## **Bastrop Texas Community Profile**

Bastrop, Texas, is located about 30 miles southeast of Austin, Texas, and is considered a part of the greater Austin metropolitan area. The City of Bastrop serves as the county seat of Bastrop County, which includes the cities of Elgin and Smithville, as well as many unincorporated communities. About three-quarters of the county is rural but has seen significant development in recent years. As of December 2023, there are 30 actively building subdivisions and 17 future subdivisions planned within a 15-mile radius of the church. With the new Tesla plant and SpaceX as well as the budding movie industry in the county, the growth is expected to continue. More than half of those surveyed reported that they commute at least 30 minutes to work while about a quarter commute 60 minutes or more.

The population within Bastrop city limits rose from 7,355 in 2010, to 9,242 in 2019 and is currently close to 12,000. Within a 15-mile radius of Calvary Baptist Church in Bastrop, there are about 83,000 people. The county population as of 2022 was 106,188. Most families live in one-to-two-story homes with a few apartments and condos/complexes available. The median home value is \$235,000.

The government population census for 2023 estimates a slight ethnic majority of white (47.6%) followed closely by Hispanic/Latino (43.4%) with a much smaller percentage of other minorities. The Hispanic/Latino population is experiencing the most growth. English is the primary language in this area with almost a fourth of the population speaking Spanish only. The City of Bastrop has a median age of approximately 42 with an increasing population of people over the age of 65. The majority are married but there are many singles due to separation, divorce, or being widowed. Within the 15-mile radius of the church, the median income is about \$84,000, however about 10% of the population of Bastrop live in poverty.

There are three public school systems in the county: Bastrop ISD, Elgin ISD, and Smithville ISD. There is a vibrant home-school community in Bastrop and several private schools for families that prefer an alternative to public school education. About 90% of the population graduated from high school with just over 25% completing a college degree.

Bastrop offers recreation areas, parks and Colorado river access. There are quaint shops and art galleries and it is fast becoming a tourist destination with events at the Bastrop Convention Center and the Lost Pines Art Center.

While most religious groups are represented in the Bastrop area, recent statistics show most people do not attend church at all and another large segment does not attend church regularly. \* These people living around us are living without Jesus. People who live without Jesus die without Jesus and people who die without Jesus spend eternity without Jesus. We believe this must change.

\*Statistical information provided by the SBTC, City-data.com, and government census data. See back for graphics.

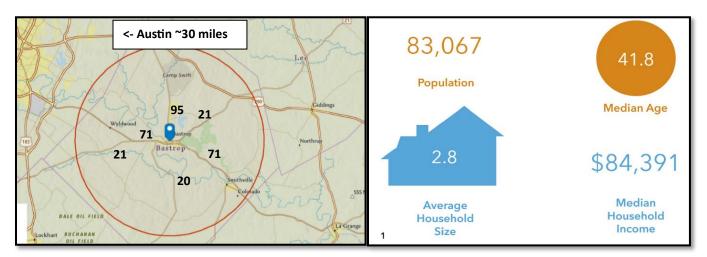


Figure 1 15 mile radius around Bastrop

Figure 2 Key stats

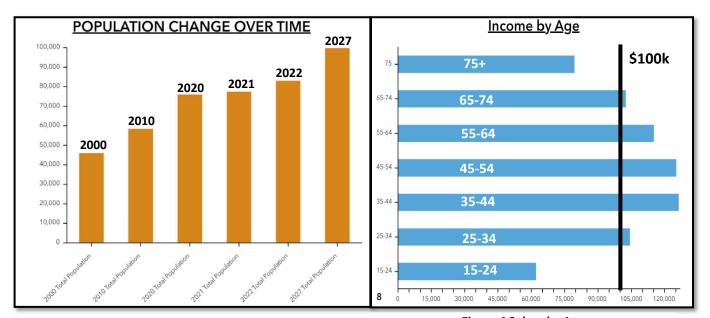


Figure 3 Growth

Figure 4 Salary by Age

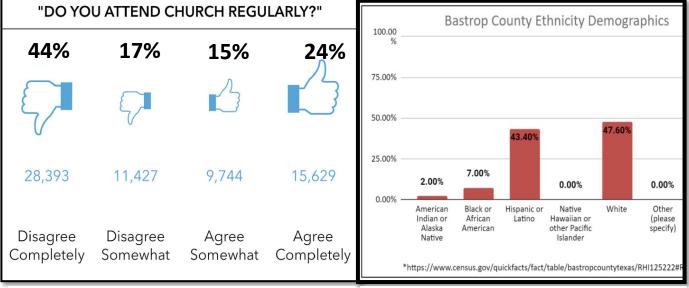


Figure 5 Church Attendance

Figure 6 Bastrop Ethnicity