

## Bowie County Quick Facts 2019

### *Demographics*

- Bowie County's percent of population growth (1.9%) is lower than Region 4's rate (3.8%). In comparison, the state (14.1 %) and the U.S. (6.0%) had significantly higher population growth rates.
- The majority of Bowie County's population (27.7%) is between the ages of 25 - 44 followed by the ages of 45 - 64 (24.9%).

### *Socioeconomics*

- Bowie County's per capita income (\$24,679) is higher than Region 4's per capita income (\$24,028). It is lower than Texas (\$28,583), and the United States (\$31,039).
- Bowie County's percent of single-parent households (41%) is the highest in Region 4, is higher than the region (33%), and the state (33%).
- Bowie County has a lower number of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)/Food Stamp recipients per a population of 1,000 (162.6) compared to Region 4 (135.5) and the state (124.7).
- Bowie County's percent of children under the age of 18 living in poverty (26.4%) is higher than both the regional rate (24.6%) and the state rate (22.9%).

### *Education*

- Bowie County's dropout rate (3.5%) is lower than the state (5.9%) and higher than the region (2.9%).
- Bowie County's rate of homeless students per 1,000 students (5.49) is lower than that of the state (13.37) and the region (10.22).
- Bowie County's rate of high school to college enrollment per 100 students (42.6) is lower than that of the state (48.9) and the region (51.3).

### *Family Violence*

- Bowie County has the 15th highest rate of confirmed victims of child abuse/neglect per 1,000 children (11.7) in the region, which is significantly higher than that of the state (9.0) and the region (13.3).
- In 2018, Texas had 205,215 reported victims of family violence and 200,062 reported offenders. These numbers are significantly lower than last year with 212,529 reported victims and 207,422 reported offenders. Family violence offenses include assault, murder, robbery, rape, and kidnapping/abduction.
- Bowie County reported 1,106 incidents of family violence in 2016.

### *Alcohol & Drug-Related Crimes*

- Bowie County has a lower rate of DUI fatalities per 100,000 people (5.3) compared to Region 4 (7.6). However, the rate is still higher than the state (3.9).
- Bowie County has a rate of alcohol and drug-related incarcerations per 100,000 people (134.6) which is significantly lower than that of the region (228.1) and higher than the state (108.6).



### ***Texas School Survey- Youth Regional Consumption***

- *Marijuana*: Students in Regions 4&5 have lower rates than the state for current, school year use, and lifetime use for all grades (Grades 7-12).
- *Prescription Drugs*: Students in Regions 4&5 have higher numbers for prescription drug use. Regions 4&5 have the highest reported current (30-day) use, school year use, and lifetime use for all grades and for the 12<sup>th</sup> grade in the state.
- *Prescription Drugs*: Students in Regions 4&5 have higher reported rates than the state for the two opioid categories ('Codeine Cough Syrup' and 'OxyContin, Percodan, Percocet, Oxycodone, Vicodin, Lortab, Lorcet, Hydrocodone').
- *Alcohol*: Students in Regions 4&5 report substantially higher usage of alcohol in every category compared to the state.

### ***Mental Health***

- Bowie County's rate of mental health providers available per 10,000 people (8.7) is lower than that of the state (9.6) and higher than the region (6.4).
- Of the percentage of the Medicare population that report depression, Bowie County's rate (18.5%) is higher than that of the state (17.9%) and slightly lower than the region (19.1%).
- Bowie County's crude suicide rate (18.8) is higher than the state rate (12.4) and the region (17.8).

### ***ETCADA Substance Abuse Screenings***

- Bowie County's rate of ETCADA substance abuse screening calls per 100,000 people (149.5) is lower than that of the region (221.7).
- Bowie County's substance abuse screening callers reported the top three addictive substances they were seeking help with are marijuana, alcohol, and opioids.

### ***Health Factors***

- Bowie County ranks 190 out of the 242 Texas counties that were ranked for social determinants of health, which include health behaviors, clinical care, social and economic factors, and physical environment.
- Bowie County has a Chronic Disease Combined Average Rate (574.3) which is higher than the state (416.6) and Region 4 (516.3).
- Bowie County has one of the highest adult smoking rates (18%) in the entire state compared to Texas (14.3%).
- Bowie County reports a higher rate of prescriptions per 100 people (233) than both the state (133) and the region (199).
- Bowie County's percent of teen pregnancies (10.7%) is higher than that of the state (8.1%) and Region 4 (10.3%).

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