Community Health Assessment

Hemphill County

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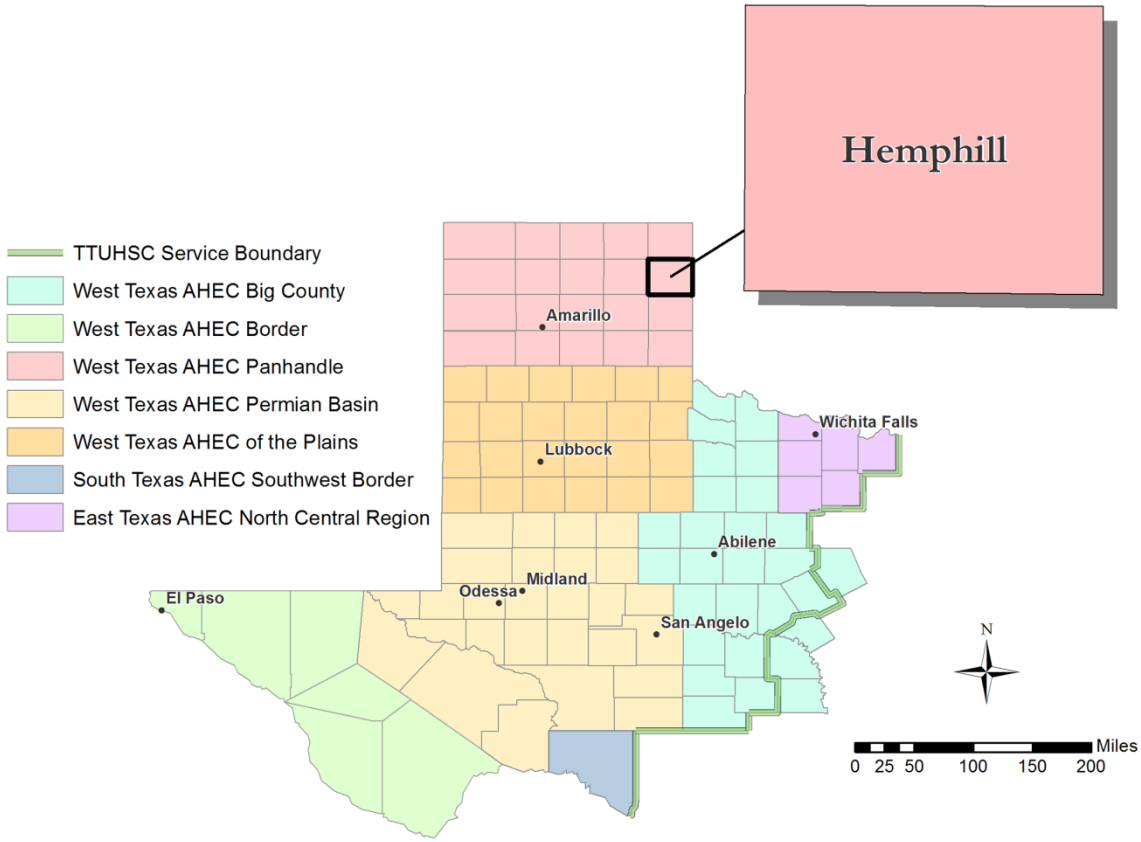

Demography and Population

Population

Hemphill County estimate population	3,807
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties	213
Population per Square Mile	4.2
Area in Square Miles	906.29

Ethnicity and Race	% of County
White persons	86.9%
Black persons	0.2%
American Indian/Alaskan	0.4%
Asian	0.5%
Two + Races	1.8%
Hispanic/Latino	28.5%
White Not Hispanic	69.8%

Gender	% in County
Female	49.4%
Male	50.6%

Age	% of County
<05 Years	8.6%
<18 Years	29.3%
18-64 Years	57.8%
65+ Years	12.9%

Source: www.census.gov

While the median age for Texas was 34.00 years in 2010, the Hemphill County area had a median age of 36.00 according to the 2010 Census.

Population and Gender

The gender distribution of an area can provide additional insight into the region's overall distribution in the population by male and female. Of the area's population, 1,928 were male which represents 50.6 percent and 1,879 were female which represents 49.4 percent. This compares to the statewide percentage of 49.6 percent for male and 50.4 percent for female.

Special Age Groups and Gender

Youth and Older Workers: Other age cohorts may be of special interest for Workforce Development Board's summer youth programs and older worker programs. The Hemphill County region has 440 persons age 15-24 representing 11.6 percent of the population. This compares with 14.7 percent statewide. For the potential older age cohort, 787 persons or 20.7 percent are 55 or over in the Hemphill County region based on the 2010 Census. This compares to 20.7 percent statewide.

Ages 25-44: If the population cohort 45 and over is higher than the state average, this suggests a stable, mature population comprised of mainly "empty-nesters," retirees and the aged. When the 25-44 age cohort is higher than the state average, this is a healthy economic situation since this group contains the greatest share of the labor force. Decreases over time in this group, especially when similar changes are not occurring statewide, can be an indication that people are moving out of an area they consider to be a poor labor market. In Hemphill County the total number in the age groups of 25 to 44, was 724 or 19.0 percent. This compares to a statewide percentage of 42.5 percent based on the 2010 Census.

