preface

The purpose of the County Profiles is to provide a snapshot of existing conditions within each of the 13-counties in the Houston-Galveston region at the inception of the Our Great Region 2040. The county profiles will help establish baseline information that may be used to measure progress and change over time. The profiles do not provide strategies or recommendations. The profiles are a companion to the Existing Conditions Report that provides a regional level snapshot of the 13-county region. The Existing Conditions Report is available on the Our Great Region 2040 website (ourregion.org).

acknowledgements

The Houston-Galveston Area Council is working with a broad based coalition to develop a regional plan for sustainable development for the 13-county region. The Our Great Region 2040 will be a long range plan to ensure the region is as good or better a place to live and work in the future as it is today. This plan will be build on local plans and initiatives to capitalize on opportunities and address the challenges faced by our region’s urban, suburban, rural and coastal communities.

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Montgomery County

**Chart 1: Population and Forecasted Growth**

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<th>Year</th>
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<th>Region</th>
<th>Texas</th>
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<td>1980</td>
<td>127,222</td>
<td>3,274,888</td>
<td>14,225,513</td>
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<td>2010</td>
<td>455,746</td>
<td>6,078,133</td>
<td>25,145,561</td>
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<td>2040</td>
<td>971,446</td>
<td>9,766,470</td>
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**Chart 2: Population by Race**

- Hispanic: 38%
- White: 38%
- African-American: 11%
- Asian/Pacific Islander: 4%
- Other: 4%

**Chart 3: Population by Age**

- Age 0-17: 30%
- Age 18-34: 26%
- Age 35-64: 28%
- Age 65+: 16%
Chart 1: Households by Type and Number

Chart 2: Household Income

Chart 3: Housing Characteristics

Chart 4: Housing Type

Chart 5: Household Type

Montgomery County
Region
Texas

Number of Households
162,530
2,120,706
8,922,933

Average Household Size
2.78
2.83
2.75

Average Family Size
3.31
3.47
3.40

Married Couple Family
50.9%
50.6%

Other Families
19.9%
19.3%

People Living Alone
23.6%
24.2%

Other Non-Family Households
5.6%
5.9%

Montgomery County
Region
Texas

0%
10%
20%
30%
40%
50%
60%
70%
80%
90%

% Households: Families
% Households: One Person Under 18
% Households: One Person 65 or Over
Montgomery County, Region, and Texas Population Age Distribution

- % Population 16 & Over: Not Currently in Labor Force
- % Population 16 & Over: Employed

Chart 2: Top Industry and Employment by Industry in Montgomery County

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<th>Industry (U.S. Census Data Categories)</th>
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<td>Educational Services, and Health Care and Social Assistance</td>
<td>21%</td>
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<td>Retail Trade</td>
<td>13%</td>
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<td>Professional, Scientific, and Management, and Administrative and Waste Management Services</td>
<td>12%</td>
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<td>Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation, and Accommodation and Food Services</td>
<td>10%</td>
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<td>Construction</td>
<td>9%</td>
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<td>Manufacturing</td>
<td>9%</td>
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<td>Finance and Insurance, and Real Estate and Rental and Leasing</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other Services (Except Public Administration)</td>
<td>6%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Transportation and Warehousing, and Utilities</td>
<td>4%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting, and Mining</td>
<td>3%</td>
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<td>Wholesale Trade</td>
<td>3%</td>
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<td>Information</td>
<td>2%</td>
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<td>Public Administration</td>
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Top Industry - Educational Services and Health Care/Social Assistance

- Montgomery County: 21%
- Region: 13%
- Texas: 9%

Average Wage for 2011

Montgomery County: $45,451
Region: $57,983
Texas: $48,351

Average Unemployment Rate for 2011

Montgomery County: 7.2%
Region: 8.1%
Texas: 7.9%

The Educational Services and Health Care/Social Assistance sector accounts for 21% of Montgomery County's jobs, more than any other industry. The percentage of jobs in the educational services and health care industry is above the regional average, and about equal to the state average.

Montgomery County has a median household income of $66,657, which is above the regional, state and national median household income. The county ranks 4th out of the region’s 13 counties in terms of household median income.

The county has a per capita income of $32,543, which is above the regional, state and national per capita income. The county ranks 2nd out of the region’s 13 counties in terms of per capita income.

