

### *Tom Green County*

The total population of the county is approximately 103,079.<sup>1</sup> The largest city in Tom Green county is San Angelo (also the County Seat) with a population of approximately 88,439 people. It is not a part of the District and is located northwest of the District. Other communities in Tom Green County not in the District are: Christoval, Grape Creek, Water Valley, and the Red Creek MUD with a combined population of approximately 9,886. There are 7 small communities within the District in Tom Green county: Vancourt, Wall, Veribest, Mereta, Carlsbad, Knickerbocker, and Harriet. The total estimated population within the District in Tom Green County is 4,693.

The majority of the land use in the county is for agricultural purposes with a total of 958,722 acres of which 217,069 acres is crop or farm land and the balance of 741,653 acres is range land.<sup>2</sup> The crop land is located primarily in the center of the county over the Lipan aquifer while the range land is located on the north, west, and south portions of the county over the Edwards-Trinity aquifer. Irrigation covers approximately 44,296 acres of the county's crop land. Pivot irrigation systems are the primary method of applying irrigation water.

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<sup>1</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, 4700 Silver Hill Road, Washington DC 20233-0001 - 2001- Population Estimate.

<sup>2</sup> U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service - 1997 Census of Agriculture.