4%
14	Permian Basin (11)	5.8%

Rank	Board	Value
15	Texoma (25)	6.2%
16	Rural Capital (15)	6.2%
17	South Texas (21)	6.9%
18	Golden Crescent (19)	7.6%
19	North East (7)	8.1%
20	Central Texas (26)	8.1%
21	Brazos Valley (16)	8.2%
22	Tarrant County (5)	8.7%
23	Cameron County (24)	9.1%
24	Panhandle (1)	9.1%
25	Upper Rio Grande (10)	13.1%
26	North Texas (3)	14.7%
27	Lower Rio Grande Valley (23)	16.0%

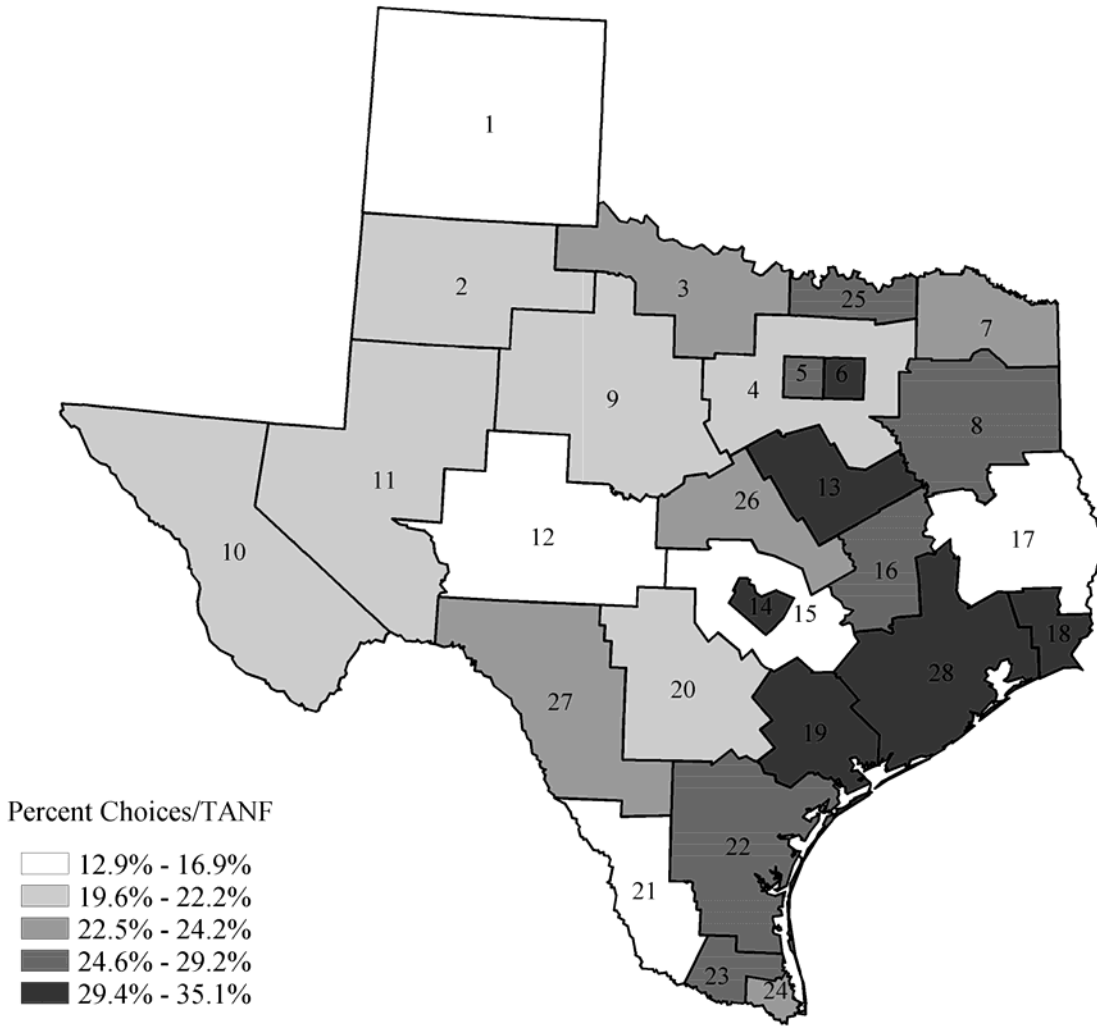
Eligibility type: Income eligible (2001)



Rank	Board	Value
1	South East Texas (18)	46.5%
2	Golden Crescent (19)	52.7%
3	Gulf Coast (28)	52.9%
4	Dallas (6)	53.1%
5	Capital Area (14)	53.4%
6	Brazos Valley (16)	55.3%
7	Heart of Texas (13)	57.3%
8	Coastal Bend (22)	57.6%
9	Alamo (20)	57.9%
10	Upper Rio Grande (10)	58.0%
11	North East (7)	58.9%
12	West Central (9)	59.1%
13	East Texas (8)	59.6%
14	Texoma (25)	60.0%
15	North Texas (3)	60.6%

Rank	Board	Value
16	Lower Rio Grande Valley (23)	62.0%
17	Tarrant County (5)	63.6%
18	South Plains (2)	64.8%
19	Cameron County (24)	65.3%
20	Central Texas (26)	65.8%
21	Middle Rio Grande (27)	67.9%
22	Permian Basin (11)	69.8%
23	North Central (4)	73.5%
24	South Texas (21)	74.8%
25	Concho Valley (12)	75.6%
26	Panhandle (1)	75.8%
27	Deep East Texas (17)	76.1%
28	Rural Capital (15)	78.7%

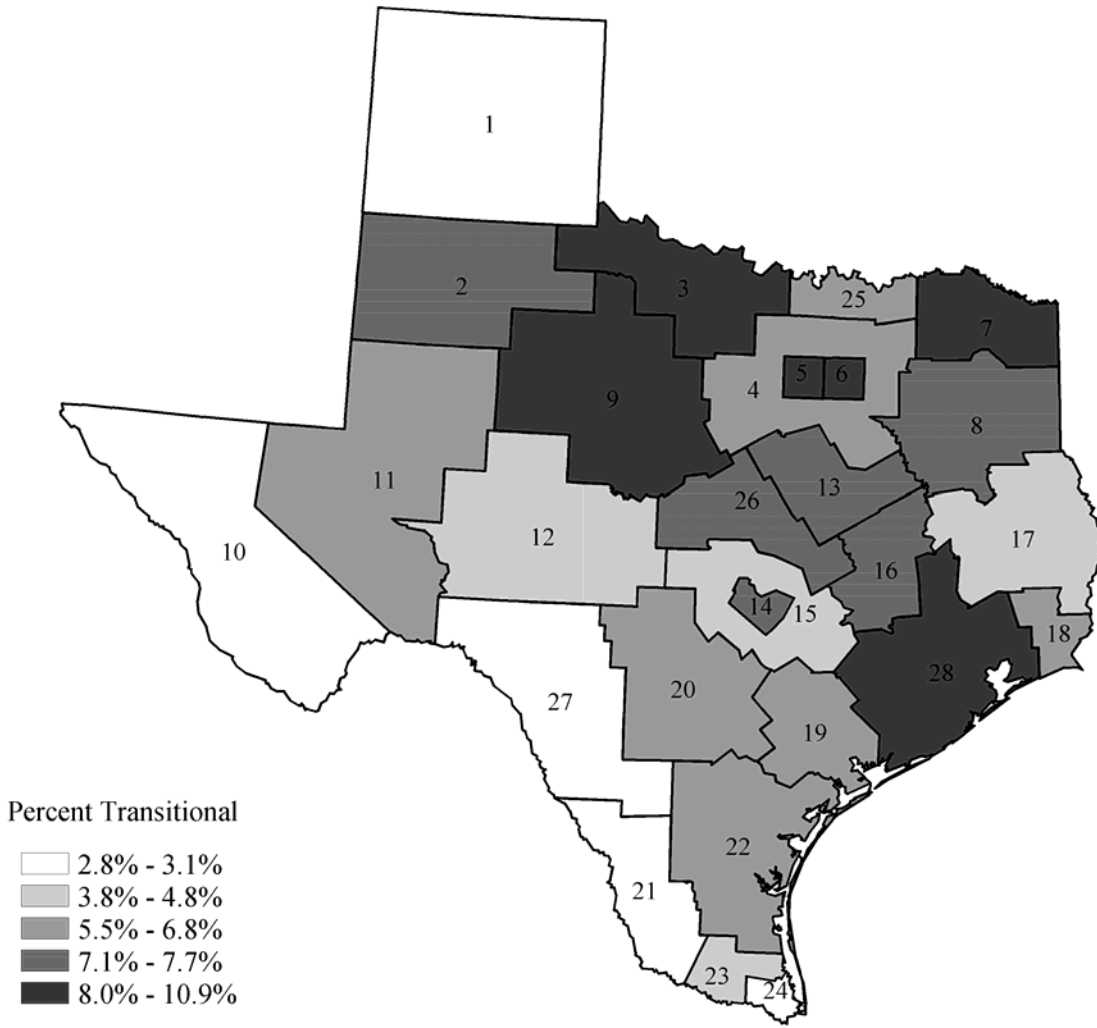
Eligibility type: Choices/TANF (2001)



Rank	Board	Value
1	South Texas (21)	12.9%
2	Rural Capital (15)	13.3%
3	Panhandle (1)	14.5%
3	Concho Valley (12)	14.5%
4	Deep East Texas (17)	16.9%
5	North Central (4)	19.6%
6	South Plains (2)	20.5%
7	Upper Rio Grande (10)	21.1%
8	Permian Basin (11)	21.7%
9	Alamo (20)	21.8%
10	West Central (9)	22.2%
11	Central Texas (26)	22.5%
12	North Texas (3)	23.3%
13	Cameron County (24)	23.9%
14	North East (7)	24.2%

Rank	Board	Value
14	Middle Rio Grande (27)	24.2%
15	East Texas (8)	24.6%
16	Texoma (25)	25.0%
17	Tarrant County (5)	25.4%
18	Coastal Bend (22)	26.1%
19	Brazos Valley (16)	26.5%
20	Lower Rio Grande Valley (23)	29.2%
21	Golden Crescent (19)	29.4%
22	Heart of Texas (13)	29.8%
23	Gulf Coast (28)	31.7%
24	Capital Area (14)	31.9%
25	Dallas (6)	32.8%
26	South East Texas (18)	35.1%

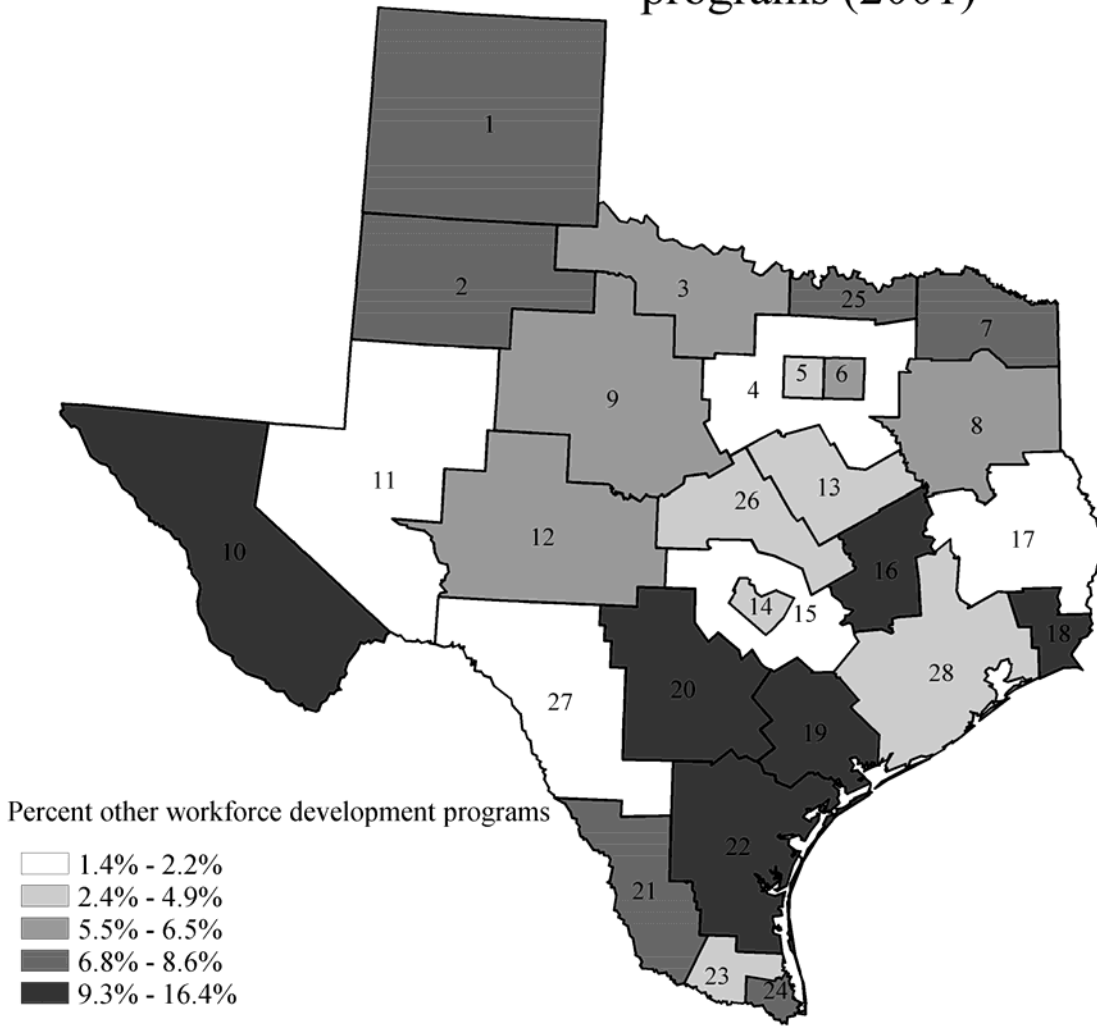
Eligibility type: Transitional (2001)



Rank	Board	Value
1	Panhandle (1)	2.8%
1	Middle Rio Grande (27)	2.8%
2	Upper Rio Grande (10)	2.9%
3	Cameron County (24)	3.0%
4	South Texas (21)	3.1%
5	Rural Capital (15)	3.8%
6	Lower Rio Grande Valley (23)	4.4%
7	Concho Valley (12)	4.5%
8	Deep East Texas (17)	4.8%
9	North Central (4)	5.5%
9	Coastal Bend (22)	5.5%
9	Texoma (25)	5.5%
10	South East Texas (18)	5.9%
11	Permian Basin (11)	6.2%

Rank	Board	Value
11	Alamo (20)	6.2%
12	Golden Crescent (19)	6.8%
13	South Plains (2)	7.1%
13	Heart of Texas (13)	7.1%
13	Brazos Valley (16)	7.1%
14	Capital Area (14)	7.2%
15	Central Texas (26)	7.5%
16	East Texas (8)	7.7%
17	Tarrant County (5)	8.0%
18	Dallas (6)	8.2%
19	West Central (9)	8.7%
20	North Texas (3)	9.6%
20	North East (7)	9.6%
21	Gulf Coast (28)	10.9%

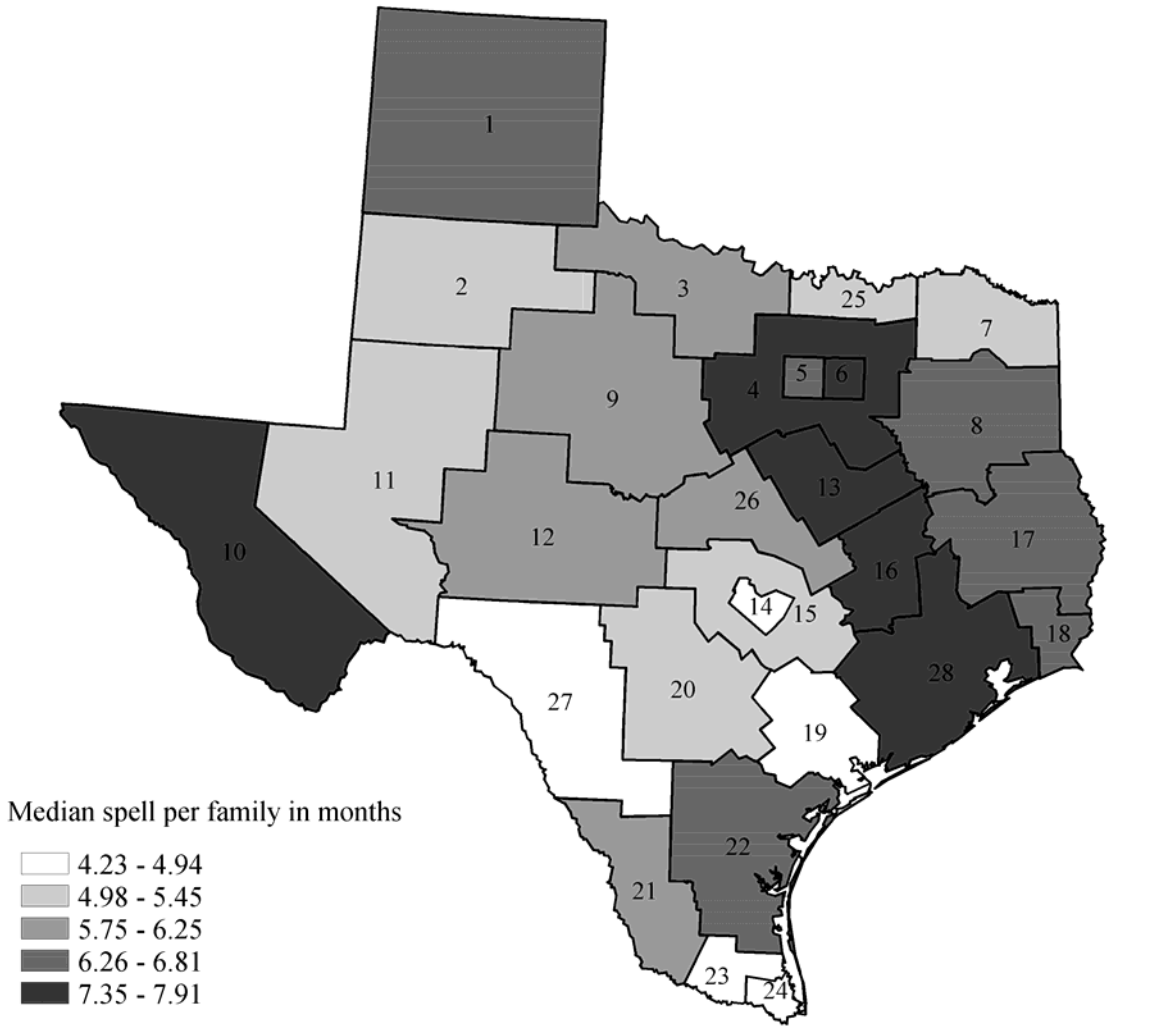
Eligibility type: Other workforce development programs (2001)



Rank	Board	Value
1	North Central (4)	1.4%
2	Rural Capital (15)	1.8%
3	Middle Rio Grande (27)	2.0%
4	Deep East Texas (17)	2.1%
5	Permian Basin (11)	2.2%
6	Central Texas (26)	2.4%
7	Tarrant County (5)	2.8%
8	Heart of Texas (13)	3.7%
9	Gulf Coast (28)	3.8%
10	Lower Rio Grande Valley (23)	4.4%
11	Capital Area (14)	4.9%
12	West Central (9)	5.5%
12	Concho Valley (12)	5.5%
13	Dallas (6)	5.8%

Rank	Board	Value
14	East Texas (8)	6.3%
15	North Texas (3)	6.5%
16	Panhandle (1)	6.8%
17	Cameron County (24)	6.9%
18	North East (7)	7.1%
19	South Plains (2)	7.6%
20	Texoma (25)	8.2%
21	South Texas (21)	8.6%
22	Golden Crescent (19)	9.3%
23	Coastal Bend (22)	10.9%
24	South East Texas (18)	11.0%
25	Brazos Valley (16)	11.1%
26	Alamo (20)	14.1%
27	Upper Rio Grande (10)	16.4%

