

APPENDIX B POPULATION AND EMPLOYMENT DATA

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The Comprehensive Plan relies on several key data sources for demographic information including the U.S. Census Bureau, the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG).

Current Population and Ranking

The Population Division of the U.S. Census Bureau produces a report detailing ranks and growth for places with population greater than 50,000 on a yearly basis. This annual report released in May is our data source for current city population, growth per year, and ranking.

Demographic Data

The U.S. Census Burea's American Community Survey (ACS) is another vital resource for demographic and housing information in the Comprehensive Plan, such as age, gender, race/ethnicity, and educational attainment. The ACS is a yearly survey of 3.5 million households across the country. The ACS produces 1, 3, and 5 year estimates. When citing information about Fort Worth as a whole, 1-year estimates are utilized. 5-year ACS data are used to create maps of Fort Worth by block groups, census tracts.

Population Projection

The North Central Texas Council of Government's 2045 population projections are used in the Comprehensive Plan. NCTCOG produces projections of population, households, and employment in order to model anticipated transportation demand. These projections are available by 2010 Census Block Groups.

Employment Data

The US Census Bureau's Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD) data and The Perryman Group are two key resources for employment information in the Comprehensive Plan. Employment data from the LEHD program is available in a tool called "OnTheMap".

Other Helpful Data Sources

Detailed Demographic Profiles