

DALLAS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

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Zip Code Distribution of Credit Students – Spring 2007

Dallas County

Over 2.2 million residents occupy Dallas County, a rectangular region approximately 902 square miles in size. Numerous areas *throughout* the county are densely populated, but in general, the highest concentration is currently located in the northern region.

DCCCD College Service Areas

College service areas differ with regard to shape, size in square miles, population density, and rural vs. urban setting. Although Dallas County is the “defined” service area for the District, out-of-county students range from 29% to 12% among the seven colleges.

College	Percent In-County
Brookhaven	71%
Cedar Valley	84%
Eastfield	86%
El Centro	86%
Mountain View	88%
North Lake	76%
Richland	79%
TeleCollege	65%
District	79%

Credit students represent 843 unique zip codes; 33% are located in Dallas County. However, for all of the colleges except El Centro and TeleCollege, 32% to 48% of credit students reside in one of five zip codes. El Centro students are dispersed throughout the county with fewer than 5% in any one zip code. TeleCollege students are worldwide with fewer than 3% in any one zip code. Zip code 96632 is used for military students.

	Spring 2007: Top 5 Zip Codes	% of Students
Brookhaven	75006, 75007, 75234, 75287, 75001	32%
Cedar Valley	75115, 75104, 75146, 75134, 75241	46%
Eastfield	75150, 75149, 75043, 75228, 75217	43%
El Centro	75217, 75216, 75211, 75208, 75206	18%
Mountain View	75211, 75052, 75104, 75224, 75208	39%
North Lake	75062, 75038, 75061, 75060, 75019	48%
Richland	75243, 75040, 75081, 75044, 75042	35%
TeleCollege	96632, 75043, 75149, 75150, 75115	13%
District	75243, 75043, 75150, 75040, 75211	13%

For most, the above zip codes are located in the immediate area of the listed college since students are likely to attend a college closest to home. However, some colleges attract a significant number of students who commute to that area for work. Unique programs offered only by a single college (i.e. health-care-related occupations at El Centro) attract students from throughout the county.