



Everything Within Reach

Population

Hillsboro is the county seat of Hill County and is the largest city in the County, accounting for about one-fourth of the County’s population. Hill County is the only non-metro county on Interstate 35 between the Dallas/Fort Worth and Waco Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs).

The Dallas/Fort Worth MSA is the 4th largest in the country and has consistently experienced double digit growth in recent years. The Waco MSA is also growing. Hillsboro is located approximately 30 minutes from the outer rim of each. Transportation studies for the I-35 corridor are projecting that population will double along the corridor in the next 20 years.

Hillsboro information is limited to the US 2000 Census, but Hill County information is updated regularly and is used in this report as an area indicator.

Current Population and Projections

The Office of the Texas State Demographer provides yearly population estimates, as well as growth projections. Hillsboro’s estimate for January 1, 2008 was 9,176. Hillsboro, Hill County, and the surrounding counties in Hillsboro’s labor shed are all experiencing growth.

Population and Projections of Counties Within Hillsboro’s Labor Shed

	<i>2000 US Census</i>	<i>Jan 1, 2008 Estimate</i>	<i>2015 Projected</i>	<i>2025 Projected</i>
<i>Bosque County</i>	17,204	18,412	19,533	21,276
<i>Dallas County*</i>	2,218,899	2,377,477	2,747,401	3,158,435
<i>Ellis County*</i>	111,360	144,391	150,607	181,078
<i>Hill County</i>	32,321	35,315	38,911	43,419
<i>Johnson County*</i>	126,811	156,088	166,662	197,760
<i>McLennan Co</i>	213,517	226,456	241,694	259,851
<i>Navarro County</i>	45,124	49,207	53,517	59,846
<i>Tarrant County*</i>	1,446,219	1,716,365	1,776,624	2,020,545
<i>*Dallas/Fort Worth/Arlington metro area</i>	5,161,544	6,201,114	6,752,624	7,973,661

Source: Office of Texas State Demographer www.txsd.c.utsa.edu. Estimates for January 2008 compiled October 2008; Projections compiled February 2009 (Projection Scenario 0.5)

Hill County A Leader in Population Growth for “Heart of Texas” Region

Hill County is presently experiencing the second highest percentage of population growth among the 6 member counties of the Heart of Texas Council of Governments.

*Population Growth Percentage
Changes*

County	1990-2000 Change	2000-2008 Change
Bosque	13.7%	7.0%
Falls	4.9%	-4.1%
Freestone	13.0%	9.9%
Hill	19.1%	9.3%
Limestone	5.3%	0.2%
McLennan	12.9%	6.1%

Source:
Office of Texas State Demographer,
www.txsdcd.utsa.edu

Race

According to the Texas State Demographer's Office, in 2000 Hill County's population consisted of 78% Anglo, 8% Black, 13% Hispanic, and 1% Other.

The American Community Survey of the US Census Bureau reported in its American Factfinder 2005-2008 that the ratios were 85.8 % White, 6.9% Black, and 7.3% combined other races. Regardless of race, Hispanic was reported as a national heritage by 17.6% of the population.

Gender

According to the US 2000 Census, Hill County's population was divided into 49% male and 51 % female. That ratio had changed to 49.3% male and 50.7% female with the Census Bureau's report of the American Community Survey of 2005-2008.

Age

Roughly 3/4 of the population within Hillsboro's labor shed area is in the 18-64 age group of primary interest to employers.

American Community Survey 2005-08 Age Distribution in Labor Shed Area

County	Population 18-64 Years	% of Total	Median Age
Bosque+	13,003+	75.6+	41.7+
Dallas*	1,599,868	72.1	31.1
Ellis*	77,716	69.8	33.2
Hill	26,507	75.2	37.7
Johnson*	90,294	71.2	34.3
McLennan	156,687	73.4	31.9
Navarro	32,830	72.8	35.2
Tarrant*	1,039,747	71.9	32.3
*Dallas/Fort Worth metro area			
+ 2000 Census Data			

Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2005-08.

www.factfinder.census.gov

Income

- Median Household Income (2005-08)
 - Hill County \$41,103
 - Texas \$39,927
 - US \$52,175

Source: American Factfinder

www.factfinder.census.gov/home/saff/main.html?_lang=en

- Per Capital Personal Income – 2007
 - Hill County \$26,240
 - Dallas/Ft Worth/Arlington MSA \$41,499
 - Waco MSA \$29,730
 - Texas (2008) \$37,774
 - US \$38,615

Source: US Bureau of Economic Analysis

www.bea.gov/regional/index.htm#state

Educational Attainment

American Community Survey 2005-08, Education of Population Age 25+ in Hillsboro Labor Shed Area

County	High School +	Bachelor's Degree +
Bosque#	75.9%#	15.4%#
Dallas*	75%	27%
Ellis*	77.8%	17.1%
Hill	77.2%	14.1%
Johnson*	77.5%	13.8%
McLennan	76.6%	19.1%
Navarro	71.6%	12.2%
Tarrant*	81.2%	26.6%
* Dallas-Fort Worth metro area		
# US 2000 Census only		

Source: US Census, American Community Survey 2005-07, www.factfinder.census.gov, Social Characteristics – Show More>>

Note: High School = high school graduates, percent of persons age 25+; Bachelor's Degree = bachelor's degree or higher, percent of persons age 25+