



Eastland County

Area Information

County Seat	Eastland	County Population Ranking	123
Land Area	926.1 sq. miles	Average Rainfall	29.7 inches
Total Population (2000)	18,297	Population Change (1990-2000)	-1.03%
Avg. Household Income (2003)	\$38,632	Median Age	41.3

Labor Force & Industry

For May 2004, the Texas Workforce Commission reported a labor force of 8,708 and an unemployment rate of 3.5 for Eastland County. During the 4th quarter of 2003, there were \$513 firms operating in the county with an average weekly wage of \$577 as compared to a statewide weekly wage of \$926. The average number of people employed during this reporting period totaled 6,760.

Industry	Employees	Establishments
Manufacturing	1,081	27
Construction	990	45
Health Care & Social Assistance	907	39
Retail Trade	763	85
Accommodation & Food Services	381	36
Mining	249	24
Transportation & Warehousing	175	21
Other Services	167	40
Finance & Insurance	147	26
Wholesale Trade	139	21
Professional & Technical Services	88	29
Utilities	66	7

Source: Texas Workforce Commission, 4Q 2003

Education

According to the Census, 4,568 people in Eastland County were enrolled in school in 2000. Countywide, 72.6 percent had a high school diploma or higher and 12.7 percent had a bachelor's degree or higher.

Percent of population three years and over enrolled in school in 2000 by level of education:

Nursery School/Kindergarten	12.5%	Elementary School	41.3%
High School	24.4%	College/Graduate School	21.9%

Fiscal Information

The Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts reported total state expenditures of \$70,887,984 for Eastland County in 2003. The State spent \$25,115,887 on public assistance and \$11,975,144 on highway construction and maintenance in Eastland County. During the second quarter of 2003, gross sales for all industries totaled \$137,959,222. Comparing the second quarter of 2002 to the second quarter of 2003, gross sales increased 5.8 percent (from \$130,426,148). The county had 9 bank offices as of June 2003, as reported by the FDIC, with total deposits of \$199,633,000.

Top Employers

Company	Birdsong Corporation	Company	Eastland Memorial Hospital District
	Cisco ISD		EBAA Iron, Inc.
	Complete Care Services		Morven Partners
	Eagle Construction & Environmental Svcs.		Professional Business Solutions
	Eastland ISD		Tri Star Home Care

Source: Texas Workforce Commission, 2Q 2003