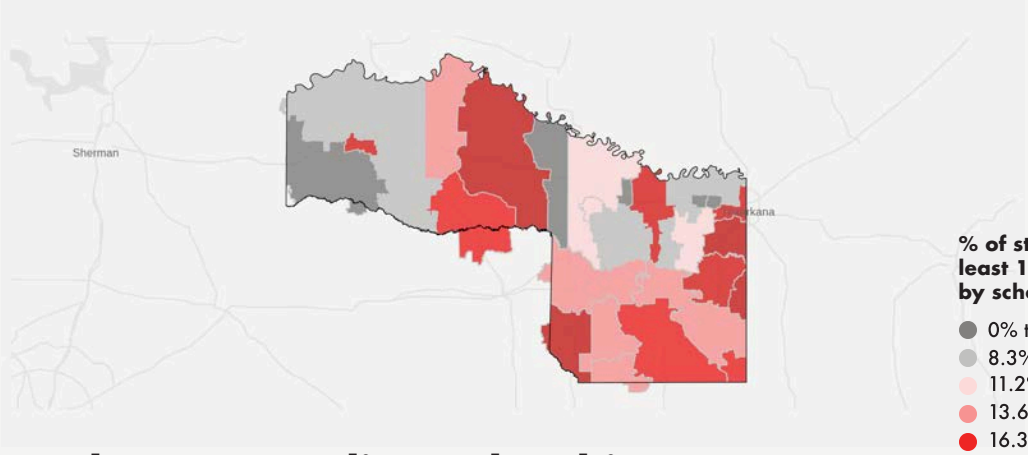
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House District #1



Rep. Gary VanDeaver

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

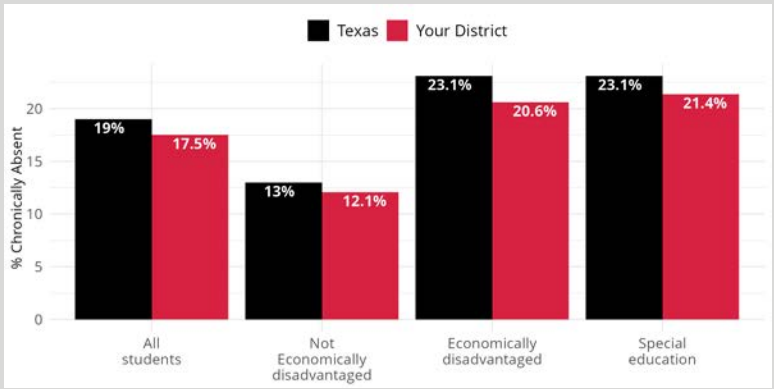
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HOUSE DISTRICT #1

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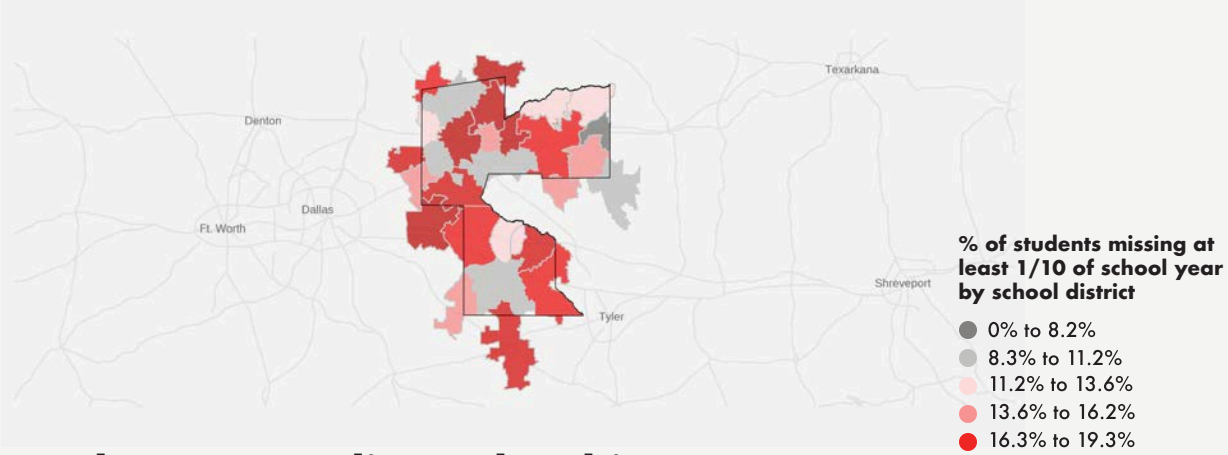
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18.4% of students attending school in HD 2 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #2



Rep. Brent Money

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

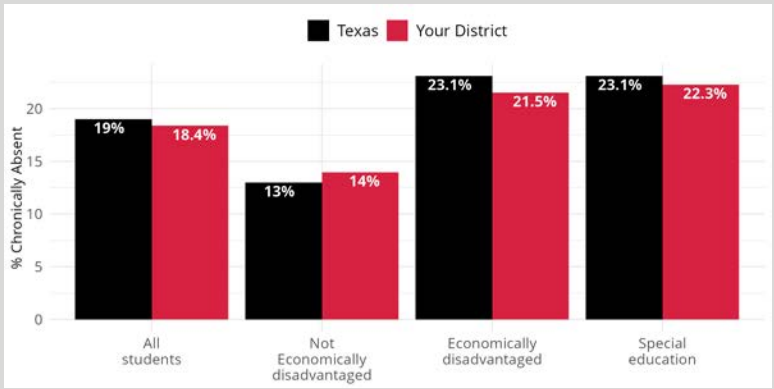
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HOUSE DISTRICT #2

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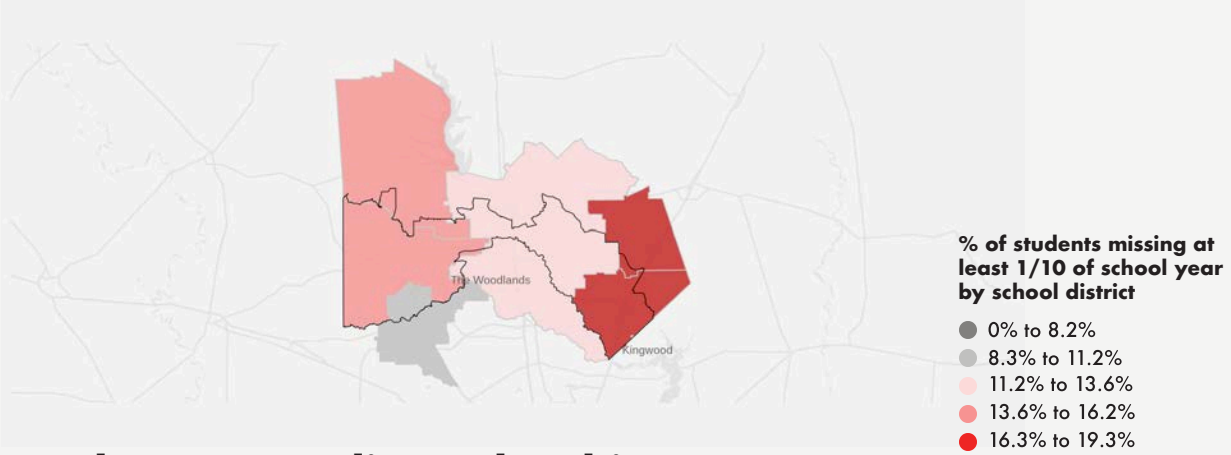
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18.9% of students attending school in HD 3 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #3



Rep. Cecil Bell Jr.

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

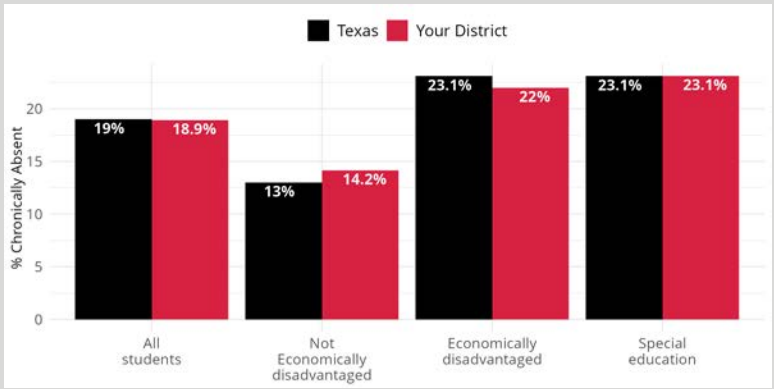
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HOUSE DISTRICT #3

During the 2023-24 school year, 18.9% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 7,635 students. This is little change from 2022-23.



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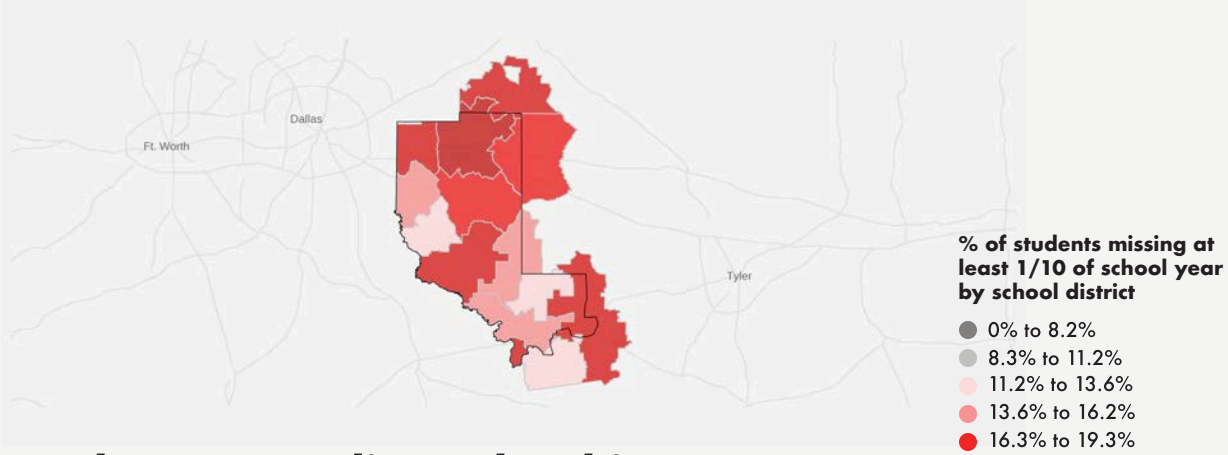
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House District #4



Rep. Keith Bell

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

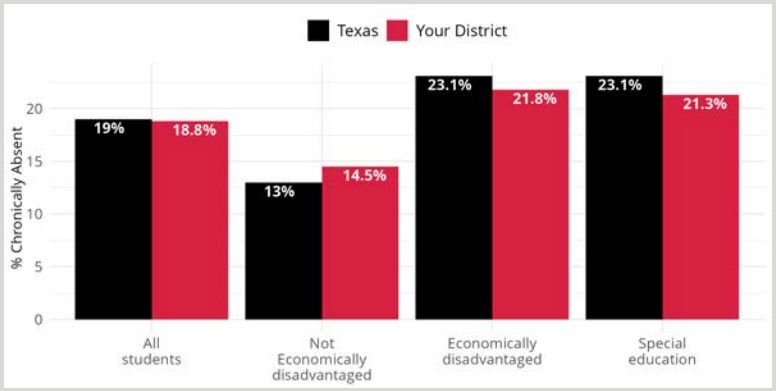
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HOUSE DISTRICT #4

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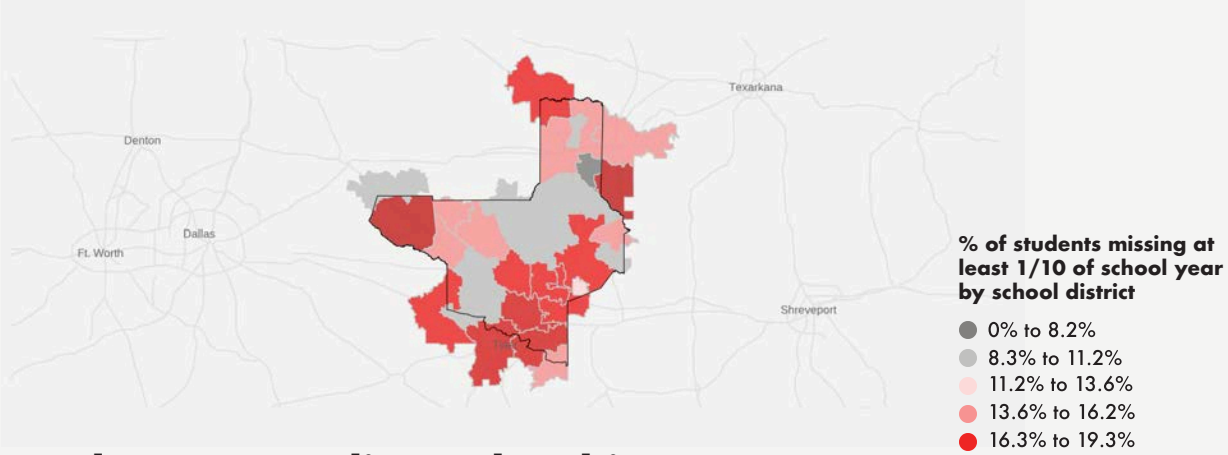
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14.1% of students attending school in HD 5 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #5



Rep. Cole Hefner

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

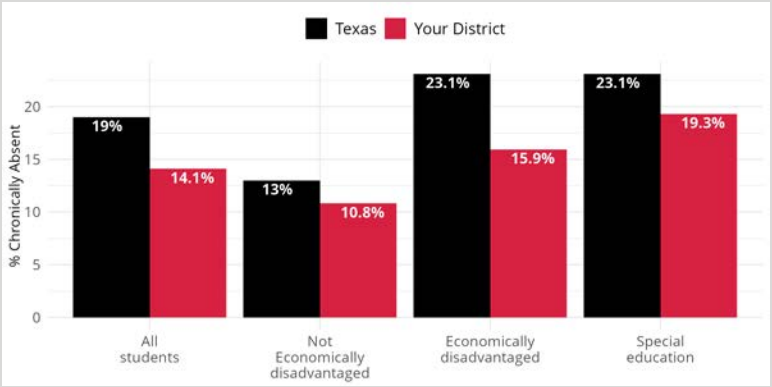
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HOUSE DISTRICT #5

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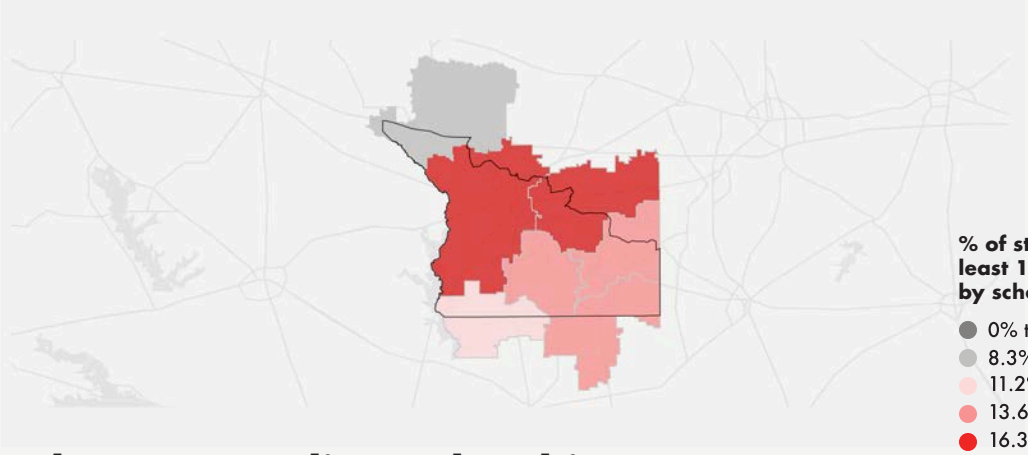
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19% of students attending school in HD 6 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #6



Rep. Daniel Alders

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

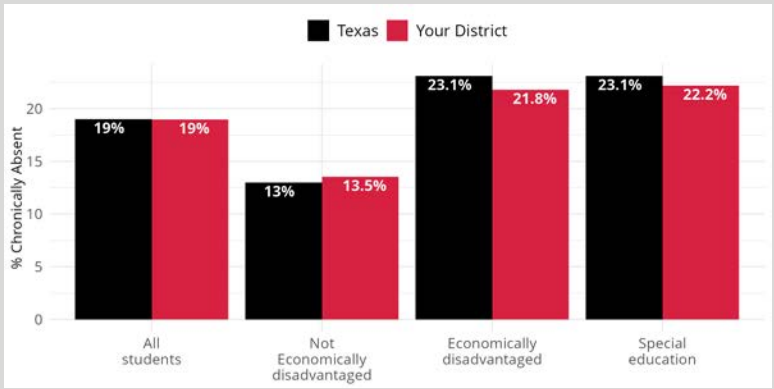
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HOUSE DISTRICT #6

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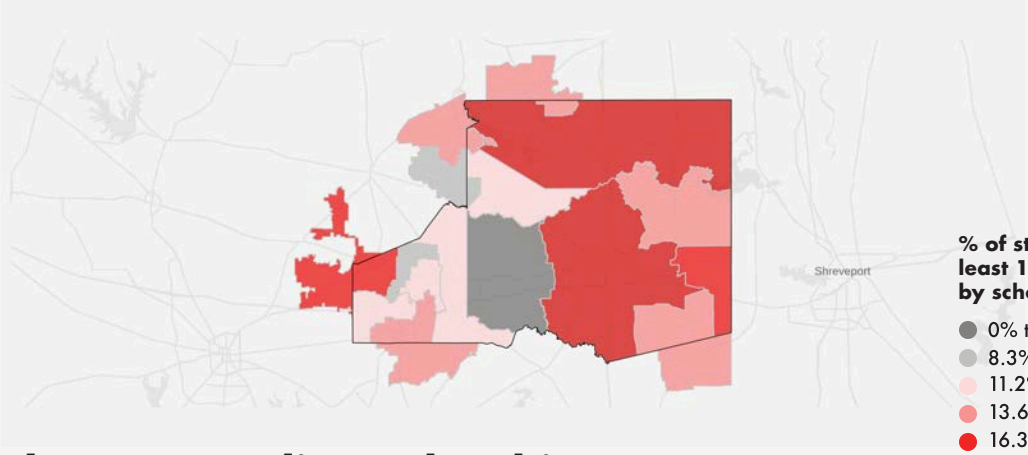
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9% of students attending school in HD 7 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #7



Rep. Jay Dean

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

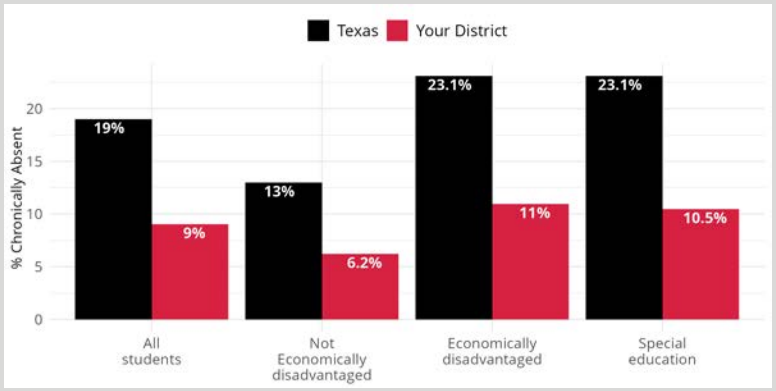
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HOUSE DISTRICT #7

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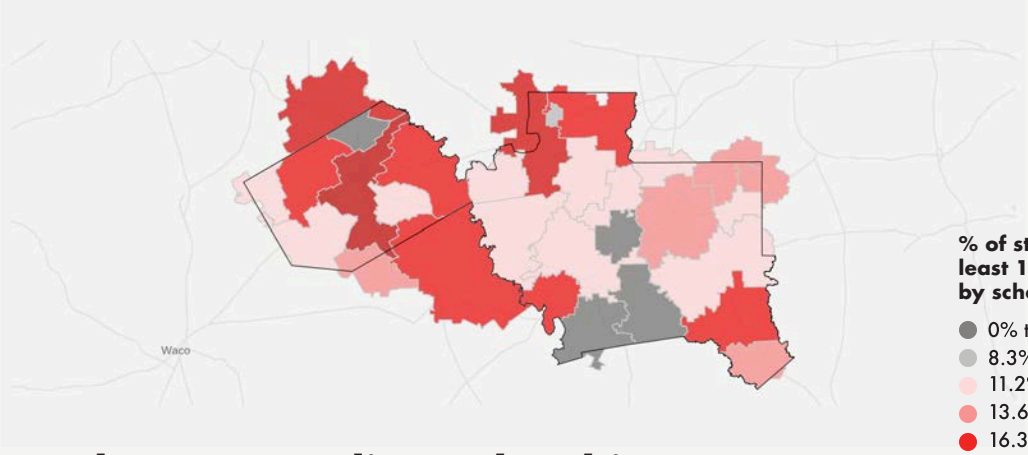
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15.7% of students attending school in HD 8 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #8



Rep. Cody Harris

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

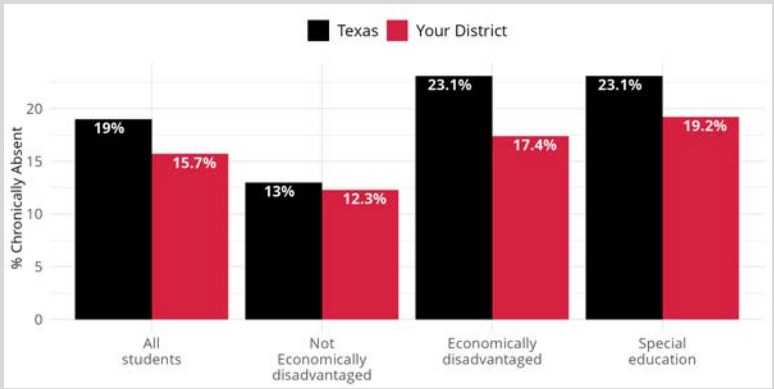
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HOUSE DISTRICT #8

During the 2023-24 school year, 15.7% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 4,953 students. This is little change from 2022-23.



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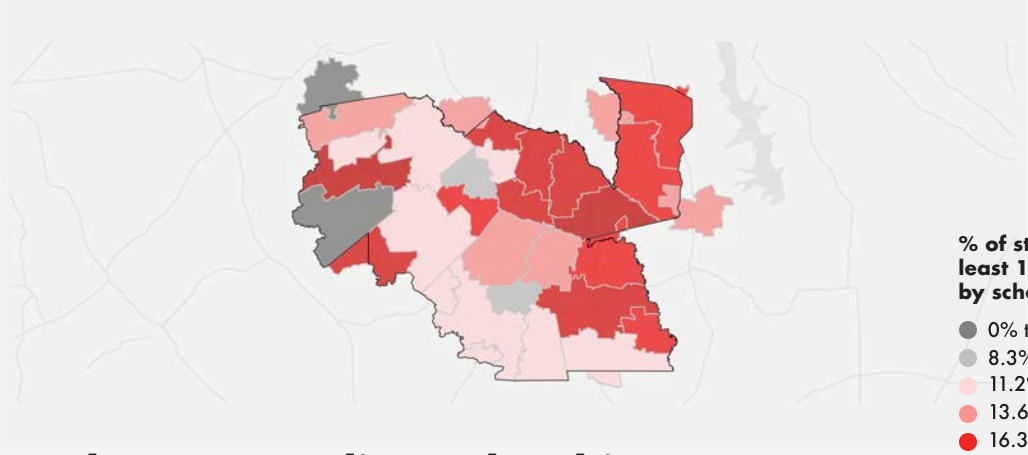
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17.1% of students attending school in HD 9 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #9



Rep. Trent Ashby

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

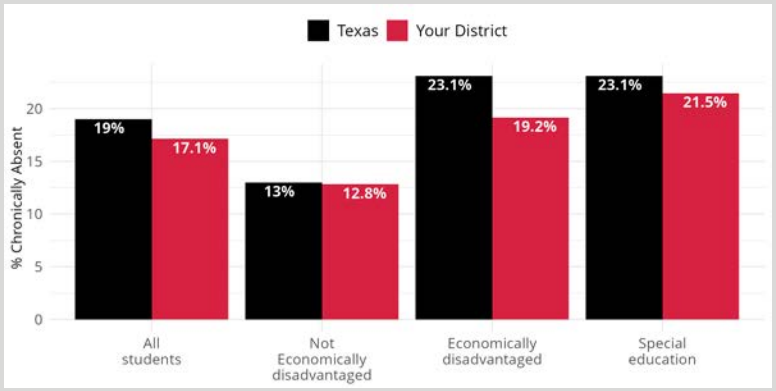
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HOUSE DISTRICT #9

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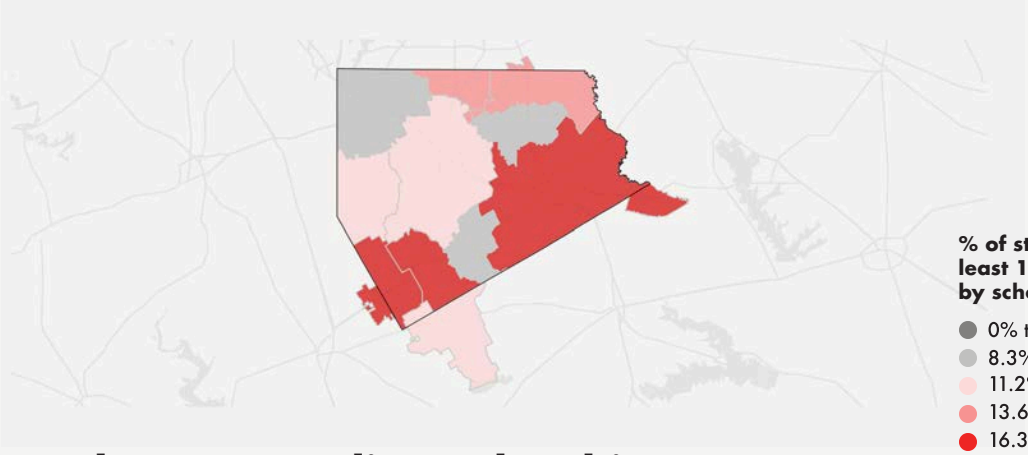
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13.7% of students attending school in HD 10 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #10



Rep. Brian Harrison

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

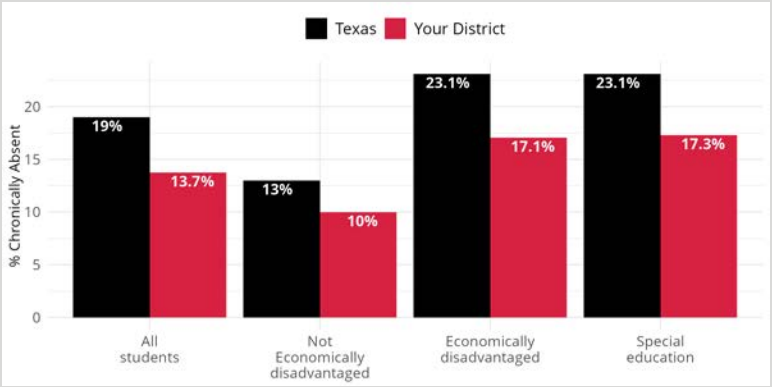
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HOUSE DISTRICT #10

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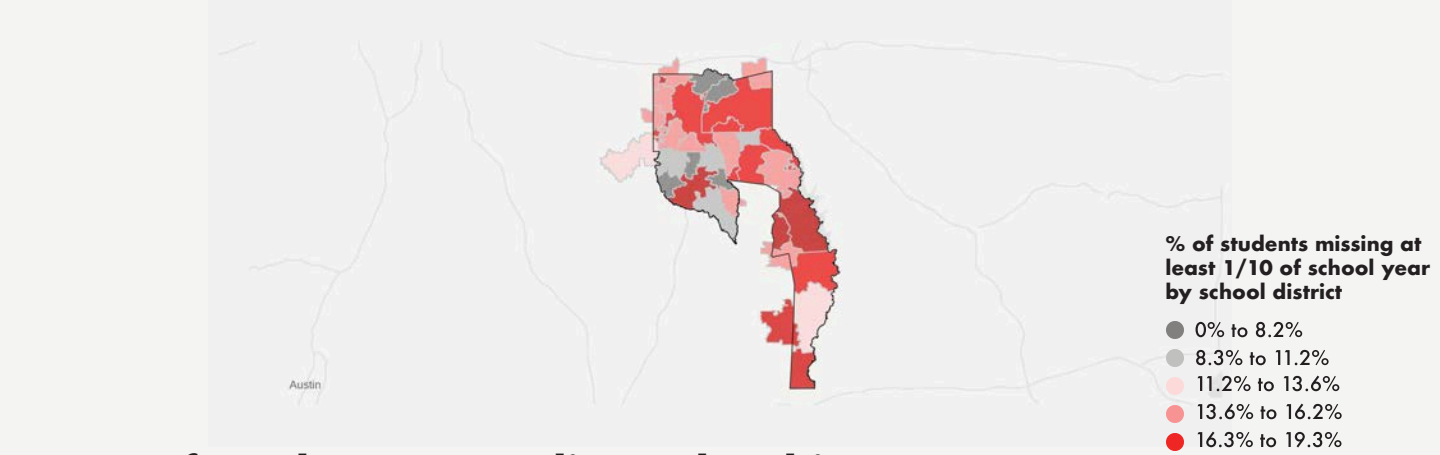
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Defining Chronic Absenteeism and Utilizing Data to Reduce it



17.2% of students attending school in HD 11 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #11



Rep. Joanne Shofner

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

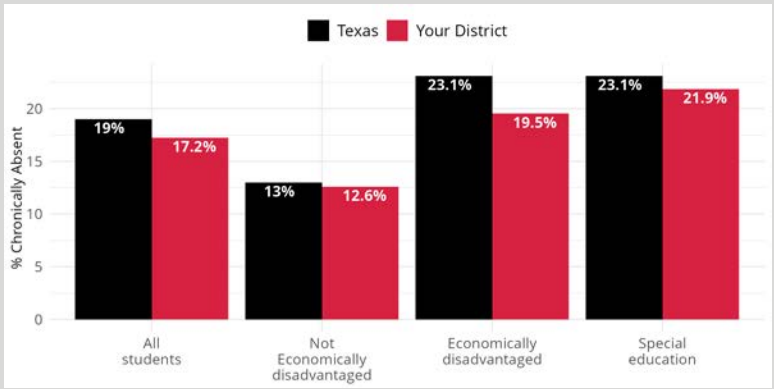
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HOUSE DISTRICT #11

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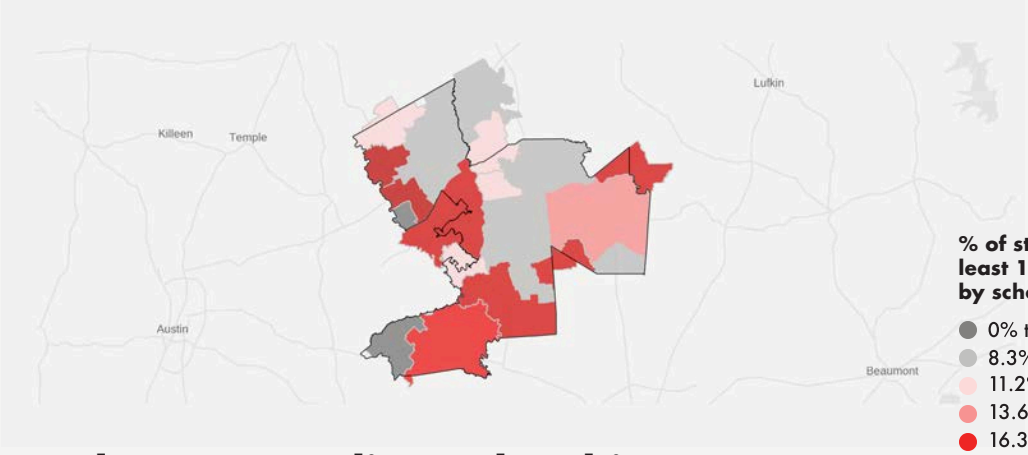
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14.8% of students attending school in HD 12 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #12



Rep. Trey Wharton

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

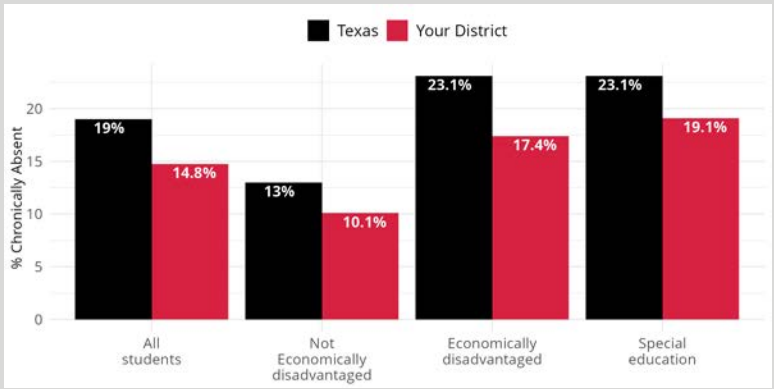
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HOUSE DISTRICT #12