Ages 18 and Older: For the population generally considered in the ages to participate in the labor market, the total population who were 18 years and over totaled 18,279,737 in Texas which represented 72.7 percent of the total population. In this study area, the total persons in this age group was 2,691 or 70.7 percent of the total population. Within this age group in Texas the number of males in 2010 who

were 18 years and over represented 8,962,031 persons or 35.6 percent of the total population while females age 18 years and over represented 9,317,706 or 37.1 percent. In the Hemphill County area, males 18 and over represented 1,362 or 35.8 percent in comparison and females totaled to 1,329 or 34.9 percent.

Veteran Status: According to the U.S. Bureau of Census, the area had 2,425 persons in the population age 18 years and older in the year 2000. Of that number, 289 or 11.9 percent responded as being a civilian veteran, compared to 11.8 percent statewide. A "civilian veteran" is a person 18 years old or over who has served (even for a short time), but is not now serving, on active duty in the U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or the Coast Guard, or who served in the U.S. Merchant Marine during World War II. People who served in the National Guard or military Reserves are classified as veterans only if they were ever called or ordered to active duty, not counting the 4-6 months for initial training or yearly summer camps.

Disability Status: From the 2000 Census, data on Disability Status were derived when respondents reported long-lasting conditions: (a) blindness, deafness, or a severe vision or hearing impairment, (sensory disability) and (b) a condition that substantially limits one or more basic physical activities such as walking, climbing stairs, reaching, lifting, or carrying (physical disability). Disability status was also derived if the individuals in the working age range of 21 to 64 years had a physical, mental, or emotional condition lasting 6 months or more that made it difficult to perform certain activities such as: (a) learning, remembering, or concentrating (mental disability); (b) dressing, bathing, or getting around inside the home (self-care disability); (c) going outside the home alone to shop or visit a doctor's office (going outside the home disability); and (d) working at a job or business (employment disability).

It was reported in the 2000 Census that the area had an estimated 766 persons residing there between the ages of 5 to 20 years of age with approximately 33 or 4.3 percent with a disability. In Texas, the percent with disabilities in this same age bracket was 7.9 percent. In the working age population group - ages 21 to 64 years, the area had approximately 1,793 persons, of which 227 were categorized to be in a disability status. This represented 12.7 percent compared to 19.9 percent in the state overall. For those persons in this age group that had a disability, approximately 124 or 54.6 percent were employed. For those who had no disability, an estimated 1,245 or 79.5 percent were employed. For the retirement age group of 65 years of age and older, 453 persons resided of which 147 were disabled. The percent of this age group with a disabled status was 32.5 percent and this compared to 44.8 percent in Texas overall.

Ages 65 and Older: For the population who are considered to be at the age of retirement or older - 65 years and older, the total number of persons in Texas was 2,601,886 or 10.3 percent of the total population in 2010. This region had a total of 492 or 12.9 percent in this older age group. In the same age group of 65 years and over, males in Texas represented 1,135,664 or 4.5 percent of the total population and females totaled to 1,466,222 or 5.8 percent, while in this study area, males totaled to 220 or 5.8 percent of all persons in this area and females represented 272 or 7.1 percent of all persons. For other general and special population information from the 2010 Census as well as specific populations topics, link to http://www.census.gov/census2000/states/tx.html.

Population Projections

The Office of the State Demographer for the State of Texas distributes the most widely used population projections for Texas. Projection estimates in these tables and the methodology for migration scenarios have been revised as of 2008 by the Texas State Data Center and Office of the State Demographer - now housed at University of Texas San Antonio. Each projection series includes three scenarios resulting in three alternative sets of population values for the State and each county are presented in these projections. These scenarios assume the same set of mortality and fertility assumptions in each scenario but differ in their assumptions relative to net migration. The net migration assumptions made for four scenarios are derived from 1990-2000 patterns which have been altered relative to expected future population trends. This is done by systematically and uniformly altering the adjusted 1990-2000 net migration rates by age, sex and race/ethnicity. The scenarios so produced are referred to as the zero migration (0.0) scenario, the one-half 1990-2000 (0.5) scenario, the 1990-2000 (1.0) scenario, the 2000-2004 (2.0) scenario and the 2000-2007 (3.0) scenario.

The recommended scenario for most county based projection reporting used is believed to be the 0.5 scenario as most appropriate scenario for most counties in Texas. This scenario has been prepared as an approximate average of the zero (0.0) and 1990-2000 (1.0) scenarios. It assumes rates of net migration one-half of those of the 1990s. The reason for including this scenario is that many counties in the State are unlikely to continue to experience the overall levels of relatively extensive growth of the 1990s. A scenario which projects rates of population growth that are approximately an average of the zero and the 1990-2000 scenarios is one that suggests slower but steadier growth than occurred during 1990-2000 (For a more detailed discussion see http://txsdc.utsa.edu).

Using this projection scenario, the following table represents population projections for Hemphill County as computed in 2008 by The Office of the State Demographer for the State of Texas:

Population Projections and Percent Change Since 2000*

Year	Total	Pct Chg	Anglo	Pct Chg	Black	Pct Chg	Hispanic	Pct Chg	Other	Pct Chg
2000	3,351	---	2,739	---	52	---	522	---	38	---
2005	3,452	3.0	2,766	1.0	49	-5.8	599	14.8	38	0.0
2010	3,561	6.3	2,791	1.9	50	-3.8	683	30.8	37	-2.6
2015	3,649	8.9	2,803	2.3	49	-5.8	761	45.8	36	-5.3
2020	3,655	9.1	2,741	0.1	49	-5.8	828	58.6	37	-2.6
2025	3,612	7.8	2,632	-3.9	49	-5.8	894	71.3	37	-2.6
2030	3,542	5.7	2,518	-8.1	49	-5.8	941	80.3	34	-10.5
2035	3,525	5.2	2,428	-11.4	49	-5.8	1,014	94.3	34	-10.5
2040	3,501	4.5	2,333	-14.8	49	-5.8	1,085	107.9	34	-10.5

* Anglo, Black and Other excludes Hispanic counts.

