

Child Abuse/Neglect Statistics
Fiscal Year Ending 8/31/21-Source: TX Dept. of Family & Protective Services
Statistics for Fiscal Year Ending 8/31/22 - not yet available

Lubbock County:		State of Texas:
Child Population – Lubbock County:	76,238	
Confirmed Victims of Abuse/Neglect by Investigation:	970	68,517
Rate of Occurrence per 1,000 Children:	12.72	9.02

Lubbock County-Types of Abuse Confirmed: 1,064
(more than one type of abuse can occur per victim)

Neglectful Supervision*	808	76.0% of Confirmed Cases
Sexual Abuse	108	10.1
Physical Abuse	102	9.5
Physical Neglect	25	2.3
Refusal to Accept Parental Responsibility:	8	0.75
Emotional Abuse	4	0.38
Abandonment	2	0.18

*Source: Texas Dept. of Family & Protective Services- Neglectful supervision is defined as "placing a child in or failing to remove a child from a situation that a reasonable person would realize requires judgment or actions beyond the child's level of maturity, physical condition, or mental abilities and that results in bodily injury or substantial risk of immediate harm to the child. "Neglectful supervision is also defined as "placing a child in or failing to remove the child from a situation in which the child would be exposed to a substantial risk of sexual conduct harmful to the child." Neglectful supervision accounts for more than half all confirmed abuse or neglect in Texas.

Investigations – Lubbock County:	#	% of Total Investigations
Total Number of Investigations	2,280	
Reason to Believe – Abuse/Neglect	619	27%
Ruled Out – No Abuse/Neglect	1,221	54
Unable to Determine	411	18
Unable to Complete Investigation	29	1

Perpetrators – Lubbock County:

Relationship of Adult to child confirmed as a victim of Abuse/Neglect through Investigation:

Total Number of Perpetrators:	775	
Parent of child	587	76% of Cases
Parent’s Paramour (Significant Other)	63	8
Sibling/Other Relative	46	6
Grandparent	30	4
Aunt/Uncle	22	3
Other	27	3

Confirmed Victims- Lubbock County:

Gender:

Male Victims	51%
Female Victims	49%

Ethnicity:

African American	12%	Trending Up
Anglo	25%	Trending Up
Hispanic	58%	Trending Down
Other	5%	Trending Up

Age:

0-3 years	40%
4-5 years	12%
5 Years and Under	52%
6-9 years	18%
10-12 years	13%
13-18 years	18%

Recidivism (confirmed as victims or perpetrators by investigation more than once)

Victims:	Lubbock County 5%	State of Texas: 4%
Perpetrators:	Lubbock County 2%	State of Texas: 2%

Child Removed from Their Home:	Lubbock County	State of Texas
Number of children removed:	342	16,028
Per 1,000 Child Population	4.5	2.1

Outcomes for Children Removed from their homes: Lubbock County (93% of Removals)

Type	% of Removals	# Placements Children Experienced	Length of Time in DFPS Custody
Family Reunification	38%	2.1	13 months
Custody to Relatives	21%	2.5	14 months
Relative Adoption	21%	2.5	25 months
Non-Relative Adoption	13%	3.1	25 months
Other- could include child aged out of system, youth emancipation or other special reasons			

Child Abuse Prevention Programs:

DFPS Geographical Area Served	# of Families Served by Prevention Programs	% of Total Prevention Programs	Rate of Confirmed Victims per 1,000 Children
Statewide	20,302		9.02
Lubbock County	427	2%	12.7
Lubbock Region	910	4%	12.8
Austin Region	4,430	22%	10.6
Arlington Region	3,683	18%	9.6
San Antonio	2,798	14%	10.4
Edinburgh	2,645	13%	8.9
Houston Region	2,531	12%	5.5
El Paso	888	4%	7.0
Tyler Region	876	4%	13.3
Abilene Region	818	4%	21.8
Beaumont Region	297	1%	12.0