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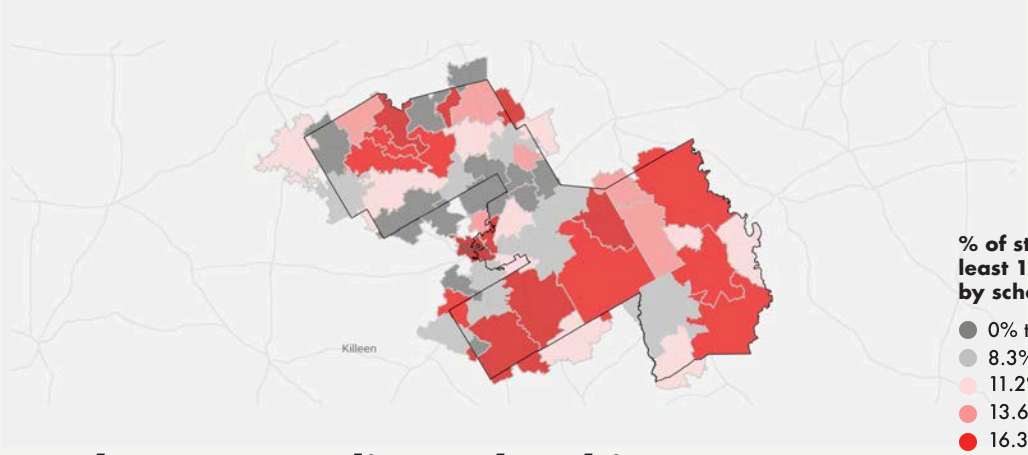
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18.5% of students attending school in HD 13 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #13



Rep. Angelia Orr

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

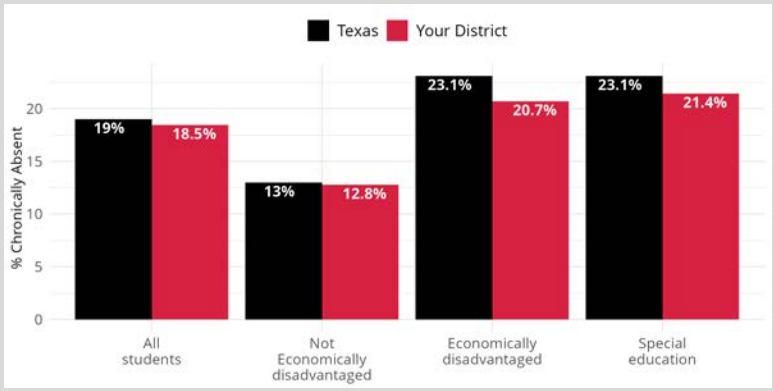
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HOUSE DISTRICT #13

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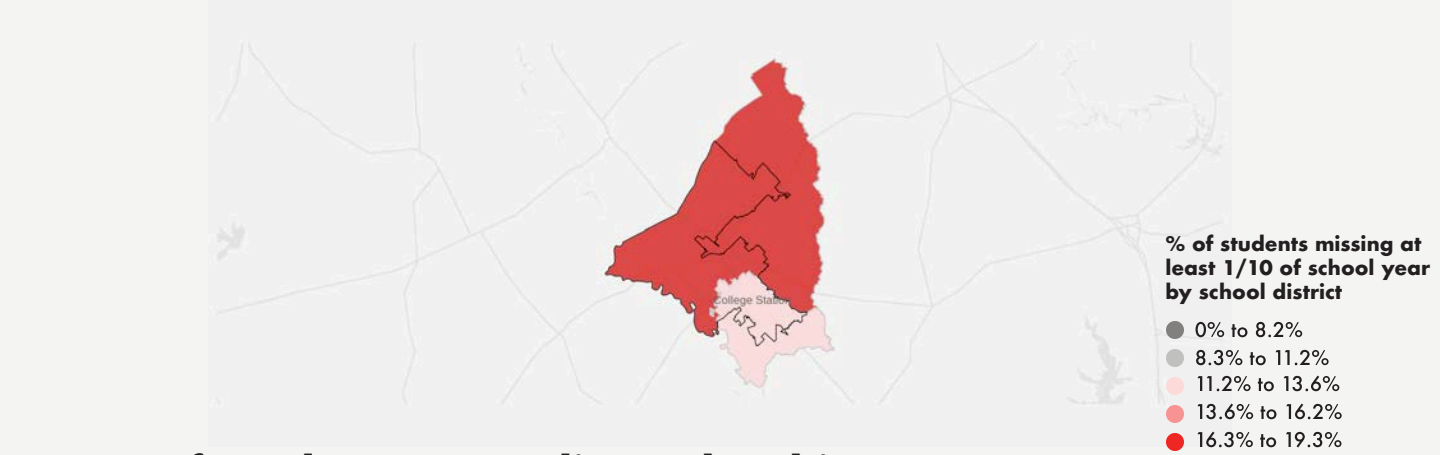
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16.6% of students attending school in HD 14 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #14



Rep. Paul Dyson

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

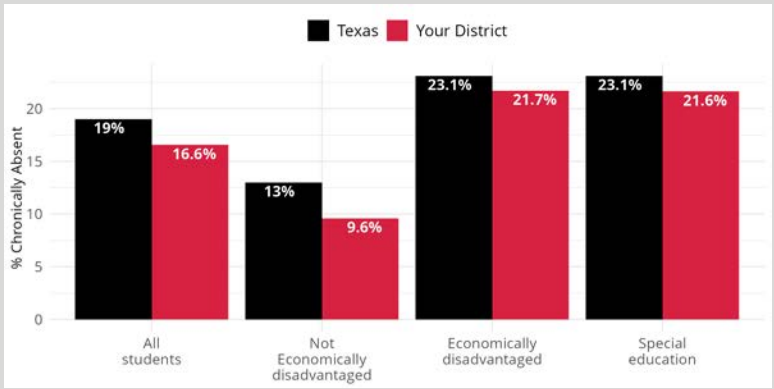
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HOUSE DISTRICT #14

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10.9% of students attending school in HD 15 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #15



Rep. Steve Toth

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

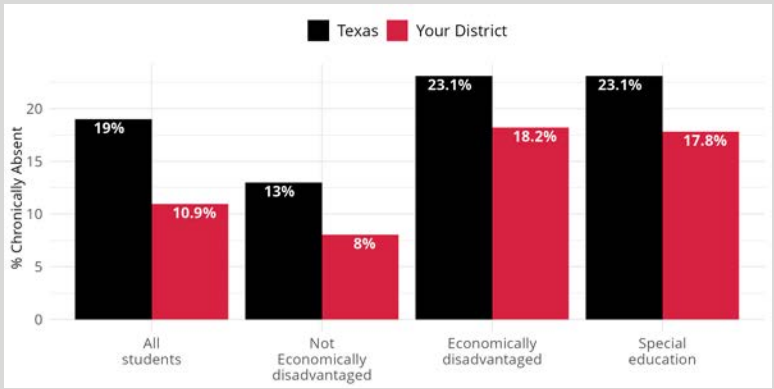
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HOUSE DISTRICT #15

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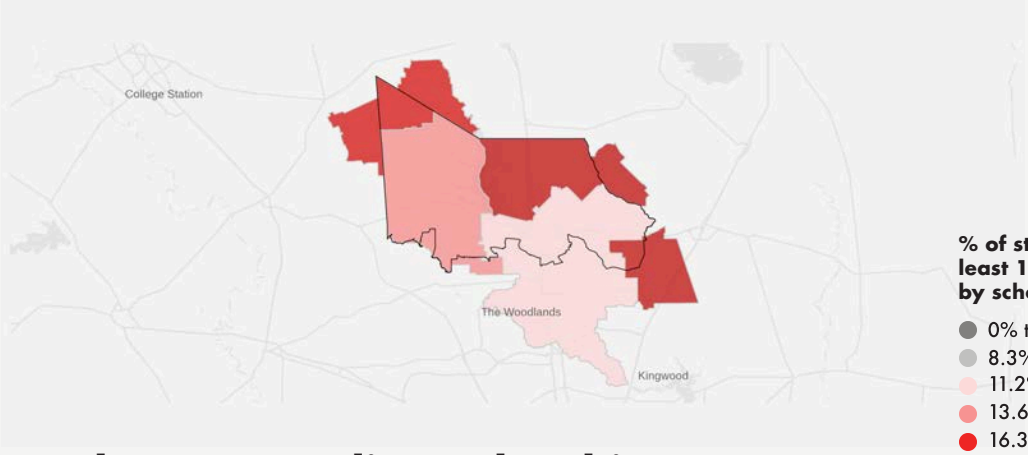
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18.7% of students attending school in HD 16 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #16



Rep. Will Metcalf

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

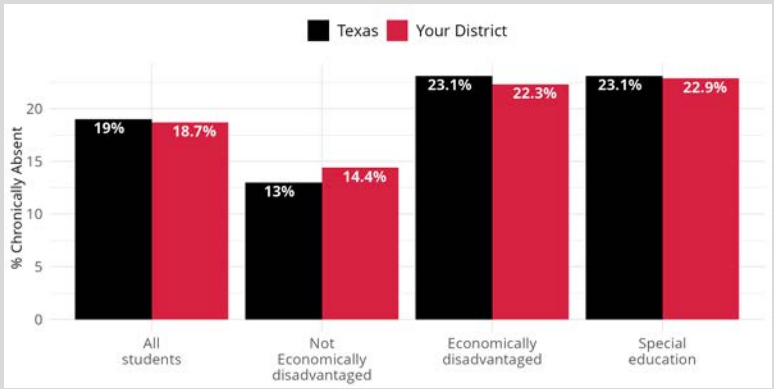
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HOUSE DISTRICT #16

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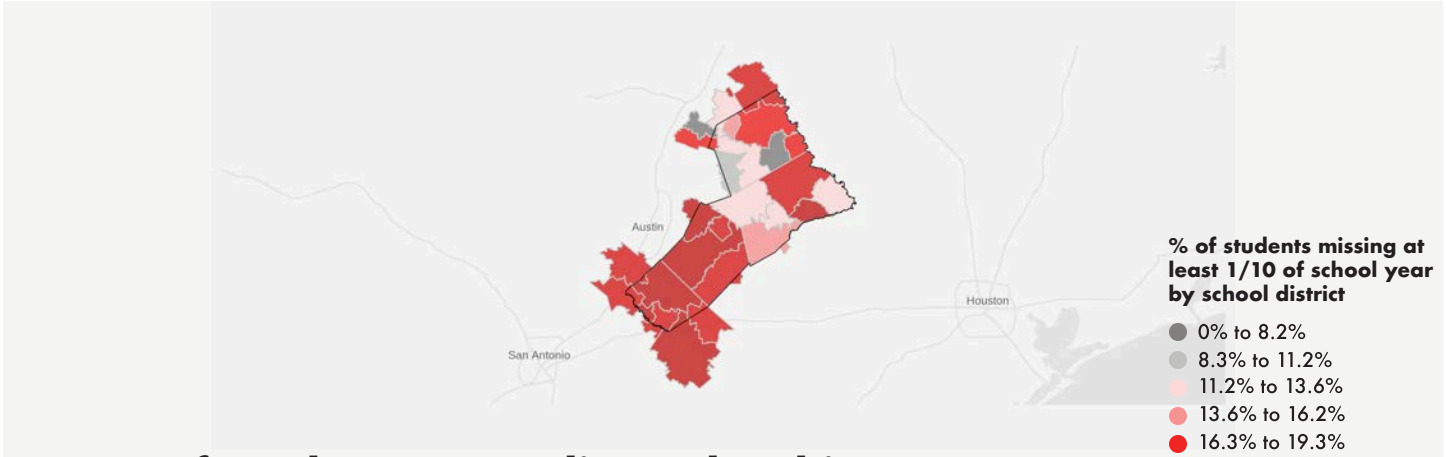
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25.5% of students attending school in HD 17 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #17



Rep. Stan Gerdes

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

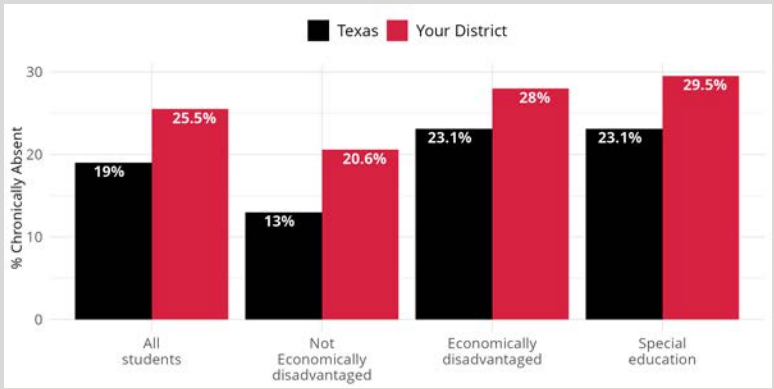
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During the 2023-24 school year, 25.5% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 9,447 students. This is a 3 percentage point increase from 2022-23.



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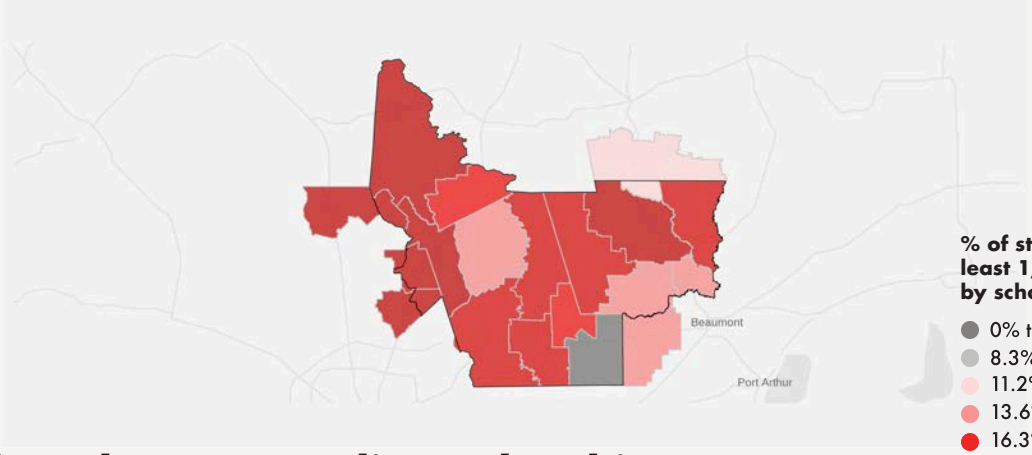
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22.4% of students attending school in HD 18 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #18



Rep. Janis Holt

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

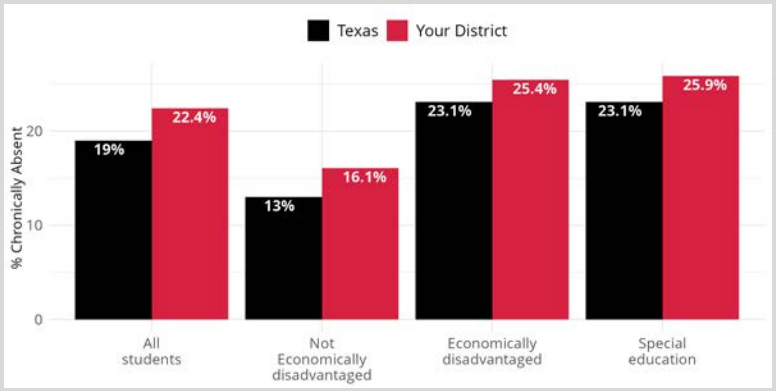
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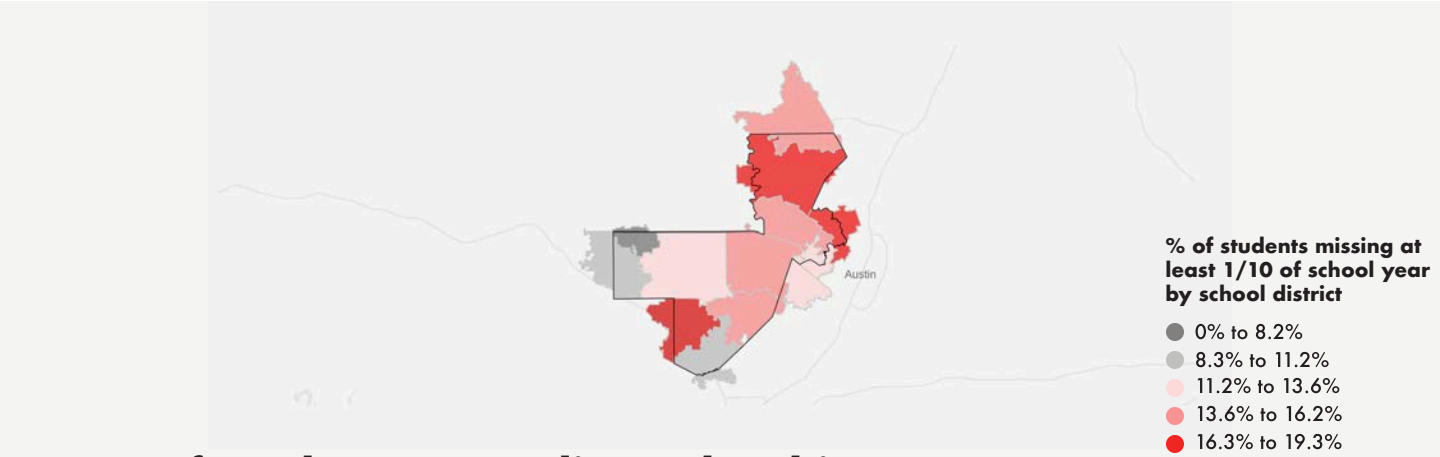
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13.4% of students attending school in HD 19 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #19



Rep. Ellen Troxclair

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

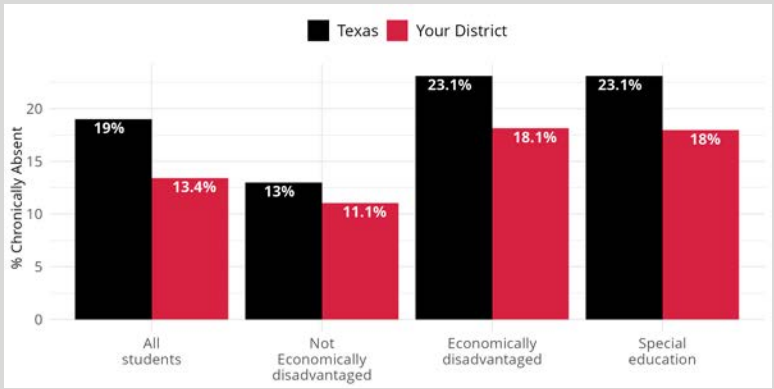
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HOUSE DISTRICT #19

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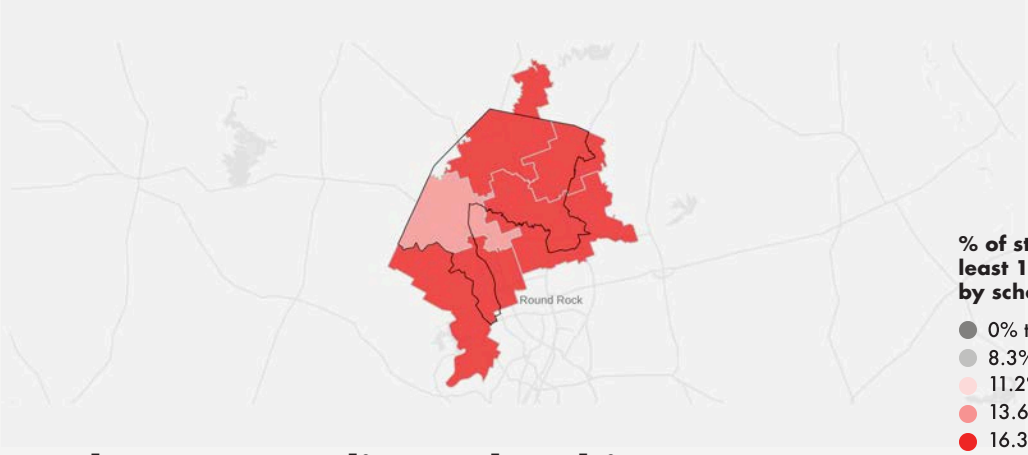
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17.6% of students attending school in HD 20 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #20



Rep. Terry M. Wilson

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

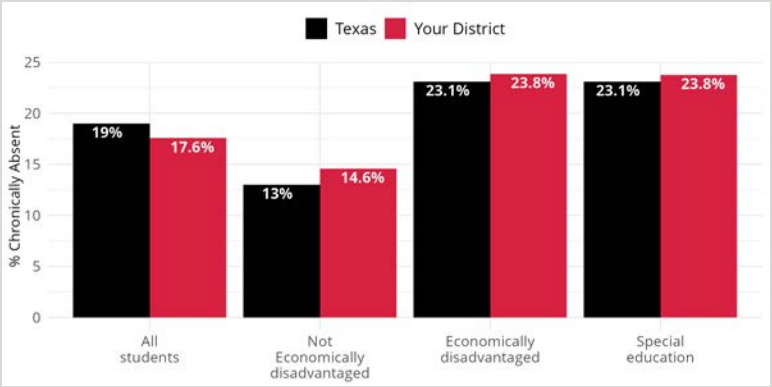
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HOUSE DISTRICT #20

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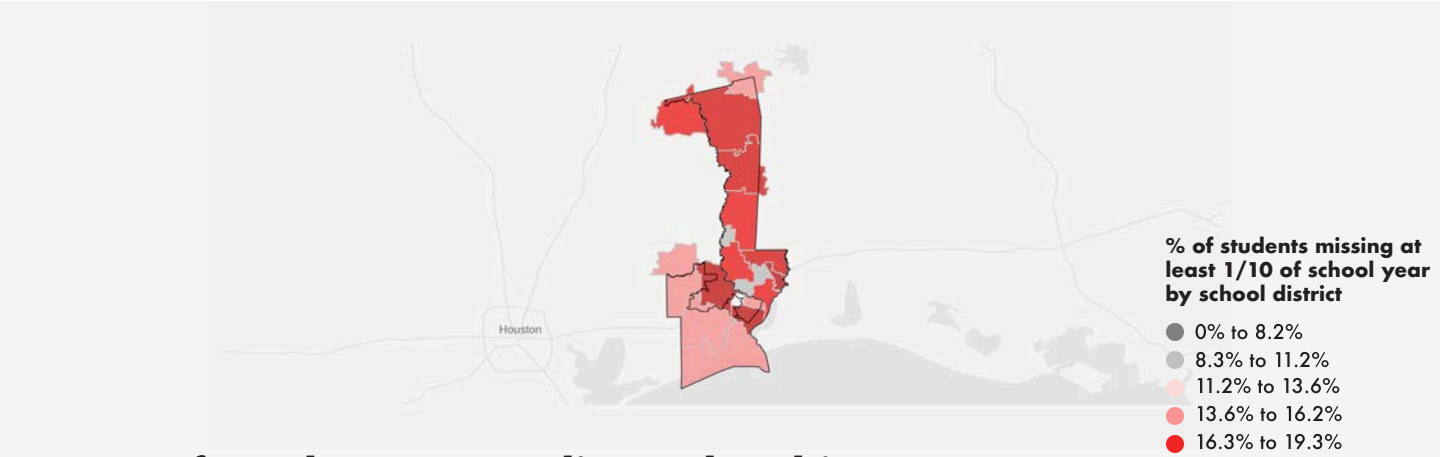
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20.9% of students attending school in HD 21 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #21



Rep. Dade Phelan

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

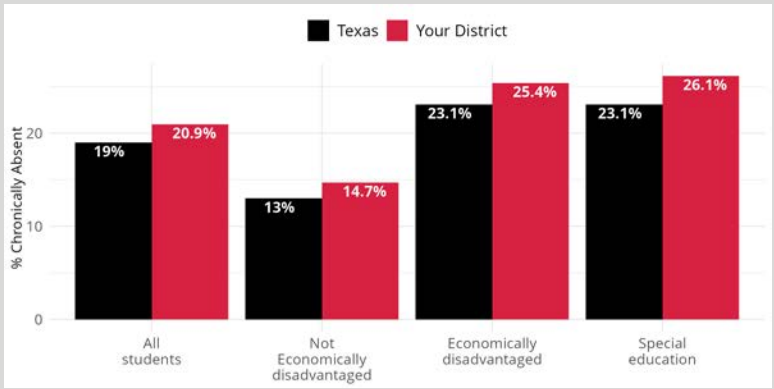
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HOUSE DISTRICT #21

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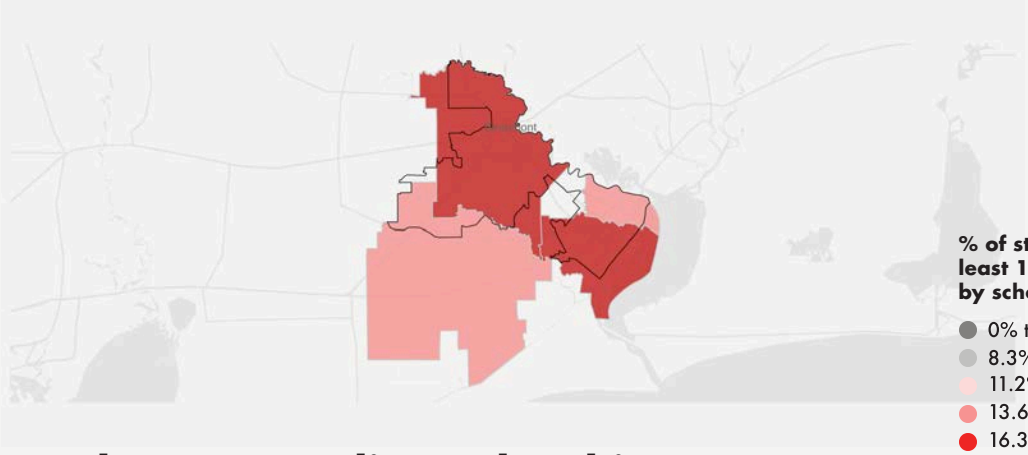
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29.4% of students attending school in HD 22 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #22



Rep. Christian Manuel

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

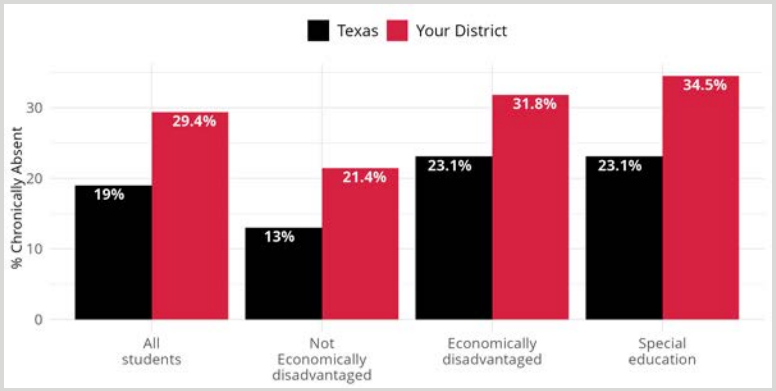
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HOUSE DISTRICT #22

During the 2023-24 school year, 29.4% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 8,376 students. This is a 1 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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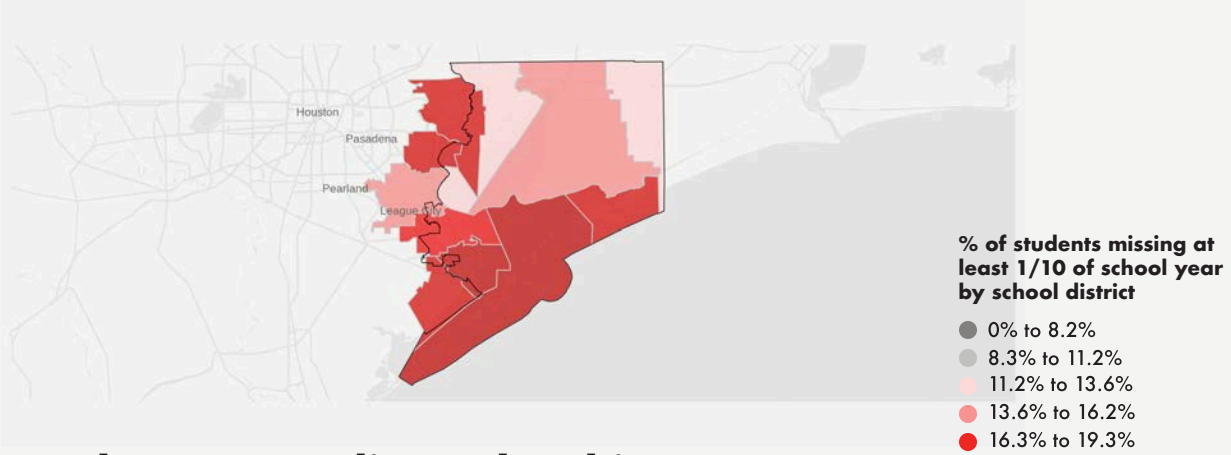
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20.3% of students attending school in HD 23 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #23



Rep. Terri Leo Wilson

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

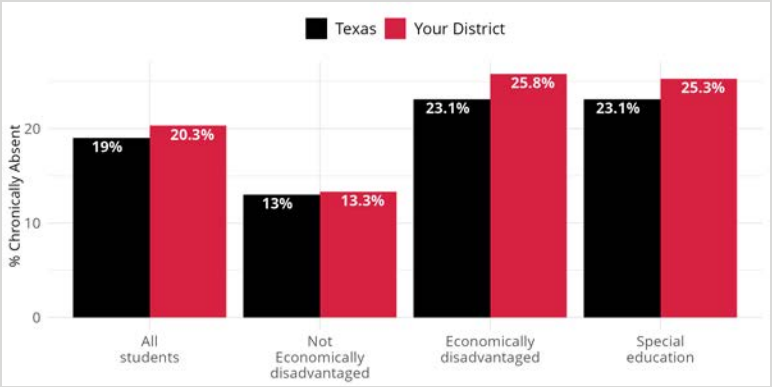
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HOUSE DISTRICT #23

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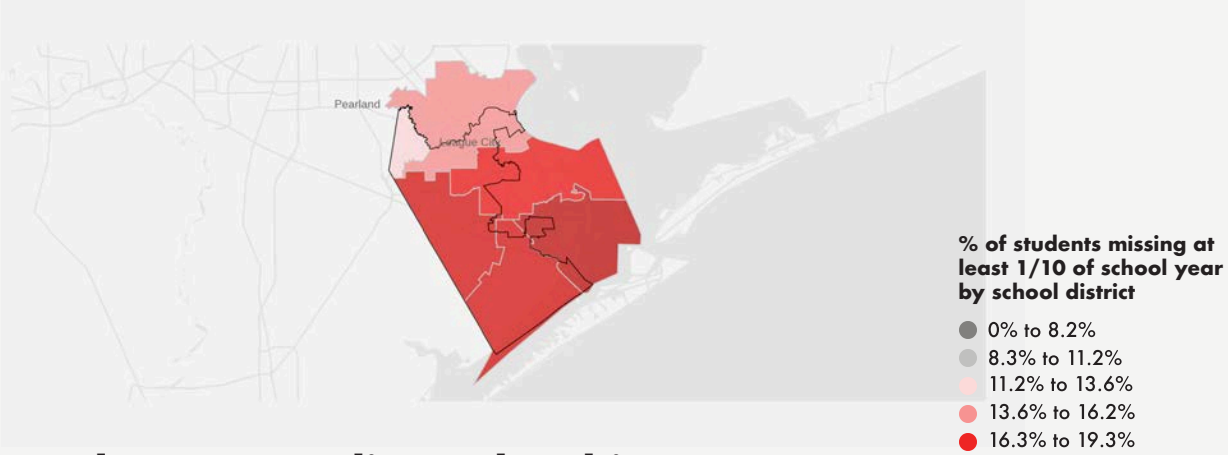
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16.9% of students attending school in HD 24 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #24



Rep. Greg Bonnen

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

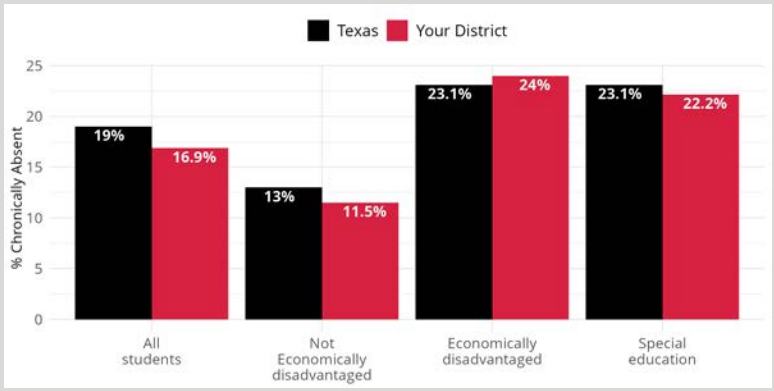
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HOUSE DISTRICT #24