For comparison purposes, the Texas population projections, using the same scenario methodology, are as follows:

Population Projections and Percent Change Since 2000*

Year	Total	Pct Chg	Anglo	Pct Chg	Black	Pct Chg	Hispanic	Pct Chg	Other	Pct Chg
2000	20,851,820	---	11,074,716	---	2,421,653	---	6,669,666	---	685,785	---
2005	22,556,046	8.2	11,327,873	2.3	2,588,605	6.9	7,820,842	17.3	818,726	19.4
2010	24,330,646	16.7	11,533,976	4.1	2,754,751	13.8	9,080,459	36.1	961,460	40.2
2015	26,156,723	25.4	11,694,520	5.6	2,913,062	20.3	10,436,546	56.5	1,112,595	62.2
2020	28,005,740	34.3	11,796,448	6.5	3,052,417	26.0	11,882,980	78.2	1,273,895	85.8
2025	29,897,410	43.4	11,830,578	6.8	3,170,964	30.9	13,448,459	101.6	1,447,409	111.1
2030	31,830,575	52.7	11,789,274	6.5	3,268,623	35.0	15,140,100	127.0	1,632,578	138.1
2035	33,789,697	62.0	11,682,022	5.5	3,345,687	38.2	16,934,464	153.9	1,827,524	166.5
2040	35,761,165	71.5	11,525,089	4.1	3,403,163	40.5	18,804,311	181.9	2,028,602	195.8

* Anglo, Black,and Other excludes Hispanic counts.

County to County Migration

Out-Migration: Using Internal Revenue Service (IRS) information regarding changes in residences between two filing years 2008 and 2009, statistics regarding moving in and out of counties can reveal patterns of migration as well as patterns of out-of-state and foreign migration to and from selected counties. During this time Hemphill County reported 1,180 total tax returns were matched to tabulate outflow migration. Of these returns approximately 7.5 percent showed a change in residences by moving out from their originating county in 2008 to another county in 2009. Of these who moved out of their original county, 74.2 percent moved to another county within Texas, while 25.8 percent moved to a different state but within the U.S. Those who moved from their originating county in the year 2008 to a foreign country in 2009 was approximately 0.0 percent.

The IRS county migration data reports income by the number of returns and the number of exemptions. The number of returns - as a unit of analysis may be used as a proxy for household income and the number of exemptions may be used as a proxy for the number of individuals in a family. Using the number of returns for household income, the Hemphill County overall has an average household earnings of $100,035. Of those households which remained in the same area, an average reported non-migrating household income of $101,958 during the period 2008 to 2009. Total income earned by 89 households leaving the region was $6,689,000 which represents an average income of $75,157.

The top county showing the most households and their average income leaving Hemphill County to other counties during 2008 to 2009 were:

County and State	Households Moving Out	Average Income Moving Out
Potter County, TX	13	$77,615

In-Migration: During the period 2008 to 2009, there were approximately 1,255 total tax returns were matched to calculate inflow migration. Of these returns approximately 8.3 percent showed a change in residences by moving in from their originating county in 2008 to a county in the study area in 2009. Of these who moved into the study area from another county, 57.7 percent moved from other counties in Texas, while 42.3 percent moved from a county in a different state but within the U.S. Those who moved into the study area during the 2008-2009 period from a foreign country was approximately 0.0 percent.

In-migration income for Hemphill County is not reported due to the enforcement of statistical disclosure for small areas.

Change in Aggregated Earnings: Gains and losses of residential earnings and buying power due to a migration can be reflected in observed differences in aggregate dollars entering and leaving an area. County to county migration information from the IRS shows a net change for the Hemphill County region of $-2,289,000.00. A positive value represents an increase in earnings for an area and a negative value represents a loss of income during the 2008 - 2009 period.

Vital Statistics: According to the Texas Department of State Health Services for vital statistics for the year 2004, the Hemphill County area had a total of 47 live births which represents a live birth rate of 14.1 births for every 1,000 persons in the study area compared to a statewide rate of 17.0 births per 1,000 persons in the population. The area had a total of 39 deaths representing a rate of 11.7 for every 1,000 persons compared to a statewide rate of 6.8.

Employment

Civilian Labor Force (CLF): The most recent civilian labor force estimates from TWC for Texas statewide in April 2012 is 12,547,852 which is an increase in the labor force of 139,139 persons since April 2011. This represents a 1.1 percent change in Texas during this time period. These estimates are not seasonally adjusted. Hemphill County had a civilian labor force of 3,088 for April 2012 which was a change of 196 in CLF since April 2011. This change represented an increase of 6.8 percent for the study area. For another glimpse into TWC/LMI's Texas and County information, link to: http://www.tracer2.com/cgi/dataanalysis/AreaSelection.asp?tableName=Labforce.

Economic Diversification: Relative to the Texas economy, the LMCI economic diversification index measures the degree to which a county economy is diversified. Significant concentrations of employment in only one or two industrial sectors makes an area less diversified and more susceptible to widespread economic decline should a key sector suffer a significant loss. While economic diversification

or a balanced distribution of employment across all major industry sectors, is generally desirable, in some cases, especially where a region is exploiting a comparative advantage (such as access to raw materials, access to transportation routes, etc.) a statistically diverse economy does not necessarily correlate with higher growth. Of the three levels of diversification ranging from below average, average and above average, Hemphill County had an economic base which is of above average diversity.