Chart 3: Income

Chart 4: Occupations in Montgomery County

List 1: Major Employers

- Conroe ISD
- Hewitt Associates
- HEB Grocery Co.
- Kroger
- Magnolia ISD
- Medical Center Hospital
- Montgomery County
- New Caney ISD
- Wal-Mart Associates Inc.
- Willis ISD

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EDUCATION AND POVERTY

Chart 1: Educational Attainment

Chart 2: Graduation Rate by Race

Chart 3: Poverty Levels

Table 1: Inventory of Educational Resources

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<td># of Two-Year Public Universities</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>23</td>
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<td># of Four-Year Public Universities</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>17</td>
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<td># of Two-Year Private Universities</td>
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<td>0</td>
<td>6</td>
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<td># of Public Libraries</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>140</td>
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HEALTH

Chart 1: Insurance Coverage

% Population with Health Coverage
% Population with Private Health Insurance Coverage
% Population with Public Health Insurance Coverage

Chart 2: Causes of Deaths

Deaths Rates per 100,000

Chart 3: Obesity

% Adults who are Obese

Chart 4: Diabetes Rate

% Adults who are Obese

Table 1: Medical Information

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<tr>
<th>Montgomery County</th>
<th># Acute Care Hospitals</th>
<th># Acute Care Beds</th>
<th># Psychiatric Hospitals</th>
<th>Ratio* of Direct Care Physicians</th>
<th>Ratio* of Dentists</th>
<th>Ratio* of Registered Nurses</th>
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<td>9</td>
<td>1241</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>155.5</td>
<td>45.5</td>
<td>581.3</td>
<td>234.4</td>
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*Ratios are per 100,000 people

Chart 5: Low Birth Rates/Prenatal Care

% Low Birth Weight Babies

Chart 6: Infant Mortality

Deaths per 1,000 live births in 2010

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Map 1: Environmental Attributes

- Parks
- Recycle Centers
- Major Highways
- State Highways
- Other Roads
- Railroads
- Montgomery County

Unimpacted Streams
Impaired Streams
Major Highways
State Highways
Other Roads
Montgomery County

Map 2: Impaired Waterways

- Unimpacted Streams
- Impaired Streams
- Major Highways
- State Highways
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Table 1: Environmental Facts

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<td>Cultivated Land</td>
<td>1.4 sq. mi.</td>
<td>0 %</td>
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<td>High-Intensity Development</td>
<td>13.0 sq. mi.</td>
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<td>Low-Intensity Development</td>
<td>100.8 sq. mi.</td>
<td>9 %</td>
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<td>Medium-Intensity Development</td>
<td>33.5 sq. mi.</td>
<td>3 %</td>
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<tr>
<td>Developed Open Space</td>
<td>23.5 sq. mi.</td>
<td>2 %</td>
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<td>Residents living in 100-year floodplain</td>
<td>11%</td>
<td>14%</td>
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Table 2: Environmental Facts

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<td>Forest</td>
<td>396.7 sq. mi.</td>
<td>37 %</td>
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<td>Grassland/Shrub</td>
<td>304.0 sq. mi.</td>
<td>28 %</td>
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<td>Other</td>
<td>81 sq. mi.</td>
<td>1 %</td>
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<td>Water</td>
<td>38.1 sq. mi.</td>
<td>4 %</td>
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<td>Wetlands</td>
<td>158.0 sq. mi.</td>
<td>15%</td>
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<td>Residents living in Storm/Evacuation Zone</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>25%</td>
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Map 1: Transportation Infrastructure

List 1: Transportation Facts

- There are 481.36 miles of state-maintained roadways in Montgomery County.
- The average commute time is 31.6 minutes.
- There are 434,947 registered vehicles, with an average of 2.68 vehicles per household.
- Brazos Transit District (The District) is the local transit provider, offering demand response and park and ride services.

Chart 1: Commute to Work

Chart 2: Vehicle Miles Traveled Per Person

Table 1: Traffic Fatalities in Montgomery County Per 100,000 Population

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<th>Year</th>
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<td>17.26</td>
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<td>2010</td>
<td>15.46</td>
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<td>2011</td>
<td>13.14</td>
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DATA SOURCES

Population

Map 1: Location of County - Houston-Galveston Area Council (2013).
Table 1: Overview - Houston-Galveston Area Council (2013).

Households and Housing


Economy


Education


Health


Environment

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Transportation

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