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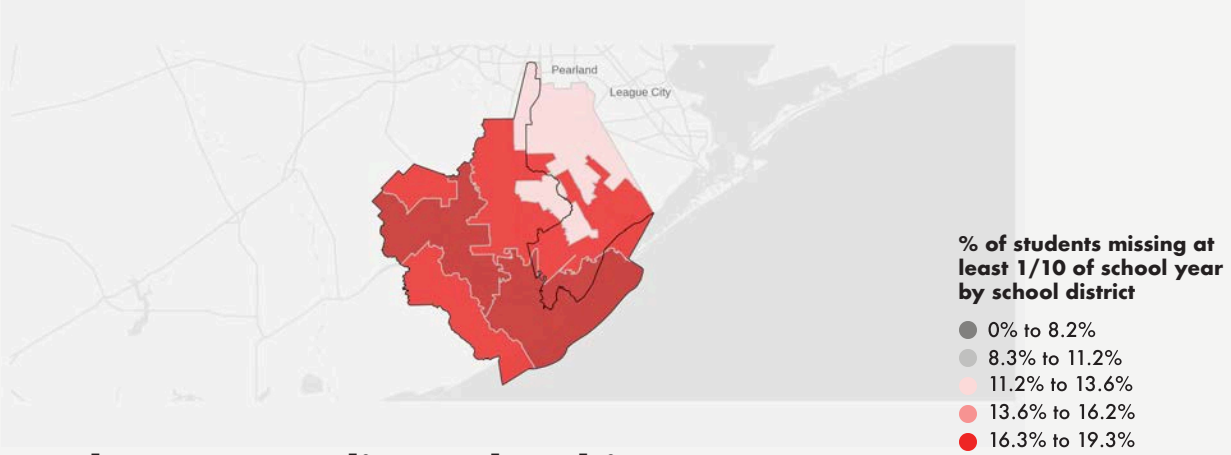
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17.5% of students attending school in HD 25 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #25



Rep. Cody Vasut

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

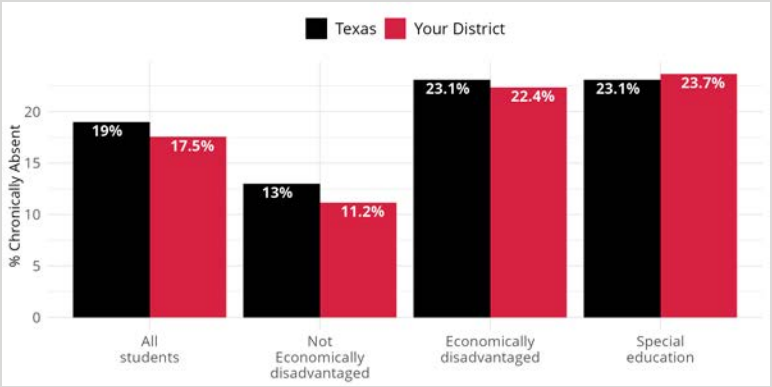
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HOUSE DISTRICT #25

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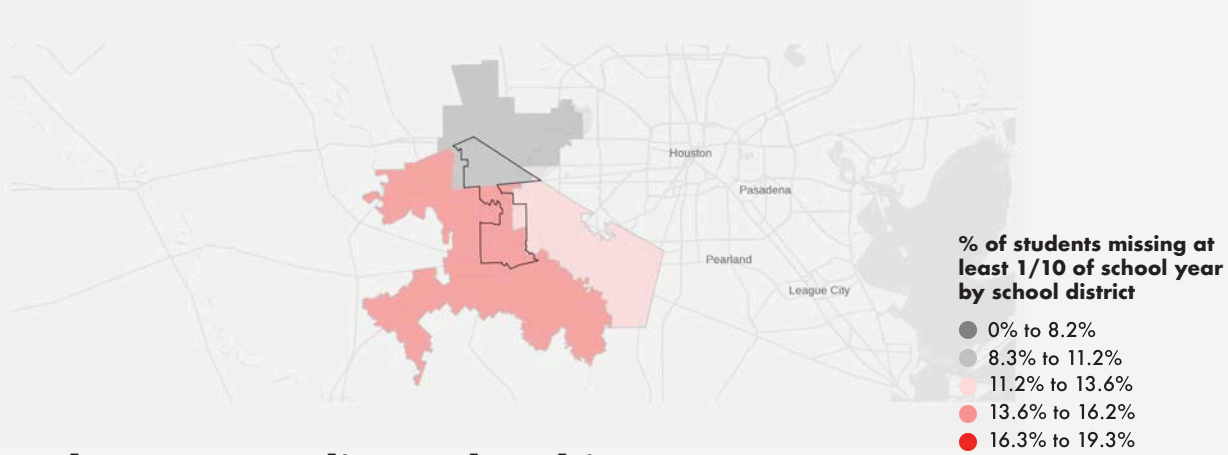
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9.5% of students attending school in HD 26 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #26



Rep. Matt Morgan

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

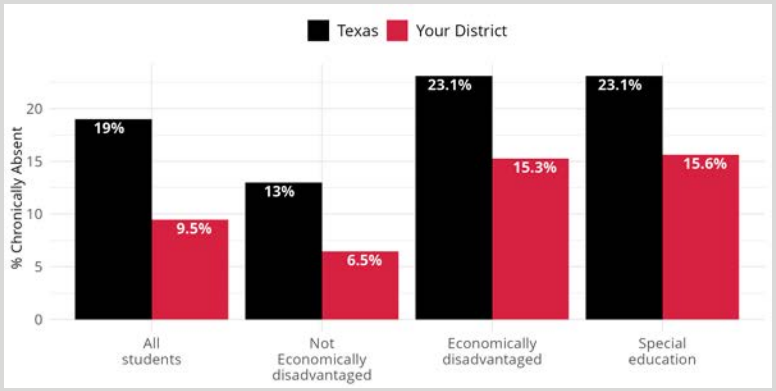
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HOUSE DISTRICT #26

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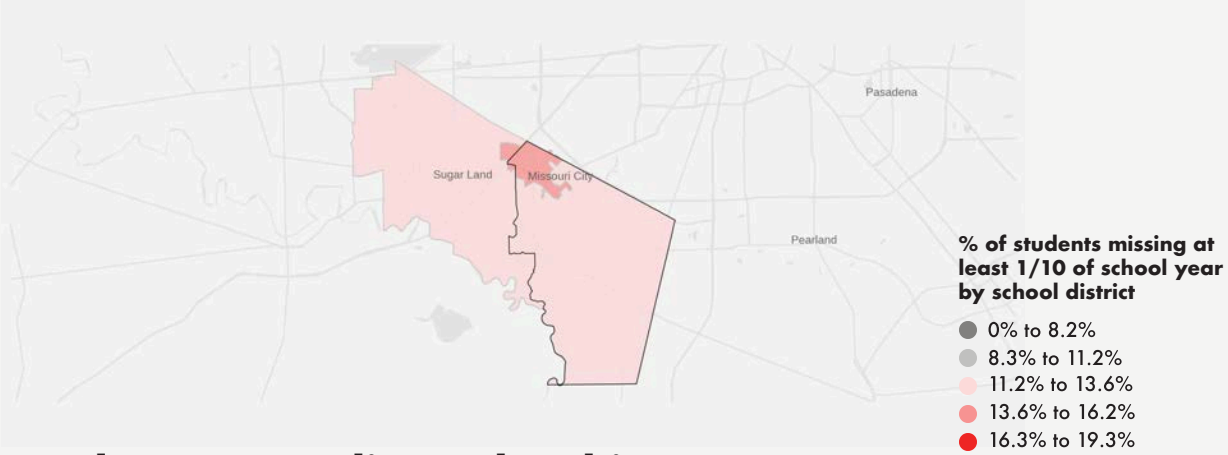
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16.3% of students attending school in HD 27 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #27



Rep. Ron Reynolds

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

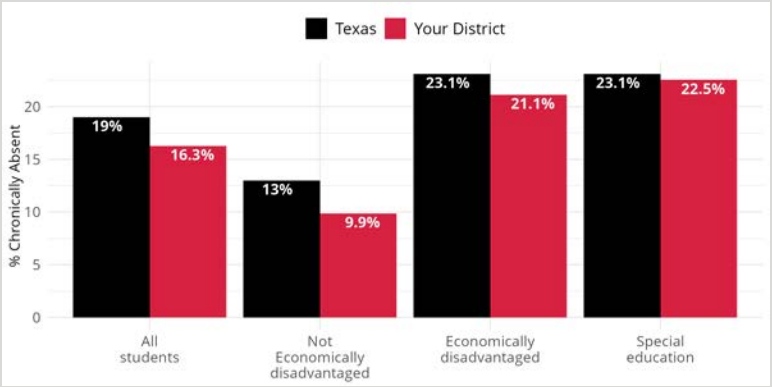
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HOUSE DISTRICT #27

During the 2023-24 school year, 16.3% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 5,406 students. This is a 1 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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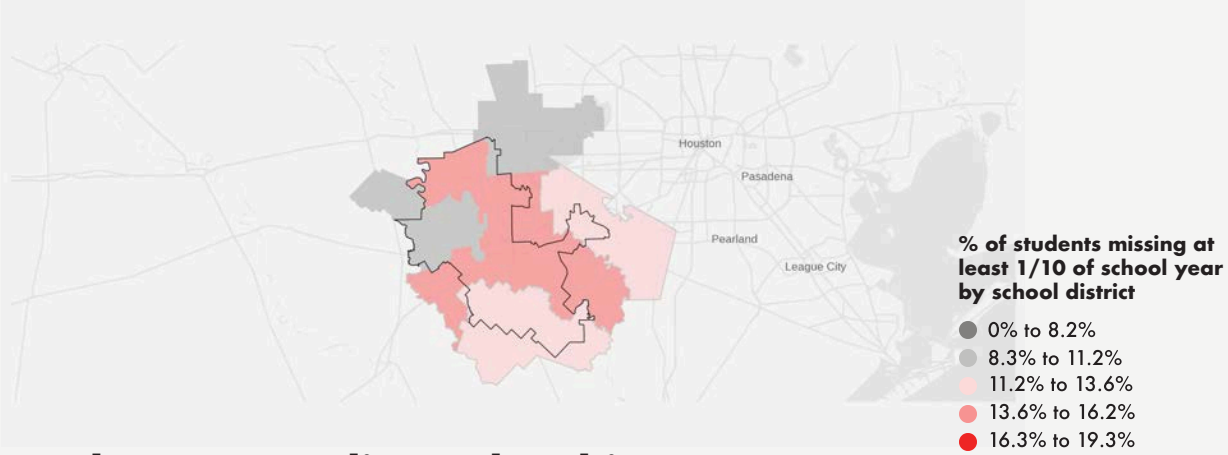
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11.2% of students attending school in HD 28 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #28



Rep. Gary Gates

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

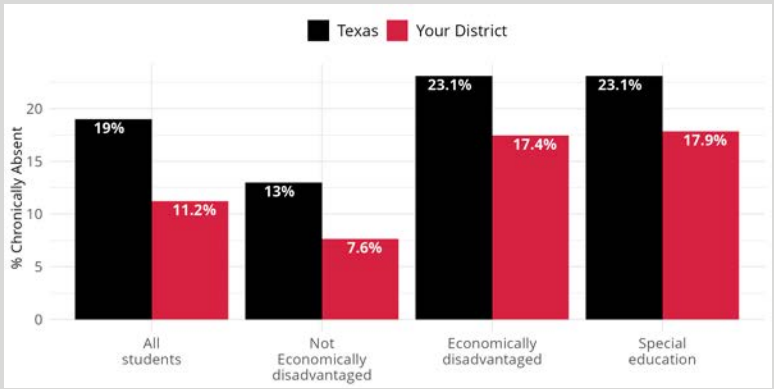
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HOUSE DISTRICT #28

During the 2023-24 school year, 11.2% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 4,990 students. This is a 1 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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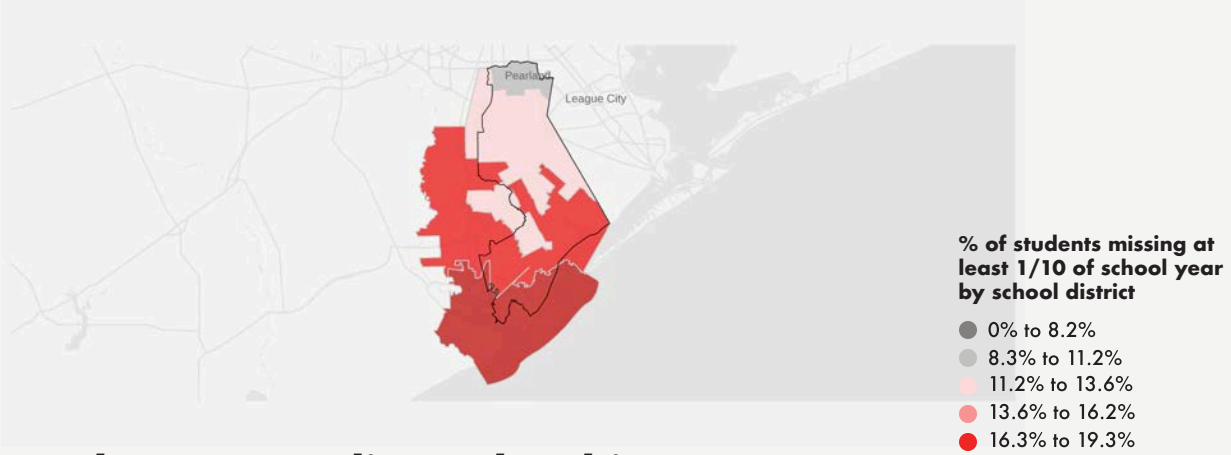
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12.5% of students attending school in HD 29 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #29



Rep. Jeff Barry

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

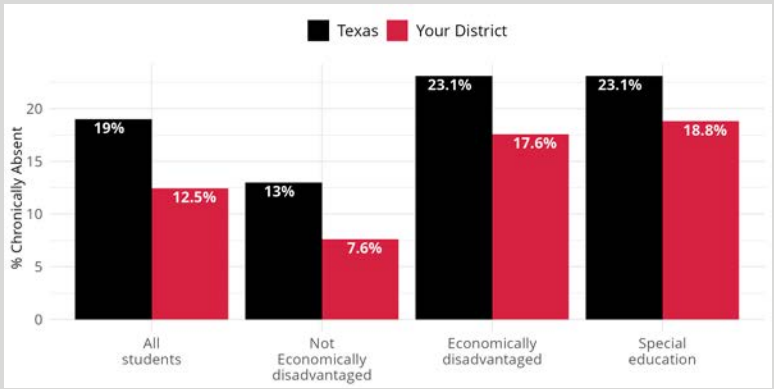
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HOUSE DISTRICT #29

During the 2023-24 school year, 12.5% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 4,500 students. This is a 1 percentage point increase from 2022-23.



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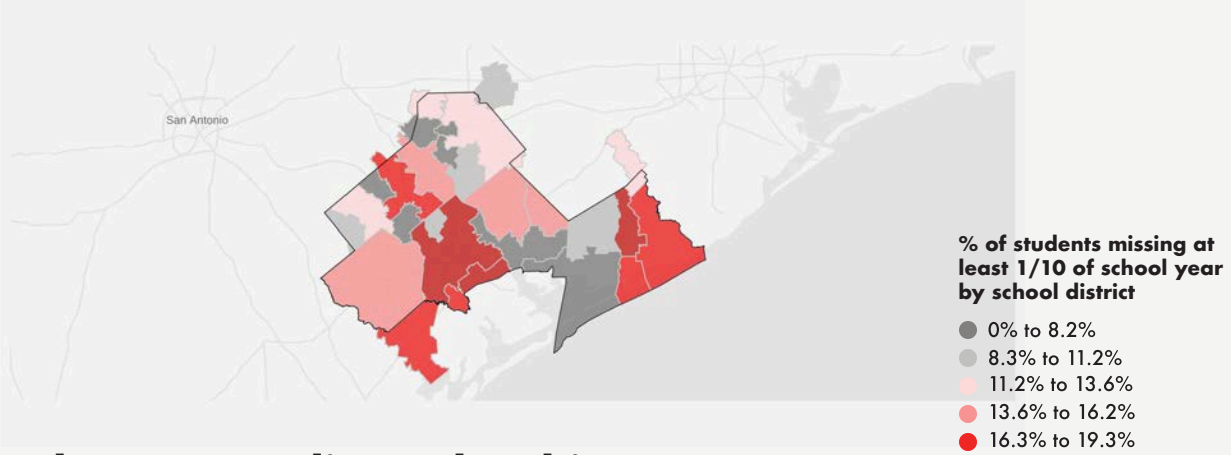
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20% of students attending school in HD 30 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #30



Rep. AJ Louderback

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

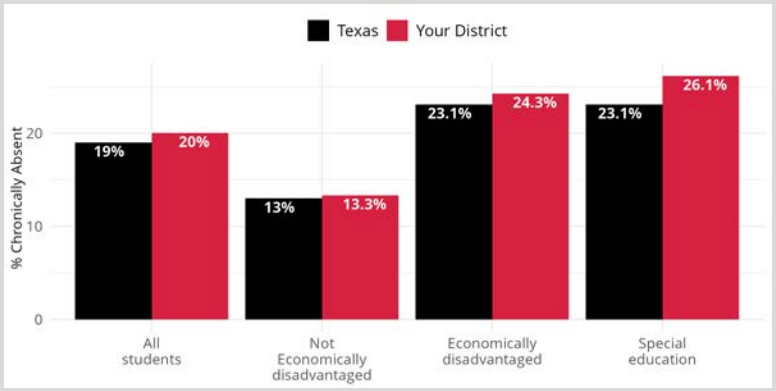
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HOUSE DISTRICT #30

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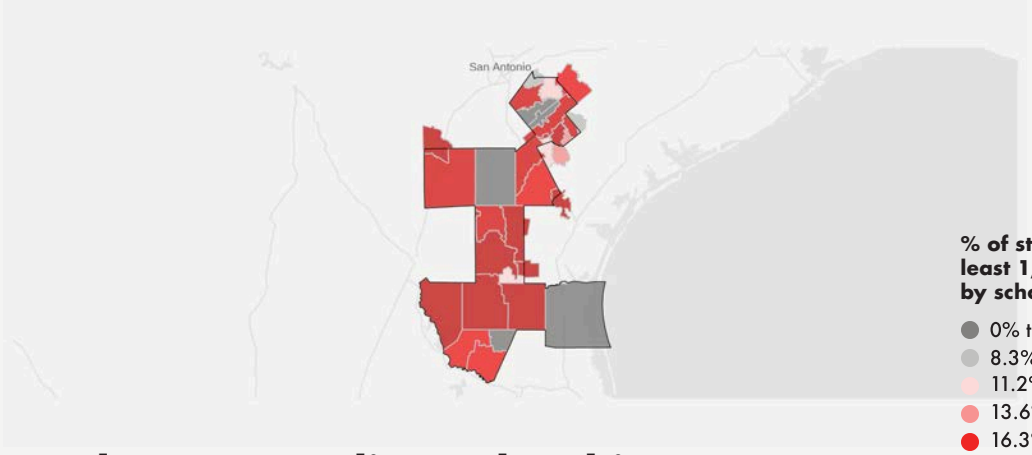
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19.9% of students attending school in HD 31 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #31



Rep. Ryan Guillen

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

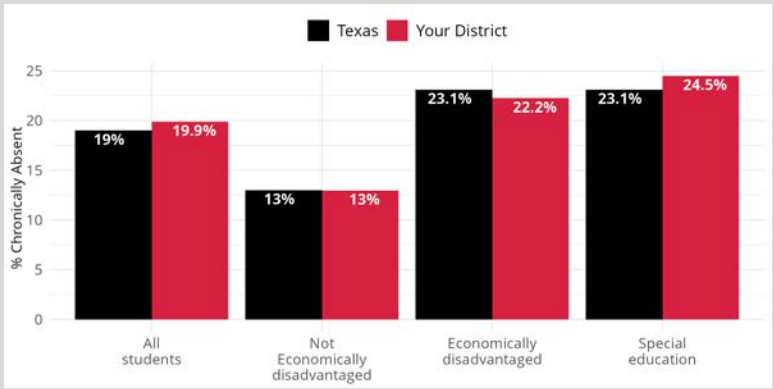
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HOUSE DISTRICT #31

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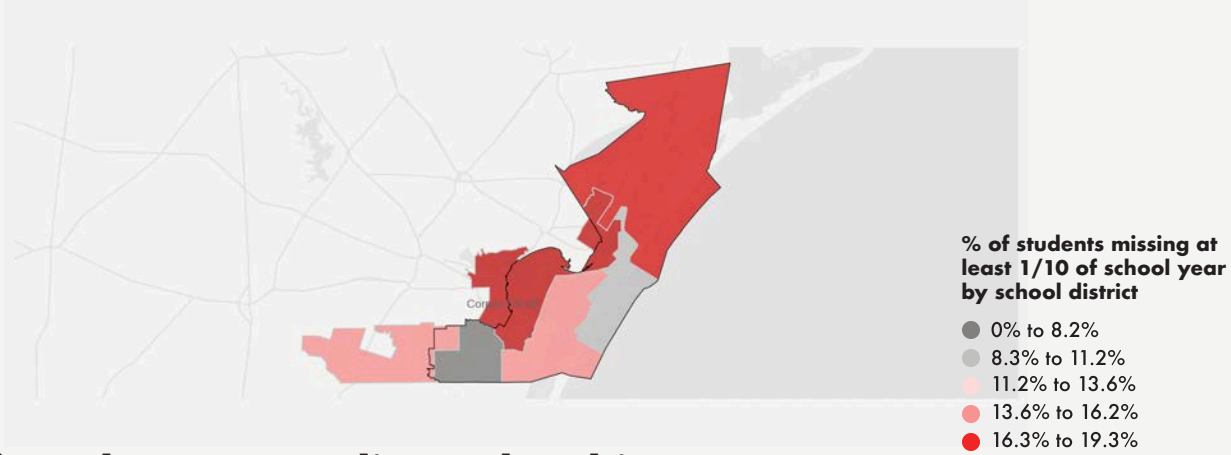
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20.3% of students attending school in HD 32 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #32



Rep. Todd Hunter

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

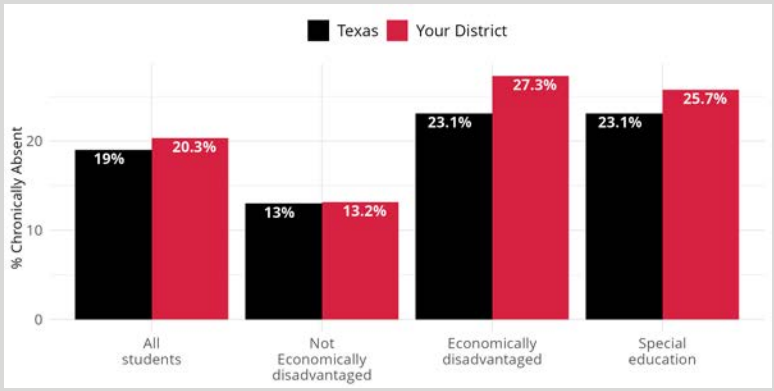
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HOUSE DISTRICT #32

During the 2023-24 school year, 20.3% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 5,008 students. This is little change from 2022-23.



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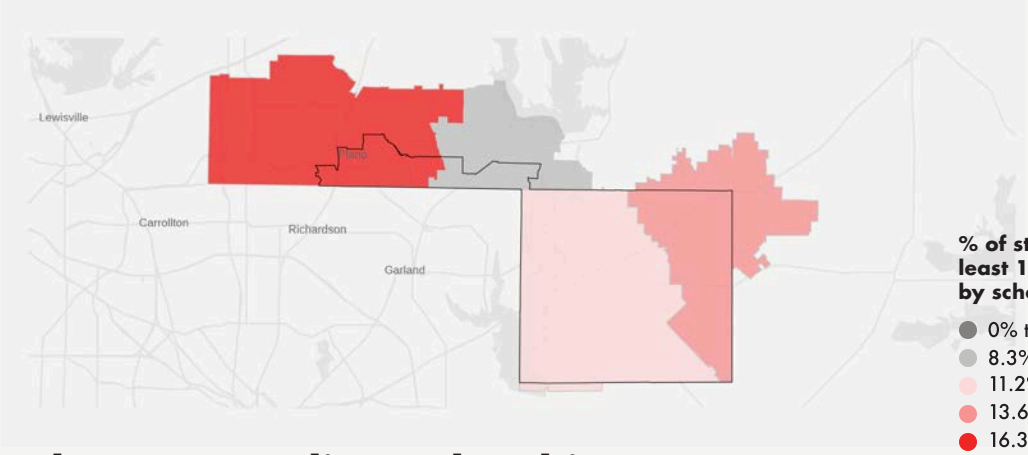
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13% of students attending school in HD 33 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #33



Rep. Katrina Pierson

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

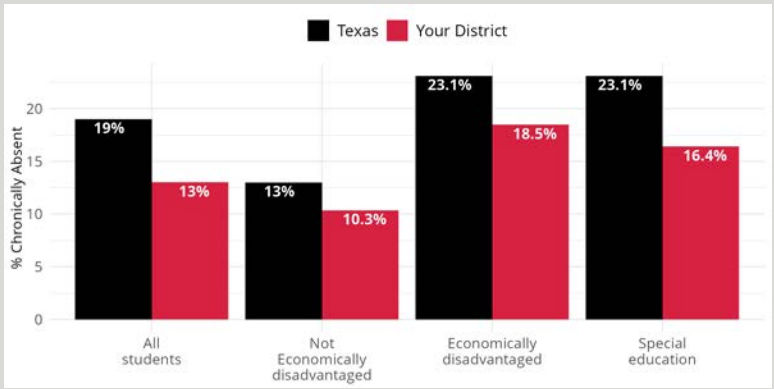
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HOUSE DISTRICT #33

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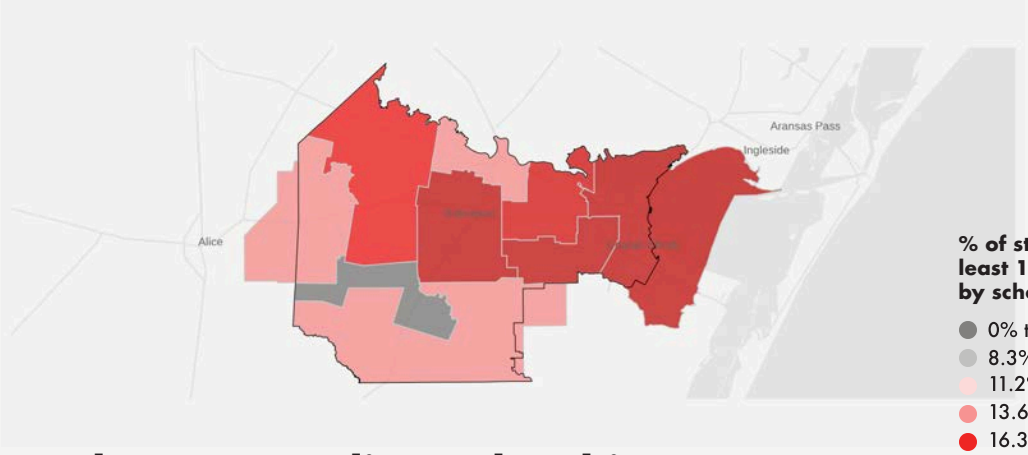
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31.5% of students attending school in HD 34 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #34



Rep. Denise Villalobos

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

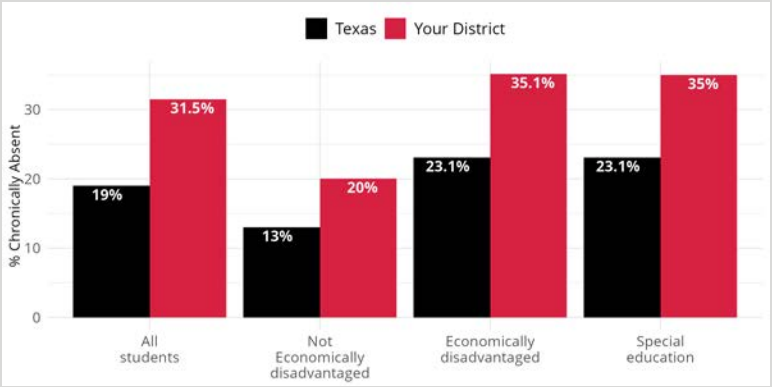
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HOUSE DISTRICT #34

During the 2023-24 school year, 31.5% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 11,237 students. This is a 1 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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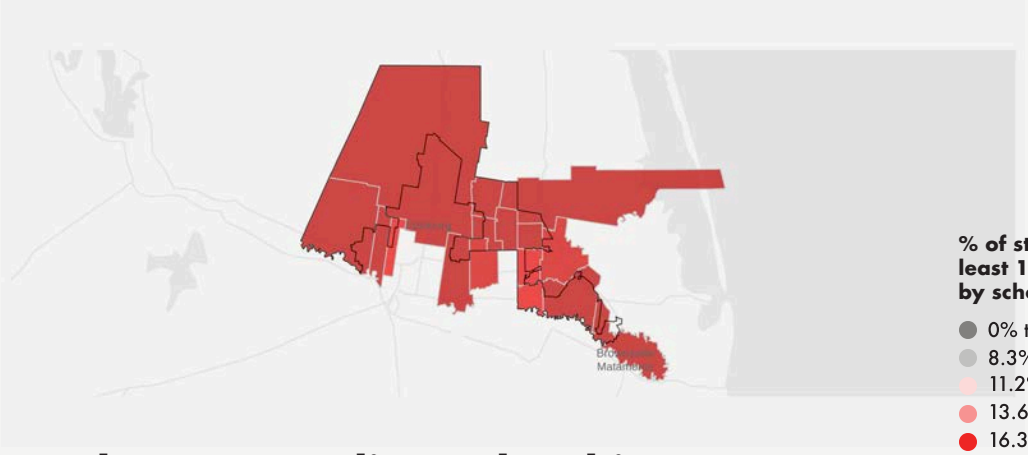
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29.5% of students attending school in HD 35 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #35



Rep. Oscar Longoria

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

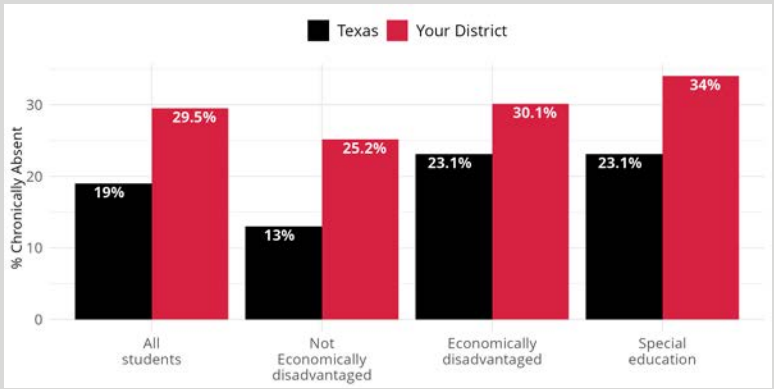
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HOUSE DISTRICT #35

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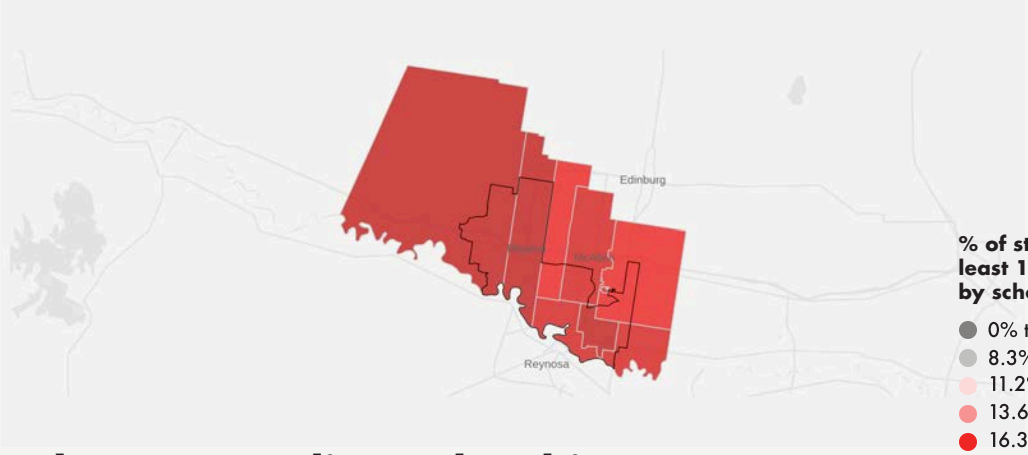
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25% of students attending school in HD 36 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #36



Rep. Sergio Muñoz Jr.