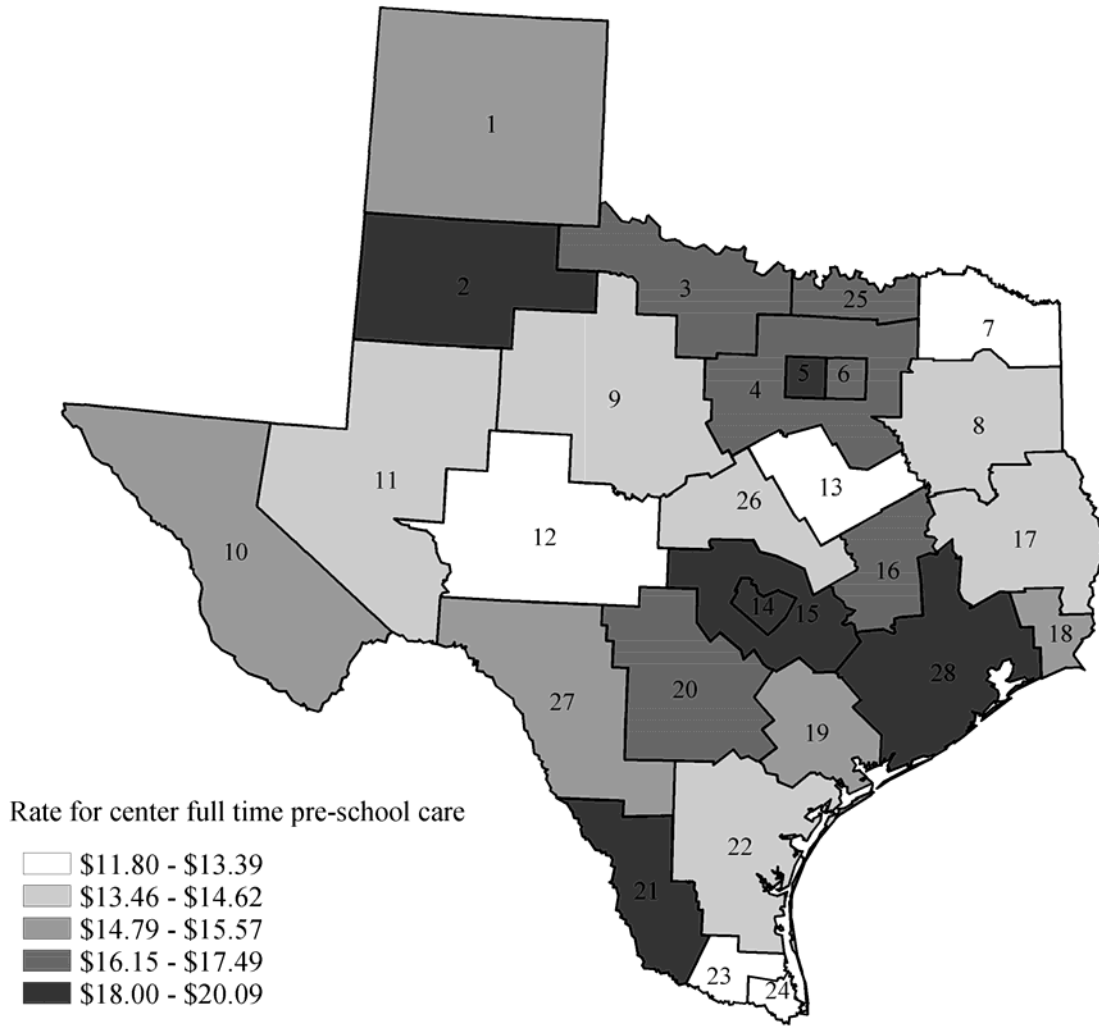
Child care spell length (1998-2001)



Rank	Board	Value
1	Cameron County (24)	4.23
2	Lower Rio Grande Valley (23)	4.62
3	Middle Rio Grande (27)	4.71
4	Capital Area (14)	4.92
5	Golden Crescent (19)	4.94
6	South Plains (2)	4.98
7	Permian Basin (11)	5.17
8	Rural Capital (15)	5.21
9	Alamo (20)	5.25
10	North East (7)	5.42
11	Texoma (25)	5.45
12	South Texas (21)	5.75
13	Central Texas (26)	6.06
14	North Texas (3)	6.14

Rank	Board	Value
15	Concho Valley (12)	6.19
16	West Central (9)	6.25
17	Tarrant County (5)	6.26
18	South East Texas (18)	6.55
19	Panhandle (1)	6.57
20	Coastal Bend (22)	6.61
21	Deep East Texas (17)	6.70
22	East Texas (8)	6.81
23	Upper Rio Grande (10)	7.35
24	Heart of Texas (13)	7.45
25	Gulf Coast (28)	7.45
26	Dallas (6)	7.49
27	North Central (4)	7.73
28	Brazos Valley (16)	7.91

Reimbursement rates (2001)



Rank	Board	Value
1	North East (7)	\$11.80
2	Concho Valley (12)	\$12.73
3	Lower Rio Grande Valley (23)	\$13.00
3	Cameron County (24)	\$13.00
4	Heart of Texas (13)	\$13.39
5	Permian Basin (11)	\$13.46
6	Coastal Bend (22)	\$13.67
7	West Central (9)	\$13.91
8	Central Texas (26)	\$14.09
9	Deep East Texas (17)	\$14.18
10	East Texas (8)	\$14.62
11	Upper Rio Grande (10)	\$14.79
12	Panhandle (1)	\$15.10
13	South East Texas (18)	\$15.16

Rank	Board	Value
14	Golden Crescent (19)	\$15.29
15	Middle Rio Grande (27)	\$15.57
16	Dallas (6)	\$16.15
17	Brazos Valley (16)	\$16.51
18	North Texas (3)	\$17.04
19	Alamo (20)	\$17.16
20	North Central (4)	\$17.49
20	Texoma (25)	\$17.49
21	South Plains (2)	\$18.00
22	Tarrant County (5)	\$19.00
22	Gulf Coast (28)	\$19.00
23	Rural Capital (15)	\$19.48
24	South Texas (21)	\$19.92
25	Capital Area (14)	\$20.09

2. Profiles

Texas

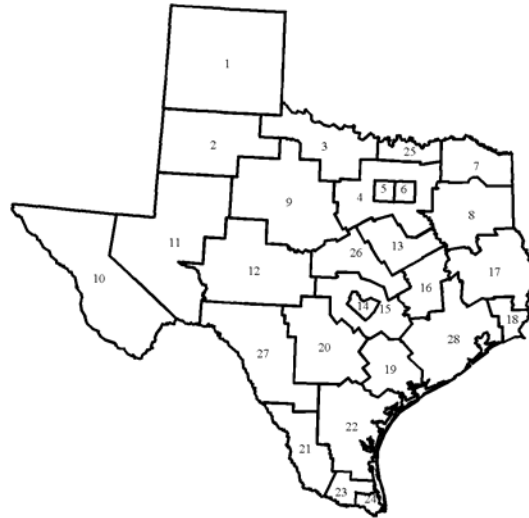
Total population: 20,851,820
 Overall poverty rate: 15.4%

Child population: 5,886,759
 Child poverty rate: 20.2%

Child population growth: 14.4%

Child ethnicity/race:
 White 42.6%
 Black 12.4%
 Hispanic 40.5%
 Other 4.4%

Unemployment Rates:
 1998 1999 2000 2001
 4.8% 4.6% 4.2% 4.9%



Key Dates

Board certification date:
 Child care management transition date:
 Date of first new child care contract award:

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
 Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 150% FPIL

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
 Policy change and effective dates:

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	Varies by CCMS region	Varies by LWDA
Licensed center full day pre-school care	Varies by CCMS region	Varies by LWDA
Registered family home full day infant care	Varies by CCMS region	Varies by LWDA
Registered family home full day pre-school care	Varies by CCMS region	Varies by LWDA

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

At least 4% of the CCDF must be committed to quality improvement activities, however, some boards have committed as much as 8% to improving the quality and availability of child care.

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$345,094,790	\$316,492,150	\$353,951,703	\$372,686,302
Adjusted allocation	\$345,094,790	\$316,492,150	\$369,455,637	\$402,309,759
Federal funds requiring local match	\$20,727,491	\$20,878,115	\$17,634,886	\$17,145,137
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	\$0	-\$1,236	\$0
Total local match required	\$12,553,644	\$12,553,616	\$11,105,148	\$11,161,182

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Texas

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	6.15
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	157,785	184,760	201,646	210,825
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	18.4%	19.2%	18.5%	18.8%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	19.3%	19.8%	20.1%	20.2%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	33.9%	32.4%	32.0%	31.3%
School age (72 months and older)	28.5%	28.6%	29.4%	29.7%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	17.9%	18.3%	17.8%	17.0%
Black	36.7%	37.1%	36.2%	36.3%
Hispanic	40.2%	41.2%	43.3%	43.9%
Other	5.3%	3.5%	2.6%	2.9%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.78	1.82	1.85	1.89
Families with one child	47.1%	45.4%	44.0%	42.4%
Families with two children	33.6%	34.1%	34.7%	34.8%
Families with three or more children	19.2%	20.4%	21.4%	22.8%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	71.0%	69.7%	69.3%	71.4%
Married	9.2%	9.0%	8.9%	8.8%
Divorced/separated/widowed	19.8%	21.4%	21.8%	19.8%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	79.8%	78.3%	77.6%	76.6%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	6.1%	6.0%	6.4%	6.3%
In home relative	7.2%	7.2%	6.7%	7.2%
Out of home unregulated	6.9%	8.6%	9.2%	9.9%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	2.2%	2.4%	2.3%	2.5%
Full-time care (percent using)	67.1%	83.2%	87.6%	88.5%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	77.4%	78.2%	75.4%	68.8%
Training	22.0%	21.3%	23.8%	29.9%
Other	.6%	.5%	.7%	1.3%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	64.1%	70.2%	67.9%	60.1%
Choices/TANF	20.4%	17.7%	19.4%	25.6%
Transitional	14.5%	11.4%	8.7%	6.8%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.0%	2.9%	6.7%
Other	1.0%	.7%	1.1%	0.7%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$387	\$396	\$434	\$457
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	78.5%	81.9%	78.4%	69.7%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$87	\$93	\$100	\$105
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	12.9%	13.6%	13.2%	13.3%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	19.1%	19.8%	20.0%	19.8%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	36.6%	35.2%	34.9%	34.6%
School age (72 months and older)	31.4%	31.4%	31.9%	32.3%

Local Workforce Development Board: 1 Panhandle

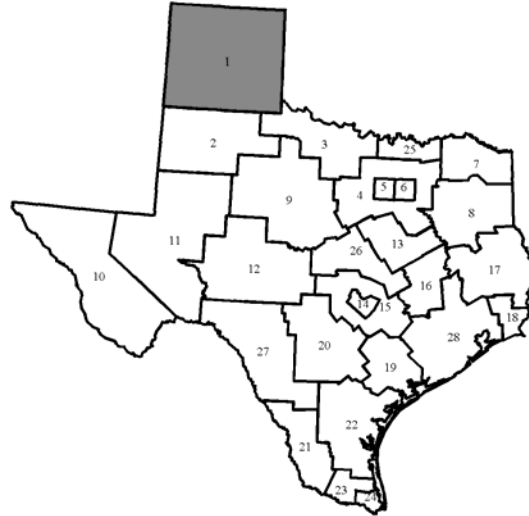
Total population: 402,862
Overall poverty rate: 14.3%

Child population: 112,161
Child poverty rate: 18.7%

Child population growth: 1.7%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 57.7%
Black 4.7%
Hispanic 34.4%
Other 3.3%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
3.8% 3.9% 3.6% 3.1%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 10/1996
Child care management transition date: 11/1998
Date of first new child care contract award: 9/1999

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 75% SMI
3/2001 150% FPIL

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates:

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$13.46	\$17.00
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$12.79	\$15.10
Registered family home full day infant care	\$11.16	\$14.33
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$11.16	\$12.67

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: Early childhood development training
Funds/equipment for child care facilities: Provides/lends equipment, toys, and materials
Lending of developmental equipment and toys
Other:

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$5,599,374	\$4,979,308	\$6,411,937	\$6,700,054
Adjusted allocation	\$5,897,546	\$6,296,495	\$5,307,854	\$7,097,877
Federal funds requiring local match	\$402,126	\$493,087	\$164,531	\$158,117
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	\$99,152	\$0	\$0
Total local match required	\$243,548	\$296,484	\$103,609	\$102,931

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 1 Panhandle

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	6.57
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	3,700	4,026	4,099	4,491
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	18.0%	18.0%	19.8%	19.8%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	19.4%	20.2%	19.8%	21.1%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	37.1%	35.3%	35.0%	34.3%
School age (72 months and older)	25.5%	26.6%	25.4%	24.8%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	50.9%	52.5%	50.0%	45.0%
Black	19.1%	17.4%	17.1%	17.5%
Hispanic	29.2%	29.2%	31.9%	35.8%
Other	.8%	.9%	1.0%	1.7%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.75	1.76	1.77	1.79
Families with one child	46.9%	46.1%	46.1%	45.4%
Families with two children	35.3%	36.1%	35.5%	35.1%
Families with three or more children	17.7%	17.7%	18.4%	19.5%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	73.9%	73.4%	69.2%	72.6%
Married	9.3%	9.0%	9.7%	9.6%
Divorced/separated/widowed	16.8%	17.6%	21.1%	17.7%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	81.6%	82.5%	83.1%	78.9%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	9.5%	8.5%	7.7%	9.1%
In home relative	2.2%	2.0%	2.0%	3.3%
Out of home unregulated	6.7%	7.0%	7.2%	8.7%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	5.2%	4.5%	2.8%	6.3%
Full-time care (percent using)	72.0%	87.7%	90.4%	92.2%
Working/Seeking work				
Working/Seeking work	86.4%	85.9%	84.8%	77.2%
Training	13.6%	14.0%	14.5%	18.5%
Other	.0%	.0%	.6%	4.3%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	80.3%	84.2%	84.0%	75.8%
Choices/TANF	12.1%	10.4%	10.3%	14.5%
Transitional	7.5%	5.3%	5.1%	2.8%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.0%	.5%	6.8%
Other	.0%	.0%	.0%	0.0%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$288	\$290	\$350	\$355
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	86.1%	88.3%	87.3%	78.9%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$86	\$92	\$96	\$107
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	13.0%	12.7%	14.3%	14.7%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	19.3%	19.6%	19.8%	21.1%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	39.8%	38.3%	38.0%	37.3%
School age (72 months and older)	27.8%	29.4%	27.9%	26.9%

Local Workforce Development Board: 2 South Plains

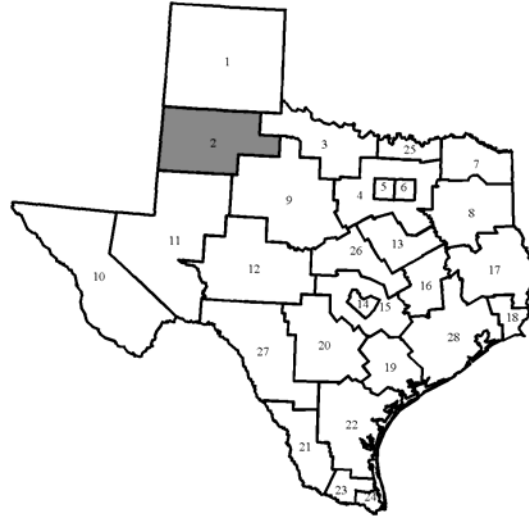
Total population: 377,871
Overall poverty rate: 18.7%

Child population: 102,443
Child poverty rate: 23.5%

Child population growth: -3.9%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 44.3%
Black 7.5%
Hispanic 46.0%
Other 2.2%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
4.3% 4% 3.4% 3.3%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 8/1996
Child care management transition date: 6/1998
Date of first new child care contract award: 8/1998

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 85% SMI

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates:

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$15.59	\$21.30
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$15.08	\$18.00
Registered family home full day infant care	\$11.72	\$13.00
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$11.16	\$13.00

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: Texas Rising Star Program
Funds/equipment for child care facilities: Provides/lends equipment, toys, and materials
Provides curriculum

Other:

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$7,240,598	\$6,660,591	\$7,083,052	\$7,280,370
Adjusted allocation	\$7,009,581	\$7,210,270	\$7,603,360	\$7,720,446
Federal funds requiring local match	\$452,337	\$641,436	\$310,471	\$168,053
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	\$209,268	\$130,388	\$0
Total local match required	\$273,959	\$385,683	\$195,512	\$109,400

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Local Workforce Development Board: 2 South Plains

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	4.98
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

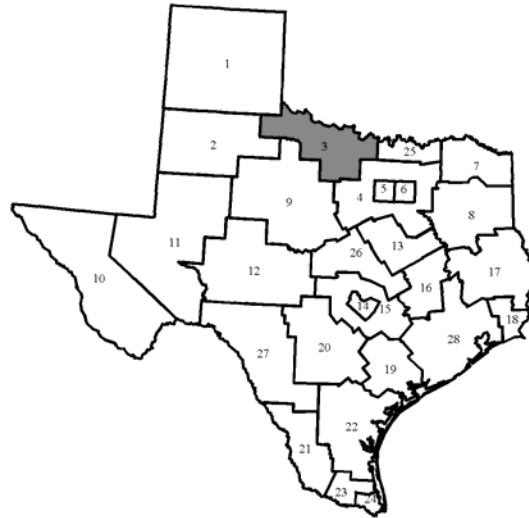
	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	3,923	5,622	4,054	5,080
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	20.9%	21.5%	19.7%	19.8%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	20.7%	21.4%	21.7%	20.6%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	31.4%	30.8%	31.7%	31.7%
School age (72 months and older)	27.0%	26.3%	26.9%	27.9%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	21.9%	22.9%	22.2%	20.9%
Black	24.6%	21.1%	22.1%	20.0%
Hispanic	53.0%	55.6%	55.2%	58.5%
Other	.4%	.4%	.5%	0.6%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.72	1.72	1.73	1.78
Families with one child	50.2%	49.7%	49.1%	47.2%
Families with two children	32.7%	33.5%	34.2%	33.5%
Families with three or more children	17.1%	16.8%	16.7%	19.3%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	71.2%	67.6%	67.6%	71.6%
Married	9.1%	10.9%	9.6%	9.2%
Divorced/separated/widowed	19.7%	21.5%	22.7%	19.2%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	92.7%	93.2%	90.6%	87.2%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	2.2%	2.7%	3.6%	4.9%
In home relative	2.1%	1.5%	1.7%	2.5%
Out of home unregulated	3.0%	2.6%	4.1%	5.3%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	1.1%	.9%	2.3%	0.9%
Full-time care (percent using)	70.7%	90.1%	92.2%	93.1%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	81.0%	83.6%	81.1%	72.6%
Training	19.0%	16.4%	18.7%	25.6%
Other	.0%	.0%	.2%	1.8%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	73.2%	81.3%	76.3%	64.8%
Choices/TANF	17.0%	12.8%	14.9%	20.5%
Transitional	9.8%	5.9%	5.7%	7.1%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.0%	3.1%	7.6%
Other	.0%	.0%	.0%	0.0%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$335	\$344	\$419	\$419
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	80.3%	85.2%	82.2%	73.9%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$85	\$90	\$104	\$104
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	15.5%	16.6%	13.8%	13.8%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	20.8%	23.0%	22.9%	21.8%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	35.6%	34.7%	37.1%	35.9%
School age (72 months and older)	28.1%	25.7%	26.3%	28.5%

Local Workforce Development Board: 3 North Texas

Total population:	224,366		
Overall poverty rate:	13.3%		
Child population:	56,601		
Child poverty rate:	17.3%		
Child population growth:	-1.2%		
Child ethnicity/race:			
White	71.4%		
Black	7.8%		
Hispanic	16.7%		
Other	4.1%		
Unemployment Rates:			
1998	1999	2000	2001
4.6%	4.4%	4%	3.5%



Key Dates

Board certification date:	12/1996
Child care management transition date:	12/1998
Date of first new child care contract award:	9/1999

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997:	85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates:	10/1999 150% FPIL

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997:	9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates:	

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$16.74	\$20.09
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$11.72	\$17.04
Registered family home full day infant care	\$11.72	\$15.42
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$10.04	\$13.74

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: Health and safety training
Texas Rising Star Program

Funds/equipment for child care facilities:

Other: Training for parents

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$3,236,884	\$2,916,322	\$3,244,756	\$3,365,287
Adjusted allocation	\$3,317,475	\$3,137,575	\$3,501,812	\$3,665,267
Federal funds requiring local match	\$196,440	\$394,326	\$159,130	\$208,605
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	\$221,253	\$12,778	\$29,153
Total local match required	\$118,974	\$237,101	\$100,208	\$135,798