Employment By Major Industry Sector: The most recent employment data from TWC by major industrial sector for Hemphill County compared to Texas are shown below in a table for two years. The Department of Labor calls these major categories "Super Sectors". One advantage in reviewing employment changes at broad industrial levels is that it allows for a unique snapshot of major differences in the total employment for a selected study area when compared to any larger statewide trend. When employment changes at a higher rate than the state, there may be comparative advantages in the local economy which are driving these changes. Conversely, when change is at a lower rate, then the Super Sector is showing less change in comparison to the state and may consequently have a smaller comparative change impact.

Hemphill County	**AREA EMPLOYMENT**				**STATEWIDE EMPLOYMENT**				**US EMPLOYMENT**			
Industry Sector	2010 3rd Qtr	2011 3rd Qtr	Emp Chg	Pct Chg	2010 3rd Qtr	2011 3rd Qtr	Emp Chg	Pct Chg	2010 3rd Qtr	2011 3rd Qtr	Emp Chg	Pct Chg
Total, All Industries	1,977	2,282	305	15.43	10,172,064	10,434,252	262,188	2.58	127,653,230	129,386,158	1,238,338	0.96
Natural Resources & Mining	391	514	123	31.46	265,882	298,224	32,342	12.16	1,942,433	2,038,712	49,203	2.66
Construction	130	138	8	6.15	604,529	606,705	2,176	0.36	5,913,961	5,914,110	-63,755	-1.11
Manufacturing	NA	NA	NA	NA	818,521	847,734	29,213	3.57	11,625,347	11,852,448	217,317	1.89
Trade, Transport. & Utilities	564	681	117	20.74	2,143,082	2,202,201	59,119	2.76	25,740,265	26,105,630	315,529	1.23
Information	NA	NA	NA	NA	202,207	203,238	1,031	0.51	2,850,053	2,819,004	-31,210	-1.09
Financial Activities Group	160	177	17	10.63	622,938	636,133	13,195	2.12	7,504,336	7,540,122	340	0.00
Prof., Business & Other Svcs	NA	NA	NA	NA	1,295,982	1,367,174	71,192	5.49	17,085,848	17,654,216	567,084	3.36
Education & Health Svcs.	NA	NA	NA	NA	2,409,110	2,432,847	23,737	0.99	28,768,729	29,056,521	220,420	0.72
Leisure & Hospitality Group	120	144	24	20.00	1,048,766	1,087,138	38,372	3.66	14,008,113	14,300,161	269,835	1.96
Other Services	NA	NA	NA	NA	298,005	305,273	7,268	2.44	4,442,871	4,495,171	52,466	1.19
Public Administration	NA	NA	NA	NA	457,522	442,736	-14,786	-3.23	7,622,849	7,417,090	-432,784	-5.54

Compared to Texas, the table above shows employment sectors in Hemphill County changed at a higher rate for Natural Resources & Mining, Construction, Trade, Transport. & Utilities, Financial Activities Group and Leisure & Hospitality Group between 3rd quarter 2010 and 3rd quarter 2011. During that same time period, area employment for no sectors changed at a lower rate when compared to Texas.

Occupations: The best source of occupational information at the county level is from the 2000 Census. The total number of persons 16 years of age or older who were employed in Hemphill County during the 2000 Census was 1,571. The following presents a table of those employed by occupational categories for this region compared to statewide percentages:

Occupational Categories	Count	Area Percent	Statewide Percent
Mgmt., Professional Occs.	482	30.7	33.3
Service Occupations	231	14.7	14.6
Sales and Office Occupations	345	22.0	27.2
Farming/Fishing/Forestry Occs.	75	4.8	0.7
Constr., Extraction Occs.	233	14.8	10.9
Production, Transport. Occs.	205	13.0	13.2

Class of Worker: Another way to view the types of workers in an area's labor force is by class of worker. According to the 2000 Census, the area had 1,022 employees who were private wage and salary workers representing 65.1 percent of all workers. The region had another 321 persons who were government workers or 20.4 percent, 207 who were self-employed workers or 13.2 percent and 21 who were unpaid family workers representing 1.3 percent. This compares to the Texas statewide distribution of 78.0 percent for private wage and salary workers, 14.6 percent for government workers, 7.1 percent for self-employed, and 0.3 percent for unpaid family workers.

Unemployment: According to TWC unemployment figures for April 2012 Hemphill County had an unemployment estimate of 67 persons which represents a rate of 2.2 compared to a Texas statewide unemployment rate of 6.5 for the same month. For the study area these estimates represent a decrease from April 2011 unemployment rate of 2.7 percent. The Texas statewide unemployment rate was 7.6 for April 2011. For the latest unemployment rates, see TWC's LMI website - Unemployment Rates (LAUS): http://www.tracer2.com/cgi/dataanalysis/AreaSelection.asp?tableName=Labforce and for a description of methodology link to: http://www.tracer2.com/article.asp?ARTICLEID=148.

Reporting Establishments: The TWC indicates 218 business reporting units operating in Hemphill County in the third quarter of 2011 with an average of 10.47 workers per unit. Average firm size makes a difference for job hunting and job development strategy because larger firms tend to have better defined ports of entry and in-house training capabilities. Although definitions vary greatly, small business can be defined as less than 50 workers and medium sized is 250 or less. The Texas average is 17.89 workers per unit. Regions with higher than average number of workers per unit tend to be dominated economically by a few very large employers.