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

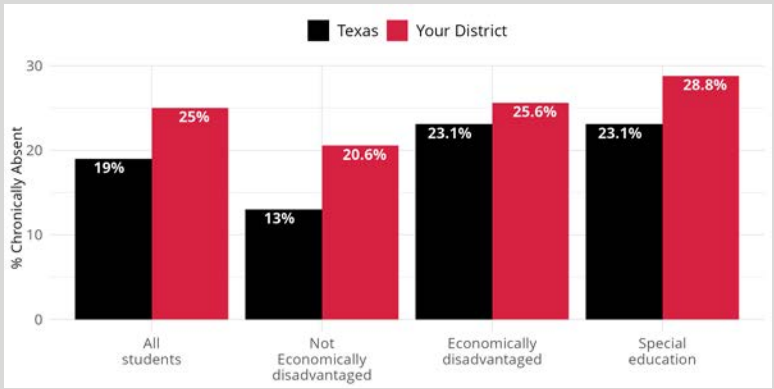
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HOUSE DISTRICT #36

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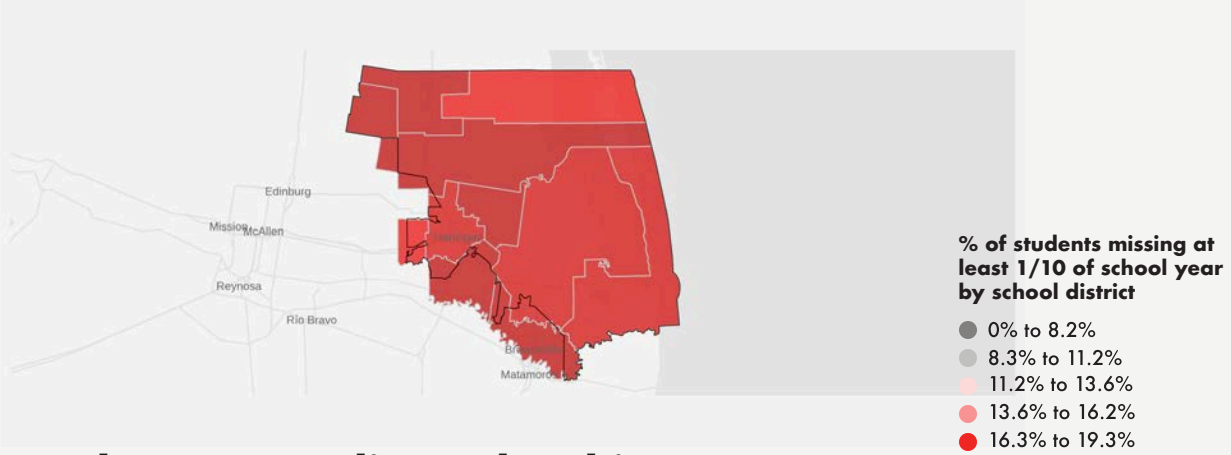
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23.9% of students attending school in HD 37 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #37



Rep. Janie Lopez

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

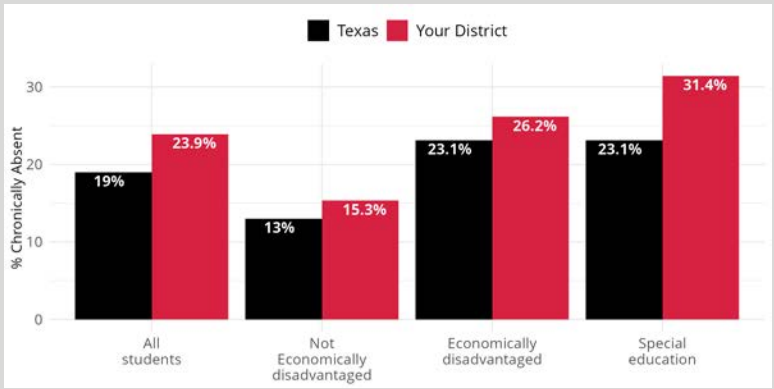
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HOUSE DISTRICT #37

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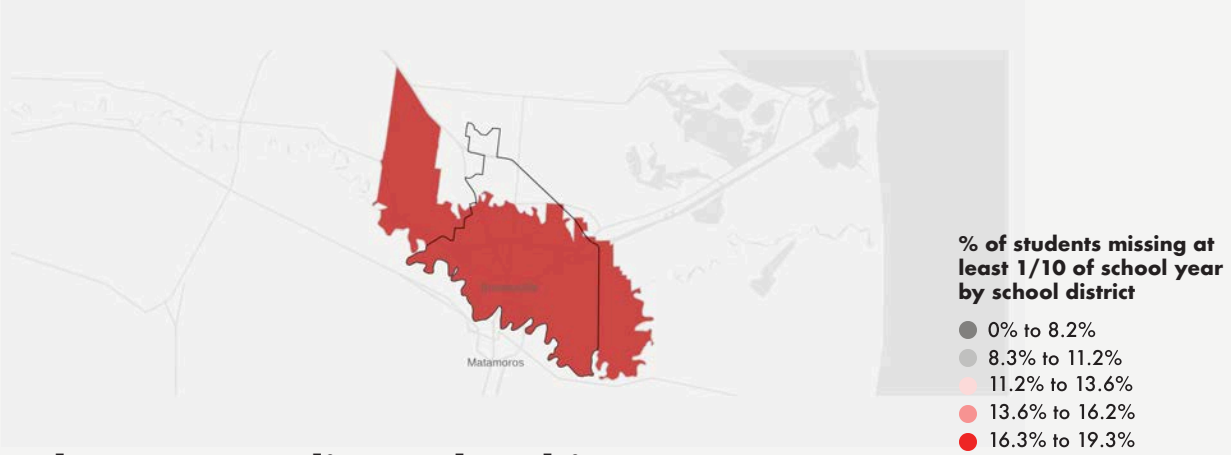
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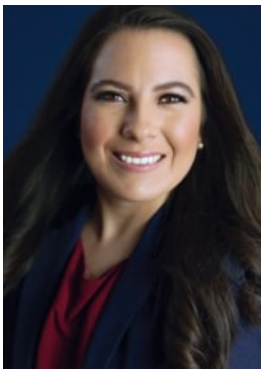
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26% of students attending school in HD 38 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #38



Rep. Erin Gámez

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

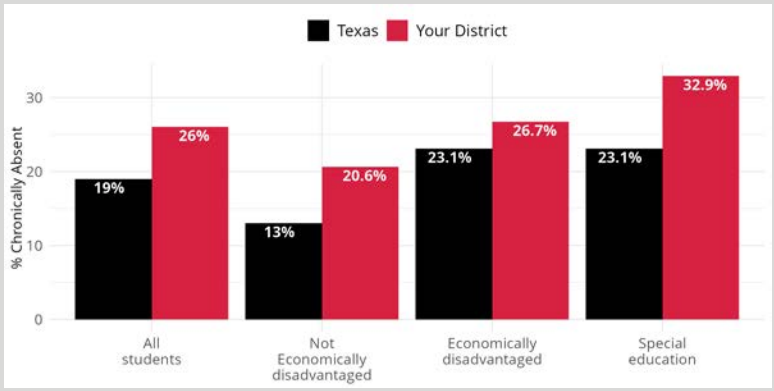
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HOUSE DISTRICT #38

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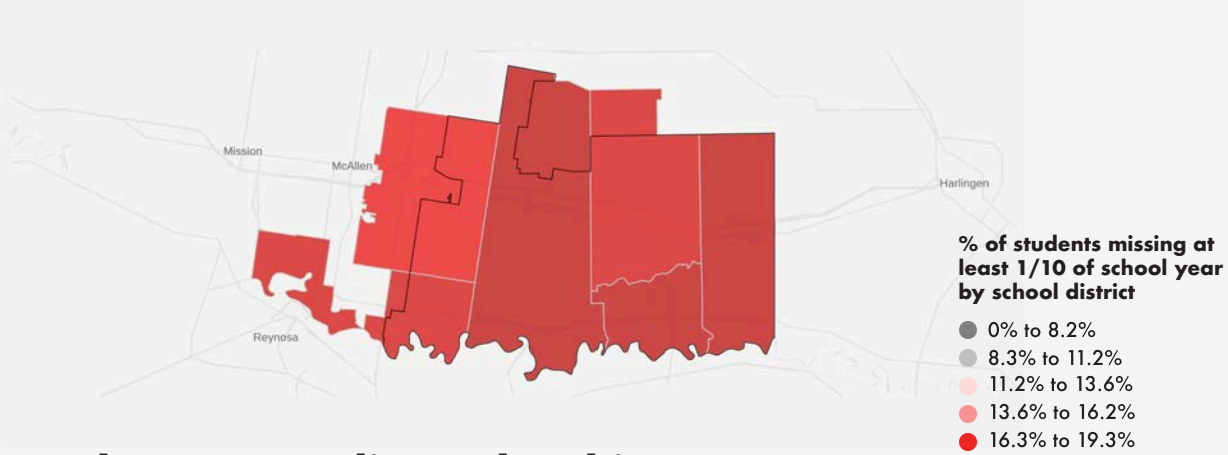
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23.2% of students attending school in HD 39 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #39



Rep. Armando "Mando" Martinez

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

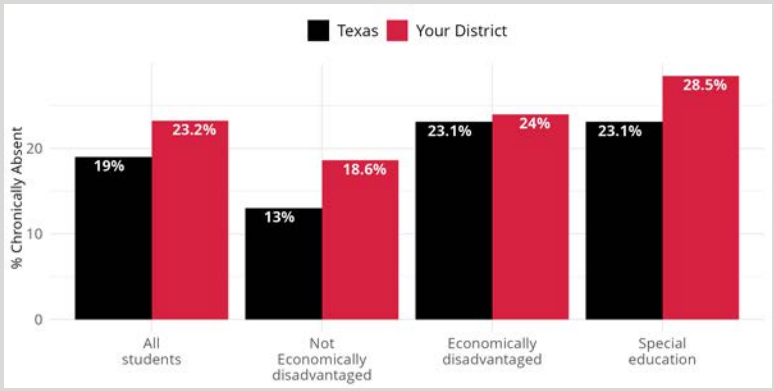
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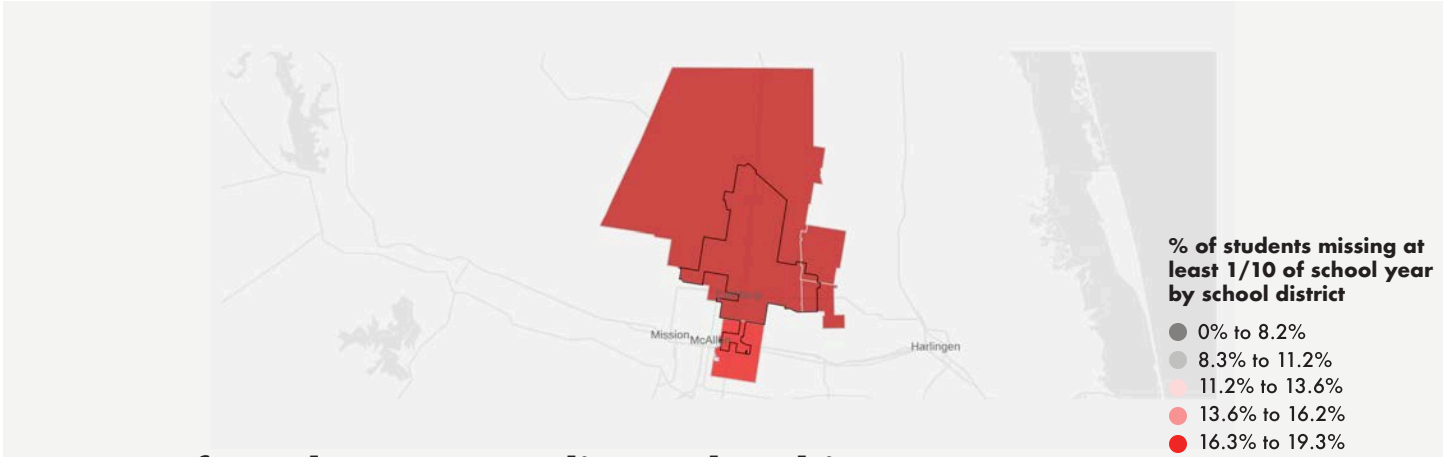
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Defining Chronic Absenteeism and Utilizing Data to Reduce it



24.8% of students attending school in HD 40 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #40



Rep. Terry Canales

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

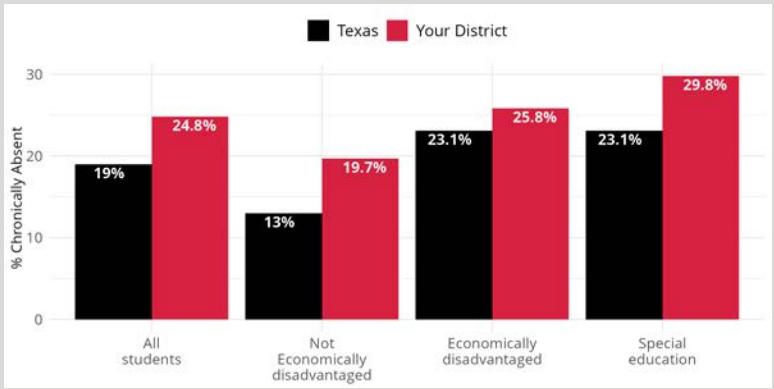
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HOUSE DISTRICT #40

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20.4% of students attending school in HD 41 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #41



Rep. R.D. "Bobby" Guerra

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

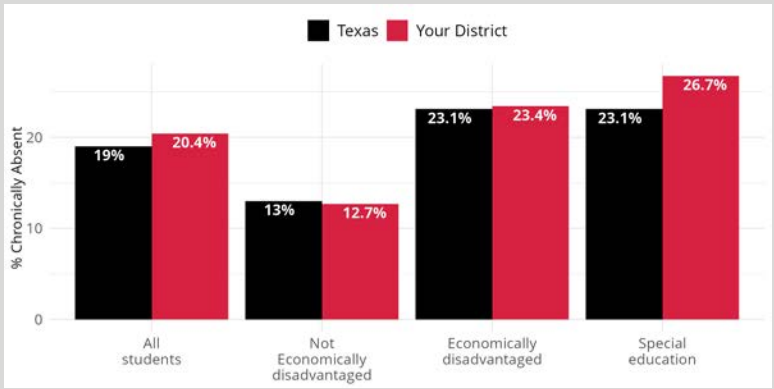
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HOUSE DISTRICT #41

During the 2023-24 school year, 20.4% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 7,929 students. This is little change from 2022-23.



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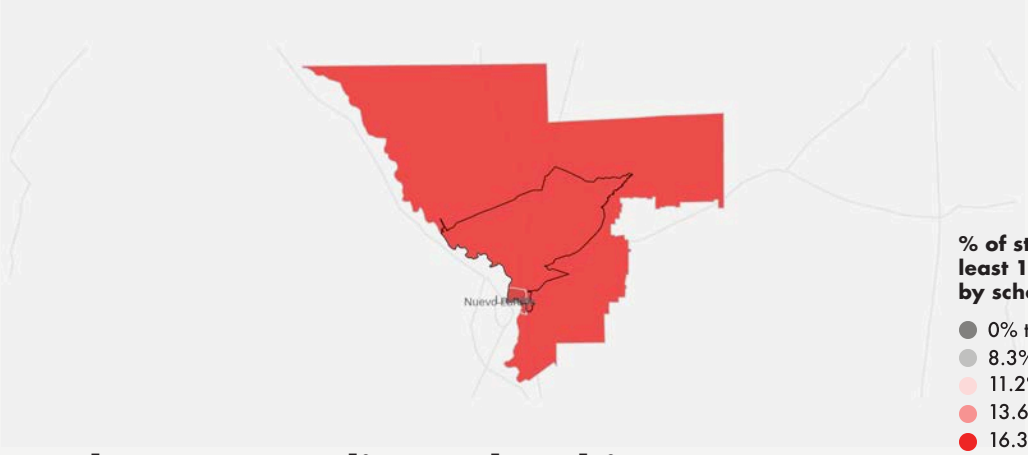
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17.2% of students attending school in HD 42 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #42



Rep. Richard Peña Raymond

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

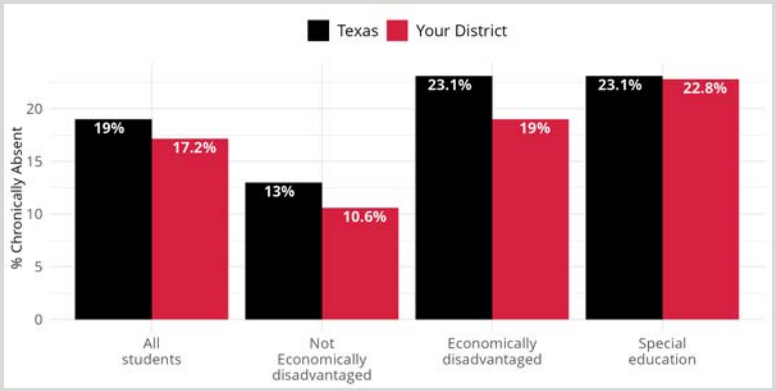
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HOUSE DISTRICT #42

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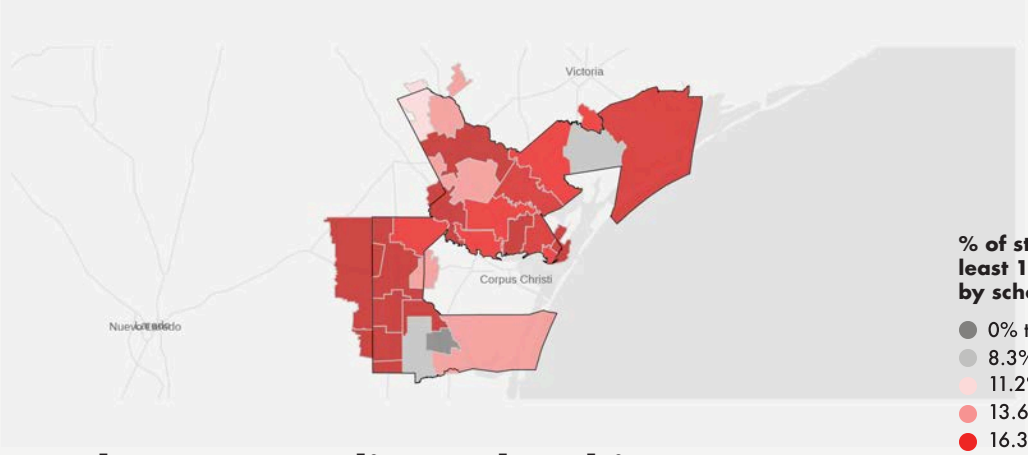
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23.6% of students attending school in HD 43 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #43



Rep. J. M. Lozano

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

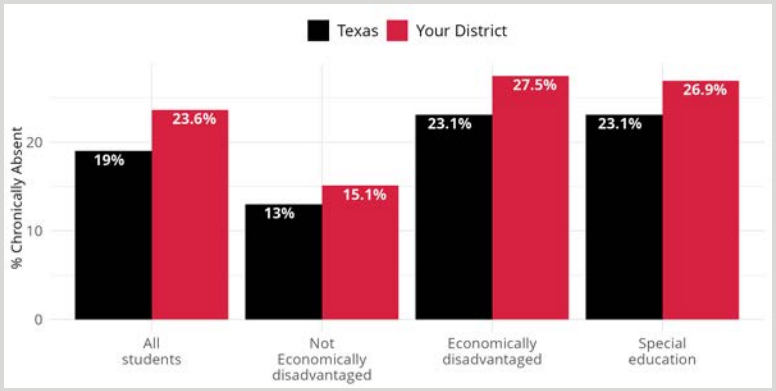
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HOUSE DISTRICT #43

During the 2023-24 school year, 23.6% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 7,844 students. This is a 2 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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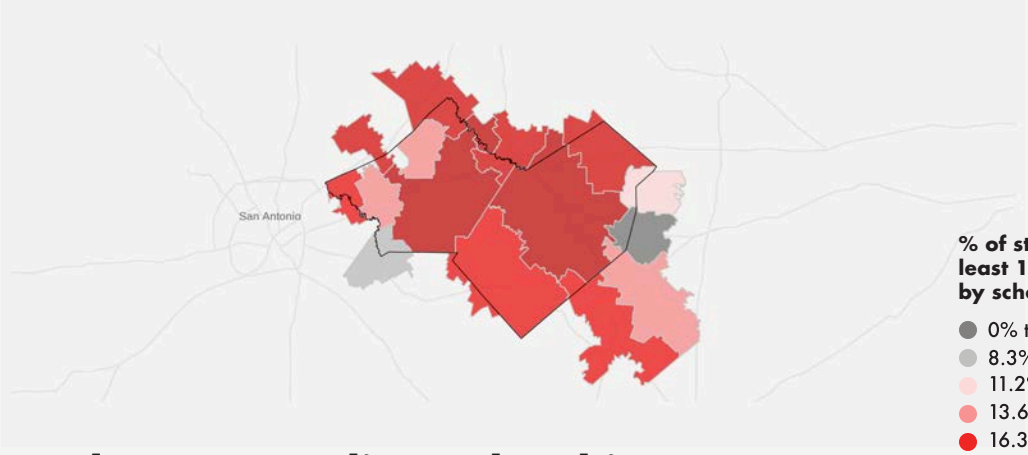
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21.1% of students attending school in HD 44 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #44



Rep. Alan Schoolcraft

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

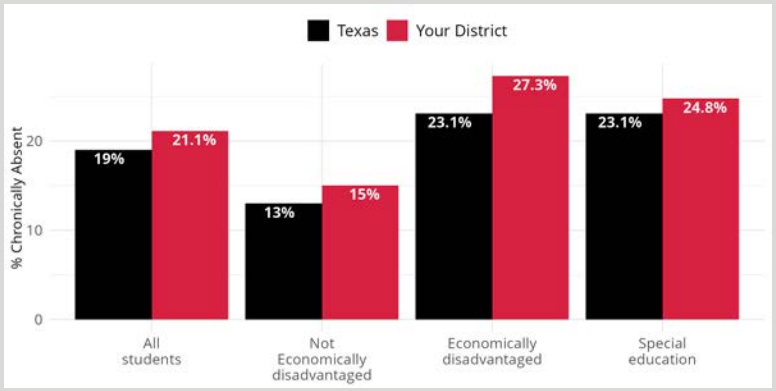
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HOUSE DISTRICT #44

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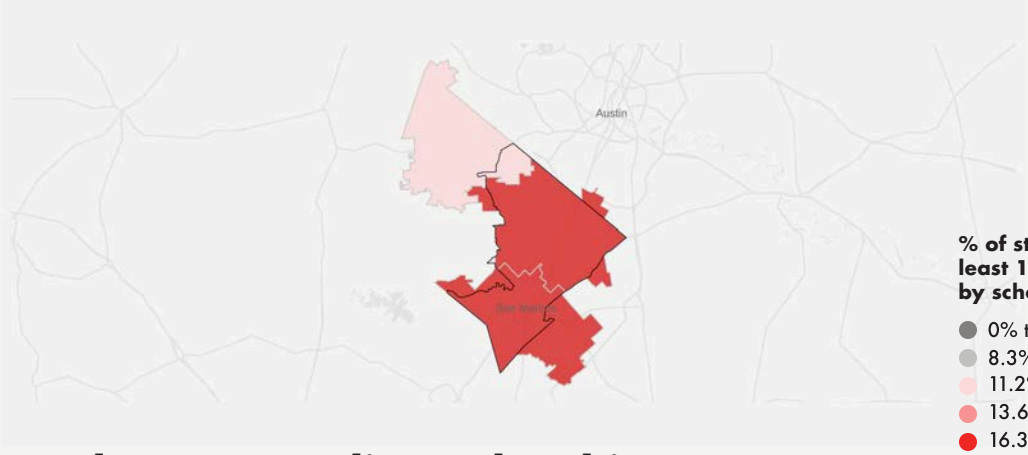
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21.6% of students attending school in HD 45 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #45



Rep. Erin Zwiener

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

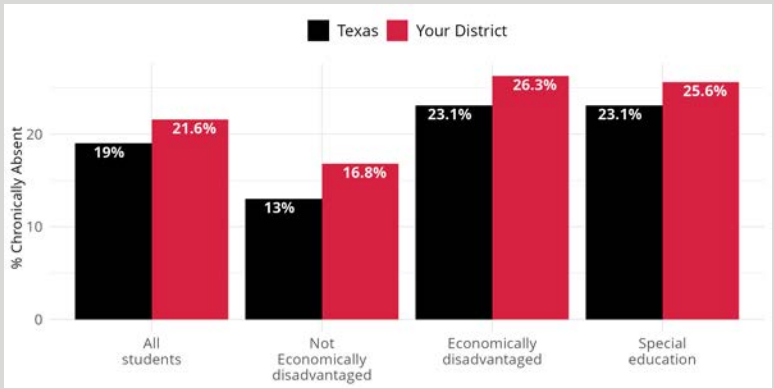
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HOUSE DISTRICT #45

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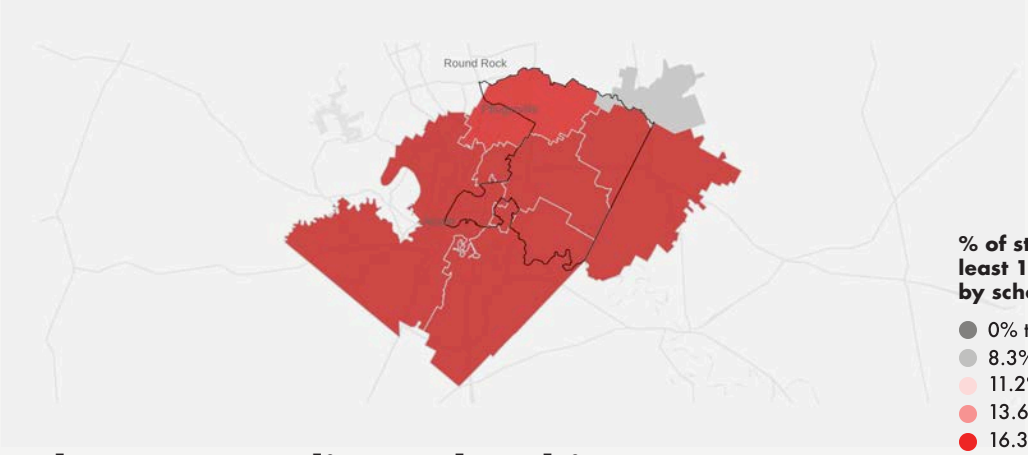
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26% of students attending school in HD 46 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #46



Rep. Sheryl Cole

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

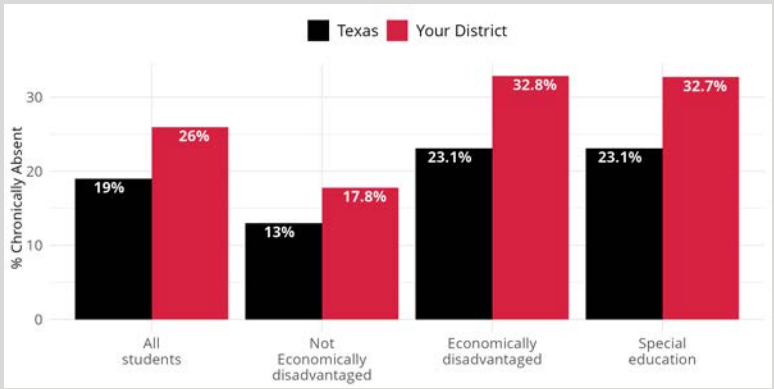
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HOUSE DISTRICT #46

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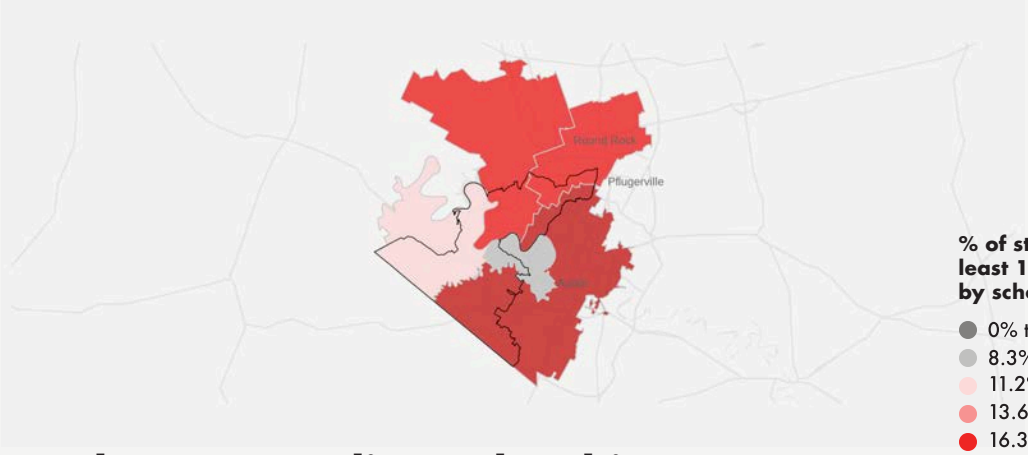
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12.3% of students attending school in HD 47 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #47



Rep. Vikki Goodwin

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

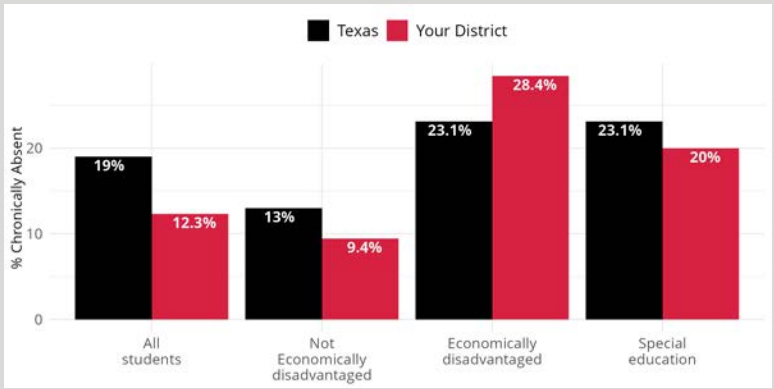
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HOUSE DISTRICT #47

During the 2023-24 school year, 12.3% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 2,981 students. This is little change from 2022-23.