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 3 North Texas

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	6.14
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	2,019	2,363	2,057	2,082
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	21.8%	23.0%	21.6%	21.1%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	23.5%	23.0%	22.3%	22.5%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	32.9%	32.2%	35.3%	34.0%
School age (72 months and older)	21.9%	21.8%	20.8%	22.4%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	49.7%	54.5%	50.5%	49.3%
Black	31.2%	27.5%	28.4%	28.9%
Hispanic	16.5%	17.1%	20.1%	20.6%
Other	2.6%	1.0%	1.0%	1.2%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.68	1.66	1.73	1.80
Families with one child	51.4%	52.1%	48.6%	44.7%
Families with two children	33.0%	33.4%	34.5%	36.2%
Families with three or more children	15.6%	14.5%	17.0%	19.1%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	53.2%	53.5%	56.3%	59.6%
Married	9.9%	9.6%	8.8%	8.5%
Divorced/separated/widowed	36.9%	36.9%	34.9%	32.0%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	79.5%	78.9%	79.2%	76.6%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	11.1%	11.7%	13.5%	14.7%
In home relative	5.2%	5.3%	1.9%	1.5%
Out of home unregulated	4.3%	4.2%	5.3%	7.3%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	3.9%	4.0%	3.9%	3.7%
Full-time care (percent using)	65.9%	84.5%	88.9%	89.6%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	90.7%	90.4%	91.2%	91.5%
Training	9.3%	8.8%	7.1%	6.0%
Other	.0%	.8%	1.7%	2.5%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	69.7%	74.5%	74.7%	60.6%
Choices/TANF	17.3%	13.2%	16.2%	23.3%
Transitional	13.0%	12.1%	9.0%	9.6%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.2%	.1%	6.5%
Other	.0%	.0%	.0%	0.0%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$286	\$293	\$378	\$399
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	83.1%	86.4%	84.4%	74.6%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$79	\$79	\$87	\$95
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	16.3%	16.9%	15.9%	15.3%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	24.8%	23.1%	22.8%	22.8%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	35.8%	37.2%	38.8%	38.3%
School age (72 months and older)	23.2%	22.9%	22.5%	23.6%

Local Workforce Development Board: 4 North Central

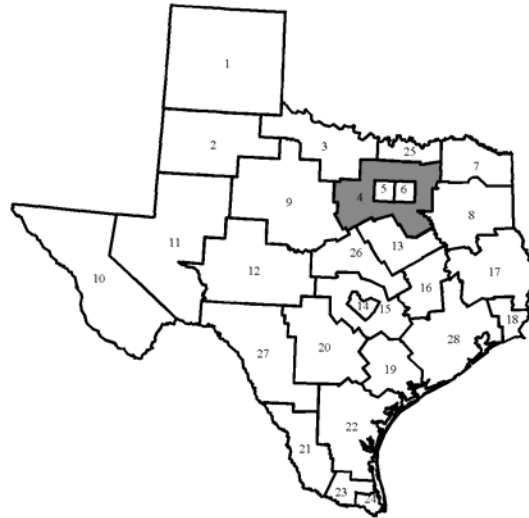
Total population: 1,644,159
Overall poverty rate: 7.7%

Child population: 462,901
Child poverty rate: 8.5%

Child population growth: 47.2%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 73.3%
Black 5.8%
Hispanic 15.1%
Other 5.8%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
2.7% 2.5% 2.6% 3.8%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 5/1996
Child care management transition date: 9/1997
Date of first new child care contract award: 9/1998

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 150% FPIL

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates:

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$22.53/ \$20.81	\$22.53
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$16.95/ \$17.49	\$17.49
Registered family home full day infant care	\$15.37/ \$18.97	\$18.97
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$12.56 / \$16.74	\$16.74

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: Early childhood development training
CDA program
NAEYC accreditation program
Texas Rising Star Program

Funds/equipment for child care facilities:
Other:

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$12,593,390	\$12,055,401	\$15,510,427	\$18,272,873
Adjusted allocation	\$12,768,517	\$13,315,128	\$14,502,698	\$18,661,839
Federal funds requiring local match	\$777,651	\$272,408	\$20,644	\$255,307
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	-\$575,376	-\$424,292	-\$242,649
Total local match required	\$470,986	\$163,794	\$13,000	\$166,200

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 4 North Central

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	7.73
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	6,321	6,220	6,737	7,856
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	17.3%	18.6%	19.2%	18.6%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	18.5%	20.1%	19.1%	20.6%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	34.5%	33.4%	33.2%	32.4%
School age (72 months and older)	29.7%	27.9%	28.5%	28.4%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	51.8%	54.6%	55.0%	49.1%
Black	31.1%	28.0%	27.2%	27.8%
Hispanic	13.1%	13.2%	14.4%	15.8%
Other	4.0%	4.2%	3.4%	7.3%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.77	1.83	1.88	1.92
Families with one child	45.1%	42.4%	40.0%	38.3%
Families with two children	37.3%	38.0%	38.3%	38.2%
Families with three or more children	17.6%	19.6%	21.7%	23.4%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	73.4%	72.6%	71.5%	74.1%
Married	8.8%	6.9%	6.2%	5.8%
Divorced/separated/widowed	17.8%	20.5%	22.3%	20.2%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	81.2%	80.0%	81.5%	80.1%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	2.2%	3.4%	3.6%	3.9%
In home relative	5.8%	4.9%	4.3%	9.7%
Out of home unregulated	10.8%	11.8%	10.6%	6.3%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	3.8%	5.0%	1.3%	1.5%
Full-time care (percent using)	66.6%	81.4%	89.6%	91.4%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	78.4%	82.1%	86.0%	81.4%
Training	20.5%	16.8%	12.7%	15.7%
Other	1.1%	1.0%	1.3%	2.8%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	66.4%	74.7%	77.5%	73.5%
Choices/TANF	18.7%	14.6%	14.4%	19.6%
Transitional	14.4%	10.3%	6.2%	5.5%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.2%	1.6%	1.4%
Other	.5%	.2%	.3%	0.0%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$430	\$461	\$500	\$524
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	78.3%	83.4%	83.6%	79.0%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$88	\$97	\$109	\$119
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	12.6%	13.2%	14.2%	13.7%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	18.4%	19.9%	19.5%	20.9%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	36.5%	35.5%	35.6%	35.2%
School age (72 months and older)	32.4%	31.5%	30.6%	30.2%

Local Workforce Development Board: 5 Tarrant County

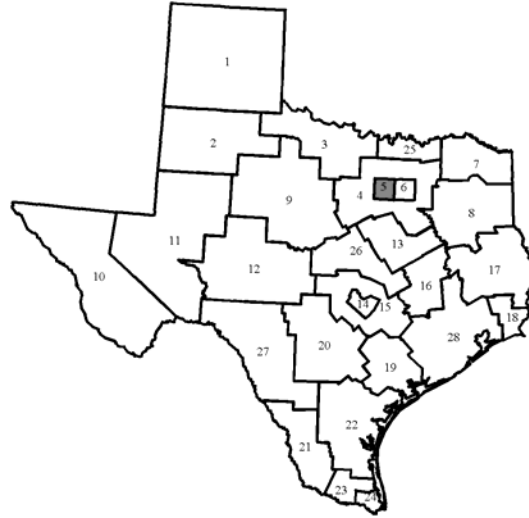
Total population: 1,446,219
Overall poverty rate: 10.6%

Child population: 406,472
Child poverty rate: 13.8%

Child population growth: 19.9%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 52.6%
Black 14.8%
Hispanic 26.1%
Other 6.5%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
3.3% 3.1% 3.1% 4.2%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 8/1996
Child care management transition date: 6/1998
Date of first new child care contract award: 9/1999

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 150% FPIL

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates:

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$18.68	\$22.50
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$15.56	\$19.00
Registered family home full day infant care	\$15.62	\$19.00
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$14.51	\$17.00

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: CDA program
Health and safety training
NAEYC accreditation program
Texas Rising Star Program
Funds/equipment for child care facilities: Provides/lends equipment, toys, and materials
Other: Training for parents

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$17,955,214	\$16,740,939	\$20,050,502	\$21,668,410
Adjusted allocation	\$18,789,623	\$21,191,634	\$21,195,202	\$22,718,207
Federal funds requiring local match	\$1,024,200	\$1,327,443	\$622,272	\$597,133
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	\$333,142	\$0	\$15,361
Total local match required	\$620,308	\$798,166	\$391,861	\$388,723

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 5 Tarrant County

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	6.26
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	8,881	10,052	10,246	10,918
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	18.9%	19.6%	20.1%	20.5%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	17.6%	18.0%	18.7%	19.0%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	33.2%	31.9%	30.8%	30.9%
School age (72 months and older)	30.3%	30.5%	30.4%	29.6%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	25.0%	23.8%	22.6%	22.3%
Black	57.3%	58.4%	57.8%	56.2%
Hispanic	15.8%	16.0%	17.5%	19.1%
Other	1.9%	1.8%	2.1%	2.4%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.91	1.95	1.97	2.00
Families with one child	42.2%	39.8%	39.2%	38.1%
Families with two children	33.4%	34.8%	34.6%	34.9%
Families with three or more children	24.4%	25.4%	26.3%	27.0%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	91.5%	90.4%	88.8%	87.9%
Married	3.1%	3.5%	3.2%	3.0%
Divorced/separated/widowed	5.4%	6.2%	8.1%	9.1%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	82.7%	82.9%	84.3%	84.7%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	9.0%	9.2%	9.6%	8.7%
In home relative	7.0%	6.0%	4.5%	4.7%
Out of home unregulated	1.3%	2.0%	1.6%	1.9%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	1.1%	2.1%	2.9%	3.4%
Full-time care (percent using)	62.3%	82.0%	87.2%	86.6%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	78.7%	77.9%	74.3%	69.1%
Training	21.0%	21.8%	25.1%	30.1%
Other	.3%	.3%	.6%	0.8%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	61.5%	66.7%	66.3%	63.6%
Choices/TANF	21.4%	19.4%	20.6%	25.4%
Transitional	14.4%	11.7%	9.1%	8.0%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.2%	1.9%	2.8%
Other	2.7%	2.1%	2.2%	0.2%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$472	\$484	\$551	\$588
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	77.7%	80.8%	78.5%	72.9%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$96	\$105	\$113	\$119
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	13.2%	14.2%	14.5%	15.0%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	17.2%	17.8%	18.4%	19.5%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	34.6%	33.7%	33.6%	33.0%
School age (72 months and older)	35.0%	34.3%	33.5%	32.6%

Local Workforce Development Board: 6 Dallas

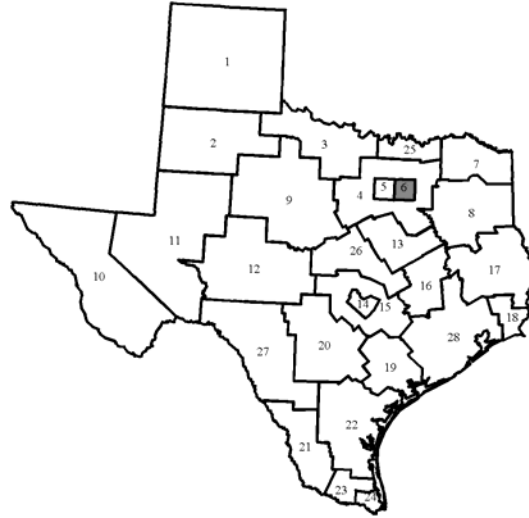
Total population: 2,218,899
Overall poverty rate: 13.4%

Child population: 619,031
Child poverty rate: 18.0%

Child population growth: 11.6%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 32.3%
Black 23.1%
Hispanic 38.9%
Other 5.8%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
3.7% 3.5% 3.5% 5.3%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 5/1996
Child care management transition date: 9/1997
Date of first new child care contract award:

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 150% FPIL

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates:

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$21.83	\$21.83
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$16.15	\$16.15
Registered family home full day infant care	\$16.74	\$16.74
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$13.39	\$13.39

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: Mentoring program
Funds/equipment for child care facilities: Scholarships for people working in the field of child development
Other: Child care support for GED and CDA programs

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$35,222,023	\$33,270,397	\$34,460,097	\$36,744,171
Adjusted allocation	\$35,840,349	\$41,574,403	\$38,111,834	\$38,650,125
Federal funds requiring local match	\$1,842,494	\$2,438,125	\$2,669,999	\$917,653
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	\$655,735	\$715,840	\$0
Total local match required	\$1,115,910	\$1,465,998	\$1,681,368	\$597,376

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 6 Dallas

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	7.49
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	15,511	16,789	16,390	18,761
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	18.2%	18.4%	17.6%	17.7%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	18.6%	18.5%	18.8%	18.3%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	33.6%	32.3%	31.6%	29.8%
School age (72 months and older)	29.6%	30.8%	32.0%	34.2%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	8.7%	10.2%	9.2%	8.2%
Black	62.3%	72.9%	76.1%	74.3%
Hispanic	10.7%	11.9%	13.3%	16.0%
Other	18.3%	5.0%	1.4%	1.6%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.90	1.95	2.02	2.08
Families with one child	40.4%	37.6%	34.1%	32.3%
Families with two children	36.6%	37.8%	38.7%	37.9%
Families with three or more children	23.0%	24.5%	27.1%	29.7%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	89.1%	88.1%	89.9%	90.3%
Married	2.9%	2.6%	1.7%	2.3%
Divorced/separated/widowed	8.0%	9.3%	8.4%	7.4%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	84.7%	83.0%	83.9%	82.8%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	5.0%	5.2%	4.7%	4.5%
In home relative	5.3%	5.0%	4.4%	5.3%
Out of home unregulated	4.9%	6.8%	7.1%	7.5%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	.9%	.8%	.7%	0.9%
Full-time care (percent using)	69.0%	85.2%	88.6%	88.4%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	76.5%	76.4%	68.8%	60.5%
Training	23.1%	23.4%	30.8%	39.3%
Other	.3%	.2%	.3%	0.2%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	54.5%	63.0%	59.3%	53.1%
Choices/TANF	22.4%	20.9%	24.7%	32.8%
Transitional	22.6%	16.1%	12.4%	8.2%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.0%	3.6%	5.8%
Other	.5%	.0%	.0%	0.0%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$504	\$513	\$541	\$576
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	74.4%	77.1%	71.4%	60.4%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$97	\$108	\$121	\$120
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	12.7%	12.9%	11.8%	13.1%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	17.7%	18.3%	18.8%	18.3%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	35.8%	34.1%	33.8%	33.0%
School age (72 months and older)	33.7%	34.7%	35.6%	35.6%

Local Workforce Development Board: 7 North East

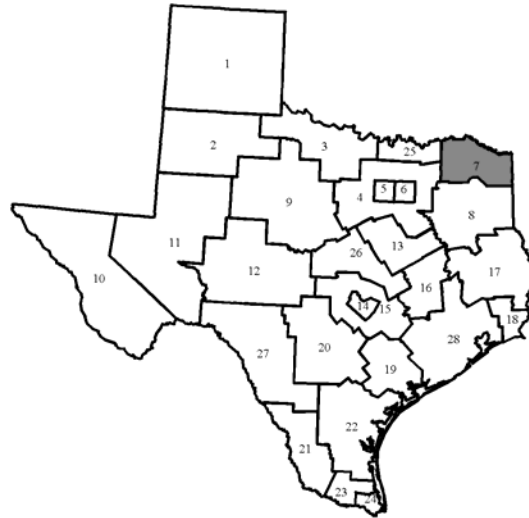
Total population: 270,468
Overall poverty rate: 17.1%

Child population: 69,646
Child poverty rate: 23.2%

Child population growth: -5.7%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 67.0%
Black 20.2%
Hispanic 10.3%
Other 2.5%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
7.3% 5.9% 4.9% 5.4%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 4/1999
Child care management transition date: 1/2000
Date of first new child care contract award: 1/1999

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 The lower of 150% FPIL or 75% SMI

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates:

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$14.10	\$14.10
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$11.80	\$11.80
Registered family home full day infant care	\$11.16	\$11.16
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$10.04	\$10.04

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: General training
Texas Rising Star Program
Funds/equipment for child care facilities: Provides/lends equipment, toys, and materials
Provides grants for quality improvement
Other:

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$4,269,945	\$3,694,711	\$4,175,849	\$4,320,942
Adjusted allocation	\$4,549,491	\$5,468,289	\$3,936,662	\$4,615,240
Federal funds requiring local match	\$266,675	\$1,142,567	\$99,306	\$126,078
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	\$984,265	\$0	\$0
Total local match required	\$161,512	\$687,004	\$62,536	\$82,075

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 7 North East

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	5.42
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	2,314	3,104	2,717	3,212
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	16.7%	19.5%	19.9%	21.9%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	19.1%	19.3%	20.6%	22.5%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	37.9%	35.9%	32.0%	31.1%
School age (72 months and older)	26.3%	25.2%	27.5%	24.5%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	34.8%	36.3%	37.7%	38.2%
Black	57.8%	55.7%	58.2%	57.2%
Hispanic	4.2%	5.5%	2.9%	3.2%
Other	3.2%	2.5%	1.2%	1.4%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.74	1.72	1.82	1.81
Families with one child	50.0%	50.0%	44.3%	45.0%
Families with two children	31.3%	33.0%	36.6%	35.7%
Families with three or more children	18.8%	16.9%	19.1%	19.4%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	61.0%	65.2%	71.7%	72.5%
Married	12.8%	8.0%	4.9%	5.5%
Divorced/separated/widowed	26.2%	26.8%	23.4%	22.0%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	78.5%	78.9%	76.5%	74.8%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	5.2%	6.4%	7.4%	8.0%
In home relative	4.0%	1.7%	1.9%	6.9%
Out of home unregulated	12.3%	13.0%	14.2%	10.3%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	2.7%	2.6%	2.5%	6.0%
Full-time care (percent using)	62.4%	87.3%	92.6%	92.3%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	76.1%	79.6%	87.3%	91.3%
Training	23.5%	19.9%	10.0%	6.9%
Other	.4%	.5%	2.7%	1.8%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	56.3%	61.7%	56.4%	58.9%
Choices/TANF	21.6%	18.6%	26.2%	24.2%
Transitional	14.0%	12.8%	13.2%	9.6%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.0%	4.2%	7.1%
Other	8.0%	6.8%	.0%	0.2%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$350	\$337	\$336	\$335
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	76.9%	80.5%	70.8%	70.0%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$73	\$78	\$83	\$82
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	12.1%	14.7%	14.6%	16.4%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	19.8%	19.9%	20.5%	23.1%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	38.5%	37.4%	35.8%	34.9%
School age (72 months and older)	29.6%	27.9%	29.1%	25.6%

Local Workforce Development Board: 8 East Texas

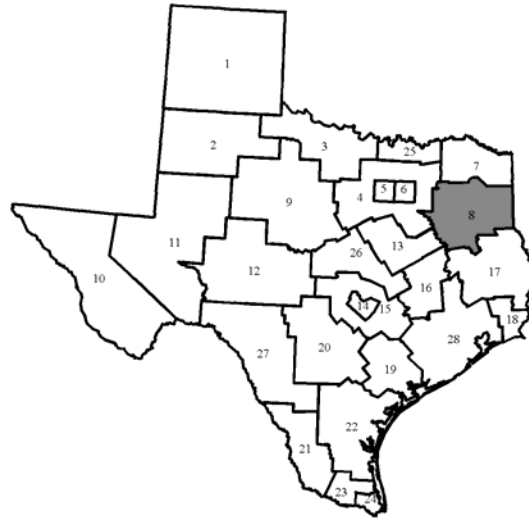
Total population: 745,180
Overall poverty rate: 15.1%

Child population: 189,612
Child poverty rate: 19.9%

Child population growth: .4%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 66.1%
Black 18.1%
Hispanic 13.5%
Other 2.3%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
5.8% 5.5% 4.6% 4.6%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 11/1996
Child care management transition date: 10/1998
Date of first new child care contract award: 12/1999

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 55% SMI

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates:

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$14.12	\$16.82
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$12.18	\$14.62
Registered family home full day infant care	\$11.16	\$12.15
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$11.16	\$12.00

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: Early childhood development training
Mentoring program
Funds/equipment for child care facilities: Provides grants for quality improvement
Other: Local initiatives with schools and other local community based organizations
Performance measures/ internal quality assurance system

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$9,758,738	\$8,736,727	\$10,852,984	\$11,350,022
Adjusted allocation	\$10,430,837	\$6,864,324	\$10,568,752	\$12,011,055
Federal funds requiring local match	\$664,344	\$266,377	\$232,053	\$258,285
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	-\$453,643	-\$33,029	\$0
Total local match required	\$402,361	\$160,167	\$146,130	\$168,139

