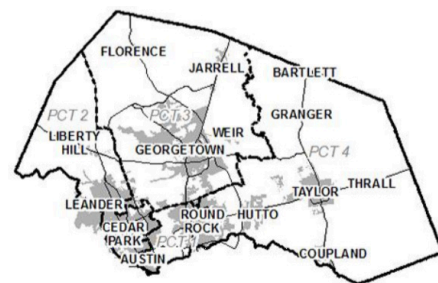


# Fact Sheet

Williamson County is centrally located in Texas just north of Travis County and the State Capitol in Austin. Its major cities are Round Rock, Cedar Park, Georgetown, Leander, Taylor, and Hutto.

Located just north of the Texas state capital, Austin, Williamson County is home to growing communities, thriving restaurants and businesses, and diverse natural resources.



## History

The County was organized in 1848 and named for Robert M. Williamson, pioneer leader and veteran of the Battle of San Jacinto. He was a newspaper publisher, lawyer, judge, and state legislator. Because of a childhood illness, one of his legs was bent back, and he also had a wooden leg extending from the knee, giving him the nickname "Three-Legged Willie."

## Organization

Williamson County is a political subdivision of the State of Texas. It has no legislative powers and restrictive judicial and administrative powers. The governing body of the County is the Commissioners Court. The Court is comprised of the County Judge and four Commissioners elected by their precincts. One of the primary duties of the Court is to adopt the county budget and adopt the tax rate. The tax rate for 2018 is \$0.459029 per \$100 of valuation.

## Growth

Williamson County is currently the 4th fastest growing county in the State of Texas and the 14th fastest in the country.

## County Budget & Employees

County Budget & Employees: The County annual budget is \$212,758,329 for the general fund. The County employs 1,646 people, the largest number is in law enforcement.

## Health Ranking

Williamson County is ranked second healthiest county in Texas among the 242 ranked counties in Texas. All counties are ranked using a variety of data factors, which measure the rate of education, housing, crime, employment, unhealthy behaviors, and exercise. Since the rankings were first introduced in 2010, Williamson County has been consistently ranked in the top five healthiest counties.

## FACTS

### Area

**1,135 square miles**

### Population

**562,337**

(2017 Texas Health and Human Services estimate)

### Median Income:

**\$73,750**

### Home value

**\$284,484 (2018)**