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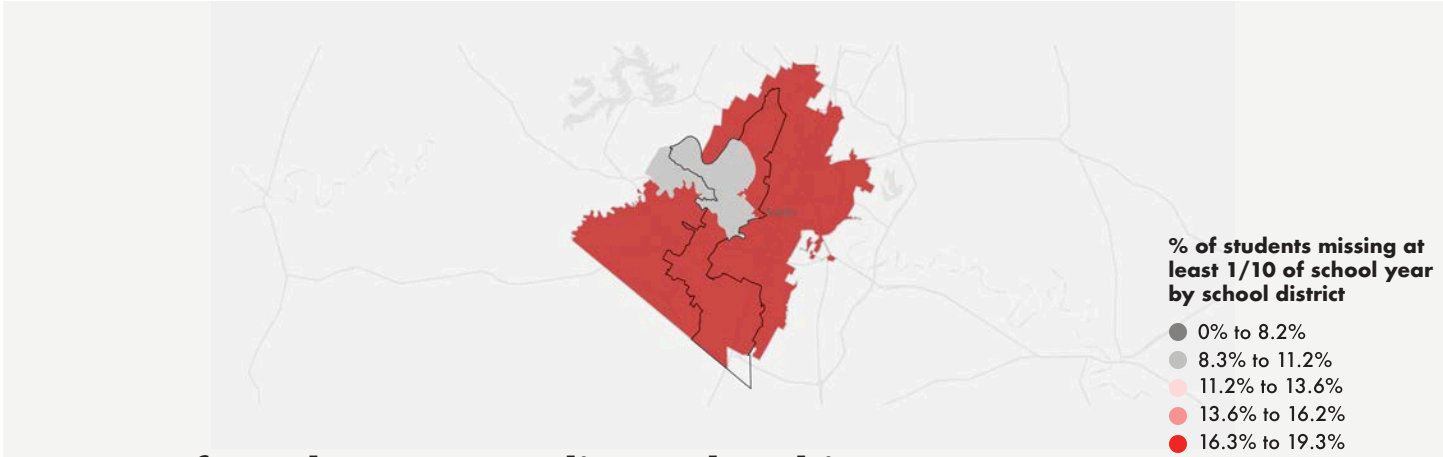
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20.4% of students attending school in HD 48 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #48



Rep. Donna Howard

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

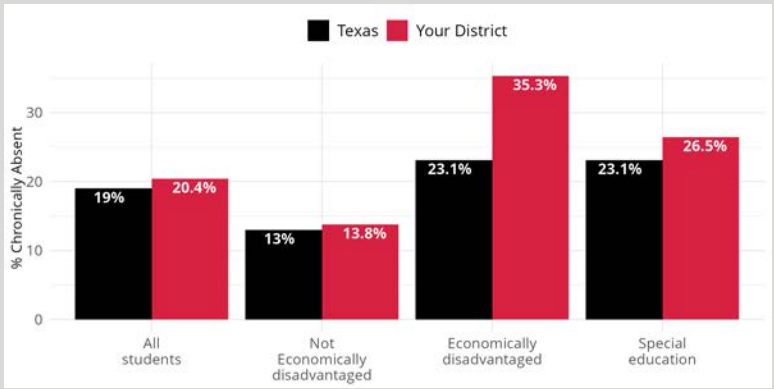
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HOUSE DISTRICT #48

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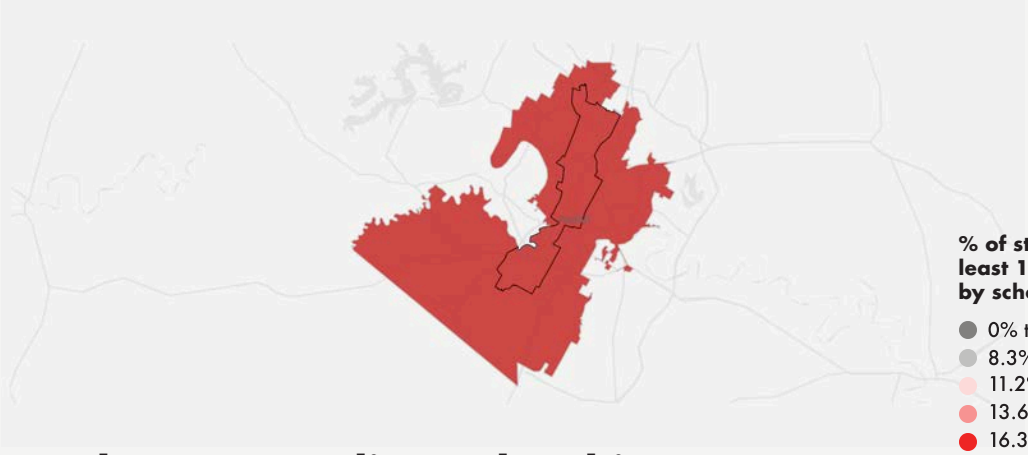
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25.7% of students attending school in HD 49 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #49



Rep. Gina Hinojosa

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

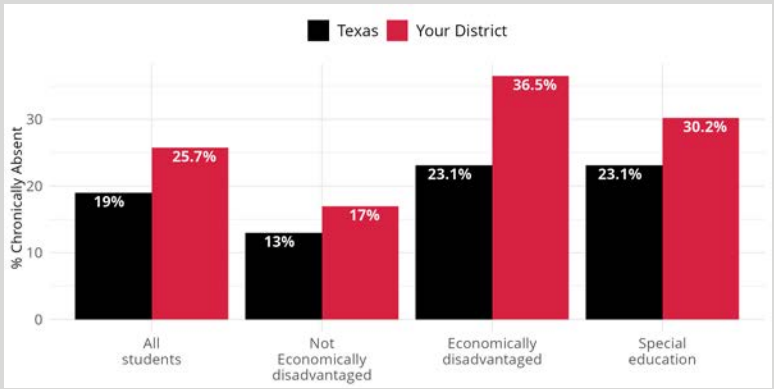
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HOUSE DISTRICT #49

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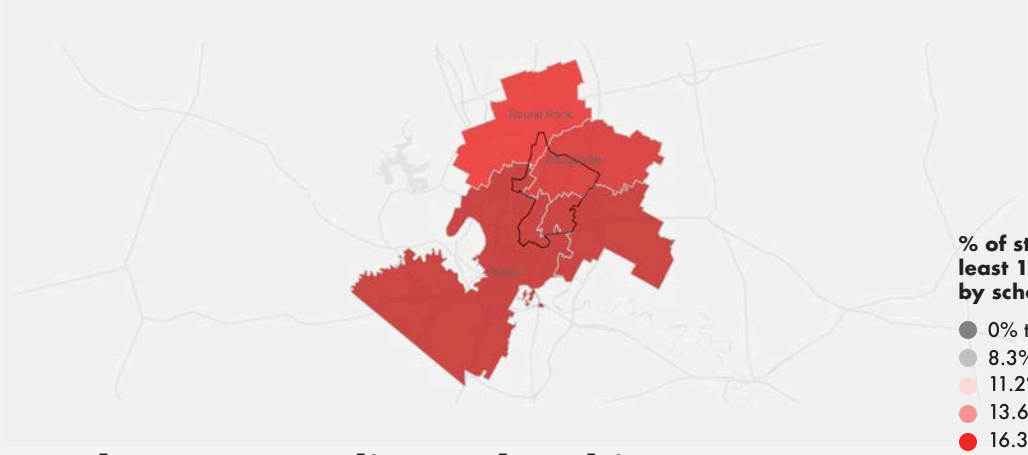
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26.5% of students attending school in HD 50 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #50



Rep. James Talarico

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

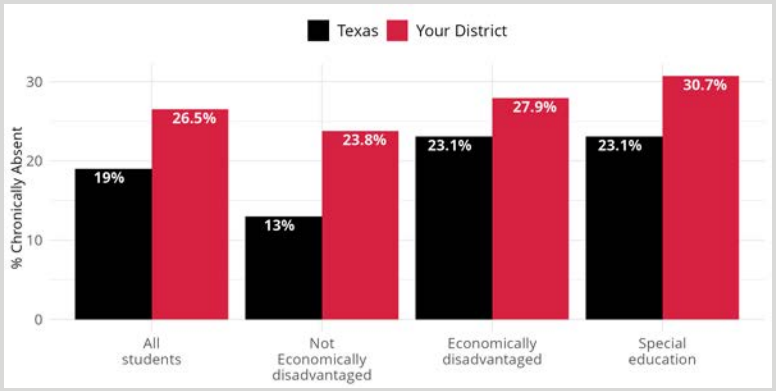
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HOUSE DISTRICT #50

During the 2023-24 school year, 26.5% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 8,594 students. This is a 1 percentage point increase from 2022-23.



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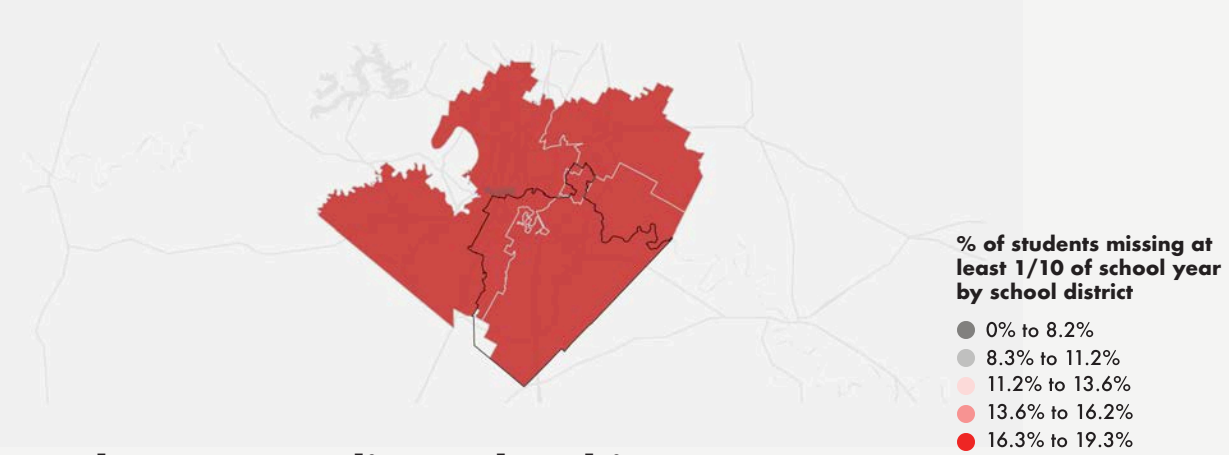
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32.8% of students attending school in HD 51 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #51



Rep. Lulu Flores

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

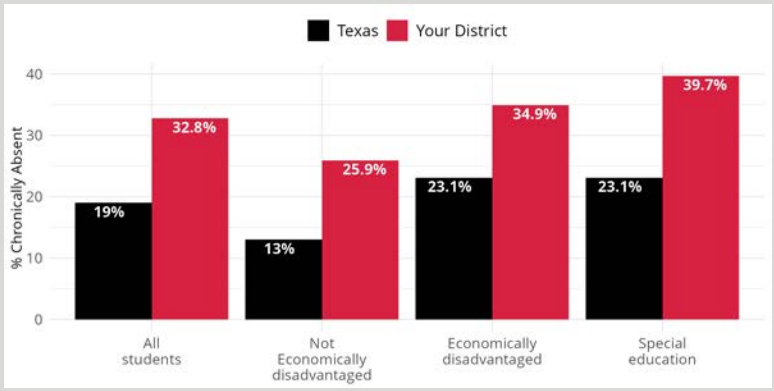
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HOUSE DISTRICT #51

During the 2023-24 school year, 32.8% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 9,213 students. This is little change from 2022-23.



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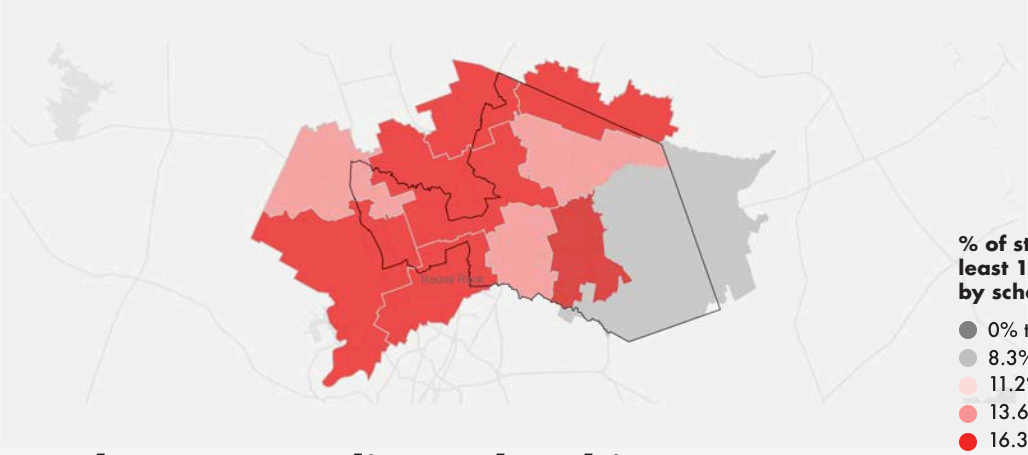
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13.6% of students attending school in HD 52 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #52



Rep. Caroline Harris Davila

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

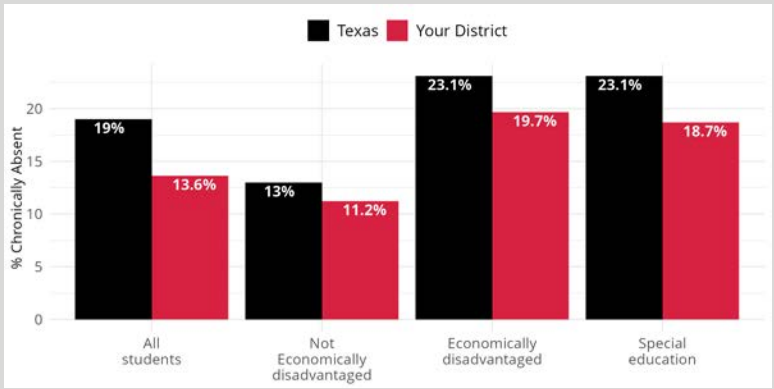
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HOUSE DISTRICT #52

During the 2023-24 school year, 13.6% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 4,715 students. This is little change from 2022-23.



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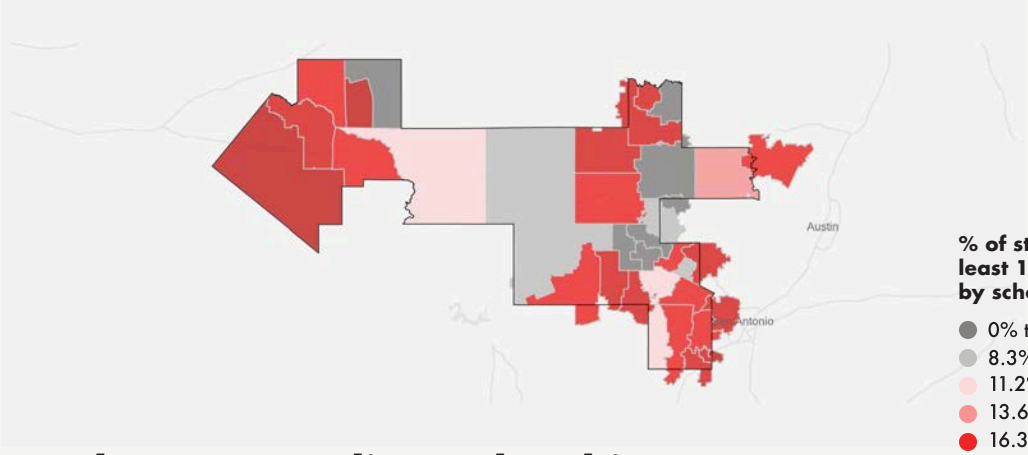
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28.1% of students attending school in HD 53 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #53



Rep. Wes Virdell

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

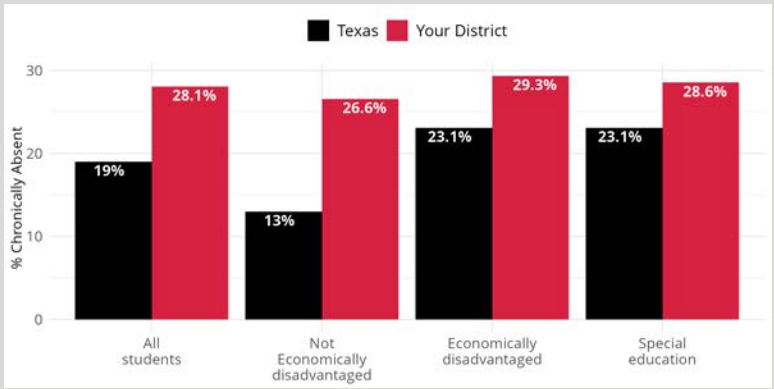
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HOUSE DISTRICT #53

During the 2023-24 school year, 28.1% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 12,702 students. This is a 9 percentage point increase from 2022-23.



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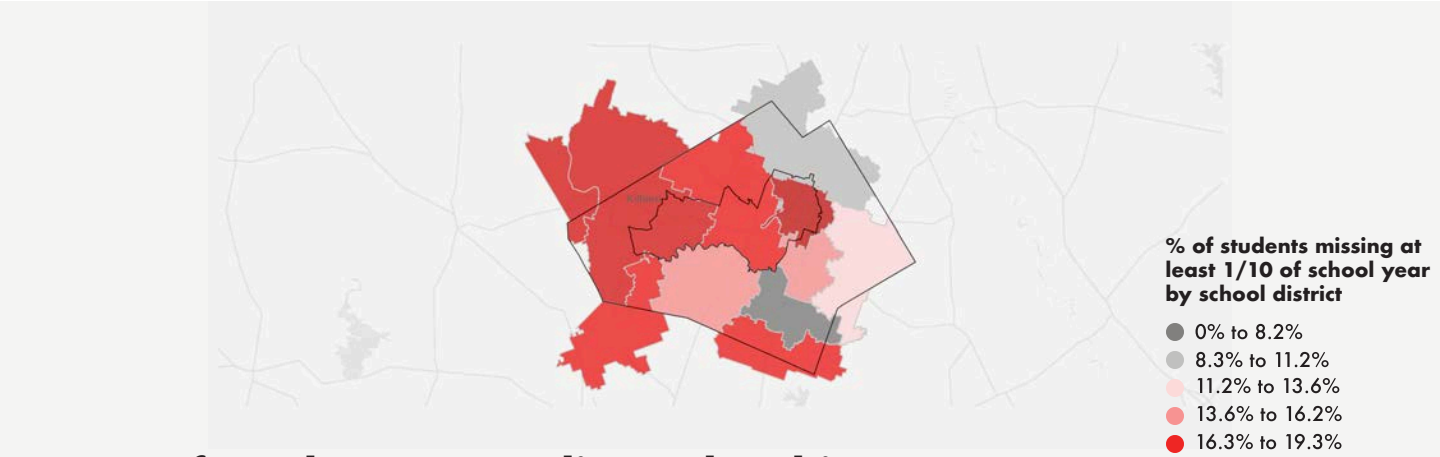
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23.3% of students attending school in HD 54 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #54



Rep. Brad Buckley

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

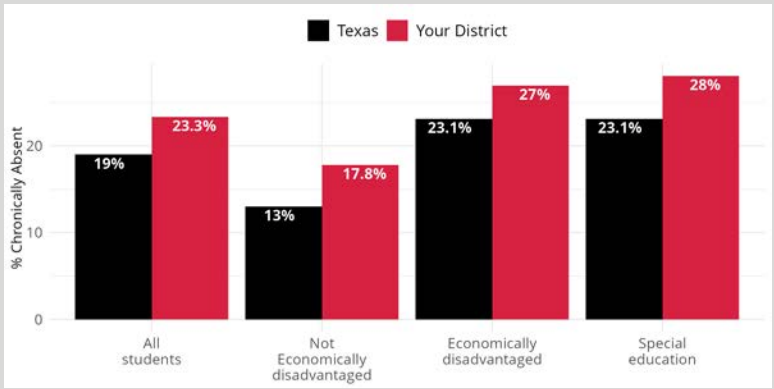
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HOUSE DISTRICT #54

During the 2023-24 school year, 23.3% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 8,267 students. This is a 3 percentage point increase from 2022-23.



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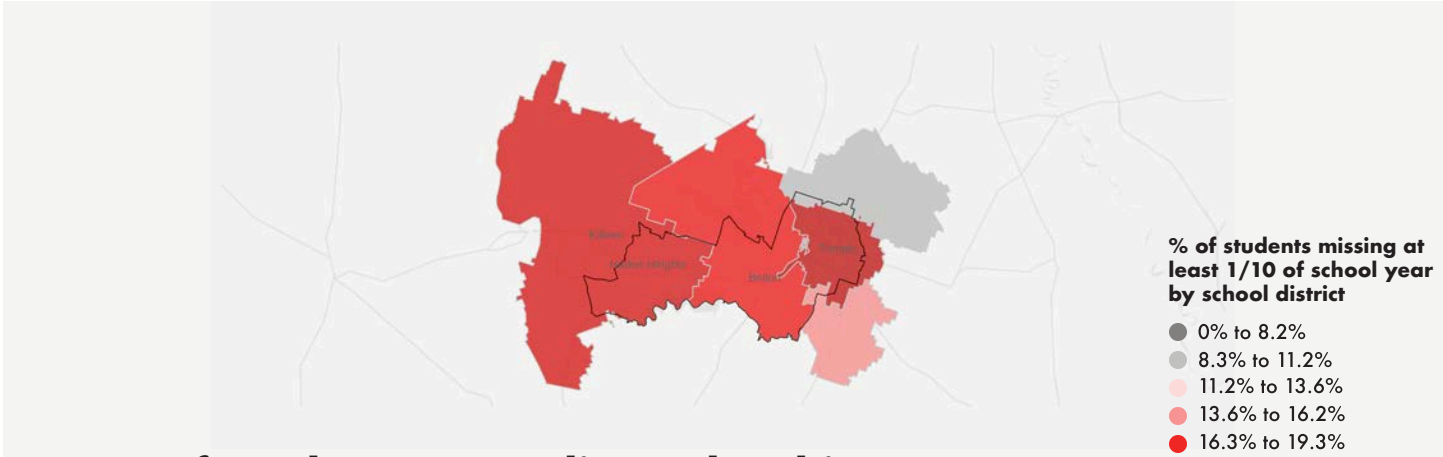
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20.2% of students attending school in HD 55 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #55



Rep. Hillary Hickland

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

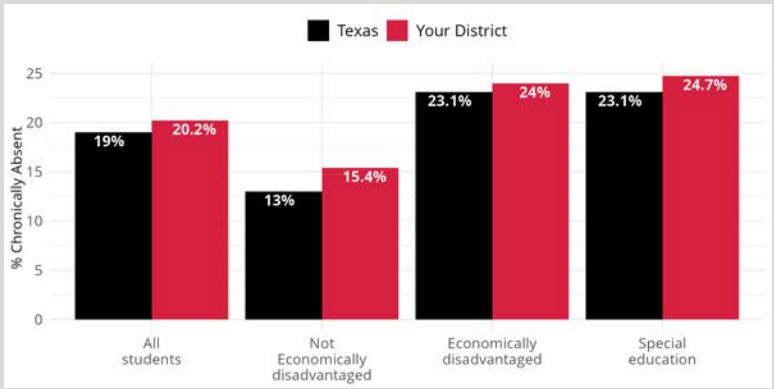
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HOUSE DISTRICT #55

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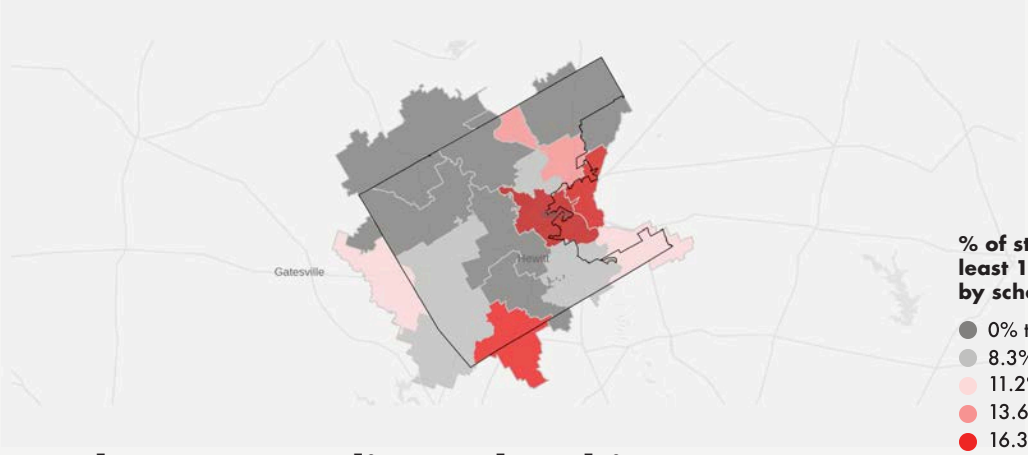
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13.5% of students attending school in HD 56 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #56



Rep. Pat Curry

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

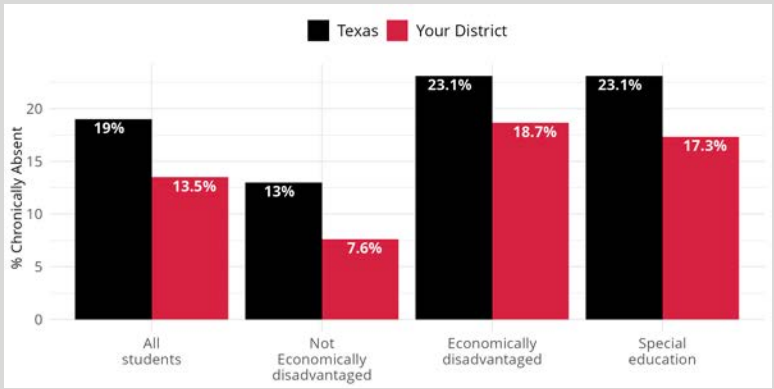
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HOUSE DISTRICT #56

During the 2023-24 school year, 13.5% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 4,250 students. This is a 1 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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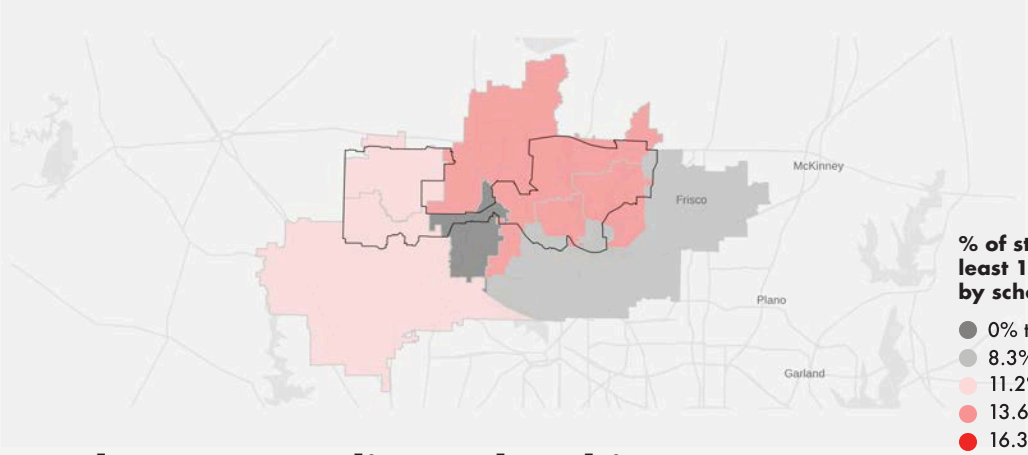
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14.7% of students attending school in HD 57 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #57



Rep. Richard Hayes

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

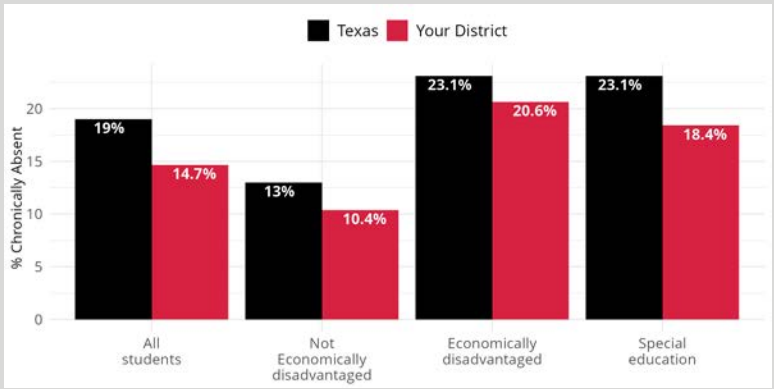
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During the 2023-24 school year, 14.7% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 4,875 students. This is a 1 percentage point increase from 2022-23.



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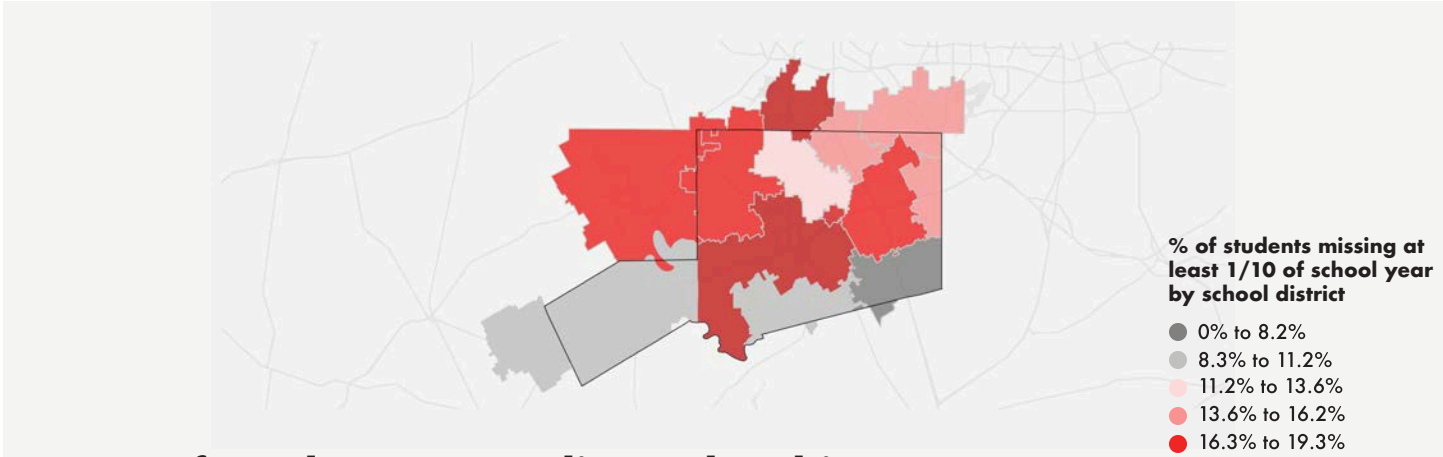
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16.3% of students attending school in HD 58 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #58



Rep. Helen Kerwin

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

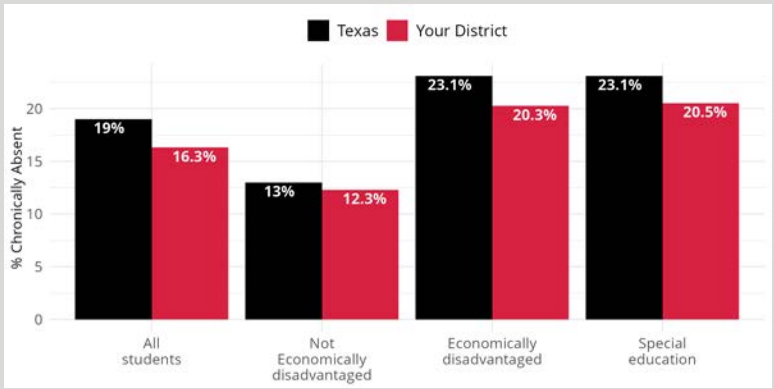
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HOUSE DISTRICT #58

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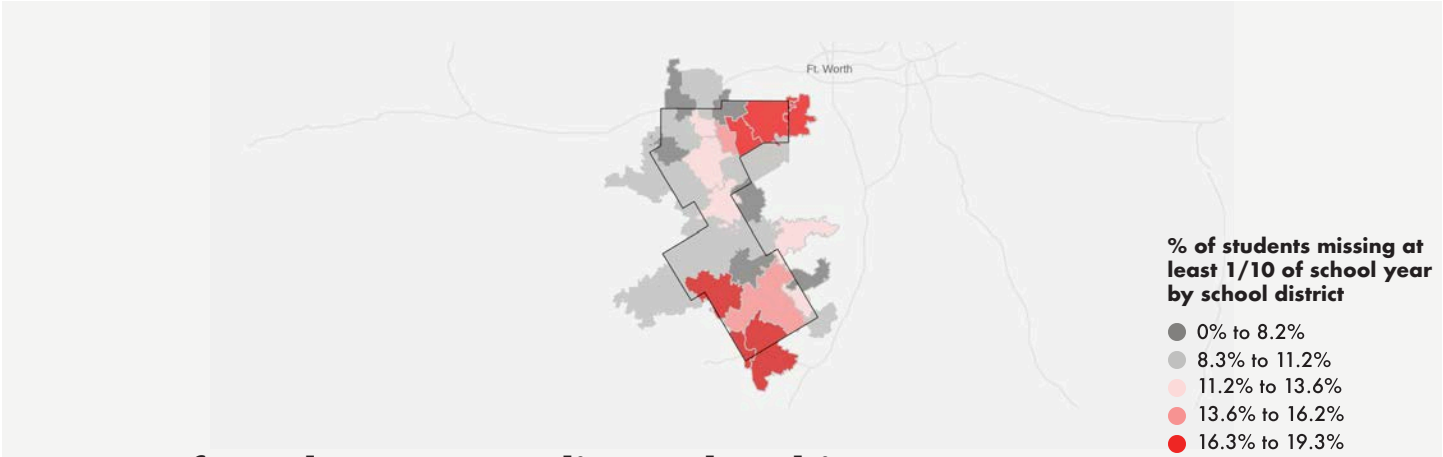
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16.5% of students attending school in HD 59 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #59



Rep. Shelby Slawson

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

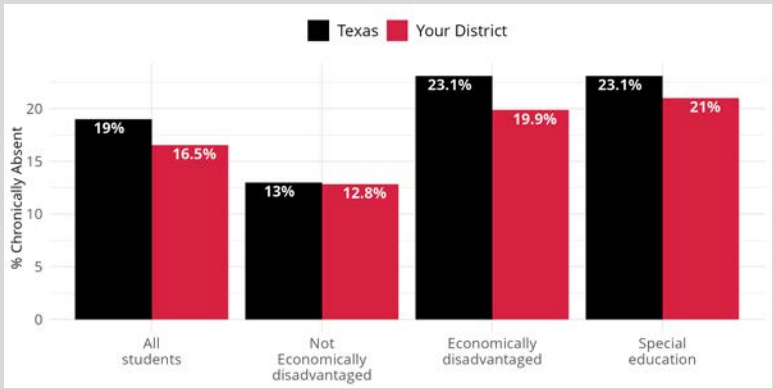
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HOUSE DISTRICT #59

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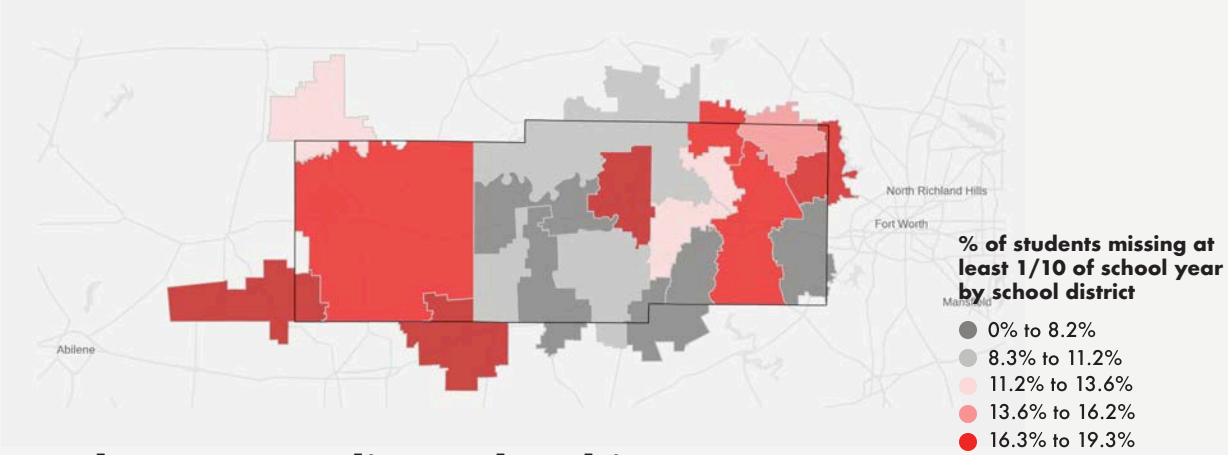
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13.9% of students attending school in HD 60 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #60



Rep. Mike Olcott

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

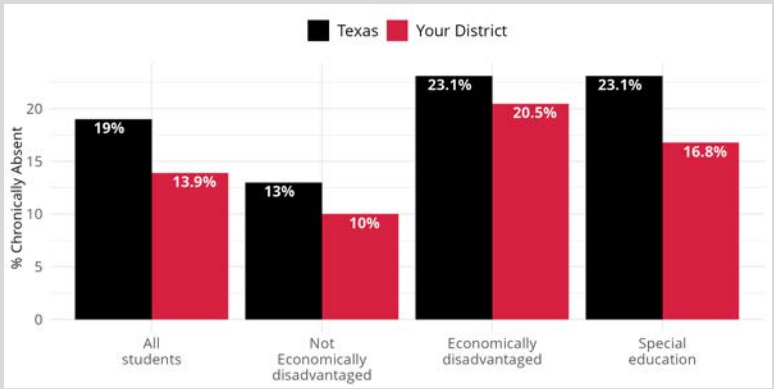
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HOUSE DISTRICT #60

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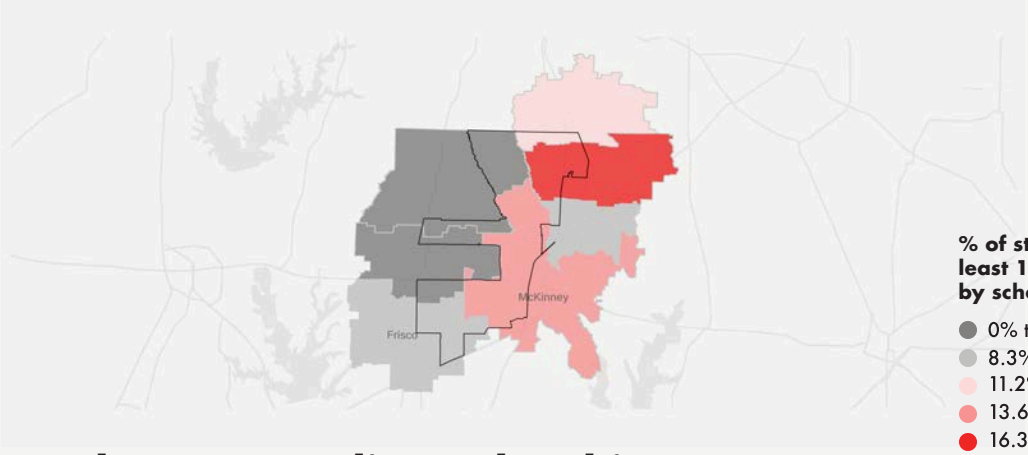
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10.5% of students attending school in HD 61 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #61



Rep. Keresa Richardson

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

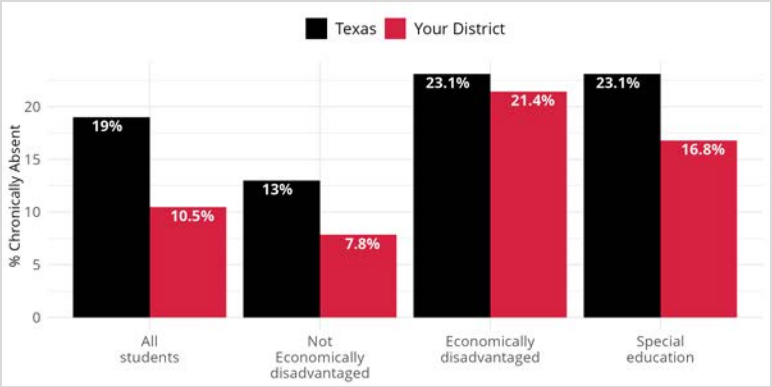
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HOUSE DISTRICT #61

During the 2023-24 school year, 10.5% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 4,884 students. This is a 1 percentage point increase from 2022-23.