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 8 East Texas

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	6.81
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	5,059	4,844	7,031	6,978
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	19.4%	19.8%	20.8%	19.9%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	21.1%	20.7%	21.0%	22.5%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	33.7%	33.1%	31.7%	31.3%
School age (72 months and older)	25.7%	26.4%	26.4%	26.3%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	30.7%	30.8%	32.9%	32.7%
Black	58.5%	59.4%	59.3%	59.3%
Hispanic	3.8%	3.8%	3.6%	4.4%
Other	7.1%	6.1%	4.3%	3.6%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.76	1.80	1.82	1.83
Families with one child	47.7%	44.8%	43.6%	43.3%
Families with two children	34.2%	35.9%	36.6%	37.1%
Families with three or more children	18.1%	19.2%	19.8%	19.5%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	73.0%	72.0%	73.1%	75.4%
Married	7.4%	5.8%	5.3%	6.0%
Divorced/separated/widowed	19.5%	22.1%	21.6%	18.6%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	73.6%	71.2%	69.9%	70.4%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	3.6%	3.1%	4.0%	3.8%
In home relative	3.6%	2.9%	8.1%	10.2%
Out of home unregulated	19.1%	22.8%	18.0%	15.6%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	5.7%	8.5%	.6%	0.3%
Full-time care (percent using)	69.8%	81.3%	88.6%	90.0%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	79.5%	86.1%	87.7%	82.6%
Training	20.5%	13.7%	11.9%	16.6%
Other	.1%	.2%	.4%	0.8%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	61.4%	72.8%	74.6%	59.6%
Choices/TANF	21.7%	13.6%	17.0%	24.6%
Transitional	16.8%	13.6%	7.9%	7.7%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.0%	.5%	6.3%
Other	.0%	.0%	.0%	1.7%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$323	\$330	\$371	\$393
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	73.8%	83.4%	80.3%	70.1%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$84	\$89	\$94	\$96
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	14.7%	14.0%	15.3%	13.9%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	21.0%	20.7%	21.5%	21.7%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	36.2%	35.9%	34.6%	35.4%
School age (72 months and older)	28.1%	29.3%	28.5%	28.9%

Local Workforce Development Board: 9 West Central

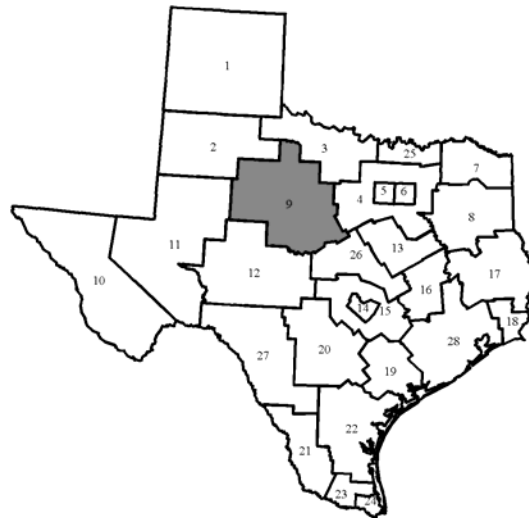
Total population: 324,901
Overall poverty rate: 16.3%

Child population: 82,776
Child poverty rate: 21.2%

Child population growth: -3.9%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 64.6%
Black 5.4%
Hispanic 27.2%
Other 2.8%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
4.3% 4.3% 3.7% 3.7%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 9/1996
Child care management transition date: 1/1998
Date of first new child care contract award: 9/1999

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 55% SMI

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates:

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$13.50	\$16.49
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$11.36	\$13.91
Registered family home full day infant care	\$11.16	\$13.58
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$11.16	\$11.90

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: General training
Texas Rising Star Program
Funds/equipment for child care facilities: Provides/lends equipment, toys, and materials
Scholarships for those working in the child development field
Other:

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$4,983,901	\$4,558,440	\$5,180,930	\$5,332,057
Adjusted allocation	\$5,274,307	\$4,590,389	\$5,482,628	\$5,791,338
Federal funds requiring local match	\$336,268	\$367,077	\$135,546	\$247,616
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	\$31,949	\$12,454	\$43,164
Total local match required	\$203,662	\$220,716	\$85,357	\$161,194

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 9 West Central

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	6.25
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	3,060	3,695	3,370	3,361
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	20.1%	22.0%	19.9%	19.8%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	20.7%	22.1%	22.4%	21.3%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	33.2%	32.8%	34.2%	33.7%
School age (72 months and older)	26.1%	23.1%	23.6%	25.2%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	51.7%	51.8%	50.1%	47.9%
Black	15.0%	14.9%	14.9%	15.4%
Hispanic	32.6%	32.7%	34.6%	36.1%
Other	.8%	.6%	.4%	0.5%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.65	1.66	1.74	1.79
Families with one child	52.4%	53.5%	48.5%	46.7%
Families with two children	33.5%	31.1%	33.5%	33.7%
Families with three or more children	14.1%	15.4%	18.0%	19.6%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	78.0%	80.9%	83.4%	83.1%
Married	14.2%	13.5%	11.5%	11.2%
Divorced/separated/widowed	7.8%	5.6%	5.1%	5.7%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	89.1%	88.9%	89.3%	89.0%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	3.2%	4.3%	3.5%	3.5%
In home relative	2.3%	2.5%	3.6%	3.1%
Out of home unregulated	5.3%	4.3%	3.5%	4.5%
Self-arranged care (percent using)				
Full-time care (percent using)	1.9%	2.8%	1.2%	0.1%
Full-time care (percent using)	71.2%	86.1%	89.1%	90.6%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	81.0%	78.9%	73.8%	65.9%
Training	18.4%	20.7%	25.9%	33.2%
Other	.6%	.4%	.4%	0.9%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	76.0%	80.2%	71.5%	59.1%
Choices/TANF	9.6%	10.5%	15.4%	22.2%
Transitional	13.5%	8.7%	9.0%	8.7%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.0%	1.2%	5.5%
Other	.9%	.6%	2.9%	4.6%
Family-level subsidy amount				
Family-level subsidy amount	\$285	\$300	\$370	\$406
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	89.4%	88.6%	84.7%	74.5%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$70	\$76	\$82	\$88
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	14.3%	16.5%	14.2%	14.6%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	21.8%	22.3%	22.2%	20.1%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	36.9%	36.2%	37.2%	37.2%
School age (72 months and older)	27.0%	25.0%	26.4%	28.0%

Local Workforce Development Board: 10 Upper Rio Grande

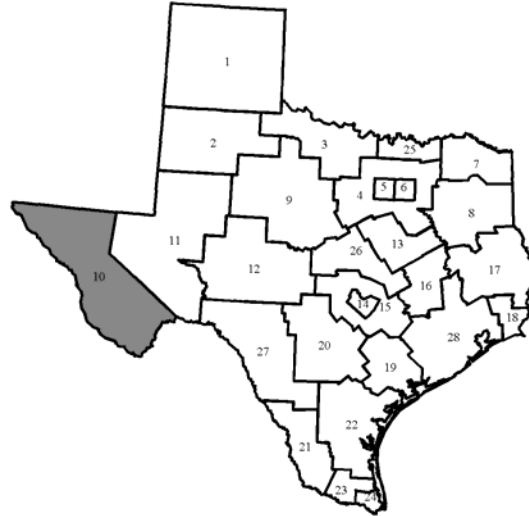
Total population: 704,318
Overall poverty rate: 23.9%

Child population: 224,413
Child poverty rate: 31.6%

Child population growth: 11.2%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 11.4%
Black 2.5%
Hispanic 84.2%
Other 1.9%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
10.2% 9.5% 8.3% 8.2%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 10/1997
Child care management transition date: 4/1999
Date of first new child care contract award: 9/2000

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 85% SMI
5/2001 75% SMI

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 9% for 1-3 children 10% for 4 or more children

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$13.55	\$15.00
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$13.36	\$14.79
Registered family home full day infant care	\$11.16	\$12.35
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$10.04	\$11.11

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: Early childhood development training
Texas Rising Star Program
Funds/equipment for child care facilities: Provides/lends equipment, toys, and materials
Local initiatives with schools and other local community based organizations
Provides grants for quality improvement
Other: Training for parents

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$19,442,267	\$17,806,652	\$20,104,077	\$20,956,059
Adjusted allocation	\$20,525,718	\$17,806,652	\$21,205,948	\$22,407,014
Federal funds requiring local match	\$1,388,325	\$1,398,418	\$481,272	\$448,054
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total local match required	\$840,841	\$840,842	\$303,070	\$291,675

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Local Workforce Development Board: 10 Upper Rio Grande

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	7.35
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

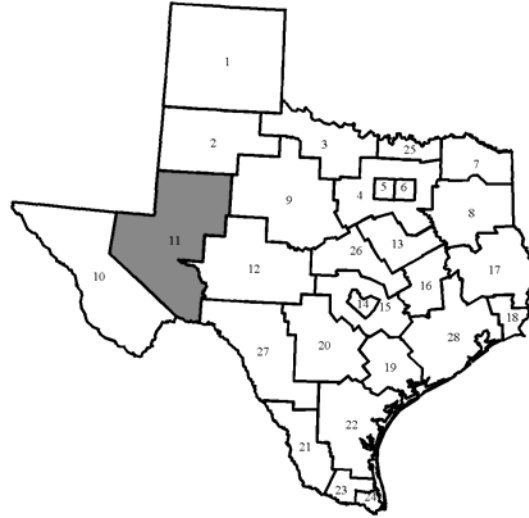
	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	11,711	12,895	13,864	12,737
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	17.7%	16.9%	15.7%	15.4%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	16.7%	17.3%	17.8%	17.0%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	32.5%	31.8%	32.1%	32.1%
School age (72 months and older)	33.0%	34.0%	34.5%	35.5%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	4.6%	4.3%	4.0%	3.6%
Black	4.8%	4.8%	4.5%	4.2%
Hispanic	89.2%	89.8%	90.6%	91.3%
Other	1.5%	1.1%	.9%	0.9%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.71	1.78	1.81	1.86
Families with one child	49.1%	45.6%	43.7%	41.6%
Families with two children	34.9%	35.5%	36.8%	37.3%
Families with three or more children	16.0%	18.9%	19.5%	21.1%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	63.1%	56.5%	57.1%	62.8%
Married	11.9%	11.3%	10.3%	10.0%
Divorced/separated/widowed	25.1%	32.1%	32.6%	27.2%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	66.4%	64.5%	66.1%	65.0%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	16.0%	14.6%	14.4%	13.1%
In home relative	9.1%	11.5%	10.1%	12.6%
Out of home unregulated	8.5%	9.4%	9.4%	9.2%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	1.2%	.8%	.6%	0.5%
Full-time care (percent using)	66.9%	79.5%	83.2%	83.5%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	79.0%	77.8%	72.5%	60.9%
Training	20.8%	21.9%	27.0%	37.5%
Other	.2%	.3%	.5%	1.6%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	69.8%	72.6%	67.3%	58.0%
Choices/TANF	19.7%	18.7%	19.8%	21.1%
Transitional	10.5%	8.7%	7.2%	2.9%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.0%	4.1%	16.4%
Other	.0%	.0%	1.5%	1.6%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$309	\$329	\$382	\$400
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	79.9%	82.0%	75.7%	64.9%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$83	\$90	\$84	\$94
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	12.9%	11.8%	10.7%	10.6%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	16.5%	17.3%	17.5%	16.4%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	35.2%	33.7%	33.9%	33.9%
School age (72 months and older)	35.4%	37.1%	37.9%	39.2%

Local Workforce Development Board: 11 Permian Basin

Total population:	376,672		
Overall poverty rate:	17.3%		
Child population:	111,876		
Child poverty rate:	22.2%		
Child population growth:	-8.1%		
Child ethnicity/race:			
White	43.5%		
Black	4.9%		
Hispanic	49.7%		
Other	1.9%		
Unemployment Rates:			
1998	1999	2000	2001
5.7%	8.5%	5.6%	4.4%



Key Dates

Board certification date:	12/1996
Child care management transition date:	9/1998
Date of first new child care contract award:	9/1999

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997:	85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates:	10/1999 75% SMI

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997:	9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates:	

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	
Licensed center full day infant care	\$13.92	\$15.08
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$13.46	\$13.46
Registered family home full day infant care	\$11.72	\$13.00
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$11.16	\$12.00

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers:	Training with community colleges Texas Rising Star Program Partnership with community colleges to provide training
Funds/equipment for child care facilities:	Provides/lends equipment, toys, and materials
Other:	

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999		FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$6,909,484	\$6,299,665	\$7,234,615	\$7,492,789
Adjusted allocation	\$6,722,907	\$6,109,777	\$7,311,889	\$7,943,068
Federal funds requiring local match	\$490,633	\$325,595	\$109,214	\$126,329
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	-\$189,888	-\$63,599	-\$38,661
Total local match required	\$297,153	\$195,774	\$68,775	\$82,238

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 11 Permian Basin

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	5.17
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	3,239	4,641	5,271	5,346
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	17.1%	20.5%	21.5%	19.8%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	18.9%	19.8%	20.2%	21.1%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	33.6%	31.9%	30.4%	31.5%
School age (72 months and older)	30.4%	27.9%	27.8%	27.5%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	27.3%	28.1%	27.0%	25.9%
Black	19.3%	17.9%	17.6%	16.9%
Hispanic	52.8%	53.2%	54.5%	56.2%
Other	.7%	.8%	.9%	1.0%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.80	1.79	1.76	1.75
Families with one child	45.4%	45.9%	47.1%	48.1%
Families with two children	34.8%	34.4%	34.9%	33.5%
Families with three or more children	19.8%	19.6%	18.0%	18.4%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	57.9%	60.1%	60.3%	61.7%
Married	7.2%	7.4%	9.5%	10.3%
Divorced/separated/widowed	34.9%	32.5%	30.1%	28.0%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	73.2%	73.4%	72.3%	76.4%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	5.5%	4.6%	6.4%	5.8%
In home relative	6.7%	5.6%	3.4%	2.1%
Out of home unregulated	14.6%	16.5%	17.9%	15.7%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	2.0%	2.9%	3.4%	2.9%
Full-time care (percent using)	71.9%	87.0%	86.9%	87.8%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	80.4%	83.1%	80.1%	75.1%
Training	17.8%	15.2%	17.8%	19.4%
Other	1.8%	1.7%	2.2%	5.5%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	67.8%	78.1%	74.7%	69.8%
Choices/TANF	19.6%	14.1%	16.2%	21.7%
Transitional	12.6%	7.6%	6.6%	6.2%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.1%	2.5%	2.2%
Other	.0%	.0%	.0%	0.0%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$336	\$323	\$341	\$336
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	80.3%	85.9%	83.7%	79.1%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$78	\$81	\$89	\$106
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	11.9%	14.6%	15.2%	14.5%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	18.2%	20.4%	20.3%	21.3%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	37.0%	34.9%	34.8%	35.4%
School age (72 months and older)	32.8%	30.1%	29.8%	28.8%

Local Workforce Development Board: 12 Concho Valley

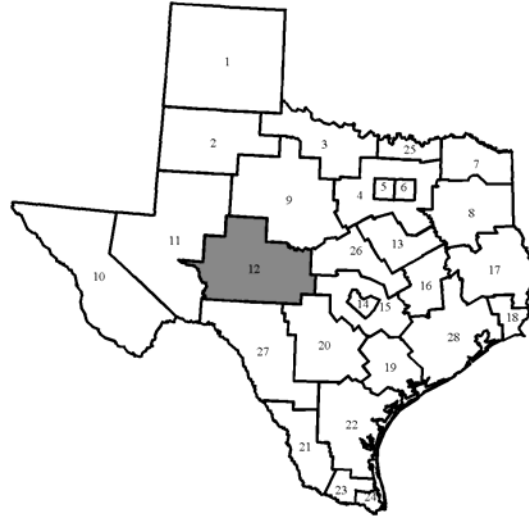
Total population: 148,212
Overall poverty rate: 15.9%

Child population: 38,549
Child poverty rate: 21.0%

Child population growth: -2.7%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 51.3%
Black 3.4%
Hispanic 43.0%
Other 2.3%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
4.1% 4.5% 3.2% 2.9%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 8/1997
Child care management transition date: 9/1998
Date of first new child care contract award: 9/1999

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 150% FPIL

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates:

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$13.14	\$17.00
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$11.57	\$12.73
Registered family home full day infant care	\$11.72	\$17.00
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$11.16	\$12.28

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: Texas Rising Star Program
Funds/equipment for child care facilities:
Other:

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$2,536,390	\$2,193,448	\$2,442,934	\$2,546,086
Adjusted allocation	\$2,577,409	\$2,171,013	\$2,338,562	\$2,715,558
Federal funds requiring local match	\$163,785	\$145,050	\$28,424	\$63,685
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	-\$22,435	-\$30,871	\$6,715
Total local match required	\$99,197	\$87,216	\$17,899	\$41,458

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 12 Concho Valley

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	6.19
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	1,429	1,465	1,895	1,859
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	18.8%	18.1%	17.9%	19.5%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	19.8%	21.8%	22.0%	21.4%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	33.5%	31.7%	31.5%	32.6%
School age (72 months and older)	27.9%	28.5%	28.6%	26.5%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	40.2%	38.9%	39.3%	36.2%
Black	9.0%	10.1%	8.8%	9.5%
Hispanic	50.8%	50.8%	51.7%	53.7%
Other	.0%	.2%	.3%	0.6%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.71	1.69	1.68	1.73
Families with one child	51.4%	51.6%	52.5%	50.0%
Families with two children	31.3%	32.3%	31.6%	32.3%
Families with three or more children	17.4%	16.1%	15.9%	17.7%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	67.9%	64.0%	65.1%	67.6%
Married	17.6%	16.2%	11.9%	10.7%
Divorced/separated/widowed	14.4%	19.8%	23.0%	21.7%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	85.3%	81.8%	78.9%	74.3%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	4.7%	4.6%	5.6%	5.3%
In home relative	3.1%	4.5%	4.7%	8.2%
Out of home unregulated	6.7%	9.2%	10.8%	12.2%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	5.9%	5.4%	7.2%	5.0%
Full-time care (percent using)	65.0%	92.4%	93.3%	89.9%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	89.1%	90.4%	88.8%	86.1%
Training	10.4%	9.3%	10.2%	11.8%
Other	.5%	.3%	1.0%	2.1%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	78.0%	82.5%	80.3%	75.6%
Choices/TANF	12.3%	8.9%	9.4%	14.5%
Transitional	9.7%	8.6%	5.8%	4.5%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.0%	4.5%	5.5%
Other	.0%	.0%	.0%	0.0%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$277	\$268	\$285	\$303
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	88.2%	90.7%	87.0%	82.0%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$87	\$91	\$90	\$97
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	13.6%	12.0%	12.4%	13.3%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	20.4%	21.5%	23.0%	21.8%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	36.1%	36.2%	35.5%	36.6%
School age (72 months and older)	29.9%	30.3%	29.1%	28.3%

Local Workforce Development Board: 13 Heart of Texas

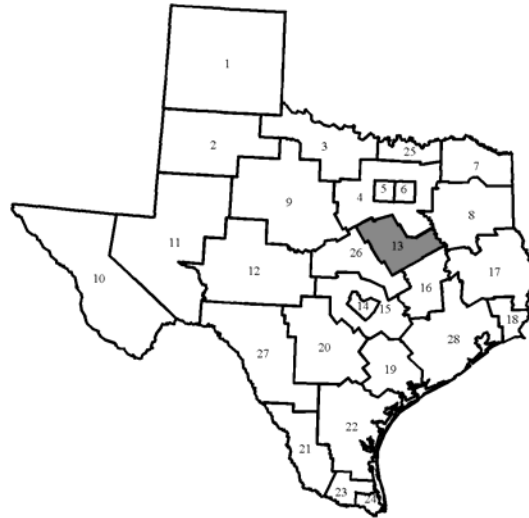
Total population: 321,536
Overall poverty rate: 17.2%

Child population: 84,349
Child poverty rate: 20.8%

Child population growth: 3.7%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 55.6%
Black 18.0%
Hispanic 24.0%
Other 2.4%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
4.4% 3.5% 3.5% 4%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 4/1997
Child care management transition date: 9/1998
Date of first new child care contract award: 9/1999

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 150% FPIL

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates:

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$14.62	\$15.62
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$12.39	\$13.39
Registered family home full day infant care	\$11.16	\$12.16
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$10.04	\$11.04

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: General training
NAEYC accreditation program
Texas Rising Star Program
Funds/equipment for child care facilities: Provides/lends equipment, toys, and materials
Other: Self-arranged care training