Commuting to Work: Commuting to work for workers 16 years and over has a number of implications

for transportation and municipal services study. Hemphill County had a total of 1,165 or 75.4 percent who drove their car to work alone, 235 or 15.2 percent who car pooled, 0 or 0.0 percent used public transportation, 45 or 2.9 percent who walked to work, 19 or 1.2 percent of regional workers who used other means to work, and 81 or 5.2 percent who worked at home. These methods of commuting to work compare to the Texas statewide results by: car alone (77.7%), car pool (14.5%), public transportation (1.9%), walked (1.9%), other means (1.3%), and worked at home (2.8%). The average travel time to work in minutes was 18.10 for the region as compared to an overall statewide average of 25.4 minutes.

Employers by Employee Size Class: Employer contact information and employee size ranges are collected and updated by the Analyst Resource Center – Employer Database - InfoGroup/Government Division. The most current release is a product called the Employer Database 2012 2nd Edition. This product shows that the area had approximately 58 establishments which employed 10 or more employees. Of these employers, approximately 0.0 percent employed over 1000 employees. 0.0 percent employed between approximately 500 and 999 employees, 1.7 percent employed between approximately 100 and 499 employees, 13.8 percent employed between 50 and 99 employees, 36.2 percent employed between 20 and 49 employees, and 48.3 percent employed between approximately 10 and 19 employees.

Top 2 Manufacturers for the Hemphill County Region:

- Canadian Supply & Ready Mix
- You Dough Girls Bread Shop

Income

Personal Income: According to the most recent data released by the BEA 2005, Hemphill County's total personal income, excluding farm, was $111,909,000 which represented an increase of $8,638,000 when compared to the 2004 total personal income, excluding farm, of $ 103,271,000. For Statewide personal income, the total of $686,943,289,000 for 2004 and $741,099,703,000 for the year 2004, shows an increase of $54,156,414,000. This indicates that Hemphill County has a personal income showing a rate change of 8.4 percent compared to the statewide income at a rate change of 7.9 percent for the same period. Income from all government and government enterprises for the area was a total of $12,869,000 for the year 2005. This was an increase of 3.7 percent from the 2004 figure of $12,405,000. Texas statewide had an increase of 5.7 percent for government income. Military income, excluding federal civilian income, for 2005 was $312,000 compared to $275,000 in 2004 for the study area. This was an increase of 13.5 percent compared to a statewide change of no change percent for the same period. For further information link to: http://www.bea.gov/bea/regional/reis.

Per Capita Income: Total personal income is a widely used measure of regional economic health while per capita income is generally used to compare the relative well-being of residents across areas (not

accounting for differences in area cost of living). The per capita personal income for 2005 was $37,973 in Hemphill County while Texas statewide had a per capita income of $32,460. For more information on this data, please go to http://www.bea.gov/bea/regional/reis.

Government Transfer Payments: The Hemphill County region received over $14,344,000 in transfer of payments in FY2005 which reflected a $4,224 per capita transfer payment compared to the Texas per capita payment of $4,194. Transfer payments includes the total amount of government allocations to people who qualify for income assistance. This consists largely of supplemental security income payments, family assistance, general assistance payments, food stamp payments, and other assistance payments, including emergency assistance. For more information on this data, please go to http://www.bea.gov/bea/regional/reis.

Residence Adjustment: Some areas function as major employment centers and others serve as "bedroom communities". This means that residents may work in one region but live, pay taxes and spend most of their income in their resident region. The degree to which a regional area serves as a bedroom community can be measured by a "residence adjustment" to the area personal income. The residence adjustment in the Hemphill County region was $-1,445 in 2005. By 2006 the adjustment represented a decrease to $-1,595. A negative number implies that workers commute into the region to earn income but do not reside there. Growth over time of negative residence adjustments generally implies an eroding tax base for the region. Similarly, a positive figure implies that on balance the region exports jobs and income to residents of other regions. For more information on this data, please go to http://www.bea.gov/bea/regional/reis.

Average Weekly Wage: TWC reported an average weekly wage during 3rd quarter 2010 for all covered wages and salaried employment in the Hemphill County region to be $777.35. Average weekly wages for 3rd quarter 2011 was $873.60, an increase of 12.4 percent. This is compared to an increase of 6.3 percent statewide for the same period of time. The Texas statewide average weekly wage in the 3rd quarter of 2010 was $931.50. These wage data are the result of the reported quarterly wages and salaries paid by employers divided by 13 weeks. For the most current information, link to: http://www.tracer2.com/cgi/dataanalysis/AreaSelection.asp?tableName=Industry

UI Benefits: The region had $49,958 in Unemployment Insurance benefits paid during calendar year 2008. In the Hemphill County region, the average duration before exhausting regular UI benefits in calendar year 2008 was approximately 16.2 weeks, while the statewide average duration before exhausting regular UI benefits in calendar year 2008 was approximately 13.4 weeks. The most likely interpretation of longer duration times is greater difficulty finding a job. Therefore, duration can serve as a good barometer for local general economic conditions. The average weekly benefits payment for Regular UI in 2008 was $280.99 for the Hemphill County region compared to $307.5 in Texas statewide.