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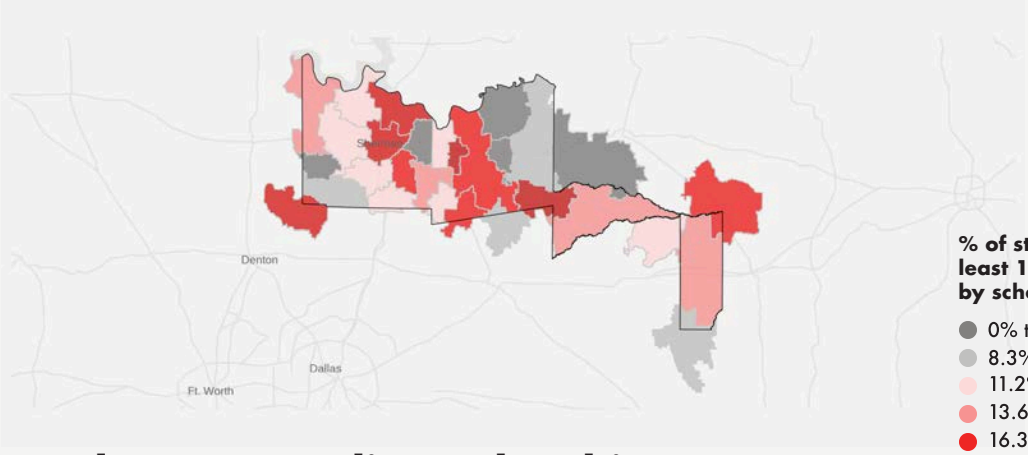
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16.3% of students attending school in HD 62 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #62



Rep. Shelley Luther

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

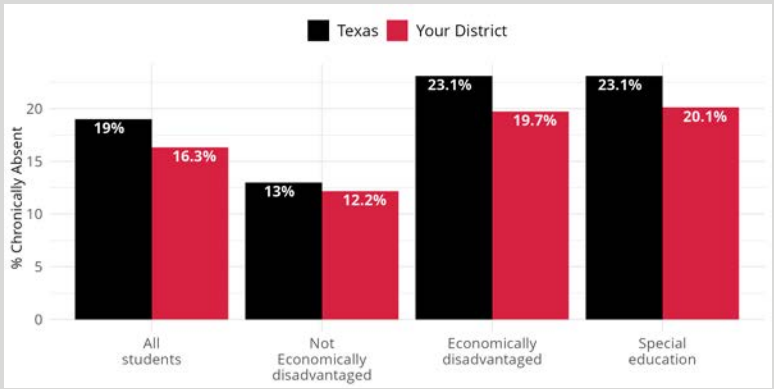
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HOUSE DISTRICT #62

During the 2023-24 school year, 16.3% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 5,246 students. This is a 1 percentage point increase from 2022-23.



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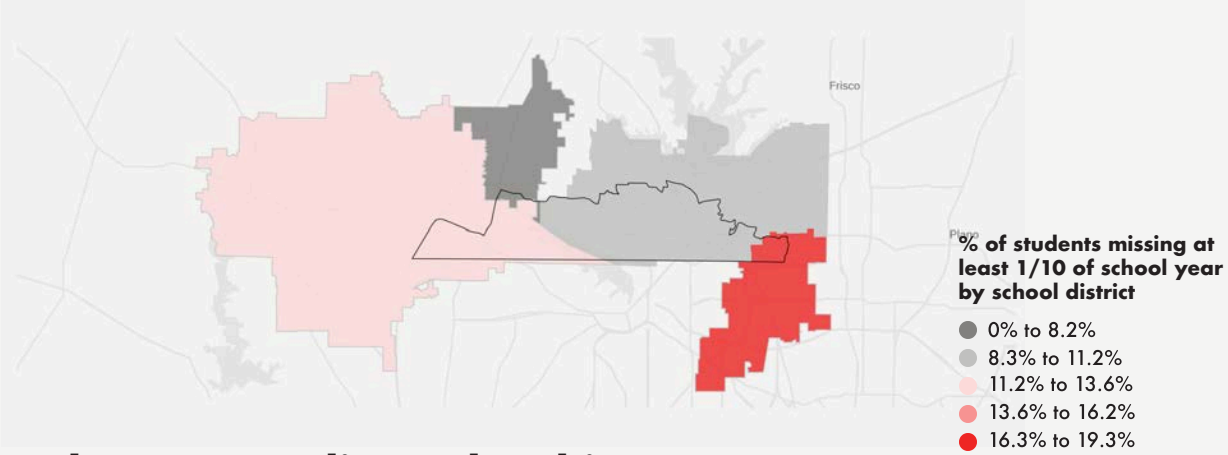
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9.8% of students attending school in HD 63 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #63



Rep. Benjamin Bumgarner

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

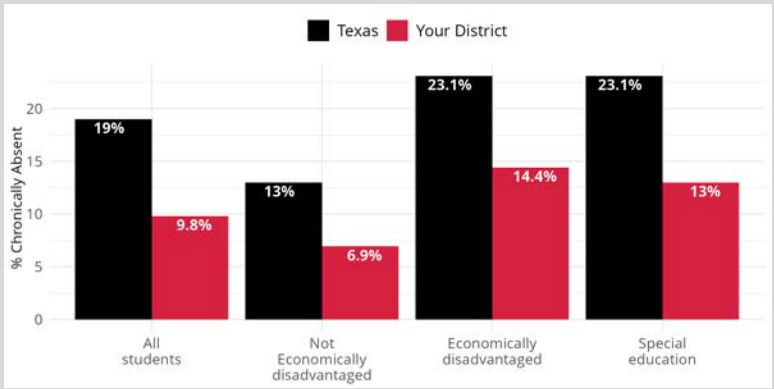
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HOUSE DISTRICT #63

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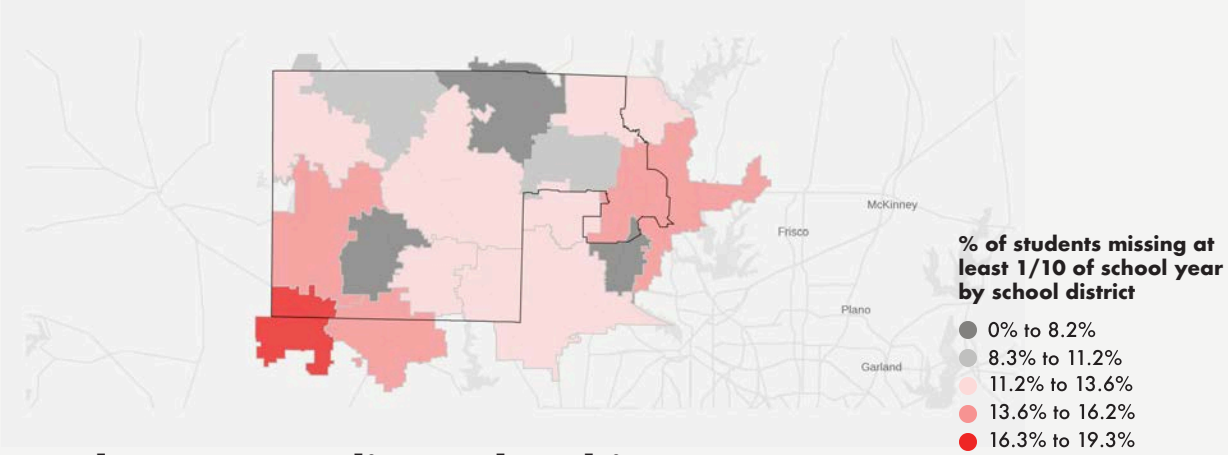
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14.4% of students attending school in HD 64 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #64



Rep. Andy Hopper

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

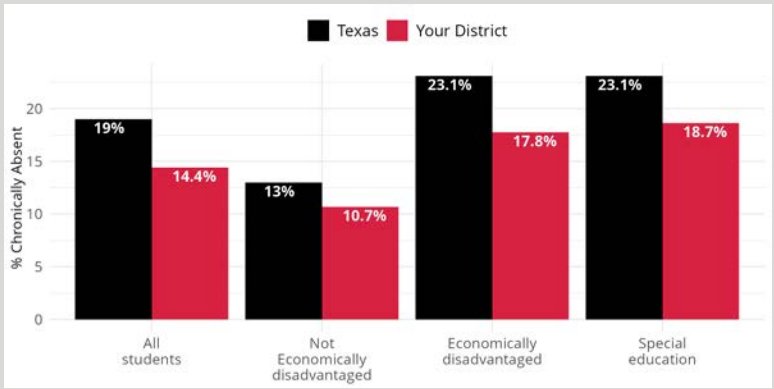
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HOUSE DISTRICT #64

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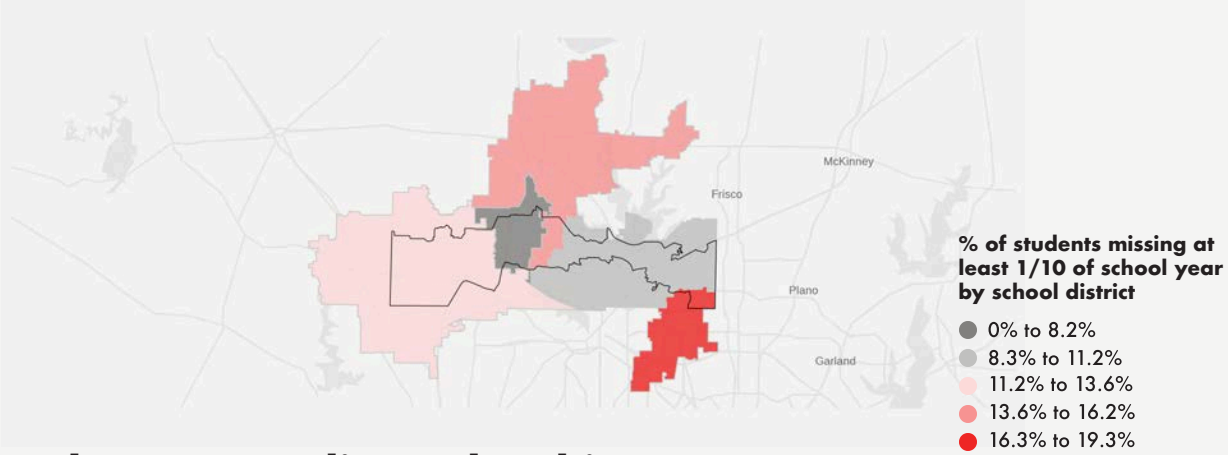
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9.6% of students attending school in HD 65 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #65



Rep. Mitch Little

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

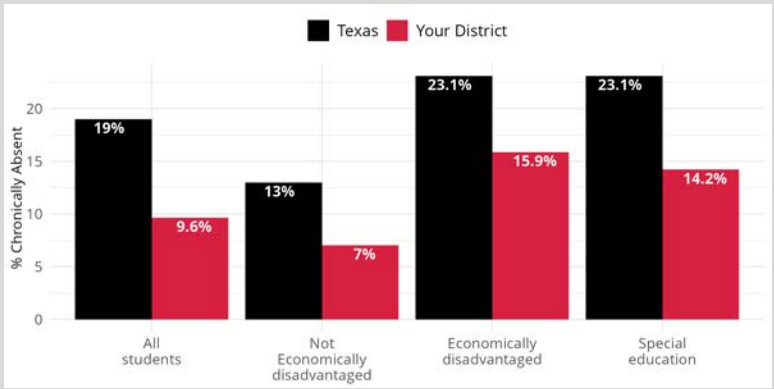
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HOUSE DISTRICT #65

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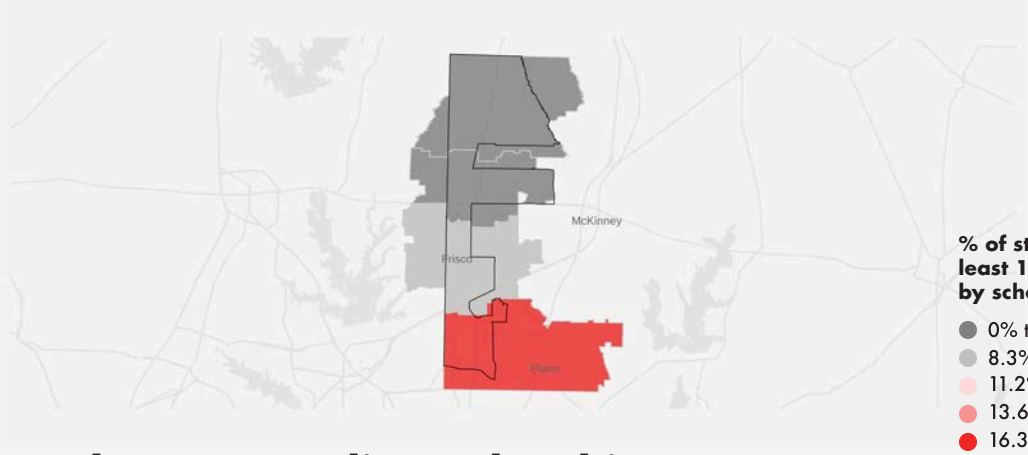
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11.9% of students attending school in HD 66 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #66



Rep. Matt Shaheen

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

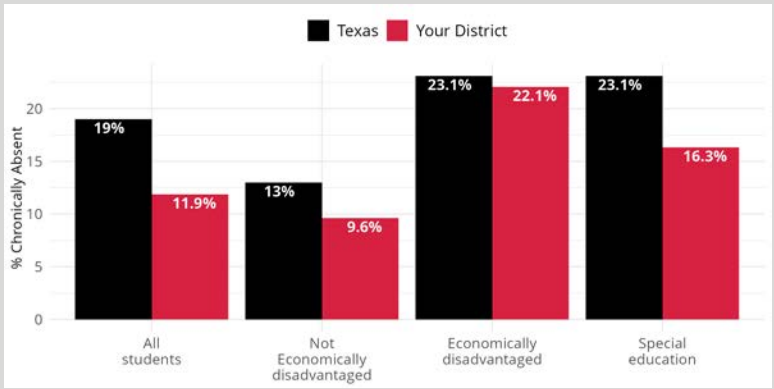
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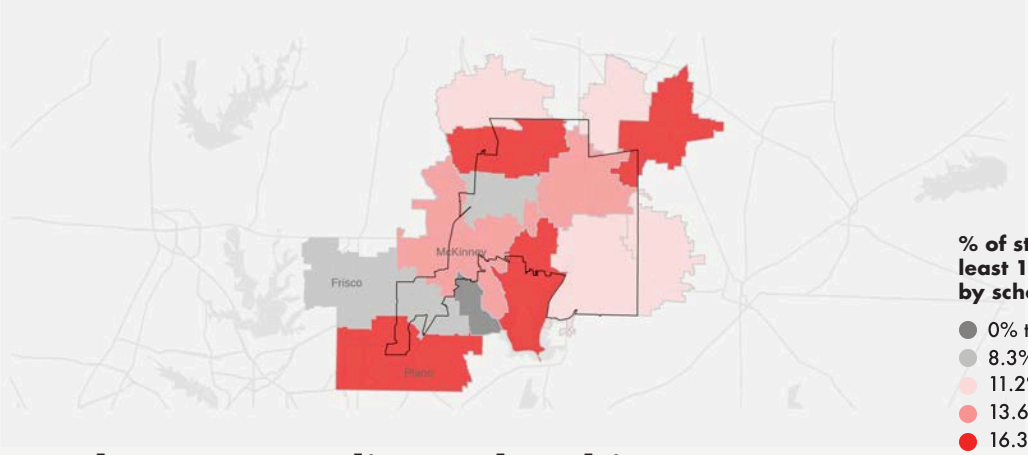
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13.9% of students attending school in HD 67 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #67



Rep. Jeff Leach

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

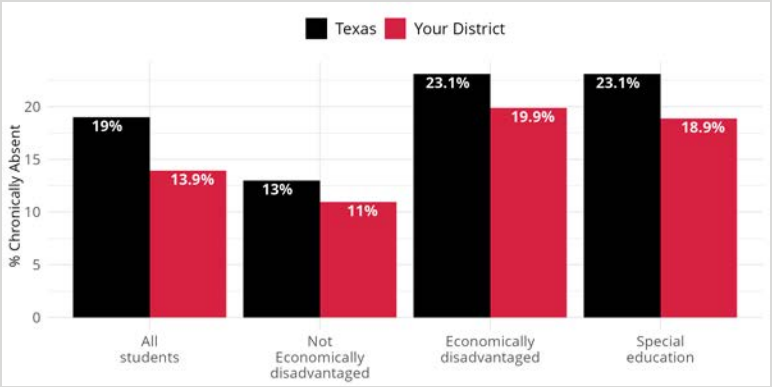
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HOUSE DISTRICT #67

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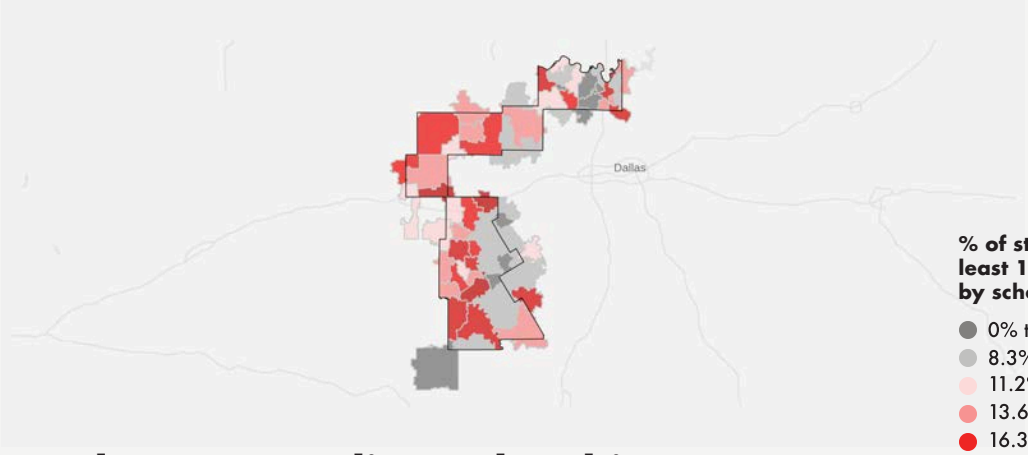
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14.8% of students attending school in HD 68 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #68



Rep. David Spiller

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

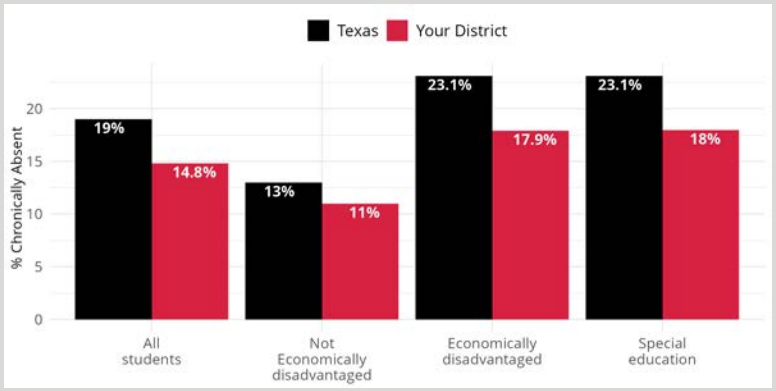
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HOUSE DISTRICT #68

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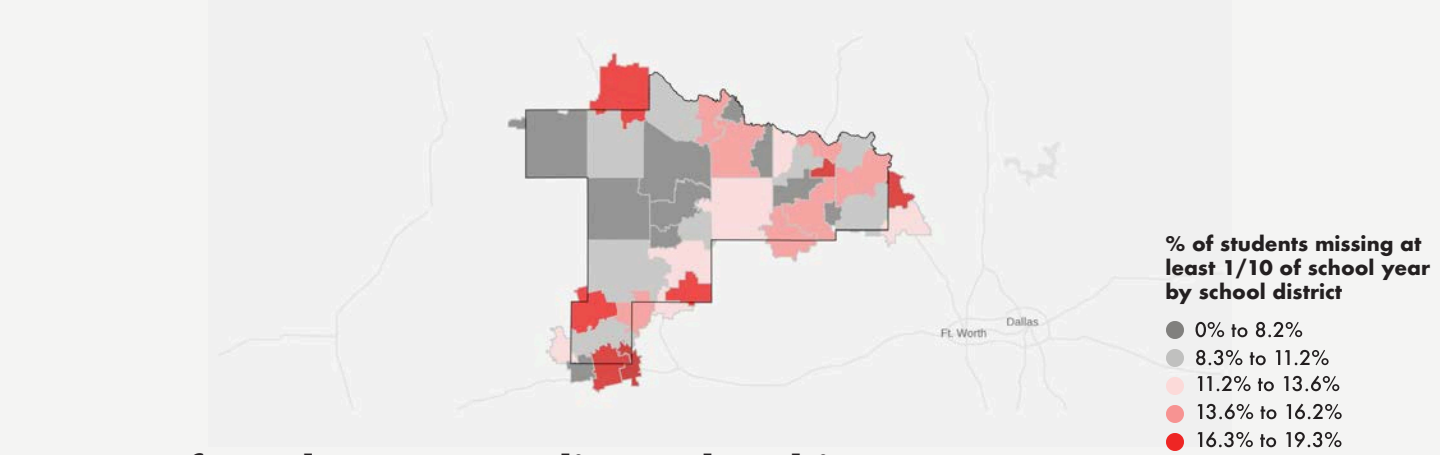
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14.4% of students attending school in HD 69 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #69



Rep. James Frank

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

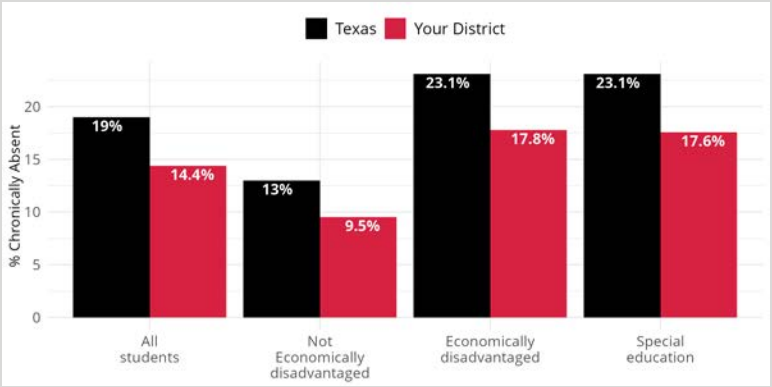
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HOUSE DISTRICT #69

During the 2023-24 school year, 14.4% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 3,502 students. This is a 1 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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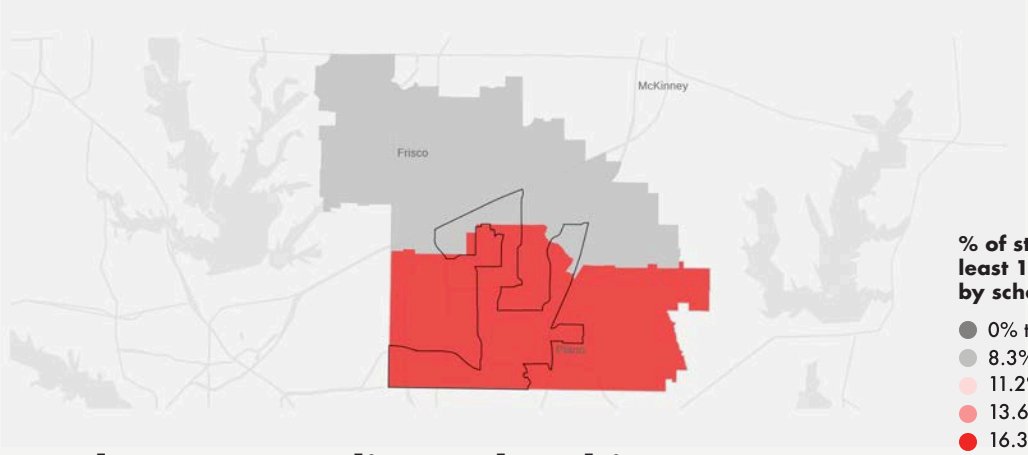
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16.2% of students attending school in HD 70 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #70



Rep. Mihaela Plesa

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

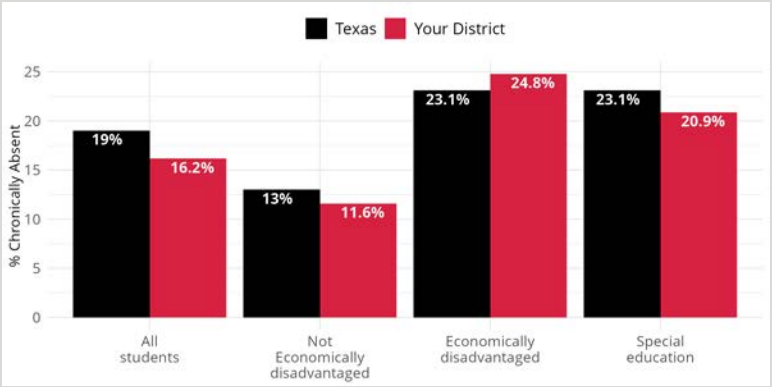
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HOUSE DISTRICT #70

During the 2023-24 school year, 16.2% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 3,554 students. This is a 3 percentage point increase from 2022-23.