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$5,089,726	\$4,914,045	\$5,039,394	\$5,237,136
Adjusted allocation	\$5,645,687	\$6,729,581	\$5,765,578	\$6,171,293
Federal funds requiring local match	\$307,240	\$589,199	\$559,628	\$746,934
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	\$315,035	\$93,271	\$0
Total local match required	\$186,080	\$354,274	\$352,412	\$486,241

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 13 Heart of Texas

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	7.45
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	2,871	4,066	2,927	3,621
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	19.7%	22.1%	20.1%	20.8%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	21.1%	20.7%	21.6%	22.3%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	33.3%	32.3%	31.3%	30.2%
School age (72 months and older)	26.0%	24.8%	27.0%	26.7%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	28.2%	29.9%	28.7%	26.6%
Black	50.4%	50.7%	50.8%	53.7%
Hispanic	19.7%	18.5%	19.7%	19.1%
Other	1.6%	.8%	.8%	0.7%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.76	1.82	1.83	1.91
Families with one child	47.8%	46.1%	45.0%	41.0%
Families with two children	34.1%	32.2%	34.1%	35.3%
Families with three or more children	18.1%	21.7%	20.9%	23.8%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	82.8%	75.9%	75.2%	78.4%
Married	8.3%	9.2%	8.4%	6.3%
Divorced/separated/widowed	9.0%	14.9%	16.4%	15.2%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	82.4%	81.5%	85.7%	86.4%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	8.9%	8.2%	7.0%	4.5%
In home relative	.7%	.8%	.5%	1.4%
Out of home unregulated	8.0%	9.5%	6.8%	7.7%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	2.2%	2.2%	1.4%	1.2%
Full-time care (percent using)	73.5%	89.8%	89.6%	92.6%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	67.3%	72.4%	75.0%	83.6%
Training	32.2%	27.3%	24.8%	15.0%
Other	.6%	.3%	.2%	1.4%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	53.6%	63.1%	64.2%	57.3%
Choices/TANF	26.6%	21.2%	19.7%	29.8%
Transitional	15.4%	13.6%	11.2%	7.1%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.0%	3.2%	3.7%
Other	4.3%	2.1%	1.7%	2.2%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$358	\$352	\$378	\$403
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	72.2%	80.2%	79.7%	69.0%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$79	\$85	\$99	\$99
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	14.0%	17.5%	15.4%	15.9%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	21.8%	21.5%	23.1%	21.9%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	37.8%	36.0%	35.1%	34.1%
School age (72 months and older)	26.3%	25.0%	26.4%	28.0%

Local Workforce Development Board: 14 Capital Area

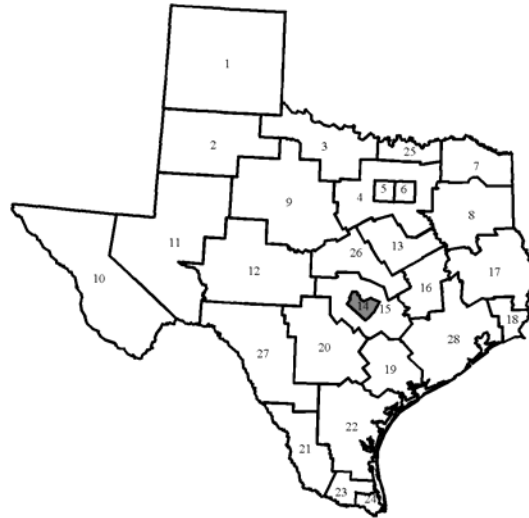
Total population: 812,280
Overall poverty rate: 12.5%

Child population: 192,944
Child poverty rate: 13.9%

Child population growth: 30.5%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 44.0%
Black 11.3%
Hispanic 38.5%
Other 6.1%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
2.8% 2.3% 2.1% 4.1%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 5/1996
Child care management transition date: 12/1997
Date of first new child care contract award: 11/1998

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 85% SMI; wait list priority for families at/below 150% FPIL

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 10% for 1 child 12% for 2 or more children

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$17.53	\$24.13
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$15.22	\$20.09
Registered family home full day infant care	\$14.17	\$19.24
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$12.50	\$17.00

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: ESL training
Funds/equipment for child care facilities: Provides/lends equipment, toys, and materials
Other: Self-arranged care training

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$9,022,312	\$8,745,489	\$10,233,676	\$11,066,282
Adjusted allocation	\$9,524,470	\$9,296,659	\$11,949,525	\$13,506,626
Federal funds requiring local match	\$526,082	\$1,019,302	\$1,431,370	\$2,015,992
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	\$551,170	\$223,241	\$105,926
Total local match required	\$318,623	\$612,887	\$901,371	\$1,312,375

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Local Workforce Development Board: 14 Capital Area

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	4.92
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

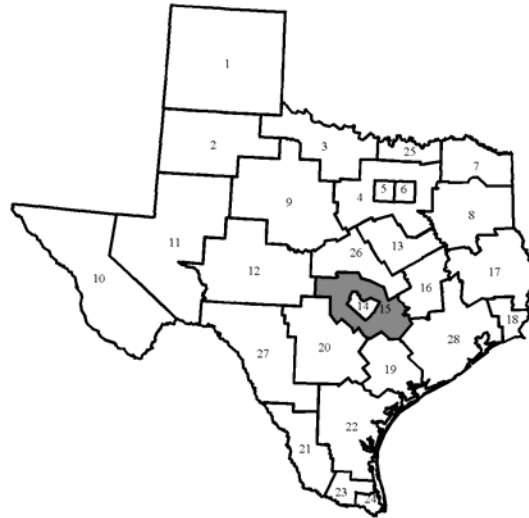
	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	4,347	5,197	5,445	5,923
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	13.7%	15.6%	18.2%	19.9%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	16.4%	17.9%	20.2%	20.6%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	36.4%	35.5%	32.7%	33.2%
School age (72 months and older)	33.5%	31.0%	28.9%	26.3%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	13.8%	11.8%	11.3%	11.2%
Black	33.9%	38.5%	39.4%	40.0%
Hispanic	33.0%	35.1%	39.2%	40.8%
Other	19.2%	14.5%	10.1%	8.0%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.76	1.80	1.81	1.77
Families with one child	48.0%	46.5%	45.4%	48.4%
Families with two children	33.4%	33.1%	34.5%	32.6%
Families with three or more children	18.6%	20.4%	20.1%	19.0%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	81.5%	76.8%	75.1%	78.7%
Married	8.2%	7.2%	5.4%	4.3%
Divorced/separated/widowed	10.3%	16.0%	19.5%	17.0%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	87.7%	86.6%	85.6%	85.4%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	2.3%	2.7%	4.3%	4.2%
In home relative	6.0%	6.2%	4.4%	6.2%
Out of home unregulated	4.0%	4.5%	5.7%	4.2%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	1.4%	1.7%	2.6%	1.5%
Full-time care (percent using)	59.0%	79.1%	86.7%	87.0%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	81.4%	80.6%	75.4%	62.7%
Training	17.5%	18.7%	24.2%	37.0%
Other	1.1%	.7%	.4%	0.3%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	59.9%	64.0%	64.9%	53.4%
Choices/TANF	18.4%	16.2%	15.9%	31.9%
Transitional	16.5%	15.4%	9.5%	7.2%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.0%	5.7%	4.9%
Other	5.2%	4.4%	4.0%	2.6%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$409	\$418	\$516	\$522
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	79.0%	79.3%	77.0%	59.4%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$89	\$99	\$124	\$153
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	9.3%	11.9%	13.8%	14.9%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	16.6%	17.2%	20.6%	21.8%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	39.0%	37.3%	35.8%	36.8%
School age (72 months and older)	35.1%	33.7%	29.8%	26.4%

Local Workforce Development Board: 15 Rural Capital

Total population:	534,553		
Overall poverty rate:	8.8%		
Child population:	146,773		
Child poverty rate:	9.2%		
Child population growth:	48.6%		
Child ethnicity/race:			
White	63.2%		
Black	5.6%		
Hispanic	27.5%		
Other	3.6%		
Unemployment Rates:			
1998	1999	2000	2001
2.5%	2.2%	1.9%	3.4%



Key Dates

Board certification date:	11/1996
Child care management transition date:	11/1997
Date of first new child care contract award:	9/1998

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997:	85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates:	10/1999 80% SMI

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997:	9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates:	

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	NA	\$22.44
Licensed center full day pre-school care	NA	\$19.48
Registered family home full day infant care	NA	\$18.14
Registered family home full day pre-school care	NA	\$16.00

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers:	General training Texas Rising Star Program Technical assistance/computer training
Funds/equipment for child care facilities:	Provides/lends equipment, toys, and materials Provides grants for quality improvement
Other:	

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$5,002,326	\$4,722,051	\$6,119,780	\$6,923,111
Adjusted allocation	\$4,725,599	\$5,297,421	\$6,445,935	\$7,517,135
Federal funds requiring local match	\$316,139	\$829,319	\$533,889	\$468,702
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	\$575,370	-\$11,543	\$0
Total local match required	\$191,470	\$498,654	\$336,204	\$305,117

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 15 Rural Capital

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	5.21
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	2,415	2,728	3,240	3,569
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	17.5%	21.7%	20.4%	20.5%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	21.4%	19.4%	21.1%	19.9%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	39.2%	36.6%	35.0%	35.6%
School age (72 months and older)	21.9%	22.3%	23.5%	24.0%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	47.1%	46.1%	43.3%	42.1%
Black	19.1%	19.4%	18.4%	19.8%
Hispanic	26.1%	31.3%	36.1%	36.1%
Other	7.7%	3.2%	2.2%	2.1%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.64	1.72	1.76	1.76
Families with one child	54.5%	50.2%	47.9%	48.0%
Families with two children	31.1%	33.1%	34.2%	34.8%
Families with three or more children	14.4%	16.7%	17.9%	17.3%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	72.4%	69.0%	64.2%	61.6%
Married	10.7%	8.3%	8.9%	11.3%
Divorced/separated/widowed	16.9%	22.6%	26.9%	27.1%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	79.6%	81.4%	76.6%	74.5%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	8.1%	4.2%	5.0%	6.2%
In home relative	8.3%	6.6%	7.2%	4.7%
Out of home unregulated	3.9%	7.8%	11.2%	14.6%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	6.3%	5.4%	7.7%	10.8%
Full-time care (percent using)	71.6%	88.2%	90.9%	91.6%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	86.2%	83.5%	80.2%	82.5%
Training	13.0%	16.2%	19.4%	17.3%
Other	.7%	.3%	.4%	0.2%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	73.4%	76.0%	79.5%	78.7%
Choices/TANF	9.5%	12.9%	12.8%	13.3%
Transitional	9.8%	6.3%	5.1%	3.8%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.0%	2.6%	1.8%
Other	7.3%	4.8%	.0%	2.4%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$411	\$423	\$427	\$437
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	80.9%	84.2%	83.1%	84.7%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$85	\$91	\$106	\$122
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	15.4%	15.2%	15.1%	14.2%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	19.5%	21.2%	22.2%	20.5%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	39.8%	40.7%	37.7%	40.1%
School age (72 months and older)	25.3%	22.9%	25.0%	25.2%

Local Workforce Development Board: 16 Brazos Valley

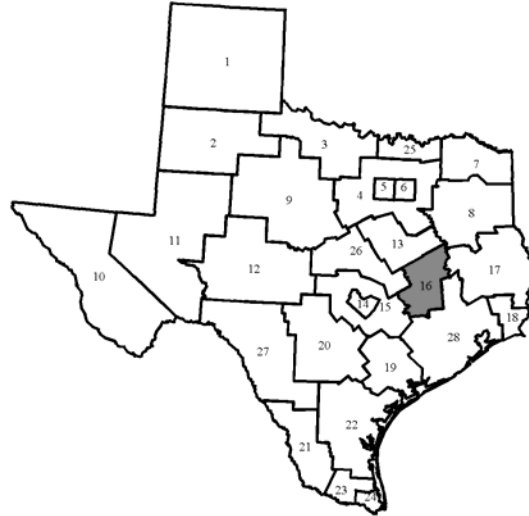
Total population: 267,085
Overall poverty rate: 22.2%

Child population: 61,473
Child poverty rate: 21.2%

Child population growth: 9.0%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 54.7%
Black 19.1%
Hispanic 22.5%
Other 3.6%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
2.6% 2.9% 2.4% 2.4%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 6/1996
Child care management transition date: 6/1998
Date of first new child care contract award: 9/1999

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 75% SMI

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates: 4/2001 Up to 13% for 1 child Up to 15% for 2 or more children

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$15.52	\$20.65
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$13.16	\$16.51
Registered family home full day infant care	\$13.60	\$16.29
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$12.28	\$15.00

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: General training
Funds/equipment for child care facilities: Provides curriculum
Other: Self-arranged care training

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$4,102,637	\$3,882,010	\$3,882,297	\$4,004,679
Adjusted allocation	\$3,889,823	\$3,882,010	\$4,100,736	\$4,128,509
Federal funds requiring local match	\$203,537	\$205,014	\$92,231	\$20,000
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	-\$68,796
Total local match required	\$123,273	\$123,271	\$58,080	\$13,020

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Local Workforce Development Board: 16 Brazos Valley

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	7.91
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

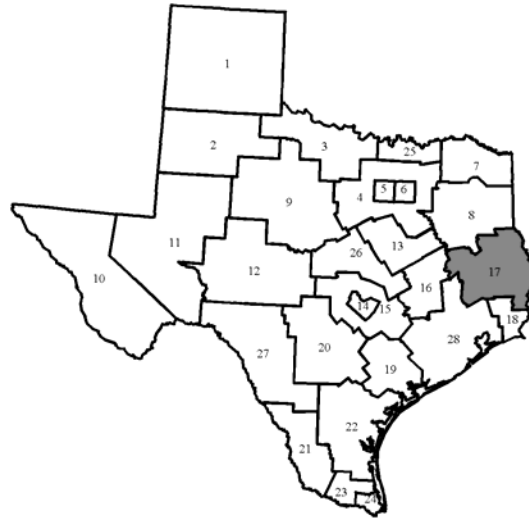
	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	1,605	1,941	1,990	1,718
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	16.2%	18.1%	20.4%	18.9%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	18.2%	21.0%	22.0%	20.9%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	38.6%	35.5%	34.1%	35.7%
School age (72 months and older)	27.0%	25.4%	23.5%	24.4%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	20.5%	21.7%	22.2%	24.3%
Black	59.9%	58.8%	59.3%	57.7%
Hispanic	18.1%	18.2%	17.8%	17.6%
Other	1.6%	1.2%	.7%	0.4%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.78	1.77	1.80	1.90
Families with one child	50.2%	49.2%	47.5%	41.1%
Families with two children	29.0%	31.5%	32.9%	37.7%
Families with three or more children	20.7%	19.3%	19.6%	21.2%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	75.9%	74.2%	76.5%	77.1%
Married	10.4%	9.9%	7.4%	7.0%
Divorced/separated/widowed	13.7%	16.0%	16.2%	15.9%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	91.5%	87.9%	88.0%	89.5%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	5.2%	8.1%	9.0%	8.2%
In home relative	.6%	.5%	.4%	0.7%
Out of home unregulated	2.8%	3.5%	2.6%	1.7%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	.8%	1.0%	1.5%	2.1%
Full-time care (percent using)	64.8%	82.9%	86.1%	88.5%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	80.1%	82.9%	81.7%	68.8%
Training	19.6%	16.8%	17.8%	28.9%
Other	.3%	.3%	.5%	2.3%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	50.6%	63.9%	71.0%	55.3%
Choices/TANF	20.0%	15.7%	16.7%	26.5%
Transitional	23.2%	17.0%	11.7%	7.1%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.0%	.6%	11.1%
Other	6.2%	3.4%	.0%	0.0%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$413	\$386	\$470	\$498
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	80.5%	85.5%	83.6%	67.3%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$73	\$82	\$96	\$115
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	11.3%	13.5%	13.3%	12.7%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	18.0%	20.2%	22.0%	20.1%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	40.6%	38.6%	38.2%	38.4%
School age (72 months and older)	30.1%	27.7%	26.5%	28.8%

Local Workforce Development Board: 17 Deep East Texas

Total population:	355,862		
Overall poverty rate:	18.5%		
Child population:	89,192		
Child poverty rate:	24.0%		
Child population growth:	.3%		
Child ethnicity/race:			
White	65.3%		
Black	19.4%		
Hispanic	13.0%		
Other	2.2%		
Unemployment Rates:			
1998	1999	2000	2001
6.4%	6.5%	5.6%	6.1%



Key Dates

Board certification date:	10/1996
Child care management transition date:	11/1998
Date of first new child care contract award:	9/1999

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997:	85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates:	10/1999 150% FPIL

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997:	9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates:	

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$14.70	\$16.77
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$13.00	\$14.18
Registered family home full day infant care	\$11.16	\$11.66
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$10.04	\$10.54

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers:	General training Texas Rising Star Program CDA program
Funds/equipment for child care facilities:	Provides/lends equipment, toys, and materials Provides grants for quality improvement
Other:	

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$5,835,216	\$5,305,846	\$5,568,937	\$5,605,189
Adjusted allocation	\$5,667,295	\$5,485,834	\$4,998,997	\$5,916,949
Federal funds requiring local match	\$344,104	\$506,423	\$31,937	\$91,552
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	\$179,988	-\$100,643	-\$29,080
Total local match required	\$208,407	\$304,503	\$20,112	\$59,599

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 17 Deep East Texas

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	6.70
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	2,774	3,337	3,791	3,525
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	22.3%	22.0%	22.9%	22.8%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	22.2%	23.5%	25.3%	24.9%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	36.9%	34.9%	34.1%	33.0%
School age (72 months and older)	18.6%	19.6%	17.7%	19.3%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	33.0%	37.7%	39.9%	39.6%
Black	53.7%	45.7%	45.3%	42.4%
Hispanic	6.1%	8.2%	8.7%	9.3%
Other	7.3%	8.4%	6.2%	8.7%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.62	1.58	1.61	1.63
Families with one child	53.5%	56.4%	55.0%	54.0%
Families with two children	33.4%	31.6%	32.8%	32.6%
Families with three or more children	13.1%	12.0%	12.2%	13.3%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	60.6%	57.8%	59.8%	59.0%
Married	9.3%	10.9%	8.7%	8.6%
Divorced/separated/widowed	30.1%	31.3%	31.5%	32.4%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	88.2%	87.1%	90.5%	90.6%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	1.2%	1.5%	2.7%	3.3%
In home relative	3.5%	3.5%	2.3%	2.3%
Out of home unregulated	7.1%	7.9%	4.5%	3.9%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	1.2%	1.8%	2.0%	2.0%
Full-time care (percent using)	77.3%	91.5%	93.8%	92.8%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	74.7%	79.1%	79.6%	74.3%
Training	24.9%	20.5%	19.4%	22.2%
Other	.4%	.4%	.9%	3.5%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	60.7%	70.6%	75.0%	76.1%
Choices/TANF	23.2%	16.8%	15.0%	16.9%
Transitional	12.8%	8.2%	7.0%	4.8%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.1%	.6%	2.1%
Other	3.4%	4.3%	2.3%	0.0%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$323	\$318	\$329	\$354
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	76.1%	81.7%	84.0%	82.7%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$82	\$86	\$92	\$97
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	17.2%	17.1%	17.0%	17.0%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	22.9%	25.1%	25.2%	25.3%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	39.9%	38.1%	38.5%	38.0%
School age (72 months and older)	19.9%	19.8%	19.3%	19.8%

Local Workforce Development Board: 18 South East Texas

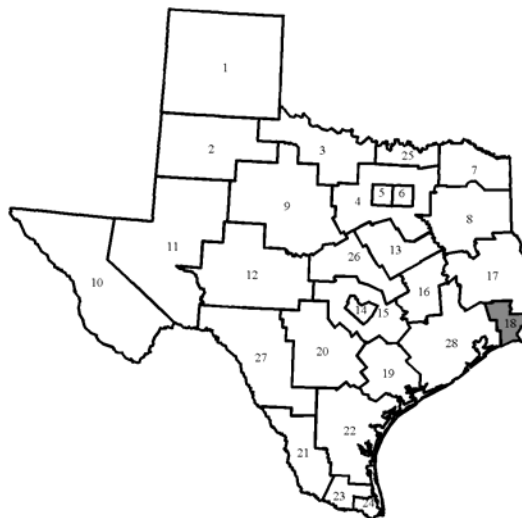
Total population: 385,090
Overall poverty rate: 15.7%