Personal Income by Place of Residence: Personal income by place of residence, based on the 2000 Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) estimates was roughly $88,661 for the Hemphill County region. This compares to $78,626 statewide. This figure is much higher than the per capita income level because it includes all wage earners living within a single household. Also, income data from BEA will be different

than income data from other agencies due to that fact the BEA includes other sources of income such as farm wages, dividends, interest, rent and transfer payments. For more information on this data, please go to http://www.bea.gov/bea/regional/reis.

Poverty Population: The U.S. Department of Census estimated a 2002 poverty population for the Hemphill County region for people of all ages at 291 persons. That figure represents 8.7 percent of the non-institutional population compared to a Texas percentage of 15.4 percent for people of all ages. The estimated number of people under the age of 18 in the study area in poverty was 140 in 1999. This figure was 3.8 percent of all people under 18 in the study area compared to Texas statewide which was 6.0 percent of all people under 18 as estimated in 1999. According to the 2000 Census, the number of families living below poverty status in 1999 were 103 which was 10.9 percent of all families in the study area. This compared to 12.0 percent of all families statewide living in poverty status in 1999. The total number of individuals living below poverty status was 403 in 1999 which was 10.6 percent of all individuals in the study area. This compared to 12.4 percent of all individuals living below poverty status statewide. For the most recent Poverty information, see: http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/saipe/county.html .

Gross Retail Sales: Income can be viewed in several ways and under different definitions. Per capita income tends to have a direct relationship with the growth of gross sales and most service sector industries in an area. Gross sales for the region estimated by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts were $8,290,781 in the 3rd quarter 2010 which represented an increase of 25.9 percent to $10,440,681.00 by the 3rd quarter 2011. The statewide change for the same period was an increase of 9.1 percent in gross sales. The total number of reporting outlets for the same period was 55 in the 3rd quarter 2010 and 62 in the 3rd quarter 2011. This region had an increase of 12.7 percent in the study area compared to the statewide change for the same period of an increase of 4.2 percent. For the most recent Gross Retail Sales information, please see: http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/sales/.

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Per Capita Personal Income	$29,343	$24,870
Median Household Income	$62,159	$49,646

Source: www.census.gov

Unemployment Rate	**3.2%**	**8.2%**
Average Monthly TANF Recipients (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families)	0	104,693
Average Monthly SNAP Recipients (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)	107	2,819,469
Unduplicated Medicaid Clients	418	4,762,787
Average Monthly CHIP Enrollment	46	466,242

	#County	%County	#State	%State
Without Health Insurance				
<18	290	7.6%	1,375,714	19.5%
<65	983	34.8%	5,765,126	26.8%
Persons Living Below Poverty Level				
	250	7.6%	4,143,077	17.1%

Source: http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/chs/

Housing

Household Units and Size: The total number of housing units in 2000 in Hemphill County according the Census was 1,280 with an average household size of 2.5 persons. The average household size for Texas was 2.7 persons for the same period. Home ownership rates for this area was 77.0 percent compared to Texas statewide which had a rate of 63.8 percent. While in Texas statewide the percent of households with persons under 18 years of age in 2000 was 40.9 percent, this study area had a percent of 34.8. The percent of households with persons 65 years of age or older was 19.9 percent in Texas statewide while 26.6 percent of Hemphill County had households with individuals 65 years of age and older.

Types of Structures: While Texas had approximately 63.4 percent of the housing units in the category of one detached structures in 2000 according to the census, the study area had approximately 80.7 percent. Mobile homes in the area made up 13.6 percent when compared to a statewide percentage of 9.0 percent. More recently built housing structures in the area shows new development has taken place in the region. The total number of new housing structures built between 1995 and March 2000 was 62 or 4.0 percent in Hemphill County compared to 13.2 percent statewide.

Owner and Renter Occupied: According to the 2000 Census, the percent of owner-occupied units with a value of $100,000 or greater in Hemphill County was 16.1 percent compared to 36.7 percent for the state. The percent of renter-occupied units with rent values of $500 per month or greater was 28.6 percent as compared to the Texas percentage of 60.4 percent. The median home value in Hemphill County according to the 2000 census was $56,800.00 compared to a statewide median value of $82,500.00. Median rent for the area was $453.00 compared to $574.00 for the state. For this area, the total number of renter-occupied housing units was 295 which represented 23.0 percent of all occupied housing units in 2000. This compares to a Texas statewide percentage of 36.2 percent for the same period.

Education

The total number of public independent school districts in Hemphill County for the school year 1999-2000 was 1 according to the Texas Education Agency. The overall average daily attendance for the same year was 771.

Enrollment: School enrollment data from the 2000 Census showed that there were 908 persons in the population who were 3 years of age and older and enrolled in school in the study area during the census collection period. Of this population, the following table shows a breakdown of what types of schools persons were enrolled compared to similar statewide information:

Type of School	Count	Area Percent	Statewide Percent
Nursery school or preschool	65	7.2	6.6
Kindergarten	30	3.3	5.9
Elementary School (grades 1-8)	448	49.3	45.5
High School (grades 9-12)	306	33.7	21.9
College or graduate school	59	6.5	20.2

Educational Attainment: The total number of persons 25 years of age or older who responded to the level of educational attainment during the 2000 Census was 2,190. Of those persons, the following presents a table on various levels of educational attainment for this region compared to statewide percentages:

Educational Attainment	Count	Area Percent	Statewide Percent
Less than 9th Grade	216	9.9	11.5
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	224	10.2	12.9
H.S. graduate (inc. equiv.)	639	29.2	24.8
Some college, no degree	642	29.3	22.4
Associate Degree	77	3.5	5.2
Bachelor's Degree	310	14.2	15.6
Graduate or Prof. Degree	82	3.7	7.6

Another useful grouping of these statistics shows that the percent of high school graduates or higher was 79.9 percent for the area compared to 75.7 percent for Texas. Also, the percent with bachelor's

degree or higher was 17.9 percent as compared to 23.2 percent for Texas.