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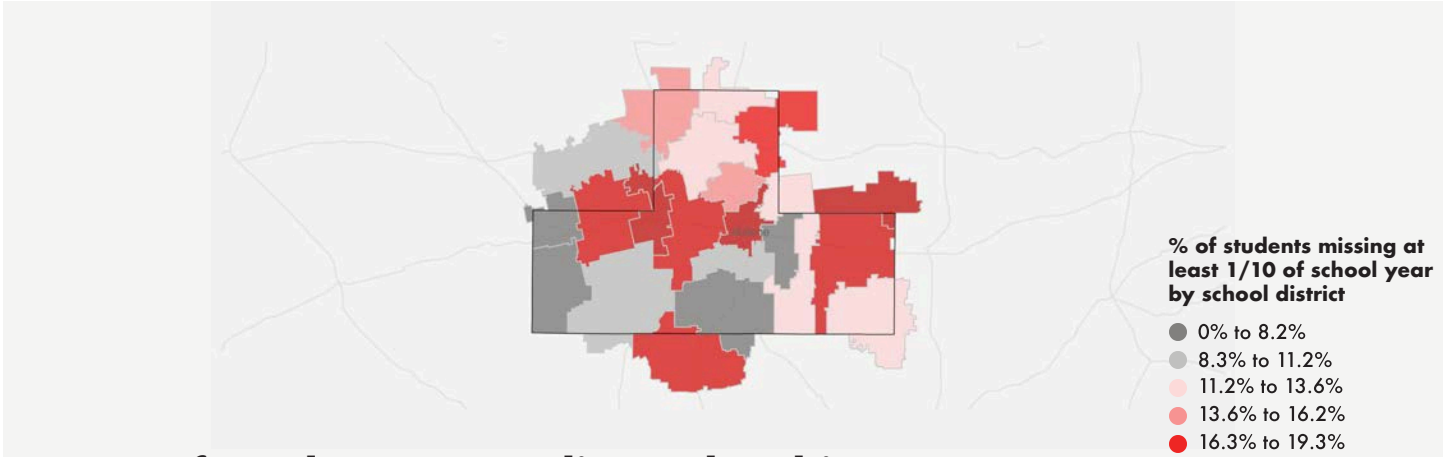
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16.3% of students attending school in HD 71 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #71



Rep. Stan Lambert

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

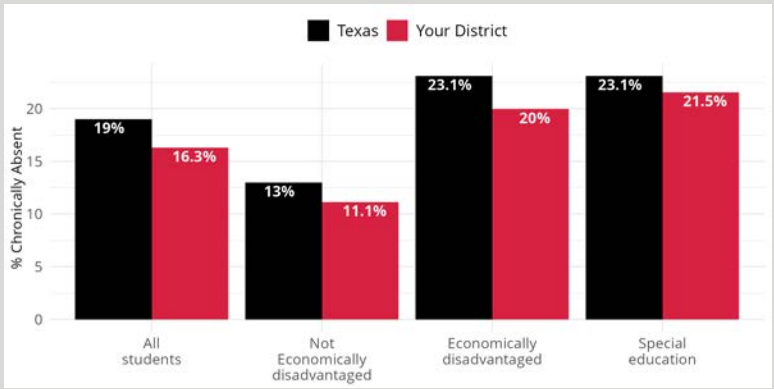
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HOUSE DISTRICT #71

During the 2023-24 school year, 16.3% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 6,256 students. This is a 3 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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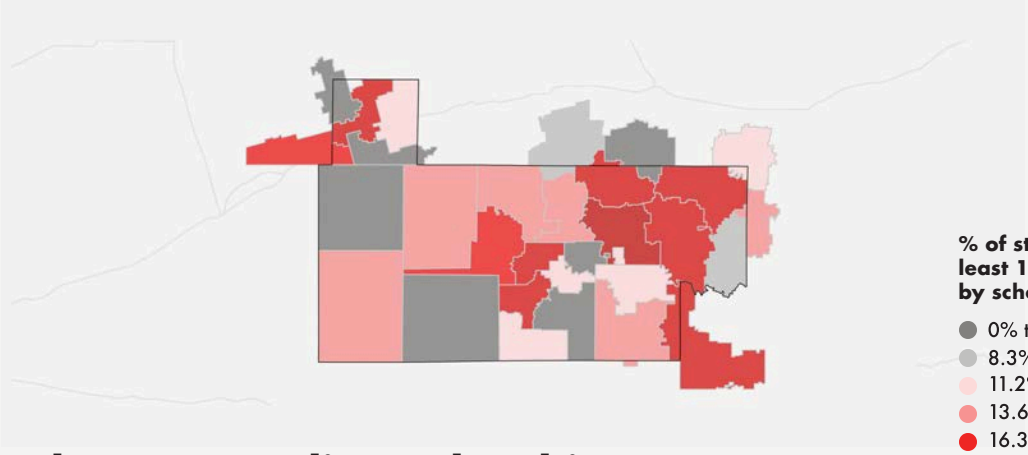
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18% of students attending school in HD 72 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #72



Rep. Drew Darby

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

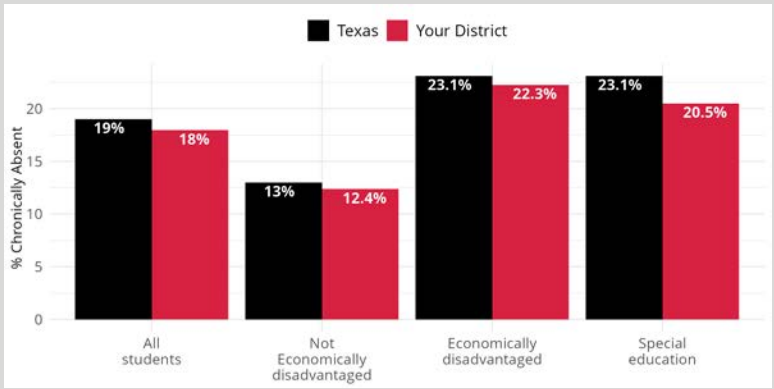
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HOUSE DISTRICT #72

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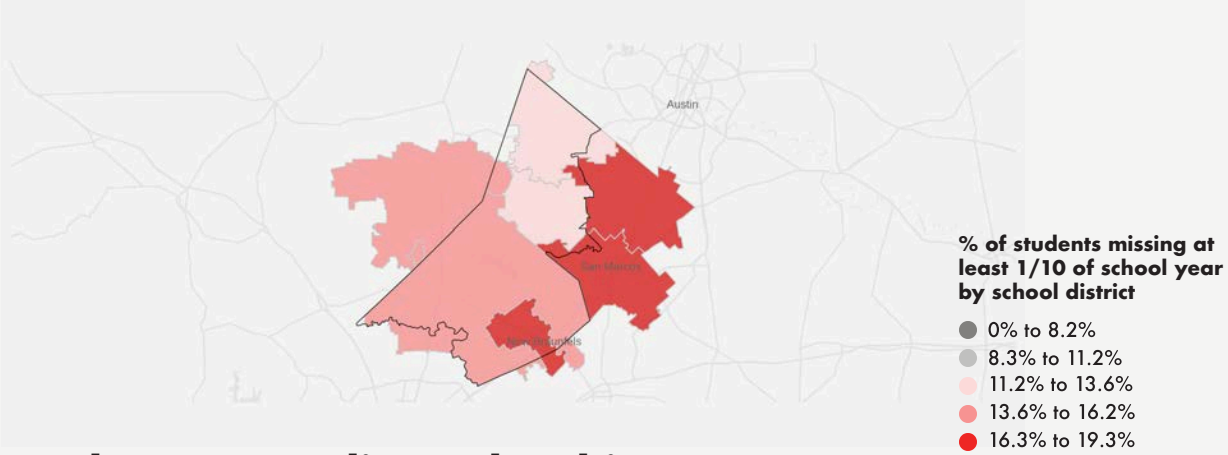
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17.4% of students attending school in HD 73 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #73



Rep. Carrie Isaac

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

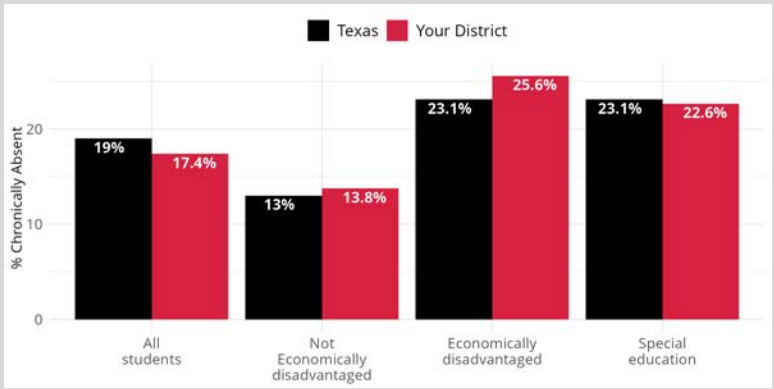
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HOUSE DISTRICT #73

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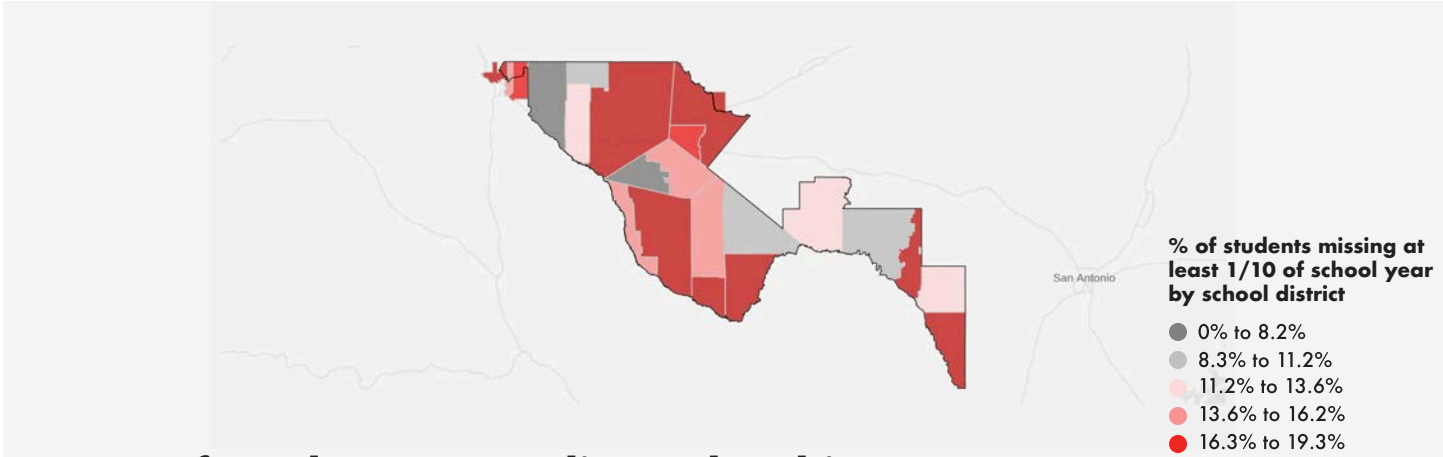
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House District #74



Rep. Eddie Morales

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

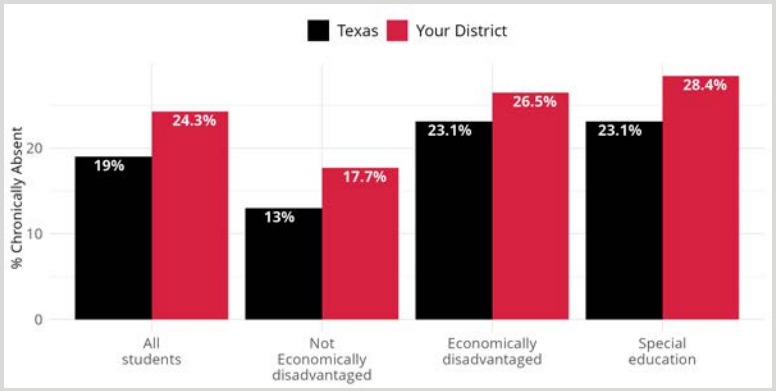
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HOUSE DISTRICT #74

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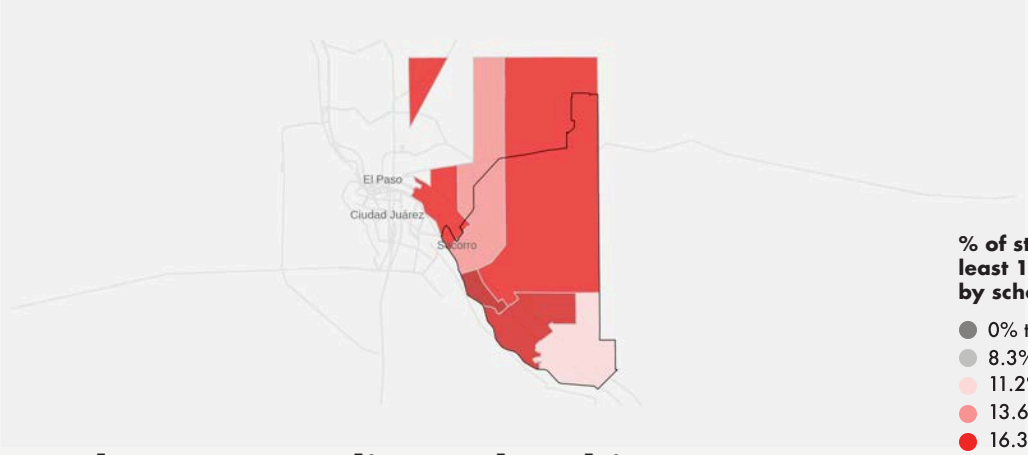
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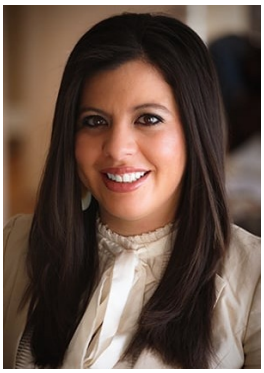
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16.6% of students attending school in HD 75 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #75



Rep. Mary E. González

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

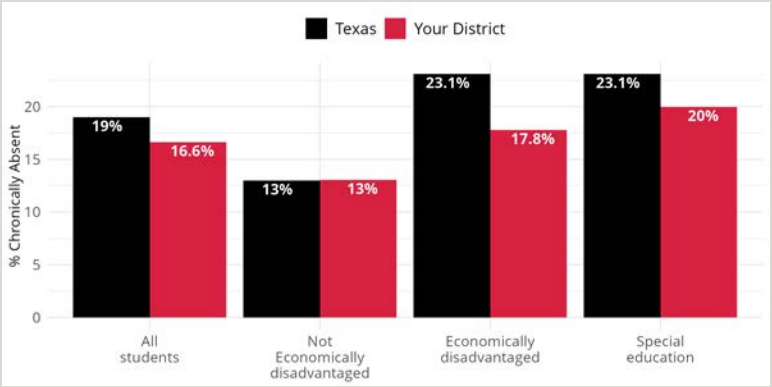
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HOUSE DISTRICT #75

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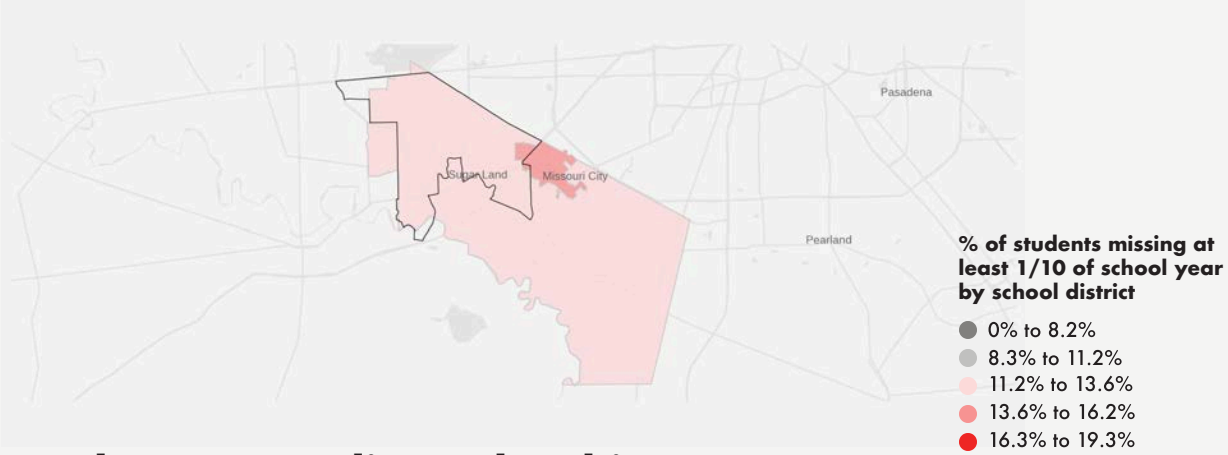
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13.4% of students attending school in HD 76 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #76



Rep. Suleman Lalani

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

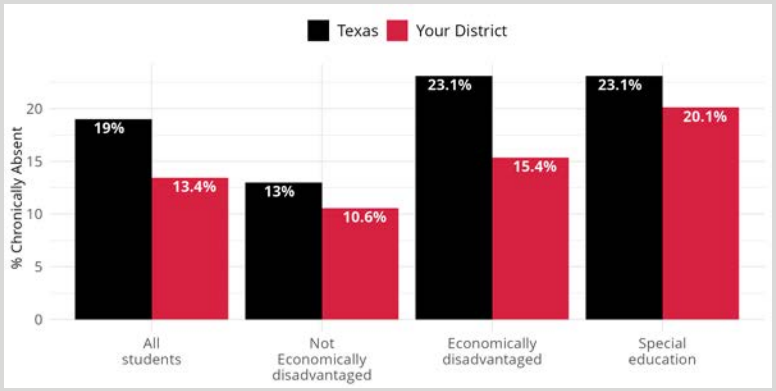
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HOUSE DISTRICT #76

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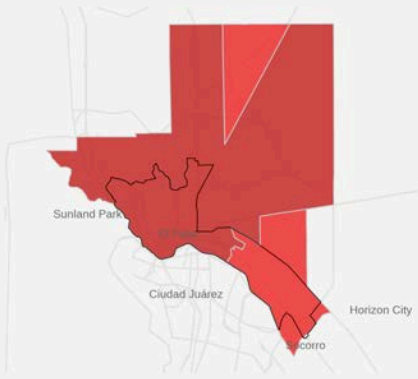
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% of students missing at least 1/10 of school year by school district

- 0% to 8.2%
- 8.3% to 11.2%
- 11.2% to 13.6%
- 13.6% to 16.2%
- 16.3% to 19.3%
- 19.3% to 23.9%
- 23.9%+

27.3% of students attending school in HD 77 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #77



Rep. Vincent Perez

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

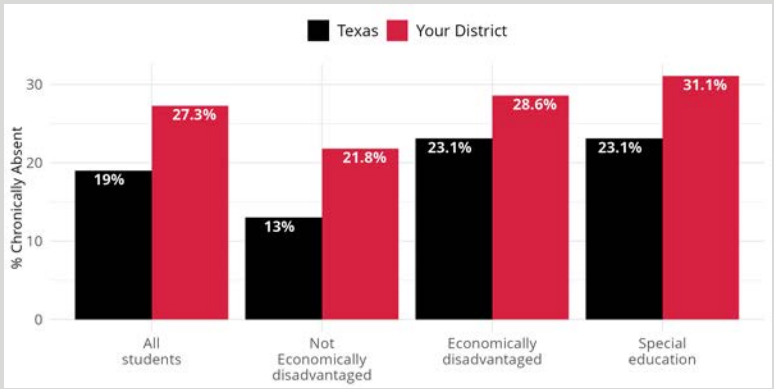
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HOUSE DISTRICT #77

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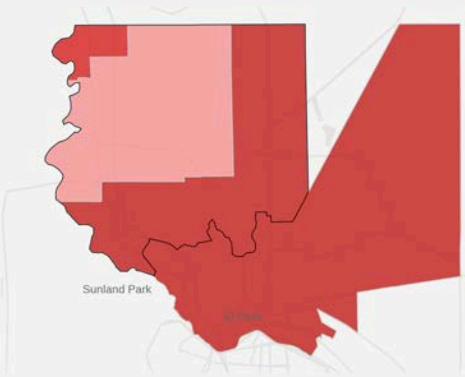
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- 16.3% to 19.3%
- 19.3% to 23.9%
- 23.9%+

25.7% of students attending school in HD 78 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #78



Rep. Joe Moody

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

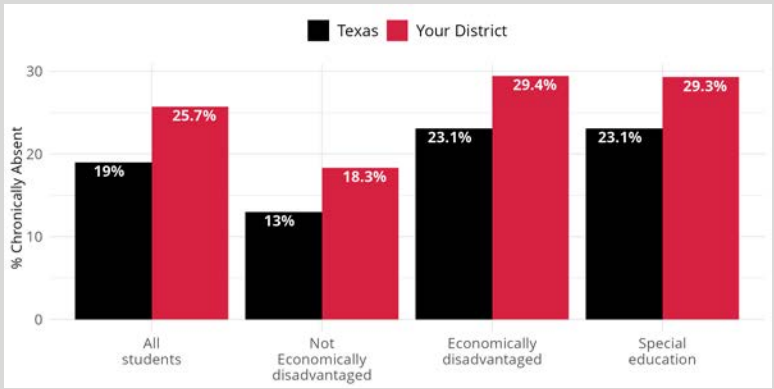
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HOUSE DISTRICT #78

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POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS

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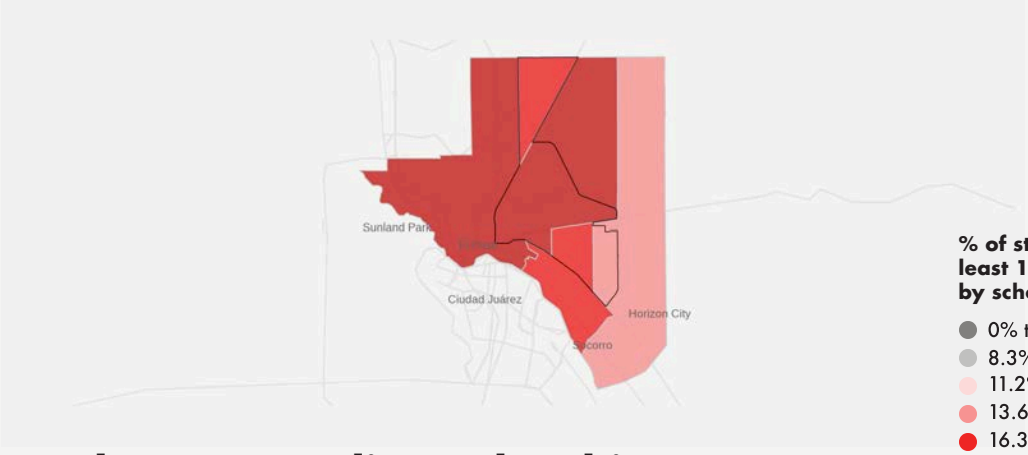
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18.4% of students attending school in HD 79 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #79



Rep. Claudia Ordaz

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

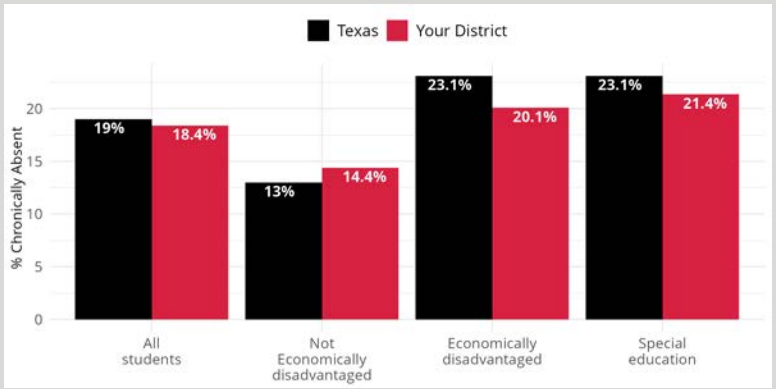
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HOUSE DISTRICT #79

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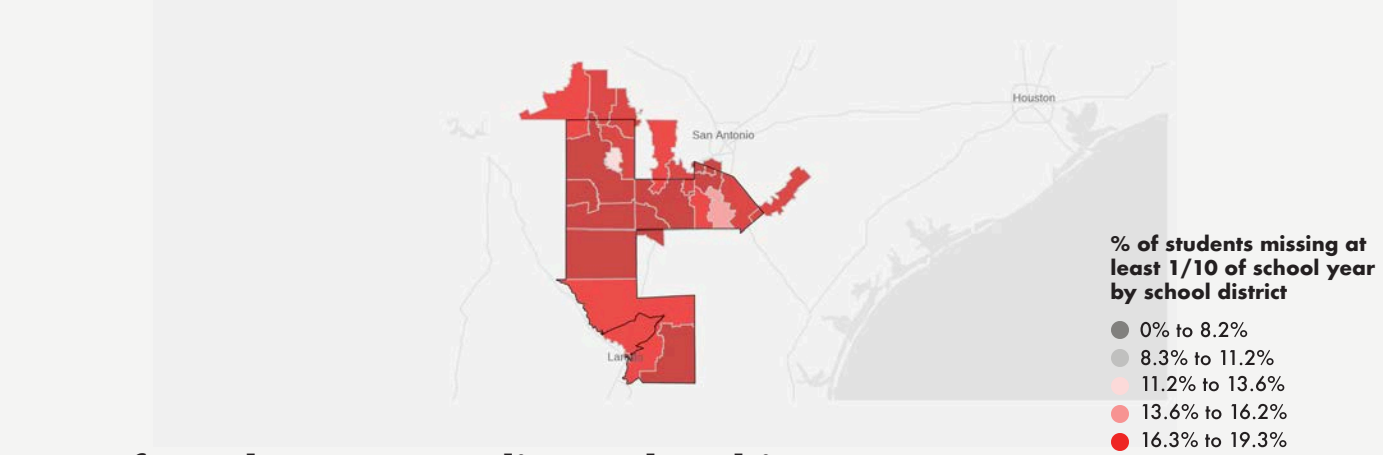
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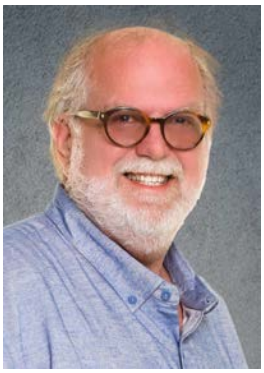
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27.8% of students attending school in HD 80 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #80



Rep. Don McLaughlin

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

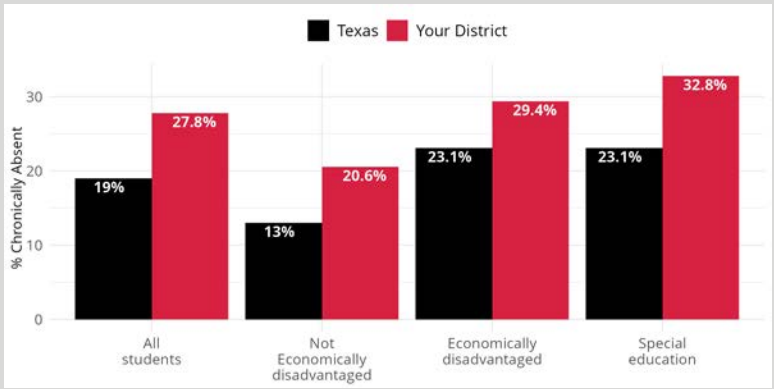
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HOUSE DISTRICT #80

During the 2023-24 school year, 27.8% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 10,576 students. This is a 2 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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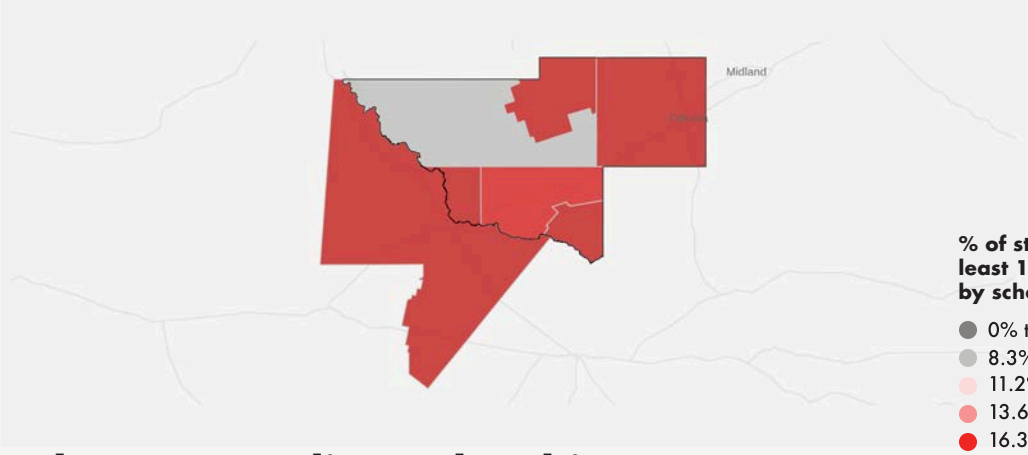
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28% of students attending school in HD 81 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #81



Rep. Brooks Landgraf

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

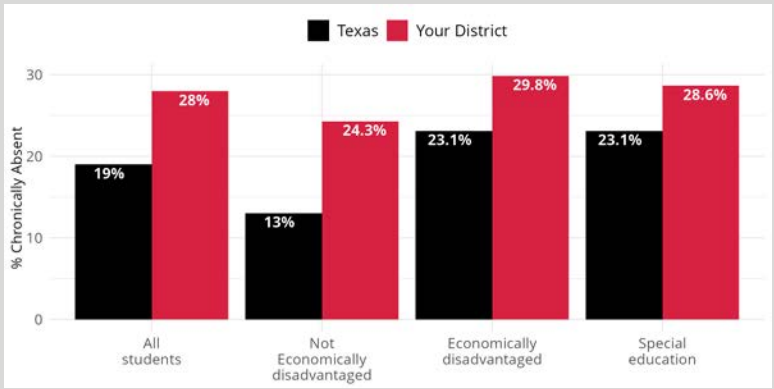
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HOUSE DISTRICT #81

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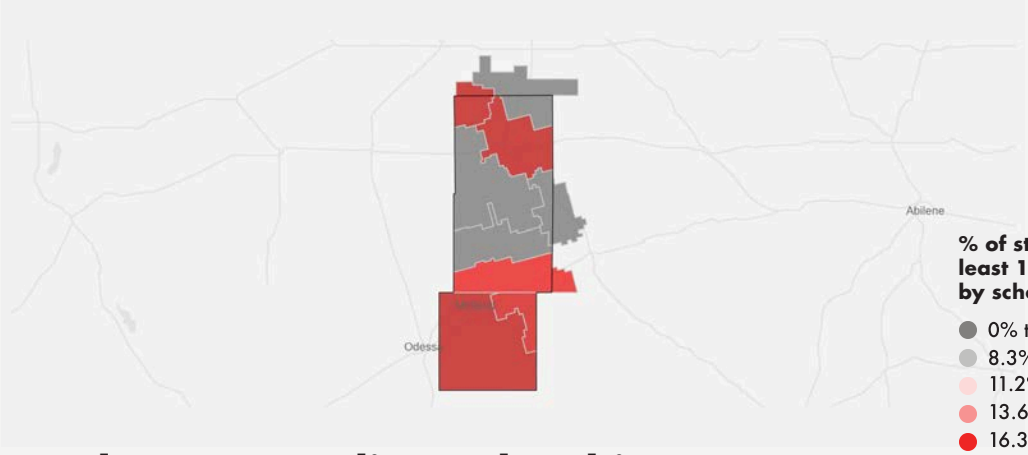
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24.5% of students attending school in HD 82 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #82



Rep. Tom Craddick

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

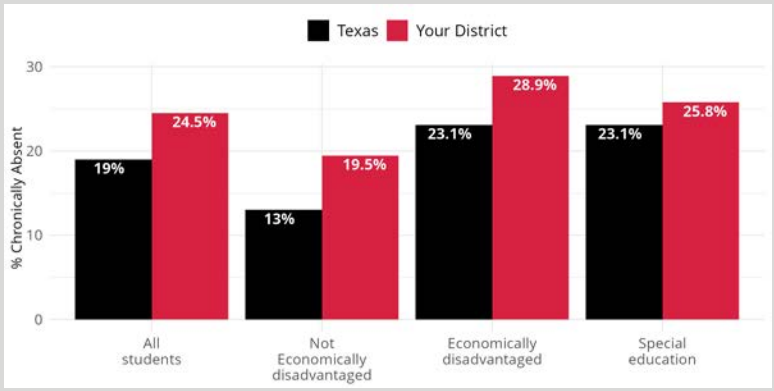
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HOUSE DISTRICT #82

During the 2023-24 school year, 24.5% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 8,760 students. This is a 1 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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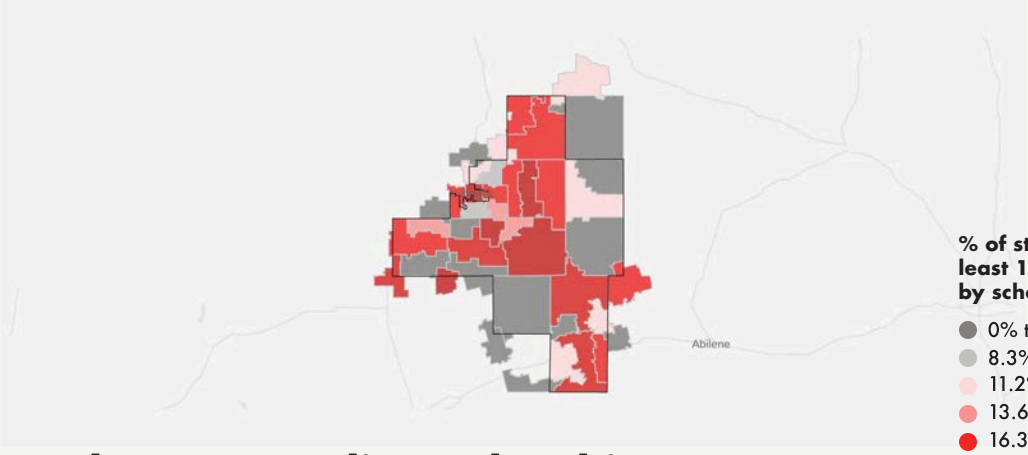
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17.4% of students attending school in HD 83 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #83



Rep. Dustin Burrows

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

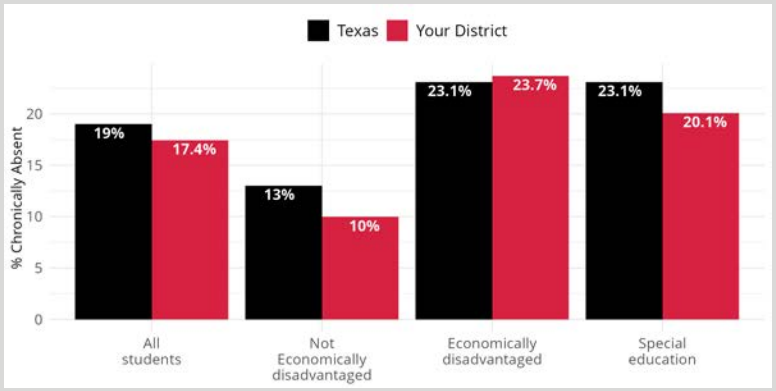
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HOUSE DISTRICT #83

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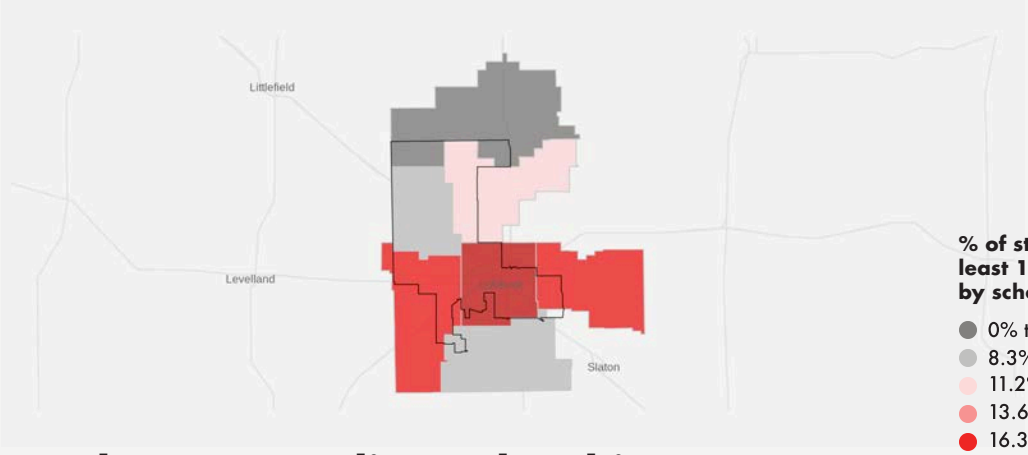
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23.6% of students attending school in HD 84 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #84



Rep. Carl H. Tepper

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

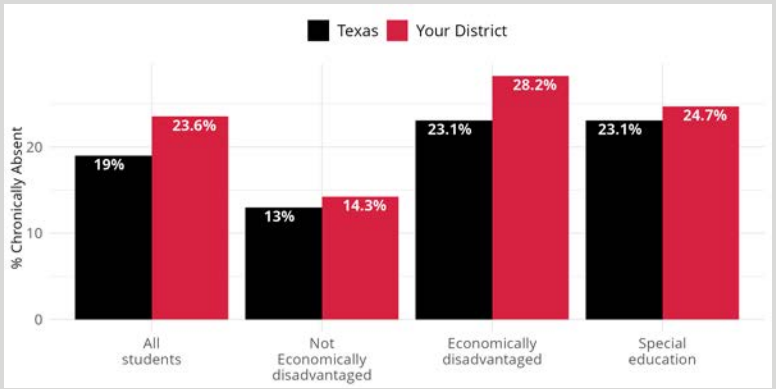
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HOUSE DISTRICT #84