Child population: 101,865
Child poverty rate: 21.7%

Child population growth: -10.9%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 56.3%
Black 29.4%
Hispanic 10.1%
Other 4.2%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
7.3% 8.6% 7.9% 8.2%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 9/1996
Child care management transition date: 1/1998
Date of first new child care contract award: 12/1998

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 150% FPIL

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates:

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$13.56	\$14.99
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$12.33	\$15.16
Registered family home full day infant care	\$12.28	\$13.39
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$11.16	\$12.75

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: Early childhood development training
Partnership with community colleges to provide training
Funds/equipment for child care facilities: Provides/lends equipment, toys, and materials
Other:

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$6,136,565	\$5,750,761	\$5,985,343	\$6,207,451
Adjusted allocation	\$6,407,547	\$6,620,748	\$6,442,909	\$6,561,812
Federal funds requiring local match	\$356,008	\$391,357	\$266,945	\$152,924
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	\$36,899	\$0	\$0
Total local match required	\$215,617	\$235,316	\$168,102	\$99,551

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 18 South East Texas

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	6.55
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	3,508	3,763	3,970	4,062
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	17.7%	19.4%	19.9%	20.0%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	19.8%	19.6%	19.6%	20.7%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	37.1%	35.4%	33.2%	32.8%
School age (72 months and older)	25.4%	25.6%	27.2%	26.5%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	15.8%	17.8%	18.7%	19.0%
Black	78.5%	76.1%	75.5%	74.9%
Hispanic	2.8%	3.5%	2.9%	3.6%
Other	2.8%	2.6%	2.8%	2.6%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.80	1.81	1.88	1.88
Families with one child	48.4%	47.7%	43.4%	43.7%
Families with two children	31.1%	31.2%	34.1%	34.3%
Families with three or more children	20.5%	21.1%	22.5%	22.0%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	73.4%	73.9%	78.5%	80.8%
Married	4.3%	4.3%	4.0%	3.3%
Divorced/separated/widowed	22.2%	21.8%	17.6%	15.9%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	82.1%	79.6%	83.5%	85.9%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	4.6%	4.7%	4.3%	4.3%
In home relative	10.4%	7.8%	3.7%	4.6%
Out of home unregulated	2.9%	7.9%	8.5%	5.3%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	3.5%	2.2%	.9%	0.4%
Full-time care (percent using)	65.2%	83.9%	89.9%	88.1%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	70.2%	68.2%	63.2%	60.8%
Training	28.9%	31.1%	35.9%	38.2%
Other	.9%	.7%	.9%	1.0%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	49.3%	56.2%	49.2%	46.5%
Choices/TANF	29.3%	27.3%	32.1%	35.1%
Transitional	19.5%	14.5%	11.8%	5.9%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.0%	4.3%	11.0%
Other	2.0%	2.0%	2.6%	1.5%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$353	\$358	\$443	\$455
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	71.0%	74.2%	65.7%	57.0%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$79	\$81	\$83	\$88
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	12.3%	14.6%	15.5%	14.1%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	19.9%	19.3%	20.0%	21.7%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	39.3%	37.5%	35.6%	36.4%
School age (72 months and older)	28.5%	28.6%	28.9%	27.8%

Local Workforce Development Board: 19 Golden Crescent

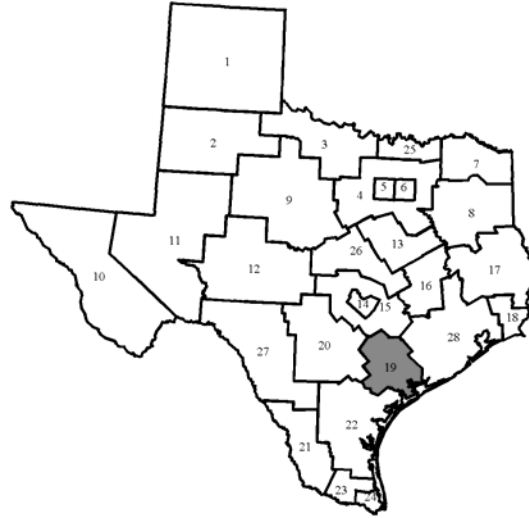
Total population: 183,905
Overall poverty rate: 14.9%

Child population: 50,733
Child poverty rate: 19.4%

Child population growth: 1.5%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 47.1%
Black 6.8%
Hispanic 43.8%
Other 2.3%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
4.3% 4% 3.3% 4%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 11/1996
Child care management transition date: 9/1998
Date of first new child care contract award: 9/1999

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 85% SMI

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates:

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$16.16	\$17.00
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$13.95	\$15.29
Registered family home full day infant care	\$11.16	\$14.10
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$11.16	\$13.00

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: Texas Rising Star Program
General training for providers

Funds/equipment for child care facilities:
Other:

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$3,114,714	\$2,943,135	\$3,025,872	\$3,121,565
Adjusted allocation	\$3,099,105	\$1,657,036	\$3,087,380	\$3,311,622
Federal funds requiring local match	\$181,347	\$27,282	\$73,099	\$70,336
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	-\$175,000	\$0	\$0
Total local match required	\$109,833	\$16,404	\$46,032	\$45,787

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 19 Golden Crescent

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	4.94
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	1,299	1,461	2,505	2,122
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	20.6%	21.8%	22.8%	22.5%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	21.2%	22.8%	21.4%	22.8%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	33.4%	30.8%	30.4%	28.9%
School age (72 months and older)	24.8%	24.6%	25.4%	25.9%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	26.9%	25.9%	24.6%	24.3%
Black	19.1%	19.9%	18.0%	17.1%
Hispanic	49.9%	50.7%	55.3%	56.8%
Other	4.1%	3.6%	2.2%	1.8%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.73	1.71	1.74	1.77
Families with one child	49.7%	49.9%	49.3%	47.8%
Families with two children	32.4%	32.8%	32.5%	33.0%
Families with three or more children	17.9%	17.3%	18.2%	19.2%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	59.8%	64.6%	69.2%	75.6%
Married	9.0%	11.4%	12.0%	9.2%
Divorced/separated/widowed	31.2%	24.1%	18.8%	15.2%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	77.2%	76.7%	75.5%	76.6%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	6.1%	6.5%	7.2%	7.6%
In home relative	4.1%	3.8%	6.1%	3.6%
Out of home unregulated	12.6%	13.1%	11.2%	12.2%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	6.2%	4.1%	3.4%	3.0%
Full-time care (percent using)	78.1%	91.4%	90.6%	90.0%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	83.6%	84.8%	85.5%	71.8%
Training	16.1%	15.0%	14.2%	27.9%
Other	.2%	.2%	.3%	0.3%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	71.6%	77.5%	76.5%	52.7%
Choices/TANF	13.0%	11.8%	14.4%	29.4%
Transitional	13.1%	10.7%	5.5%	6.8%
Other workforce development programs	.1%	.0%	1.9%	9.3%
Other	2.2%	.0%	1.6%	1.9%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$333	\$313	\$333	\$364
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	86.1%	88.7%	86.0%	67.5%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$94	\$95	\$91	\$116
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	14.2%	17.3%	18.0%	15.9%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	21.3%	23.0%	22.7%	22.8%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	38.2%	34.8%	34.2%	34.5%
School age (72 months and older)	26.3%	24.8%	25.0%	26.8%

Local Workforce Development Board: 20 Alamo

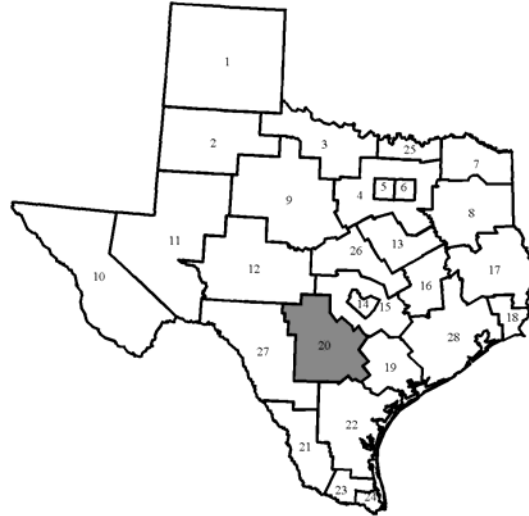
Total population: 1,807,868
Overall poverty rate: 15.2%

Child population: 508,027
Child poverty rate: 21.2%

Child population growth: 14.6%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 32.1%
Black 6.0%
Hispanic 59.0%
Other 3.0%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
3.7% 3.1% 3.4% 3.9%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 11/1996
Child care management transition date: 3/1998
Date of first new child care contract award: CCT: 12/1998 & CCMS: 9/1999

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 150% FPIL

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates:

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$16.49	\$21.02
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$14.68	\$17.16
Registered family home full day infant care	\$13.95	\$16.13
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$11.16	\$14.00

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: General training
Health and safety training
Texas Rising Star Program
Funds/equipment for child care facilities: Provides grants for quality improvement
Scholarships for those working in the child development field
Provides/lends equipment, toys, and materials

Other:

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$35,510,047	\$33,135,309	\$34,239,637	\$34,761,858
Adjusted allocation	\$34,197,390	\$28,743,930	\$41,092,113	\$42,462,841
Federal funds requiring local match	\$2,149,637	\$2,165,253	\$5,879,864	\$6,258,332
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	\$0	\$668,764	\$290,272
Total local match required	\$1,301,932	\$1,301,926	\$3,702,704	\$4,074,064

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 20 Alamo

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	5.25
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	15,363	20,085	17,182	21,018
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	18.2%	20.0%	17.8%	20.5%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	20.2%	21.8%	21.9%	21.7%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	33.5%	31.4%	32.1%	30.1%
School age (72 months and older)	28.1%	26.9%	28.2%	27.6%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	11.5%	11.2%	10.9%	11.4%
Black	16.8%	16.9%	16.3%	14.9%
Hispanic	69.4%	68.8%	69.6%	70.4%
Other	2.2%	3.1%	3.2%	3.3%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.73	1.79	1.81	1.86
Families with one child	50.2%	47.6%	46.8%	45.0%
Families with two children	32.6%	33.2%	33.0%	33.1%
Families with three or more children	17.3%	19.1%	20.2%	21.9%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	66.7%	66.9%	68.6%	71.3%
Married	5.8%	6.8%	5.9%	6.4%
Divorced/separated/widowed	27.5%	26.3%	25.5%	22.4%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	82.9%	80.3%	79.7%	79.4%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	2.3%	2.4%	2.7%	3.0%
In home relative	4.8%	4.6%	5.0%	6.1%
Out of home unregulated	10.0%	12.7%	12.6%	11.5%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	3.0%	2.9%	2.8%	2.8%
Full-time care (percent using)	65.3%	83.6%	87.7%	88.8%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	75.8%	75.7%	73.2%	64.6%
Training	24.0%	24.0%	26.5%	35.0%
Other	.2%	.3%	.3%	0.4%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	63.8%	68.2%	64.3%	57.9%
Choices/TANF	20.7%	17.5%	19.2%	21.8%
Transitional	15.2%	14.1%	12.3%	6.2%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.0%	4.1%	14.1%
Other	.3%	.2%	.1%	0.0%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$372	\$390	\$449	\$473
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	76.9%	81.5%	76.3%	65.9%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$92	\$91	\$102	\$97
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	11.9%	14.0%	12.3%	15.2%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	20.1%	22.1%	21.5%	22.3%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	37.1%	35.0%	34.8%	33.7%
School age (72 months and older)	30.8%	28.9%	31.4%	28.8%

Local Workforce Development Board: 21 South Texas

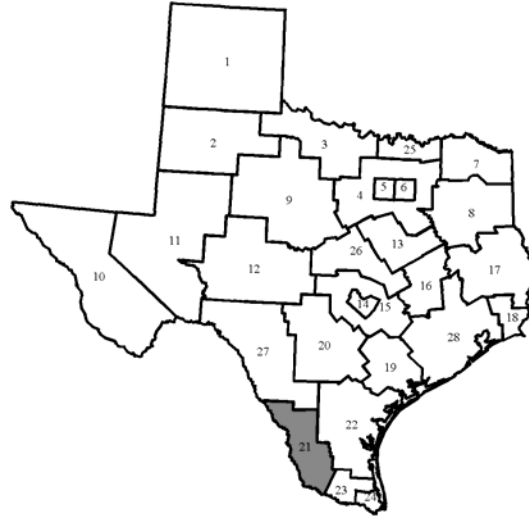
Total population: 264,177
Overall poverty rate: 35.3%

Child population: 95,597
Child poverty rate: 43.7%

Child population growth: 36.8%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 3.4%
Black .1%
Hispanic 95.9%
Other .5%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
13.3% 12.2% 10.3% 9.6%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 6/1996
Child care management transition date: 9/1999
Date of first new child care contract award: 8/1999

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 85% SMI

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates: 11/2001 10% for 1 child 12% for 2 or more children

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$10.04	\$17.00
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$19.92	\$19.92
Registered family home full day infant care	\$11.16	\$13.66
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$8.93	\$11.43

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: General training
Texas Rising Star Program
Funds/equipment for child care facilities: Provides/lends equipment, toys, and materials
Other:

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$9,857,252	\$8,544,466	\$9,623,046	\$9,930,551
Adjusted allocation	\$9,300,853	\$3,597,464	\$9,145,432	\$10,629,880
Federal funds requiring local match	\$642,549	\$0	\$510,249	\$214,811
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	-\$728,915	\$13,041	\$0
Total local match required	\$389,161	\$0	\$321,317	\$139,838

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 21 South Texas

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	5.75
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	3,368	3,734	5,926	6,096
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	20.5%	19.9%	20.9%	20.7%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	25.1%	23.6%	23.2%	22.1%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	35.4%	33.5%	31.3%	30.9%
School age (72 months and older)	19.0%	23.0%	24.6%	26.3%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	.7%	.5%	.5%	0.5%
Black	.3%	.1%	.2%	0.3%
Hispanic	98.8%	99.1%	99.1%	99.1%
Other	.2%	.3%	.2%	0.1%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.56	1.62	1.69	1.72
Families with one child	60.5%	57.0%	53.9%	53.1%
Families with two children	27.0%	28.2%	28.5%	28.6%
Families with three or more children	12.5%	14.8%	17.6%	18.2%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	26.7%	30.5%	32.5%	34.4%
Married	32.7%	32.0%	36.5%	37.4%
Divorced/separated/widowed	40.7%	37.5%	31.0%	28.2%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	62.1%	55.9%	49.4%	41.7%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	7.3%	6.4%	6.6%	6.9%
In home relative	27.2%	32.1%	26.3%	27.4%
Out of home unregulated	3.3%	5.6%	17.7%	24.0%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	1.6%	1.3%	1.1%	1.3%
Full-time care (percent using)	76.3%	84.2%	85.9%	87.2%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	81.0%	79.7%	79.5%	75.0%
Training	18.7%	20.0%	20.1%	24.5%
Other	.3%	.3%	.5%	0.5%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	83.3%	85.7%	81.9%	74.8%
Choices/TANF	10.3%	10.4%	12.7%	12.9%
Transitional	6.3%	3.9%	4.0%	3.1%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.0%	.0%	8.6%
Other	.0%	.0%	1.4%	0.7%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$276	\$292	\$343	\$355
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	88.2%	87.7%	86.7%	80.0%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$95	\$100	\$114	\$128
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	14.6%	13.8%	16.1%	16.3%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	24.2%	24.3%	23.2%	22.5%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	41.5%	39.0%	35.9%	34.3%
School age (72 months and older)	19.7%	22.9%	24.8%	27.0%

Local Workforce Development Board: 22 Coastal Bend

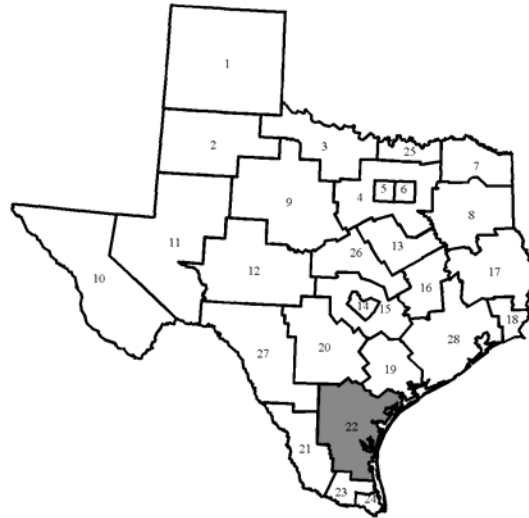
Total population: 549,012
Overall poverty rate: 19.9%

Child population: 155,345
Child poverty rate: 26.6%

Child population growth: .2%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 28.9%
Black 3.4%
Hispanic 65.3%
Other 2.4%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
6.9% 7% 6.2% 5.6%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 9/1996
Child care management transition date: 7/1998
Date of first new child care contract award: 9/1999

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 150% FPIL

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates:

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$16.81	\$16.81
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$13.67	\$13.67
Registered family home full day infant care	\$12.28	\$12.28
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$11.16	\$11.16

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: CDA program
Texas Rising Star Program

Funds/equipment for child care facilities:

Other: Performance measures/internal assurance systems
Workforce program integration

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$14,768,277	\$12,745,448	\$13,411,582	\$13,234,053
Adjusted allocation	\$15,170,570	\$12,499,950	\$13,433,898	\$14,359,889
Federal funds requiring local match	\$755,453	\$542,957	\$850,591	\$671,064
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	-\$245,498	\$0	\$0
Total local match required	\$457,542	\$326,470	\$535,639	\$436,851

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 22 Coastal Bend

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	6.61
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	6,400	8,770	8,462	9,012
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	18.4%	18.6%	17.0%	18.1%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	21.2%	20.8%	21.0%	21.2%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	34.5%	31.3%	32.0%	32.2%
School age (72 months and older)	25.8%	29.2%	30.0%	28.4%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	12.7%	13.2%	10.3%	9.7%
Black	11.7%	10.3%	9.5%	8.5%
Hispanic	74.7%	75.8%	78.5%	77.8%
Other	.9%	.7%	1.6%	4.1%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.71	1.72	1.81	1.85
Families with one child	50.9%	51.0%	46.7%	45.1%
Families with two children	32.4%	32.2%	33.5%	33.0%
Families with three or more children	16.7%	16.8%	19.8%	22.0%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	52.7%	60.3%	65.8%	68.4%
Married	13.6%	13.2%	9.6%	8.7%
Divorced/separated/widowed	33.7%	26.6%	24.5%	22.8%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	75.8%	67.4%	68.8%	66.8%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	3.0%	3.0%	2.6%	3.2%
In home relative	10.7%	14.3%	12.3%	12.5%
Out of home unregulated	10.5%	15.4%	16.3%	17.5%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	1.2%	1.1%	.9%	0.9%
Full-time care (percent using)	74.9%	88.2%	90.2%	92.7%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	76.1%	77.9%	78.5%	75.8%
Training	23.6%	21.6%	21.3%	23.9%
Other	.4%	.4%	.2%	0.4%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	64.6%	74.7%	70.8%	57.6%
Choices/TANF	21.9%	16.9%	17.8%	26.1%
Transitional	12.2%	7.6%	6.1%	5.5%
Other workforce development programs	.1%	.0%	5.3%	10.9%
Other	1.2%	.8%	.0%	0.0%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$365	\$356	\$376	\$395
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	76.9%	82.1%	77.4%	63.5%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$82	\$86	\$95	\$105
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	13.3%	14.1%	12.2%	13.2%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	21.0%	22.0%	20.8%	21.5%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	37.9%	35.1%	36.1%	36.0%
School age (72 months and older)	27.8%	28.7%	30.9%	29.3%

Local Workforce Development Board: 23 Lower Rio Grande Valley

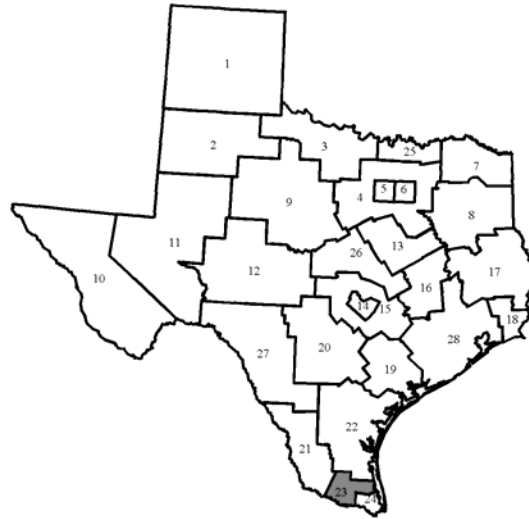
Total population: 589,545
Overall poverty rate: 35.8%