Dropout and Attrition Rates: Information from the Texas Education Agency on student dropouts from public schools for 2004-2005 shows that 0 students, grades 7-12, dropped out of school in this study area. This represents a dropout rate of 0.00 percent as compared to a Texas statewide percentage of 0.90 percent of all students who dropped out during this period. Attrition rates are often viewed as measures of the percentage of students that begin high school but do not graduate with a diploma. It is arguably a more reasonable way to view dropouts from an economic viewpoint. One way to view educational progress in a region is to estimate the number of persons who persist to high school graduation as opposed to standard dropout statistics. Attrition rates are calculated by the Intercultural Development Research Association (IDRA). IDRA conducts research and development activities; creates, implements and administers innovative education programs; and provides teacher, administrator, and parent training and technical assistance. The attrition rates for Hemphill County during the period 2004-2005 by race and ethnicity were 40 percent for all students, 0 percent for Blacks, 17 percent for Whites, and 66 percent for Hispanics. In order to review the latest Secondary Schools Enrollment and Dropouts information posted on the Texas Education Agency, link to: http://www.tea.state.tx.us/research/.

Health

Health Facilities - The number of acute and psychiatric care hospitals in Hemphill County as of October 2007 was 1, with an average total beds capacity of approximately 26.0 compared to a statewide ratio of 123.1 beds per hospital according to statistical reports from the Texas Department of State Health Services. Link to http://www.dshs.state.tx.us for more data reporting on health care facilities. The Texas State Board of Pharmacy data for October 2007 shows there are 2 licensed pharmacies in the study area. The total number of licensed pharmacies statewide is 5,919. For additional information on Texas Pharmacies, link to the Texas State Board of Pharmacy at http://www.tsbp.state.tx.us/index.htm.

Health Practitioners - According to the Texas Department of State Health Services October 2007 report, there were 4 direct patient care and primary care physicians who practiced in the region. The ratio of total persons to each physician in the area was 872.3 residents per each physician. This compares to a statewide ratio of 460.5 persons for each physician in Texas. Another way of reporting these figures is by showing the number of physicians as a ratio per 100,000 residents. In this study area, the ratio in direct patient care was 697.8 as compared to the statewide ratio of 638.3 in direct patient care physicians per 100,000 population as of 2007. The ratio of physicians in primary care was 872.3 compared to a statewide ratio of 1,472.0 physicians in primary care per 100,000 persons in the population statewide. Link to http://www.dshs.state.tx.us for more data.

The study area had a total of 20 registered nurses (RN) working in the study area, representing a ratio of 174.5 persons for each RN in the area. The statewide ratio was 152.2 persons for each RN in the state. For the same time period, the ratio of RNs per 100,000 population was 573.1 compared to 657.0 per

100,000 statewide. Link to http://www.dshs.state.tx.us for more data.

The number of licensed vocational nurses (LVN) who practiced in the area was 18 representing a ratio of 193.8 persons per each LVN in the area. This compared to 363.8 persons per each LVN statewide. The ratio of LVNs per 100,000 population was 516.0 compared to 274.9 per 100,000 population statewide. See http://www.dshs.state.tx.us for a wider variety of Health Professionals and related information.

The Texas Department of State Health Services information for October 2007 also reports that there were 0 dentists in the study area, with a ratio of n/a persons for each dentist in the area. The ratio of dentists per 100,000 residents was n/a. By comparison, there was a statewide ratio of 42.8 dentists per 100,000 residents, with a total of 10,151 dentists statewide. See http://www.dshs.state.tx.us for a wider variety of Health Professionals and related information.

According to data from the Texas Department of State Health Services for October 2007, there were 13 licensed Emergency Medical Technicians, or EMTs, for the study area; a ratio of 372.6 licensed EMTs per 100,000 residents. The statewide ratio was 218.0 EMTs per 100,000 residents, with a total of 51,718 EMTs statewide. See http://www.dshs.state.tx.us for a wider variety of Health Professionals and related information.

Also, according to the October 2007 report from the Texas Department of State Health Services, there were 4 pharmacists in this area, which is a ratio of 872.3 persons for each pharmacist. Texas has 18,138 pharmacists statewide, or a ratio of 1,308.2 persons for each pharmacist in the area. The ratio of pharmacists per 100,000 residents was 114.6 compared to 76.4 per 100,000 residents statewide. See http://www.dshs.state.tx.us for a wider variety of Health Professionals and related information.

The Texas Department of State Health Services information for October 2007 shows that for the study area there were 0 occupational therapists; a ratio of n/a persons for each occupational therapist. The statewide ratio was 11,072.6 persons for each occupational therapist, with a total of 2,143 occupational therapists statewide. The ratio of occupational therapists per 100,000 residents was n/a compared to 9.0 statewide. See http://www.dshs.state.tx.us for a wider variety of Health Professionals and related information.

Medical & Health Services Employment*

Area			Statewide		
2010 3rd Qtr	2011 3rd Qtr	Pct Change	2010 3rd Qtr	2011 3rd Qtr	Pct Change
134	163	21.64%	1,286,605	1,321,803	2.74%

* Includes: Public and Private Hospitals, Medical/Health Offices; Home Health, Nursing, Elderly Residential facilities; Individual/Family, Emergency & Other Relief Svcs., Vocational Rehab. Svcs.
[NAICS: 6211,6212-19,6221-23,6231-33,6239,6241-43]
Due to confidentiality, employment for small areas may be suppressed and reported as zero.

