

**TX Population: 22.8 million<sup>1</sup>**

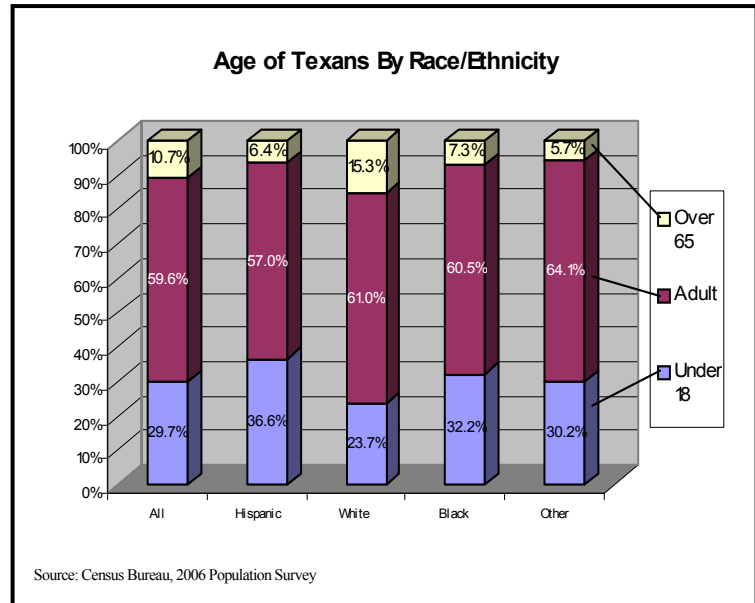
**White- 47.8 %**

**Hispanic- 36.5%**

**Black- 11.5%**

In 2005, Texas (TX) was propelled into the “Minority Majority” states status by significant growth among Hispanics population and other racial groups.

Of the 22.8 million Texans, Hispanics accounted for 36.5% of the state’s population. Between 1990-2000, Hispanics accounted for 60.27% of the net population change in Texas. Hispanics are projected to represent over 53% in 2040 of the Texas population compared to 32% and 10% for Anglos and Blacks.<sup>2</sup>



**Key Demographics and Socio-Economic Findings<sup>3</sup>:**

- ***Approximately 2 of 5 Texans are of workforce age.***
  - Adults 19-44 yrs old account for 38% of TX population
  - Children 6-12 yrs old make up 11% of TX population with 43% of children in that aged group being Hispanic.
  - Children 1-5 yrs old make up 8% of TX population with 48% of children in that aged group being Hispanic.
  - Median Age of Hispanics is 26.6 whereas TX’s Median Age is 32 years old.<sup>4</sup>
- ***Educational Attainment in TX is the lowest among Hispanics.***
  - Hispanics are more likely to have less than an HS diploma- 45% compared to Blacks (16.7%) and Whites (19%).<sup>5</sup>
  - Blacks and Whites have higher educational attainment than Hispanics.
- ***One of Four Hispanic households will make less than the state’s household median income.***
  - The median household income of Texas Hispanic has experience decline since 2004. Between 2002-2003, TX ranking dropped from 25<sup>th</sup> to 32<sup>nd</sup> in the U.S. making it among bottom half of states with lowest income.

**TX Median Household Income: (2005)<sup>6</sup>**

**TX - \$42,139 U.S. - \$46,242**

**White- \$46,057 Hispanic- \$30,882 Black- \$30,978**

<sup>1</sup> 2006 Population Survey, U.S. Census Bureau

<sup>2</sup> TX State Data Center, *Population 2000 and Projected Population 2005-2040 by Race/Ethnicity and Migration Scenario for State of Texas*, [http:// txsdc.utsa.edu](http://txsdc.utsa.edu)

<sup>3</sup> 2005 American Community Survey U.S. Census Bureau-American Fact Finder, <http://factfinder.census.gov>

<sup>4</sup> Mexican- Origin Median Age: 26.1

<sup>5</sup> Mexican-Origin: more likely to have less than an HS diploma- 45.3%

<sup>6</sup> 2005 American Community Survey U.S. Census Bureau-American Fact Finder, <http://factfinder.census.gov>

**Texas landscape:** The "Bienestar" (quality of Life) of Hispanics in Texas is directly influenced by where they are working and how much wages they are making.