Child population: 207,354
Child poverty rate: 45.4%

Child population growth: 41.0%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 4.7%
Black .2%
Hispanic 94.3%
Other .7%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
17.9% 14.5% 13.7% 13.2%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 9/1999
Child care management transition date: 1/2000
Date of first new child care contract award: 9/2001

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 75% SMI

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 9% for 1-2 children 10% for 3 or more children
9/2001 10% for 1 child 12% for 2 or more children

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$12.72	\$15.00
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$11.75	\$13.00
Registered family home full day infant care	\$9.01	\$11.50
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$7.81	\$10.00

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: General training
Texas Rising Star Program
Funds/equipment for child care facilities: Provides/lends equipment, toys, and materials
Other:

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$19,025,563	\$16,147,338	\$18,674,195	\$19,320,980
Adjusted allocation	\$18,339,987	\$10,440,490	\$17,193,385	\$20,718,711
Federal funds requiring local match	\$1,286,635	\$81,320	\$54,185	\$389,051
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	-\$1,367,986	-\$381,518	\$0
Total local match required	\$779,253	\$48,896	\$34,122	\$253,265

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 23 Lower Rio Grande Valley

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	4.62
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	9,587	10,548	13,014	11,194
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	21.1%	21.5%	20.8%	17.7%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	19.5%	20.1%	20.5%	20.0%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	30.3%	29.2%	29.4%	29.2%
School age (72 months and older)	29.0%	29.2%	29.2%	33.1%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	1.2%	1.3%	1.2%	0.8%
Black	.3%	.3%	.3%	0.3%
Hispanic	98.4%	98.2%	98.3%	98.7%
Other	.2%	.2%	.1%	0.1%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.74	1.79	1.82	1.91
Families with one child	49.5%	47.4%	46.4%	41.9%
Families with two children	32.4%	32.8%	32.9%	34.1%
Families with three or more children	18.0%	19.8%	20.7%	24.0%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	32.7%	32.8%	35.3%	39.1%
Married	32.8%	24.8%	21.1%	20.1%
Divorced/separated/widowed	34.5%	42.4%	43.7%	40.9%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	55.8%	54.9%	55.4%	55.7%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	15.1%	14.6%	16.7%	16.0%
In home relative	22.3%	20.9%	17.0%	14.5%
Out of home unregulated	6.8%	9.7%	10.8%	13.7%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	2.2%	1.8%	2.7%	3.6%
Full-time care (percent using)	63.3%	78.5%	84.3%	86.2%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	66.9%	68.0%	73.7%	66.7%
Training	33.0%	31.8%	26.0%	32.0%
Other	.1%	.1%	.3%	1.3%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	63.8%	67.2%	72.4%	62.0%
Choices/TANF	28.2%	24.9%	21.0%	29.2%
Transitional	7.9%	7.9%	6.0%	4.4%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.0%	.6%	4.4%
Other	.0%	.0%	.0%	0.0%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$276	\$283	\$324	\$358
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	72.5%	76.5%	80.9%	72.8%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$84	\$89	\$94	\$97
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	16.1%	15.9%	16.6%	12.5%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	20.0%	20.6%	20.8%	19.9%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	34.3%	32.7%	32.0%	31.8%
School age (72 months and older)	29.6%	30.7%	30.6%	35.7%

Local Workforce Development Board: 24 Cameron County

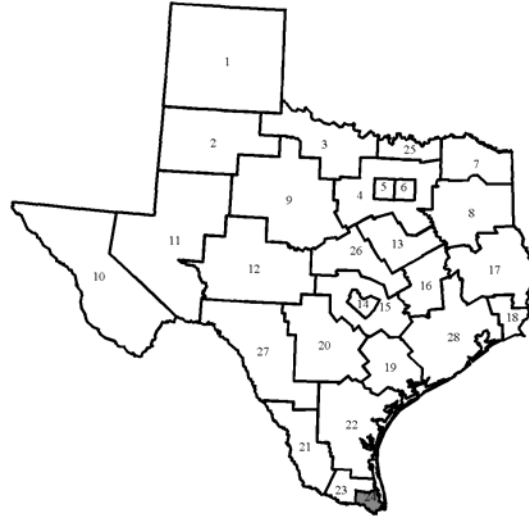
Total population: 335,227
Overall poverty rate: 33.1%

Child population: 113,295
Child poverty rate: 43.1%

Child population growth: 23.0%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 7.4%
Black .3%
Hispanic 91.5%
Other .8%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
12.6% 9.8% 8.7% 9.2%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 4/1996
Child care management transition date: 5/1999
Date of first new child care contract award: 9/1999

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 75% SMI

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 9% for 1-2 children 10% for 3 or more children

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$12.72	\$14.00
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$11.75	\$13.00
Registered family home full day infant care	\$9.01	\$12.00
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$7.81	\$11.00

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers:

Funds/equipment for child care facilities: Provides/lends equipment, toys, and materials

Other: Performance measures/internal assurance systems

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$10,514,970	\$9,321,008	\$10,625,018	\$11,004,168
Adjusted allocation	\$10,351,233	\$2,944,501	\$10,413,681	\$11,788,186
Federal funds requiring local match	\$733,535	\$0	\$248,586	\$225,925
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	-\$832,133	\$0	\$0
Total local match required	\$444,267	\$0	\$156,541	\$147,073

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 24 Cameron County

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	4.23
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	4,325	4,467	7,215	7,860
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	19.6%	19.9%	19.3%	19.6%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	20.1%	20.2%	20.3%	21.7%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	31.3%	29.9%	30.4%	30.2%
School age (72 months and older)	29.0%	30.0%	30.1%	28.5%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	2.8%	2.0%	1.6%	1.7%
Black	.5%	.4%	.3%	0.5%
Hispanic	96.5%	97.4%	98.0%	97.7%
Other	.2%	.2%	.1%	0.1%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.70	1.72	1.79	1.85
Families with one child	51.4%	51.5%	47.0%	44.3%
Families with two children	32.7%	32.0%	33.1%	34.4%
Families with three or more children	15.9%	16.5%	19.9%	21.3%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	35.9%	33.3%	36.5%	38.7%
Married	32.3%	29.1%	26.8%	25.5%
Divorced/separated/widowed	31.8%	37.7%	36.7%	35.8%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	72.8%	77.1%	72.2%	74.2%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	6.8%	6.6%	8.1%	9.0%
In home relative	16.2%	12.3%	12.4%	8.7%
Out of home unregulated	4.2%	3.9%	7.2%	8.2%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	1.4%	1.1%	2.1%	2.2%
Full-time care (percent using)	61.5%	75.0%	81.8%	86.5%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	65.8%	64.5%	68.8%	65.9%
Training	34.1%	35.5%	30.8%	33.2%
Other	.1%	.0%	.4%	0.9%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	66.4%	69.6%	68.3%	65.3%
Choices/TANF	26.0%	24.1%	21.5%	23.9%
Transitional	7.4%	6.3%	5.4%	3.0%
Other workforce development programs	.2%	.0%	.8%	6.9%
Other	.0%	.0%	4.1%	0.9%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$280	\$285	\$327	\$341
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	74.9%	77.5%	77.8%	72.4%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$86	\$90	\$92	\$103
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	14.7%	15.9%	15.1%	14.1%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	20.4%	20.4%	21.2%	22.2%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	34.6%	32.8%	32.9%	33.9%
School age (72 months and older)	30.3%	30.8%	30.9%	29.9%

Local Workforce Development Board: 25 Texoma

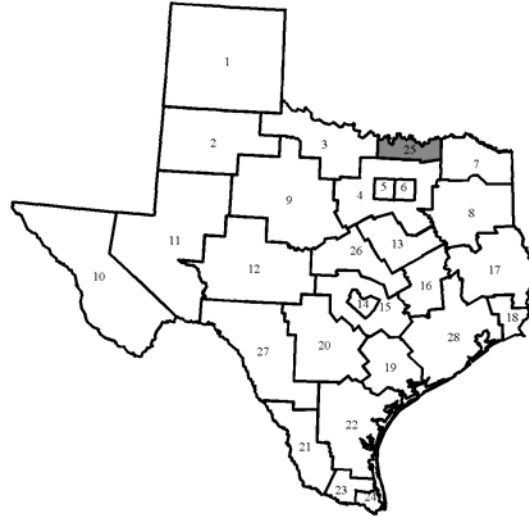
Total population: 178,200
Overall poverty rate: 12.3%

Child population: 45,167
Child poverty rate: 15.7%

Child population growth: 13.1%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 78.5%
Black 6.3%
Hispanic 11.2%
Other 4.1%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
4.5% 4.3% 3.6% 5.4%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 10/1996
Child care management transition date: 10/1997
Date of first new child care contract award:

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 75% SMI

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates:

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$20.81	\$20.81
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$17.49	\$17.49
Registered family home full day infant care	\$18.97	\$17.00
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$16.74	\$15.00

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: CDA program
Texas Rising Star Program

Funds/equipment for child care facilities:
Other:

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$2,465,007	\$2,347,333	\$2,412,069	\$2,496,242
Adjusted allocation	\$2,469,807	\$2,729,880	\$2,468,851	\$2,645,274
Federal funds requiring local match	\$127,216	\$272,426	\$70,086	\$78,078
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	\$162,495	\$9,408	\$19,383
Total local match required	\$77,048	\$163,805	\$44,135	\$50,827

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 25 Texoma

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	5.45
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	916	1,203	1,483	1,471
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	17.6%	19.2%	19.3%	20.1%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	16.9%	21.5%	23.4%	21.4%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	35.5%	32.4%	32.7%	35.1%
School age (72 months and older)	30.0%	27.0%	24.6%	23.4%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	62.9%	66.7%	65.4%	64.2%
Black	29.4%	27.6%	25.9%	26.6%
Hispanic	5.0%	3.7%	6.7%	7.5%
Other	2.7%	2.1%	2.0%	1.7%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.71	1.77	1.75	1.77
Families with one child	44.2%	43.7%	46.6%	45.5%
Families with two children	41.2%	39.2%	35.9%	37.1%
Families with three or more children	14.5%	17.1%	17.5%	17.4%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	64.9%	66.6%	64.0%	66.4%
Married	9.7%	8.6%	6.8%	8.2%
Divorced/separated/widowed	25.4%	24.9%	29.2%	25.5%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	77.2%	75.5%	72.5%	75.8%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	4.9%	5.5%	7.4%	6.2%
In home relative	7.4%	6.4%	5.7%	2.5%
Out of home unregulated	10.4%	12.6%	14.4%	15.6%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	3.4%	4.1%	3.5%	3.0%
Full-time care (percent using)	60.9%	82.6%	89.3%	91.1%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	76.5%	80.1%	73.5%	62.7%
Training	23.2%	19.9%	26.3%	37.2%
Other	.3%	.0%	.2%	0.1%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	61.1%	68.6%	67.0%	60.0%
Choices/TANF	20.9%	15.8%	19.1%	25.0%
Transitional	15.2%	10.7%	8.1%	5.5%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.2%	4.0%	8.2%
Other	2.8%	4.8%	1.7%	1.4%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$392	\$405	\$392	\$412
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	79.3%	84.0%	77.2%	76.4%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$86	\$93	\$113	\$113
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	13.3%	14.2%	15.5%	14.4%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	18.1%	21.3%	22.1%	21.8%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	36.8%	34.9%	35.8%	38.6%
School age (72 months and older)	31.7%	29.6%	26.6%	25.2%

Local Workforce Development Board: 26 Central Texas

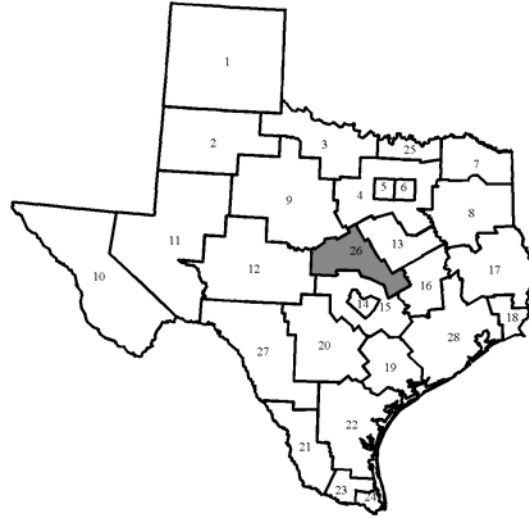
Total population: 374,518
Overall poverty rate: 12.2%

Child population: 104,966
Child poverty rate: 16.3%

Child population growth: 11.1%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 52.0%
Black 20.5%
Hispanic 20.8%
Other 6.7%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
4.3% 3.5% 3.3% 4.1%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 7/1996
Child care management transition date: 12/1997
Date of first new child care contract award: 10/1999

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 150% FPIL

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates: 9/2001 11% for 1 child 13% for 2 or more children

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$14.04	\$17.00
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$12.29	\$14.09
Registered family home full day infant care	\$11.16	\$14.00
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$11.16	\$13.00

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: Texas Rising Star Program
Funds/equipment for child care facilities:
Other:

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$5,580,263	\$5,086,049	\$6,509,204	\$6,935,336
Adjusted allocation	\$5,554,006	\$5,200,114	\$6,888,610	\$7,351,911
Federal funds requiring local match	\$410,176	\$204,980	\$193,703	\$168,139
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	-\$234,449	\$8,822	\$0
Total local match required	\$248,424	\$123,251	\$121,980	\$109,456

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 26 Central Texas

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	6.06
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	2,679	3,401	3,670	4,405
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	18.0%	18.2%	18.5%	19.4%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	21.0%	20.6%	20.9%	21.2%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	35.9%	34.7%	34.5%	32.2%
School age (72 months and older)	25.0%	26.4%	26.2%	27.2%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	22.2%	25.6%	26.0%	25.1%
Black	47.3%	49.0%	48.0%	47.8%
Hispanic	11.1%	12.8%	15.0%	16.8%
Other	19.4%	12.6%	11.1%	10.2%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.79	1.83	1.82	1.89
Families with one child	45.8%	44.6%	45.9%	42.3%
Families with two children	34.6%	34.5%	33.9%	34.7%
Families with three or more children	19.5%	20.9%	20.2%	23.0%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	51.7%	50.9%	62.4%	73.5%
Married	8.6%	8.3%	7.9%	5.4%
Divorced/separated/widowed	39.8%	40.7%	29.7%	21.1%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	76.5%	77.4%	77.1%	79.2%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	7.7%	6.7%	7.8%	8.1%
In home relative	7.4%	6.9%	5.9%	4.2%
Out of home unregulated	8.5%	8.9%	9.3%	8.5%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	6.9%	9.1%	16.1%	15.7%
Full-time care (percent using)	68.4%	86.4%	89.9%	89.5%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	84.3%	84.0%	79.2%	70.0%
Training	15.4%	15.9%	20.4%	28.9%
Other	.3%	.0%	.4%	1.1%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	69.8%	77.8%	73.6%	65.8%
Choices/TANF	17.6%	14.3%	14.1%	22.5%
Transitional	12.6%	7.9%	7.1%	7.5%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.1%	3.2%	2.4%
Other	.0%	.0%	1.9%	1.8%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$320	\$329	\$372	\$399
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	82.3%	85.5%	82.3%	75.4%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$82	\$91	\$94	\$94
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	13.2%	13.3%	13.5%	14.5%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	20.5%	20.2%	19.7%	21.0%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	38.4%	37.3%	37.0%	34.6%
School age (72 months and older)	27.9%	29.2%	29.8%	29.9%

Local Workforce Development Board: 27 Middle Rio Grande

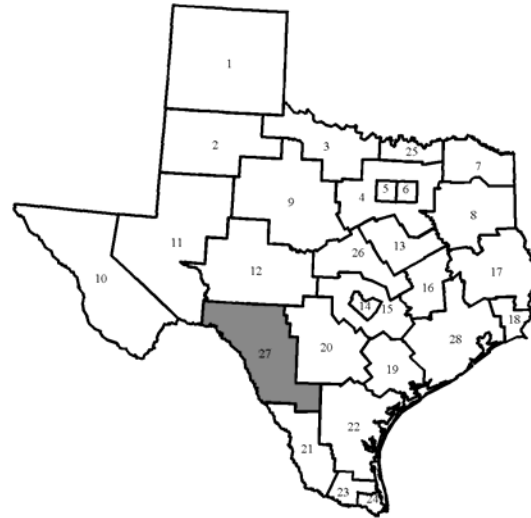
Total population: 154,381
 Overall poverty rate: 30.2%

Child population: 51,250
 Child poverty rate: 38.0%

Child population growth: 11.9%

Child ethnicity/race:
 White 11.6%
 Black .6%
 Hispanic 86.6%
 Other 1.3%

Unemployment Rates:
 1998 1999 2000 2001
 15.4% 13.1% 12.2% 12.4%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 8/1996
 Child care management transition date: 9/1998
 Date of first new child care contract award: 9/1999

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
 Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 85% SMI
 9/2001 75% SMI

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
 Policy change and effective dates:

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$17.15	\$17.15
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$15.57	\$15.57
Registered family home full day infant care	\$10.88	\$10.88
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$10.04	\$10.04

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: Technical assistance/computer training
 Texas Rising Star Program

Funds/equipment for child care facilities: Provides/lends equipment, toys, and materials
 Scholarships for those working in the child development field

Other:

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$6,480,657	\$5,735,773	\$6,028,350	\$6,070,665
Adjusted allocation	\$6,270,258	\$1,442,607	\$5,068,401	\$6,308,400
Federal funds requiring local match	\$350,194	\$0	\$0	\$0
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	-\$397,269	-\$147,175	-\$130,788
Total local match required	\$212,096	\$0	\$0	\$0

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 27 Middle Rio Grande

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	4.71
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	1,859	2,275	3,988	4,277
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	18.1%	18.8%	20.8%	18.9%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	20.7%	19.7%	19.7%	21.4%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	35.5%	33.2%	29.0%	28.5%
School age (72 months and older)	25.7%	28.3%	30.6%	31.1%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	5.8%	5.4%	4.9%	4.3%
Black	1.0%	1.1%	1.4%	1.4%
Hispanic	92.9%	93.1%	93.4%	93.8%
Other	.3%	.4%	.4%	0.5%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.74	1.80	1.82	1.83
Families with one child	50.0%	48.5%	46.7%	46.8%
Families with two children	32.3%	31.8%	32.7%	31.8%
Families with three or more children	17.7%	19.8%	20.7%	21.4%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	25.4%	30.3%	44.4%	45.4%
Married	41.1%	35.2%	28.1%	26.7%
Divorced/separated/widowed	33.5%	34.6%	27.5%	27.8%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	77.6%	73.5%	60.6%	57.7%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	3.6%	2.4%	1.5%	1.0%
In home relative	7.3%	7.4%	8.4%	7.2%
Out of home unregulated	11.5%	16.6%	29.6%	34.1%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	.8%	1.9%	.4%	0.4%
Full-time care (percent using)	54.2%	70.6%	77.7%	80.6%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	84.2%	83.0%	77.2%	78.8%
Training	15.7%	17.0%	21.8%	19.9%
Other	.1%	.1%	.9%	1.3%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	75.6%	76.8%	68.9%	67.9%
Choices/TANF	15.1%	17.8%	16.8%	24.2%
Transitional	9.3%	5.3%	3.4%	2.8%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.1%	4.5%	2.0%
Other	.0%	.0%	6.3%	3.1%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$348	\$341	\$340	\$351
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	84.1%	81.5%	77.9%	75.5%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$89	\$94	\$96	\$101
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	13.6%	14.1%	15.9%	14.7%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	19.7%	19.8%	19.9%	20.8%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	39.8%	35.1%	31.9%	31.8%
School age (72 months and older)	26.9%	31.1%	32.2%	32.6%

Local Workforce Development Board: 28 Gulf Coast

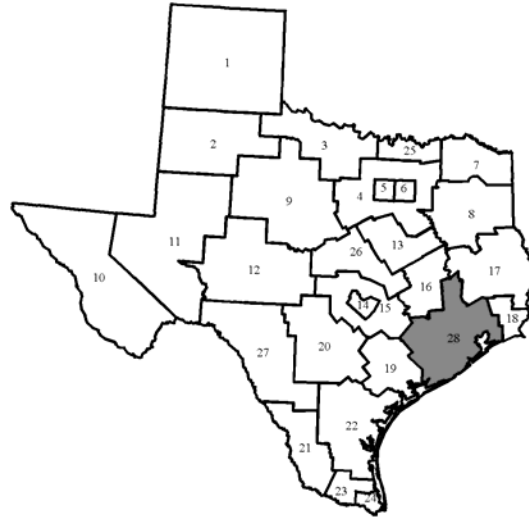
Total population: 4,854,454
Overall poverty rate: 13.8%

Child population: 1,401,948
Child poverty rate: 17.6%

Child population growth: 14.1%

Child ethnicity/race:
White 40.0%
Black 18.0%
Hispanic 35.8%
Other 6.2%

Unemployment Rates:
1998 1999 2000 2001
4.4% 4.7% 4.3% 4.5%



Key Dates

Board certification date: 1/1997
Child care management transition date: 5/1998
Date of first new child care contract award: 8/1998

Basic Income Eligibility Policies through FY 2001

Initial policy as of October 1997: 85% SMI or 150% FPIL, whichever is lower
Policy change and effective dates: 10/1999 150% FPIL

Parental Co-payment Policy through FY 2001 (percent of gross monthly household income)

Initial policy as of October 1997: 9% for 1 child 11% for 2 or more children
Policy change and effective dates: 9/2001 11-13% for 1 child 13-15% for 2 or more children

Child Care Provider Reimbursement Rates	FY 1998 & FY 1999	FY 2000 & FY 2001
Licensed center full day infant care	\$20.09/ \$18.22	\$24.00
Licensed center full day pre-school care	\$17.24 /\$16.90	\$19.00
Registered family home full day infant care	\$16.18 / \$15.90	\$20.00
Registered family home full day pre-school care	\$11.16/ \$13.39	\$17.00

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: Early childhood development training
Health and safety training
Texas Rising Star Program
CDA program
Funds/equipment for child care facilities: Provides/lends equipment, toys, and materials
Other:

Funding to Local Areas*	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Initial allocation	\$72,841,052	\$67,253,488	\$75,821,144	\$80,737,916
Adjusted allocation	\$70,777,400	\$74,187,976	\$79,893,007	\$84,933,687
Federal funds requiring local match	\$4,032,360	\$4,831,374	\$1,805,661	\$1,998,382
Adjustments to unmatched federal funds	\$0	\$866,871	-\$696,573	\$0
Total local match required	\$2,442,206	\$2,905,014	\$1,137,072	\$1,300,911

* See technical notes section for definition of terms.