Health Statistics - Some of the leading causes of mortality in Texas include malignant neoplasms or cancer, heart disease, and chronic lower respiratory disease. From information gathered by Texas Department of State Health Services for 2004, the study area had a total of 6 reported deaths from malignant neoplasm cancer. On a statewide level, Texas had 33,836 reported deaths from malignant neoplasm cancer. Texas Department of State Health Services reports that for 2004 there were 13 deaths from heart disease, and 1 deaths from lower respiratory disease in the selected study area. By contrast, Texas statewide had 40,091 deaths from heart disease and 7,387 deaths from chronic lower respiratory disease. See http://www.dshs.state.tx.us for a wider variety of Texas health, disease and related information.

Several state agencies collect statistics on health status indicators that can be used to assess the strengths or weaknesses of public health in a local area or community. For this study area, the Texas Department of State Health Services reported for August 2004 there were 1 infant deaths, as compared with a statewide rate of 2,398. See http://www.dshs.state.tx.us for a wider variety of Texas health, disease and related information.

The Texas Department of State Health Services reported that for August 2003 there were 1 total teen pregnancies in this area. There were different teen pregnancy rates in the study area depending on race, with 0 for Black teens, 1 for Hispanic teens and 0 for White teens. Statewide rates for teenage pregnancy were 19,730 for total teenage pregnancies, with 3,003 for Black teens, 12,693 for Hispanic teens and 4,034 for White teens. See http://www.dshs.state.tx.us for a wider variety of Texas health, disease and related information.

In the Health and Human Services 2003 Data Book, figures show that the number of children under 19 in this area whom were not covered by health insurance is 184, which is 5.1% of the reported population in that age group. The number of uninsured children statewide is 885,999, or 7.1% of the reported population for children under 19. For more information, or to view or download the entire data book, see http://www.hhsc.state.tx.us.
Source: www.texasindustryprofiles.com

Designated Health Professional Shortage Areas	**Type**	**Score**
Low Income	Population Group	9

Source: http://hpsafind.hrsa.gov/

Hospital Information

# of Hospitals	1
Ownership	Public
Staffed Beds	19
Admissions	270
Average Length of Stay	3.5 Days

Bad Debt Charges	$405,431
Charity Charges	$39,544
Total Uncomp Care	$444,975
Gross Patient Revenue	$3,711,346
Uncomp Care as % of Gross Patient Revenue	12.0
Emergency Room Visits	1,479

Source: 2010 Cooperative DSHS/AHA/THA Annual Survey of Hospitals and Hospital tracking Database

Health Indicators

	Hemphill County	Error Margin	National Benchmark*	Texas	Rank (of 221)
Health Outcomes					NR
Mortality					NR
Premature death			5,466	7,186	
Morbidity					NR
Poor or fair health			10%	19%	
Poor physical health days			2.6	3.6	
Poor mental health days			2.3	3.3	
Low birthweight			6.0%	8.2%	
Health Factors					NR
Health Behaviors					NR
Adult smoking			14%	19%	
Adult obesity	28%	21-35%	25%	29%	
Physical inactivity	30%	21-39%	21%	25%	
Excessive drinking			8%	16%	
Motor vehicle crash death rate			12	17	
Sexually transmitted infections	317		84	435	
Teen birth rate	59	42-76	22	63	
Clinical Care					NR
Uninsured	24%	21-26%	11%	26%	
Primary care physicians	426:1		631:1	1,050:1	
Preventable hospital stays			49	73	

Diabetic screening	93%	57-100%	89%	81%	
Mammography screening			74%	62%	
Social & Economic Factors					NR
High school graduation	97%			84%	
Some college	49%	13-85%	68%	56%	
Unemployment	3.2%		5.4%	8.2%	
Children in poverty	13%	9-17%	13%	26%	
Inadequate social support			14%	23%	
Children in single-parent households	20%	7-33%	20%	32%	
Violent crime rate	350		73	503	
Physical Environment					NR
Air pollution-particulate matter days	0		0	1	
Air pollution-ozone days	0		0	18	
Access to recreational facilities	29		16	7	
Limited access to healthy foods	3%		0%	12%	
Fast food restaurants	29%		25%	53%	

* 90th percentile, i.e., only 10% are better. Note: Blank values reflect unreliable or missing data
Source: www.countyhealthrankings.org

Community Health Needs Assessment Index Data Sources

Texas Health and Human Services Commission, Research and Statistics: Online: http://www.hhsc.state.tx.us/research/index.html.

Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, 2010 Annual Report and Data Book: Online: http://www.dfps.state.tx.us/About/Data_Books_and_Annual_Reports/default.asp.

US Census Bureau, 2006-2010 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates: Online, American FactFinder: http://factfinder2.census.gov/faces/nav/jsf/pages/index.xhtml.

US Census Bureau, Small Area Health Insurance Estimates, 2009 Health Insurance Coverage Status for Counties and States, Interactive Tables: Online: http://www.census.gov/did/www/sahie/data/2009/tables.html.

Texas Department of State Health Services, Center for Health Statistics: Online: http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/chs/datalist.shtm.

Texas Department of Public Safety, Crime in Texas, The Texas Crime Report for 2010: Online: http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/administration/crime_records/pages/crimestatistics.htm.

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