Employment increased for Hispanic by 6% nationally during the fourth quarters of 2003 & 2004. However, wages for Hispanics during that period declined 2-yrs consecutively. Growth in low-wage and low skilled industries like Construction could be largely attributed. No other major group experienced such a decline in wages like Hispanic workers.<sup>7</sup>

- Hispanics Labor force participation makes up 67% compared to Whites (66%) and above Blacks (69%) in TX.<sup>8</sup> It is unclear how undocumented immigrant affects participation.
- Hispanics are represented more in occupations like *Service and Sales and Office Occupations* where income and wages are lower than Whites and Blacks.

OCCUPATION	TX	Hispanic	White	Black
Sales & Office (\$31,000/\$14.90hr)*	26%	22%	26%	29%
Service (\$19,200/\$9.23hr)	16%	23%	15%	22%
Construction, Extract, Maintenance (\$29,010/\$13.75hr)	12%	19%	12%	6%
Mgmt, Prof. & related Occup. (\$83,580/\$40.18hr)	33%	18%	35%	28%
INDUSTRY				
Educational Services, Healthcare & Social Assistance	20%	16%	19.2%	28%
Construction	9%	15%	9%	3%
Retail Trade	12%	12%	12%	12%
Manufacturing	10%	11%	10%	9%
Prof, Scientific, Mgmt, Admin & Waste Mgmt	10%	8.5%	10%	9%

Source: U.S. Census, 2005 American Community Survey  
 \* = Mean Annual Income/ Hourly Wg. based on U.S. Dept of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics for 2004

Occupation	1Adult	1Adult 1Child	2Adult 1Child	2Adult 2Child
<b>Living Wage (per hr)</b>	<b>\$5.89</b>	<b>\$11.75</b>	<b>\$9.15</b>	<b>\$17.33</b>
Construction, Extract, Maintenance(\$29,010/ \$13.75hr)*	127%	14%	-2%	-23%
Mgmt, Prof. & related Occup. (\$83,580/\$40.18hr)	334%	117%	87%	47%
Sales & Office (\$31,000/\$14.90hr)	57%	-21%	-32%	-47%
Service (\$19,200/\$9.23hr)	41%	-29%	-39%	-52%
<b>Poverty Level Comparison</b>	<b>-20%</b>	<b>-46%</b>	<b>-45%</b>	<b>-46%</b>
<b>Min. Wage Comparison</b>	<b>-13%</b>	<b>-56%</b>	<b>-62%</b>	<b>-70%</b>

**TX Population in Poverty (2005)<sup>9</sup>:**

**TX- 18% U.S.- 13%**  
 White- 16% Hispanic- 28% Black- 25%

**One-third of population that Live in Poverty are Hispanic.**

- Hispanic families are more likely to live in poverty.<sup>10</sup>
- Hispanic females who are head of household with children under 18 in TX have a 1 in 2 chance of living in poverty.<sup>11</sup>
- 1 in 4 Hispanic Elderly live in poverty.<sup>12</sup>

	Texas	Hispanic	White	Black
Below 50% FPL	7.2%	11%	3%	15%
50 -100% FPL	9%	14%	5%	10%
100 - 150% FPL	11%	19%	7%	10%
150-200% FPL	12%	15%	8%	13%
200% above	61%	41%	78%	52%

Source: Census Bureau, Health Ins. Data- 2006 Current Pop Survey

<sup>7</sup> Latino Labor Report, 2004: More jobs for New Immigrants but Lower Wages; Kochhar, Rakesh; Pew Hispanic Center, May 2005

<sup>8</sup> (TX Workforce Participation: 66.7%) US Census Bureau, American Fact finder -2005 American Community Survey, www.census.gov

<sup>9</sup> US Census Bureau American Fact finder -2005 American Community Survey, www.census.gov

<sup>10</sup> Poverty among TX Hispanic family w/ kids under 18: 31.3% (Poverty among Mexican family w/ kids under 18: 32.6%)

<sup>11</sup> Poverty among TX Hispanic female head of household w/ kids under 18: 52.9% (Mexican female head of household w/ kids under 18: 52.1%)

TX Hispanic female head of household w/ kids under 5: 37.9% (Mexican female head of household w/ kids under 5:54.8%)

<sup>12</sup> Poverty among TX Hispanic Over 65: 27.3%, (Whites Over 65:10.5%, Blacks Over 65: 23.1%)