Local Workforce Development Board: 28 Gulf Coast

Median spell length in months from FY 1998 to FY 2001	7.45
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Characteristics of Subsidy Recipients

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Children				
Total children receiving care	27,296	32,068	39,091	38,111
Age of child				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	17.3%	17.6%	15.7%	16.6%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	18.3%	18.4%	18.8%	18.3%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	33.7%	32.6%	32.6%	31.5%
School age (72 months and older)	30.7%	31.4%	32.9%	33.6%
Race/ethnicity of Child				
White	10.6%	10.3%	13.5%	11.0%
Black	69.6%	70.8%	67.1%	68.7%
Hispanic	13.0%	12.9%	14.7%	15.7%
Other	6.9%	6.0%	4.7%	4.7%
Family				
Average number of subsidized children	1.90	1.94	1.95	1.99
Families with one child	42.8%	40.9%	40.2%	38.3%
Families with two children	33.8%	34.5%	34.9%	35.3%
Families with three or more children	23.4%	24.5%	24.9%	26.4%
Parent				
Marital status (if known)				
Single (never married)	84.4%	85.0%	85.9%	87.0%
Married	3.6%	3.2%	2.9%	2.7%
Divorced/separated/widowed	12.0%	11.8%	11.2%	10.2%

Characteristics of Services Provided

	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Type of care arrangement				
Center	86.1%	84.8%	85.9%	83.5%
Group Day/Registered Family Homes	4.5%	4.5%	4.4%	4.3%
In home relative	5.1%	5.0%	4.2%	4.6%
Out of home unregulated	4.3%	5.8%	5.5%	7.5%
Self-arranged care (percent using)	1.7%	1.9%	2.0%	2.3%
Full-time care (percent using)	66.0%	80.8%	87.7%	88.4%
Reason for care				
Working/Seeking work	77.9%	78.7%	72.0%	63.6%
Training	20.7%	20.0%	26.6%	34.8%
Other	1.4%	1.3%	1.5%	1.6%
Eligibility type				
Income eligible	63.3%	68.5%	62.8%	52.9%
Choices/TANF	19.9%	17.8%	21.9%	31.7%
Transitional	16.4%	13.4%	10.4%	10.9%
Other workforce development programs	.0%	.1%	3.6%	3.8%
Other	.4%	.3%	1.4%	0.8%
Family-level subsidy amount	\$480	\$493	\$528	\$556
Family-level co-payment				
Percent of families with co-pay due	80.6%	82.7%	76.4%	67.3%
Average monthly co-pay (of those with co-pay due)	\$87	\$94	\$98	\$101
Percent of service months by age				
Infant (1 to 17 months)	11.3%	11.4%	10.2%	10.3%
Toddler (18 to 35 months)	17.7%	18.1%	17.9%	16.4%
Pre-schooler (36 to 71 months)	35.8%	34.8%	34.8%	34.5%
School age (72 months and older)	35.2%	35.7%	37.1%	38.8%

4. Definition of Terms and Sources of Information

List of Acronyms

CCDF	Child Care and Development Fund
CCMS	Child Care Management Services
CDA	Child Development Associate
CEO	Chief Elected Official
ESL	English as Second Language
FPIL	Federal Poverty Income Level
FSE&T	Food Stamp Employment and Training
FY	Fiscal Year
GDH	Group Day Homes
LWDA	Local Workforce Development Area
LWDB	Local Workforce Development Board
RFH	Registered Family Home
RMC	Ray Marshall Center for the Study of Human Resources (University of Texas at Austin)
SMI	State Median Income
TANF	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
TDHS	Texas Department of Human Services
TDPRS	Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services
TWC	Texas Workforce Commission
WIA	Workforce Investment Act
WtW	Welfare to Work

Definition of Terms Used in Key Indicators Maps

Child poverty rate (2000)

Rate of children in poverty: Percent of children aged 0 to 17 who live in poverty.
Source: U.S. Department of Commerce.¹

Unemployment rates (2001)

Percent unemployed: as share of the labor force (16-64 years old) in 1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001.
Source: Texas Workforce Commission.²

Basic income eligibility (2001)

Income eligibility levels for individuals who qualify for subsidy based on income alone.
Source: Texas Workforce Commission³ and local workforce development boards.⁴

Families with co-payment due (2001)

Percent of families with co-payment due: Percent of families with co-pay obligations as share of all parents receiving services. Choices participants, Food Stamp E & T recipients and child protection service participants are exempt from co-payment.
Example: "FY 2001: 50%" means that, in FY 2001, 50% of all parents receiving services had to pay a co-payment.
Source: Texas Workforce Commission⁵.

Care arrangement: Center (2001)

Percent in center care: Percent of subsidized service recipients in center care.
Source: Texas Workforce Commission.⁶

Care arrangement: Group Day Homes/Registered Family Homes (2001)

Percent in GDH/RFH: Percent of subsidized service recipients in group day homes or registered family homes care.
Source: Texas Workforce Commission.⁷

Eligibility type:

Categorization of eligibility for care calculated as a share of total care provided, based on group code.

Eligibility type: Income eligible (2001)

Percent income eligible: Percent of subsidized service recipients who received care on the basis of their income alone.
Source: Texas Workforce Commission.⁸

Eligibility type: Choices/TANF (2001)

Percent Choices/TANF: Percent of subsidized service recipients who are receiving or applying for cash assistance (TANF), or in Choices, the workforce development program associated with cash assistance in Texas.
Source: Texas Workforce Commission.⁹

Eligibility type: Transitional (2001)

Percent Transitional: Percent of subsidized service recipients in Transitional category due to their having recently left cash assistance.

Source: Texas Workforce Commission.¹⁰

Eligibility type: Other workforce development programs (2001)

Percent of subsidized service recipients in workforce development programs other than Choices (e.g., WIA, WtW, FSE&T).

Source: Texas Workforce Commission.¹¹

Child care spell length (1998-2001)

Median spell length in months: Estimate of the central tendency of family child care subsidy durations, in months, with half of all child care spells being shorter and half longer than this estimate. Spells are defined as the number of consecutive calendar months for which any child in the family receives any amount of subsidy.

Source: Texas Workforce Commission.¹²

Reimbursement rates (2001)

Rate for center full time pre-school care: Maximum daily reimbursement rates for care provided in licensed day care centers, full-time slot for pre-school children (36-71 months).

Source: Texas Workforce Commission¹³ and local workforce development boards.¹⁴

Definition of Terms Used in Policy/Statistical Profiles

The categories of data used in the policy and statistical profiles are defined below. These are listed in the order of their appearance in the two-page profiles.

Demographic and contextual data

Total population: Total population residing in the Local Workforce Development Area.
Source: U.S. Department of Commerce.¹⁵

Overall poverty rate: Percent of area's population living in poverty according to the federal poverty guidelines.
Source: U.S. Department of Commerce.¹⁶

Child population: Total number of children aged 0 to 17 living in the area.
Source: U.S. Department of Commerce.¹⁷

Child poverty rate: Percent of children aged 0 to 17 who live in poverty.
Source: U.S. Department of Commerce.¹⁸

Child population growth: Percent increase in child population from 1990 to 2000.
Source: U.S. Department of Commerce.¹⁹

Child ethnicity/race: Percent of total child population of a specific ethnicity/race.

White: White alone (non-Hispanic/Latino).

Black: Black or African American alone (non-Hispanic/Latino).

Hispanic: Hispanic or Latino of any race.

Other: Other alone (non-Hispanic/Latino), including American Indian/Alaskan Native, Asian, and Hawaiian/Pacific Islander.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce.²⁰

Unemployment rates: Percent unemployed as share of the labor force (16-64 years old) in 1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001.

Source: Texas Workforce Commission.²¹

Key Dates

Board certification date: Date on which the Local Workforce Development Board was officially certified to begin operating workforce programs.

Source: Texas Workforce Commission.

Child care management transition date: Date on which the board assumed the responsibility for managing subsidized child care program from the Texas Workforce Commission.

Source: Texas Workforce Commission.

Date of first new child care contract award: Date on which the Board signed its first contract with a child care contractor following its first Request for Proposal after assuming management of child care programs.

Source: Local workforce development boards.²²

Basic income eligibility policies: Income eligibility levels for individuals who qualify for subsidy based on income alone.

Source: Texas Workforce Commission²³ and local workforce development boards.²⁴

Parental co-payments policy: Co-payments are amount of payment that parents pay as a share of the total cost for child care services received. The amount is a percentage of gross monthly household income.²⁵

Example: “9% for 1 child, 11% for 2 or more children” means that co-payments that parents have to pay are equal to 9% of their monthly household income (before deductions) if they receive subsidy for the care of 1 child or 11% of their income if they receive subsidies for 2 children or more. Large family size (7 or more people) reduces the co-pay to 65% of the above-assessed fee.

Source: Texas Workforce Commission²⁶ and local workforce development boards.²⁷

Child care provider reimbursement rates: Amount paid to the provider by the government. This amount plus parental co-payment equals the total payment to the provider.²⁸

Source: Texas Workforce Commission and local workforce development boards.²⁹

Licensed center full day infant care: Maximum daily reimbursement rates for care provided in licensed day care centers, full-time slot for infants (0-17 months).

Licensed center full day pre-school care: Maximum daily reimbursement rates for care provided in licensed day care centers, full-time slot for pre-school children (36-71 months).

Registered family home full day infant care: Maximum daily reimbursement rates for care provided in registered family homes, full-time slot for infants (0-17 months).

Registered family home full day pre-school care: Maximum daily reimbursement rates for care provided in registered family homes, full day slot for pre-schooler (36-71 months).

Source: Texas Workforce Commission³⁰ and local workforce development boards.³¹

Quality Improvement Initiatives Cited in Interviews (FY 2002)

Training/mentoring for child care providers: Quality improvement activities held in the LWDB area, which relate to training and mentoring for child care providers.³²

Funds/equipment for child care facilities: Quality improvement activities held in the LWDB area, which relate to funds and equipments made available to child care facilities by the Boards.

Other: Other quality improvement activities realized in the area.
Source: Local workforce development boards.³³

Funding to Local Areas

Initial allocation: Original allocation of funds to the local workforce boards, which includes federal and state funds.

Adjusted allocation: Adjusted allocation of federal and state funds to local boards, after adding additional allocations that occurred during a fiscal year, and adding or subtracting funds as a result of the de-obligation process. In FY 2001, this amount includes funds from the FSE&T and Welfare-to-Work programs.

Federal funds requiring local match: The additional amount of federal funds that the local workforce area could receive if they provide the required local match. This is included in the total adjusted allocation listed above. This included the original amount of unmatched federal funds, additional unmatched funds allocated to local boards during a fiscal year, and adjustments to unmatched federal funds resulting from the de-obligation process.

Adjustments to unmatched federal funds: The total amount of unmatched federal funds added to or removed from a local board's allocation as a result of the de-obligation process.

Total local match required: Target amount of monies to be raised locally in order to receive the maximum amount of unmatched federal funds.
Source: Texas Workforce Commission.³⁴

Median spell length in months: Estimate of the central tendency of family child care subsidy durations, in months, with half of all child care spells being shorter and half longer than this estimate. Spells are defined as the number of consecutive calendar months for which any child in the family receives any amount of subsidy.
Source: Texas Workforce Commission.³⁵

Characteristics of subsidy recipients

Children

Total children receiving care: Total number of children in the area receiving subsidized care per fiscal year.
Source: Texas Workforce Commission.³⁶

Age of child: Age of child receiving subsidized care per fiscal year within age categories. (Unduplicated within year.)
Source: Texas Workforce Commission.³⁷

Race/ethnicity of child: Race/Ethnicity of child receiving care as share of the entire group of subsidized children. The “Other” category includes American Indians, Alaskan Natives, Asians, Hawaiian and Pacific Islanders.

Source: Texas Workforce Commission.³⁸

Family

Average number of subsidized children per family

Families with one child: Families with one child as a share of all subsidized families for the given year.

Example: “Families with one child: 15%” means that families with one child represents 15% of all families subsidized that year.

Source: Texas Workforce Commission.³⁹

Parent

Marital status (if known): Marital status of parents who received subsidy as share of the total number of subsidized parents in that year. If the marital status was not included, it was dropped from the percentages.

Example: “Single (never married): 25% in 1998” means that 25% of all parents whose marital status is known were single.

Source: Texas Workforce Commission.⁴⁰

Characteristics of Services Provided

Type of care arrangement: Types of care arrangement as share of total care provided, based on primary care provider. In case of multiple providers per month, we used the one with highest subsidy amount.

Example: “Center: 35% in FY 1999” means that 35% of the total amount of subsidized care was provided in Licensed Day Care Centers in FY 1999.

Self-arranged care (percent using): Percent using self-arranged care as share of the total care provided, based on primary care provider.

Full-time care (percent using): Full-time care as percent of total care provided, if a client was full-time any time during that month.

Reason for care: Reasons for providing care as share of total services by all type of providers, based on primary care provider.

Example: “Working/seeking work: 70% in FY 2000” means that 70% of subsidized services were given to parents that year because they were working or seeking work.

Eligibility type: Categorization of eligibility for care calculated as a share of total care provided, based on group code.

Income eligible: This eligibility type category includes care provided on the basis of income alone.

Choices/TANF: This category includes care provided to those receiving or applying for cash assistance (TANF), or in Choices, the workforce development program associated with cash assistance in Texas.

Transitional: This category includes care provided to those who recently left cash assistance.

Other work force programs: This category includes care provided to those in workforce development programs other than Choices (e.g., WIA, WtW, FSE&T)

Other: Other eligibility types not included in the categories above.

Family-level subsidy amount: Amount that providers receive from the government for the average family receiving services. The subsidy amount plus co-payment equals the total payment to the provider.

Family-level co-payment

Percent of families with co-payment due: Percent of families with co-pay obligations as share of all parents receiving services. Choices participants, Food Stamp E & T recipients and child protection service participants are exempt from co-payment.

Example: “FY 2001: 50%” means that, in FY 2001, 50% of all parents receiving services had to pay a co-payment.

Average monthly co-payment (of those with co-payment due): Average monthly amount due from those parents owing co-payment.

Example: “FY 2000: \$140” means that in FY 2000, those who had to make co-payments paid an average of \$140 per month of subsidy.

Percent of service months by age: Percent of service months provided per age group per fiscal year as share of all service months.

Example: “FY 1998: Pre-school (24 to 47 months): 24%” means that pre-school children received 24% of all service months of subsidized care in FY 1998.

Source: Texas Workforce Commission.⁴¹

¹ 2000 Census— Census 2000 Demographic Profiles 2-4, U.S. Bureau of the Census as compiled by the Texas State Data Center, Texas A&M University.

² Texas Workforce Commission.

<http://www.twc.state.tx.us/lmi/lfs/type/unemployment/unemploymentwdapivottable.xls>

³ Texas State Plan for Child Care & Development Fund Services, FY 1998-1999 & FY 2000-2001; documents made available to RMC from LWDBs.

⁴ Local workforce board policy documentations.

⁵ RMC staff tabulation of child care data from TWC. Administrative data: Client and payment files (based on year/month data).

⁶ RMC staff tabulation of child care subsidy data from TWC. Administrative data: Client and payment files (based on year/month data).

⁷ Ibid.

⁸ Ibid.

⁹ Ibid.

¹⁰ Ibid.

¹¹ Ibid.

¹² RMC staff tabulation of child care subsidy data received from TWC.

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- ¹³ Texas State Plan for child Care & Development Funds Services, FY 1998-1999 & FY 2000-2001.
- ¹⁴ Local workforce board policy documentation.
- ¹⁵ 2000 Census, Texas Summary File 1 Data, U.S. Bureau of the Census as compiled by the Texas State Data Center, Texas A&M University.
- ¹⁶ 2000 Census, Census 2000 Demographic Profiles 2-4, U.S. Bureau of the Census as compiled by the Texas State Data Center, Texas A&M University.
- ¹⁷ 2000 Census of Population, U.S. Bureau of the Census as compiled by the Texas State Data Center, Texas A&M University. Census 1990 and Census 2000.
- ¹⁸ 2000 Census, Census 2000 Demographic Profiles 2-4, U.S. Bureau of the Census as compiled by the Texas State Data Center, Texas A&M University.
- ¹⁹ Ibid.
- ²⁰ 2000 Census of Population, U.S. Bureau of the Census as compiled by the Texas State Data Center, Texas A&M University. (Table 2 - Table 4).
- ²¹ Texas Workforce Commission.
<http://www.twc.state.tx.us/lmi/lfs/type/unemployment/unemploymentwdapivortable.xls>
- ²² Multiple year agreements and contracts signed by TWC before the transfer of child care responsibilities to the Boards were maintained until the Boards published their own Request for Proposal and were in a position to issue their own contracts.
- ²³ Texas State Plan for Child Care & Development Fund Services, FY 1998-1999 & FY 2000-2001.
- ²⁴ Local workforce board policy documentations.
- ²⁵ Choices/TANF participants, SSI recipients, Food Stamp Employment and Training participants and parents of children who are in protective services (unless TDPRS assesses a fee) are exempt from co-payment.
- ²⁶ Texas State Plan for Child Care & Development Fund Services, FY 1998-1999 & FY 2000-2001.
- ²⁷ Local workforce board policy documentations.
- ²⁸ In the case of LWDB 28, two rates are provided for the first period (FY 1998 and FY 1999) as a change of boundaries occurred in 1998 which merged these 2 areas into the present day Gulf Coast Local Workforce Development Board.
- ²⁹ Local workforce board policy documentations.
- ³⁰ Texas State Plan for Child Care & Development Fund Services, FY 1998-1999 & FY 2000-2001; documents made available to RMC from LWDBs.
- ³¹ Local workforce development policy documentations.
- ³² Texas Rising Star is the most common quality improvement program. A Texas Rising Star Provider is a child care provider that has an agreement with a Board's Child Care Contractor to serve TWC subsidized children and that voluntarily meets requirements that exceed the State's Minimum Licensing Standards for child care facilities.
- ³³ Interviews held during spring and summer of 2002.
- ³⁴ Tables made available to RMC by TWC.
- ³⁵ RMC staff tabulation of child care subsidy data received from TWC.
- ³⁶ Ibid.
- ³⁷ Ibid.
- ³⁸ Ibid.
- ³⁹ RMC staff tabulation of child care subsidy data received from TWC. Administrative data: Client and payment data.
- ⁴⁰ RMC staff tabulation of child care subsidy data received from TWC. Administrative data: the case record.
- ⁴¹ RMC staff tabulation of child care data from TWC. Administrative data: Client and payment files (based on year/month data).