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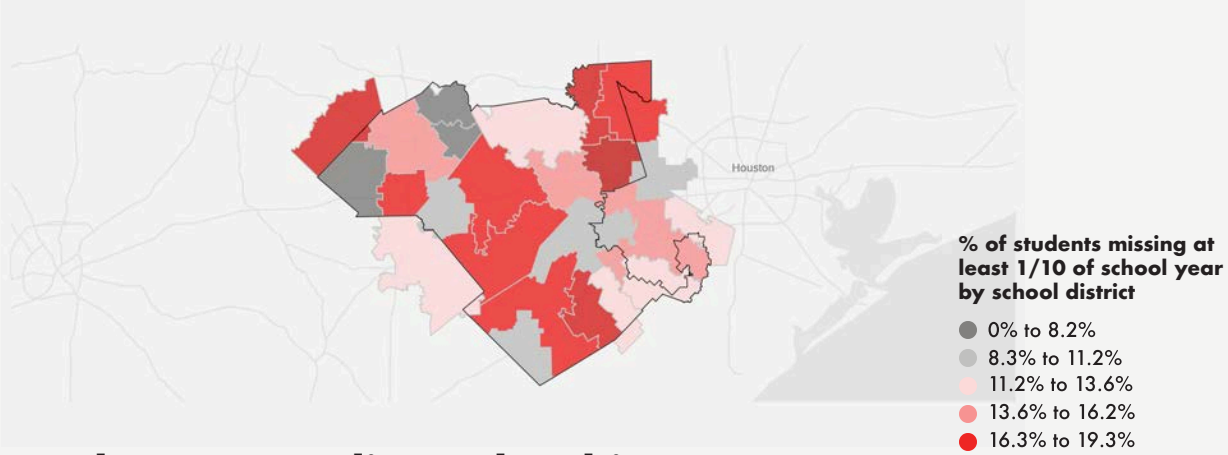
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13.9% of students attending school in HD 85 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #85



Rep. Stan Kitzman

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

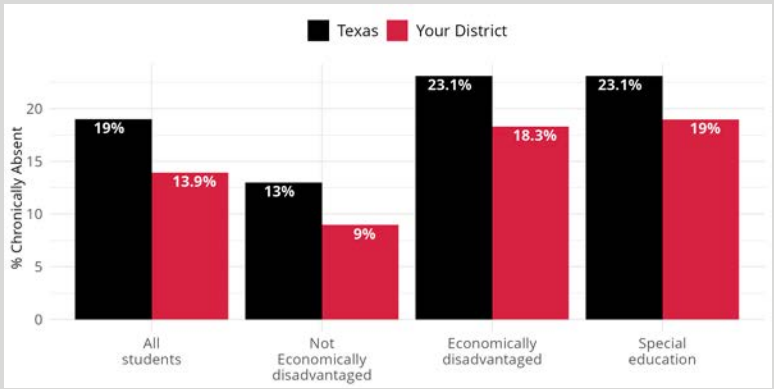
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HOUSE DISTRICT #85

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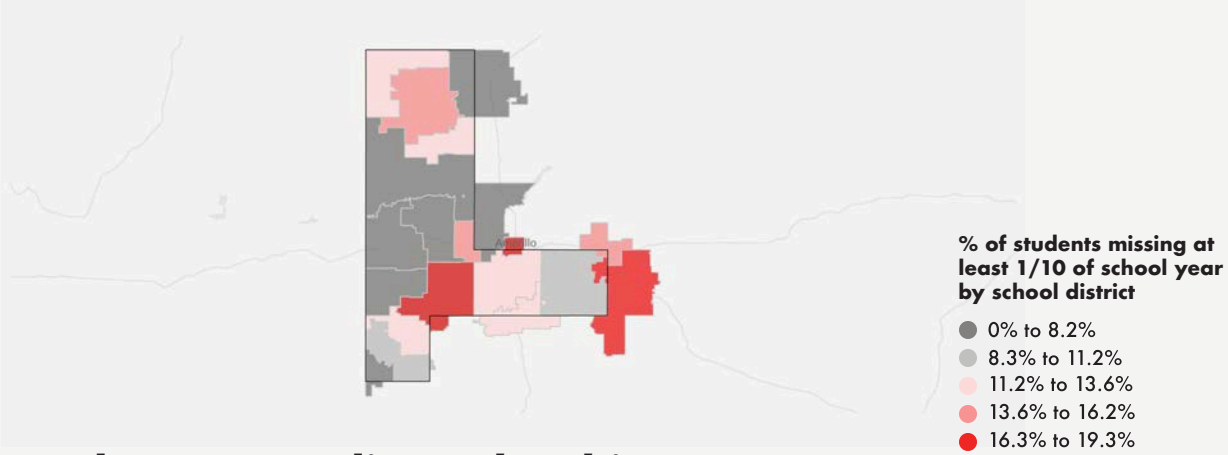
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15.5% of students attending school in HD 86 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #86



Rep. John T. Smithee

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

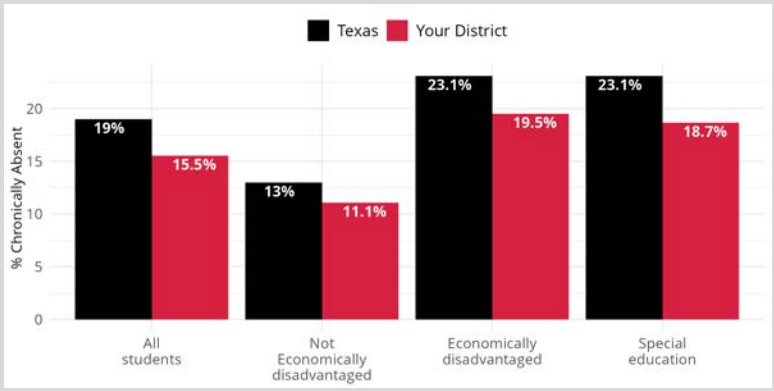
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HOUSE DISTRICT #86

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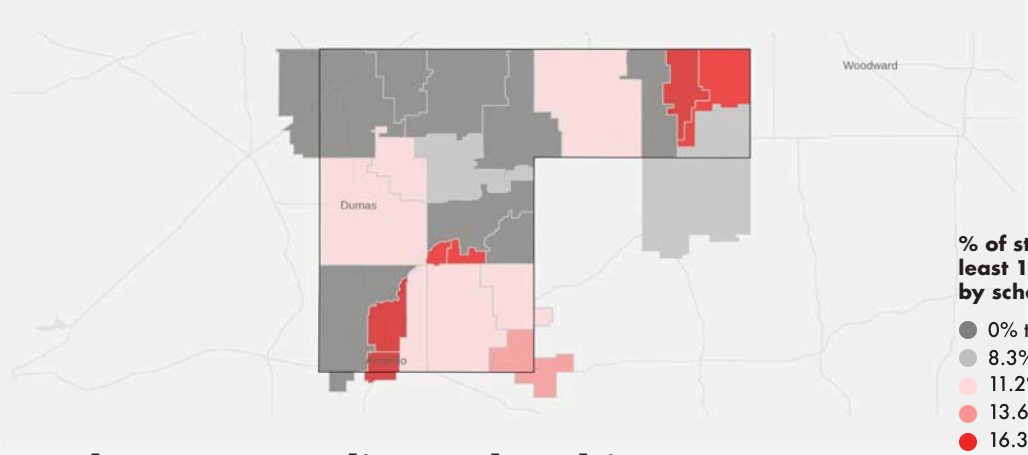
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17.9% of students attending school in HD 87 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #87



Rep. Caroline Fairly

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

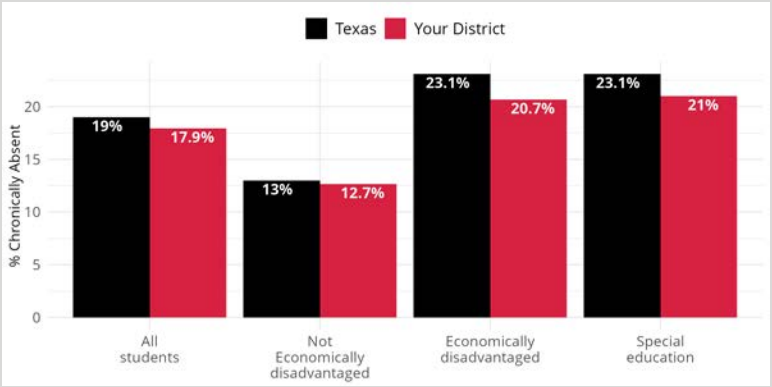
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HOUSE DISTRICT #87

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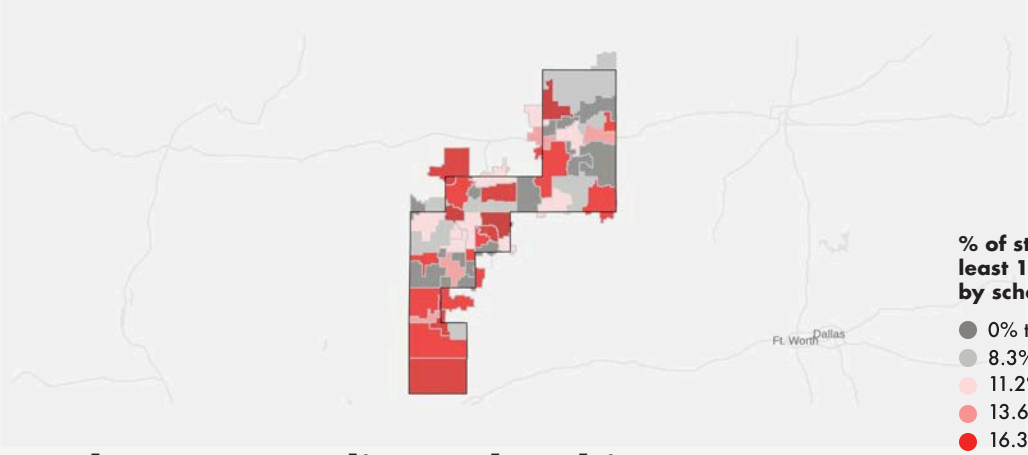
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Defining Chronic Absenteeism and Utilizing Data to Reduce it



17.3% of students attending school in HD 88 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #88



Rep. Ken King

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

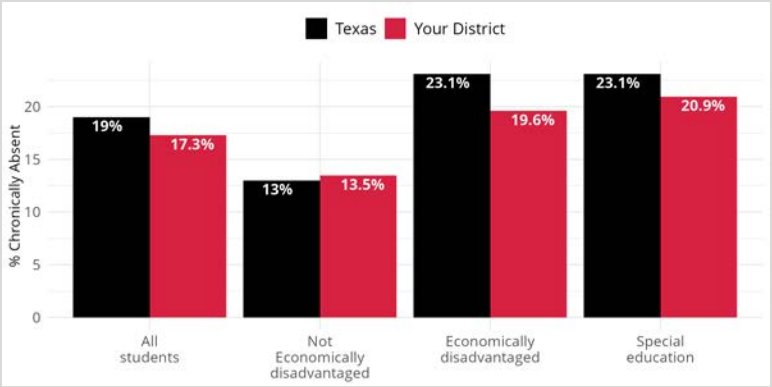
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HOUSE DISTRICT #88

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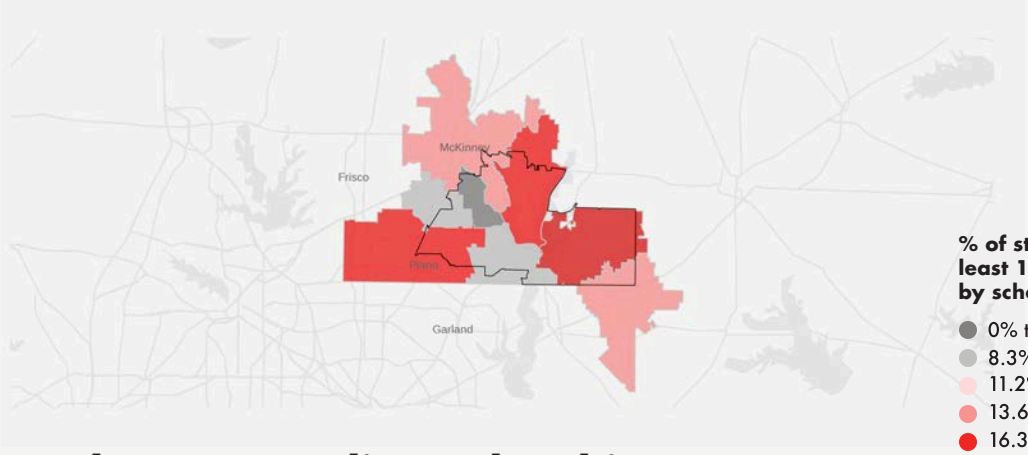
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11.8% of students attending school in HD 89 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #89



Rep. Candy Noble

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

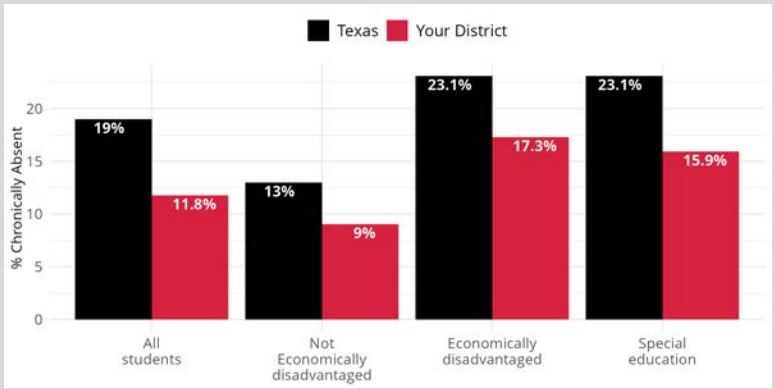
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HOUSE DISTRICT #89

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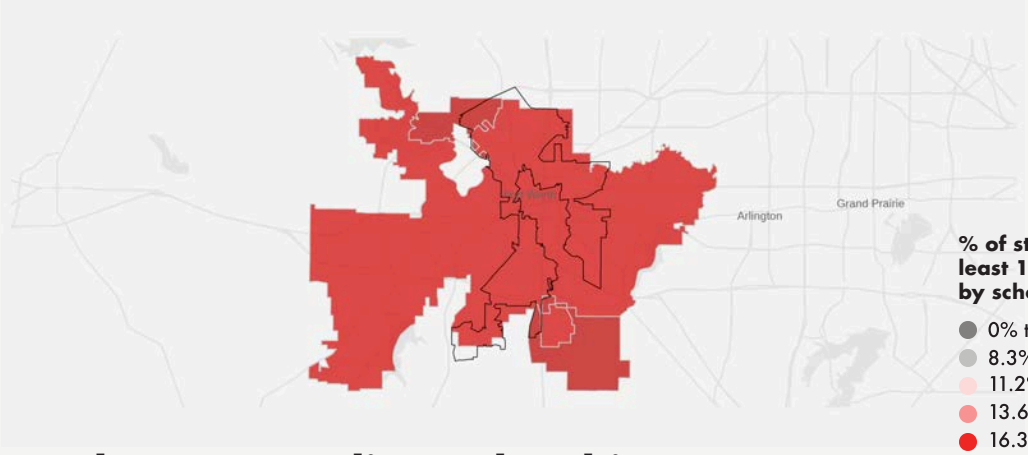
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23.1% of students attending school in HD 90 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #90



Rep. Ramon Romero Jr.

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

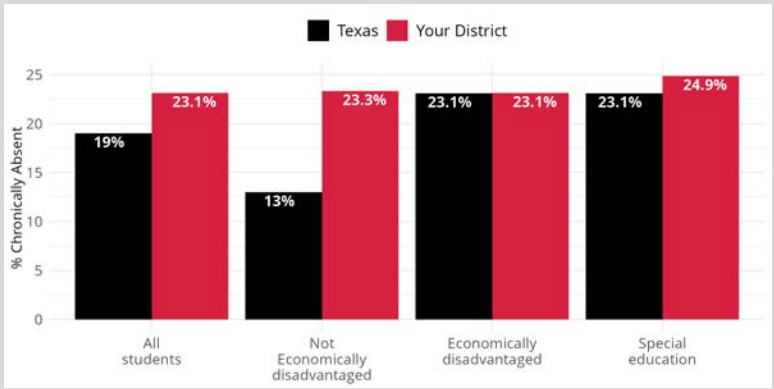
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HOUSE DISTRICT #90

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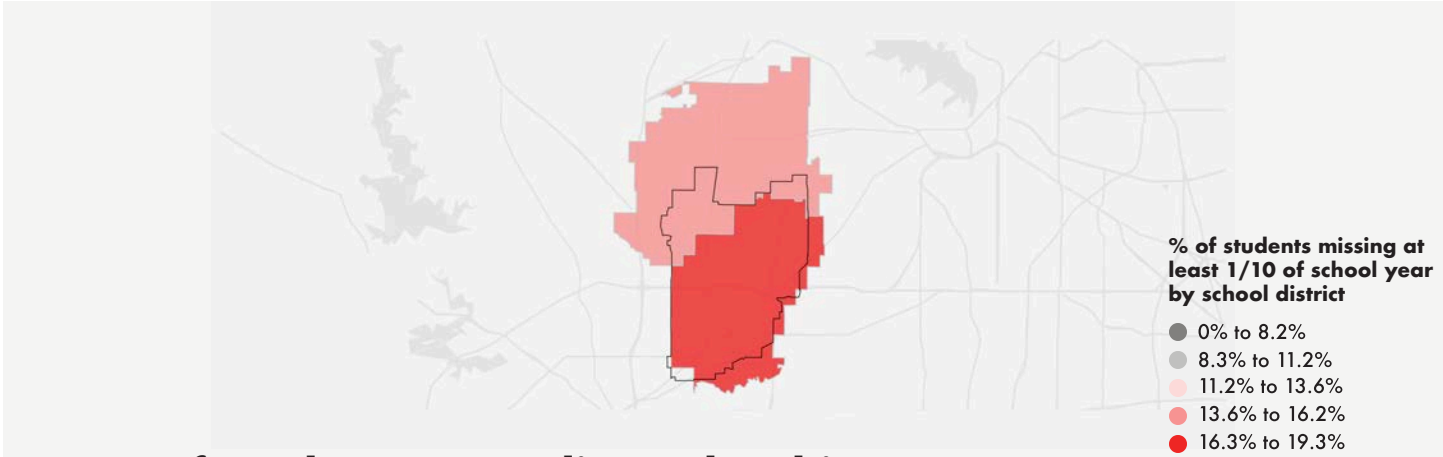
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18.3% of students attending school in HD 91 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #91



Rep. David Lowe

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

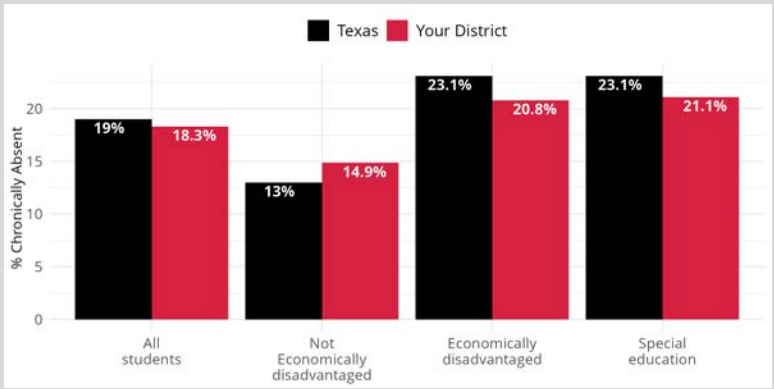
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HOUSE DISTRICT #91

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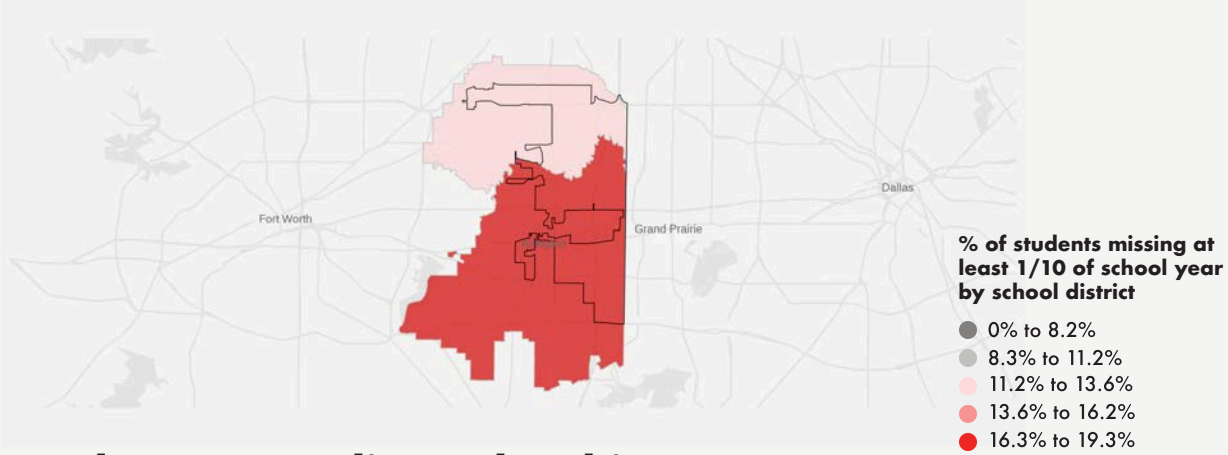
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19.8% of students attending school in HD 92 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #92



Rep. Salman Bhojani

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

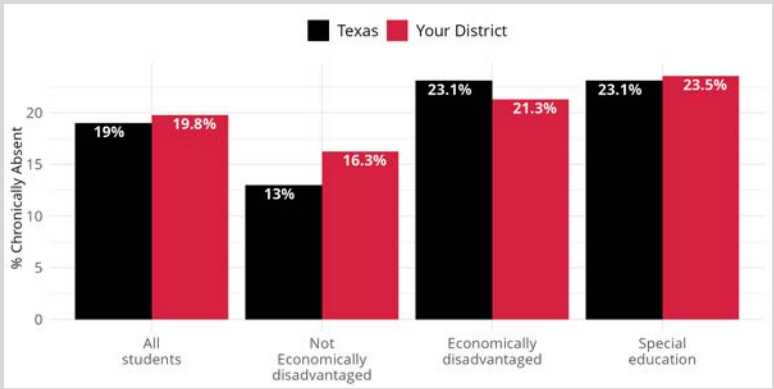
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HOUSE DISTRICT #92

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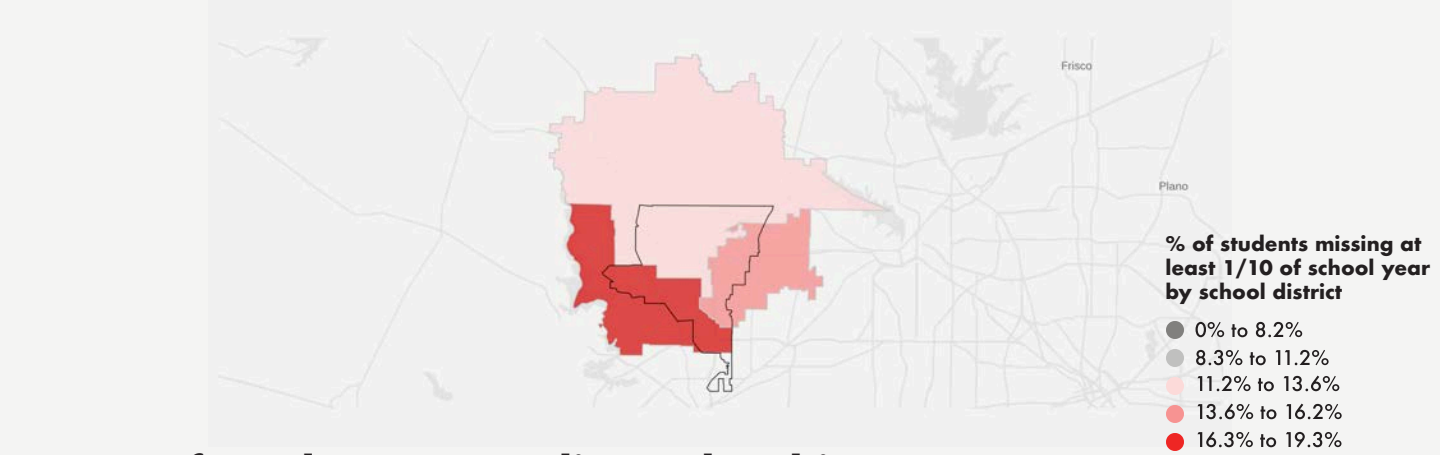
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16.4% of students attending school in HD 93 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #93



Rep. Nate Schatzline

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

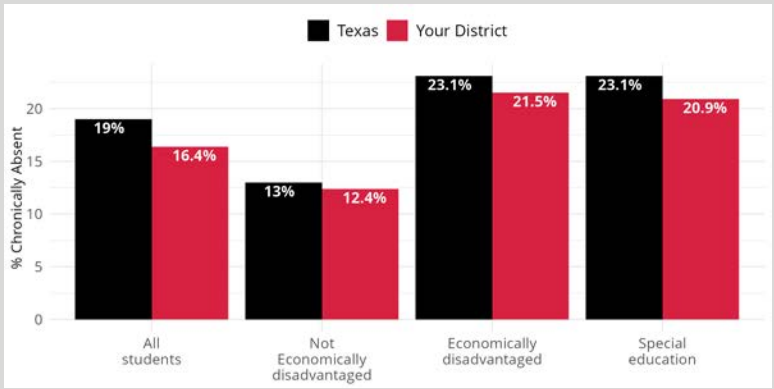
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HOUSE DISTRICT #93

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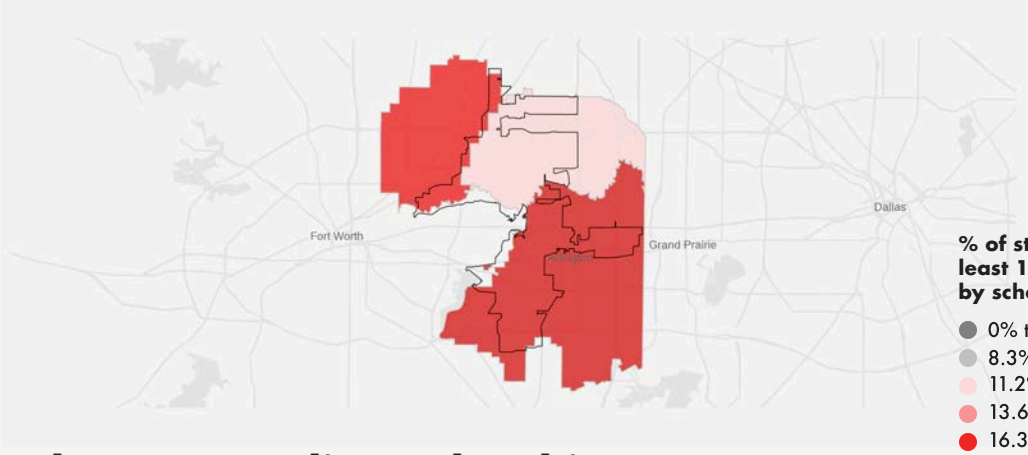
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16% of students attending school in HD 94 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #94



Rep. Tony Tinderholt

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

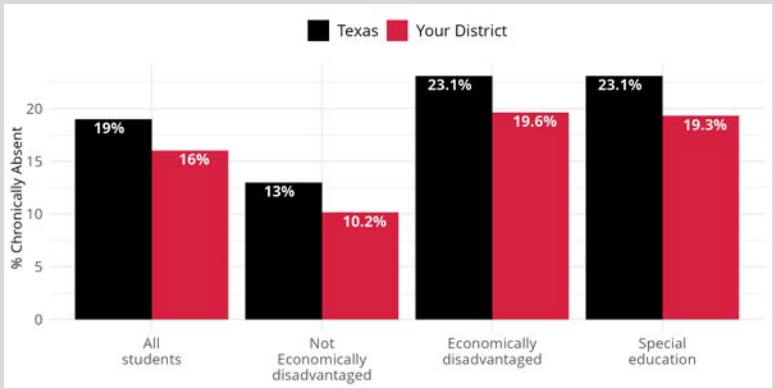
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HOUSE DISTRICT #94

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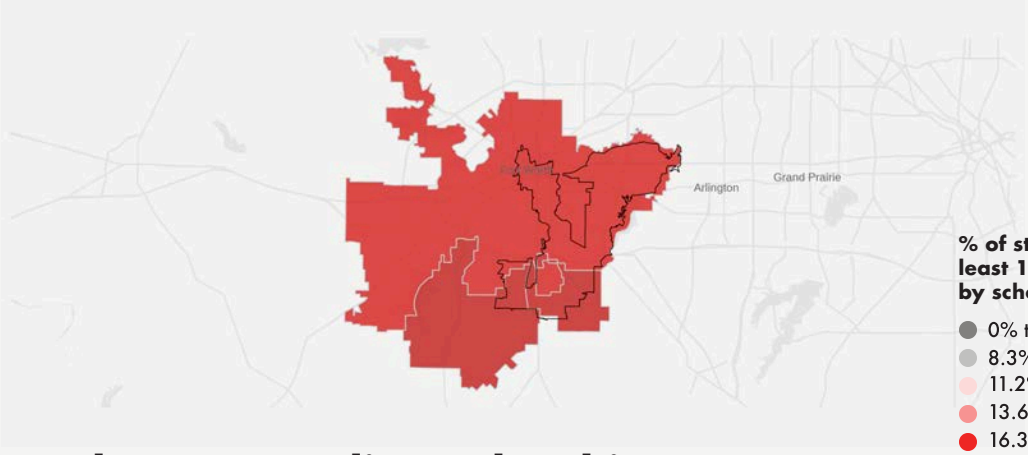
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27.6% of students attending school in HD 95 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #95



Rep. Nicole Collier

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

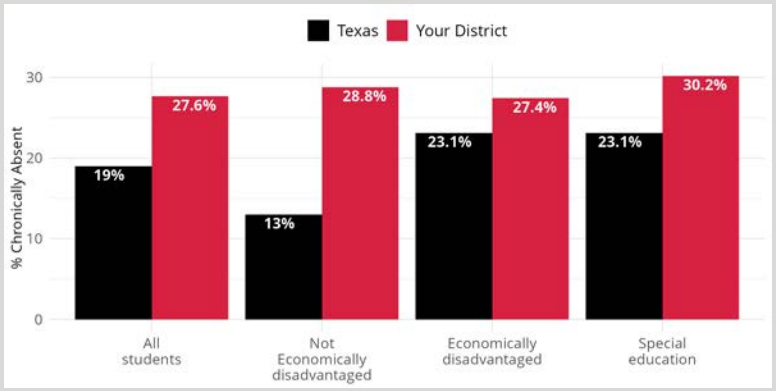
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HOUSE DISTRICT #95

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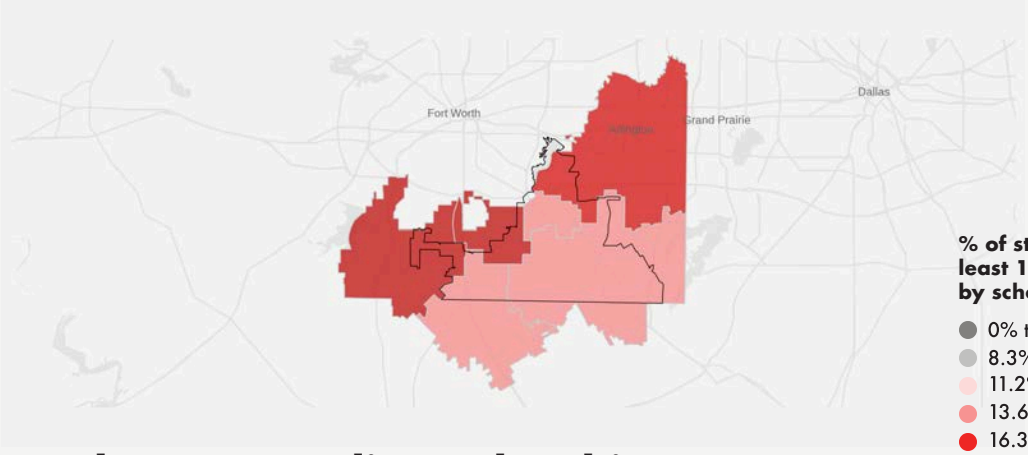
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15.5% of students attending school in HD 96 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #96



Rep. David Cook

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

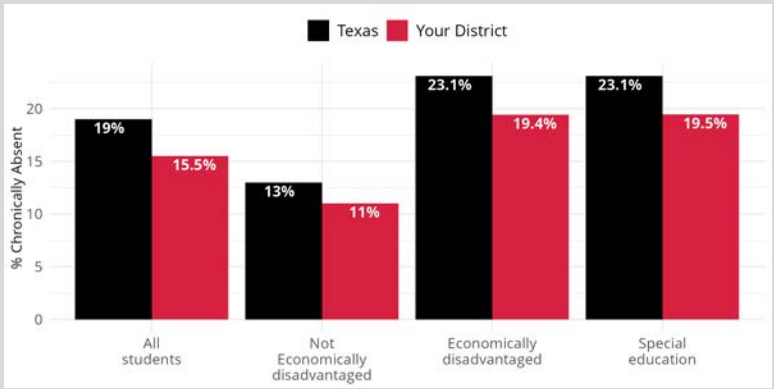
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HOUSE DISTRICT #96

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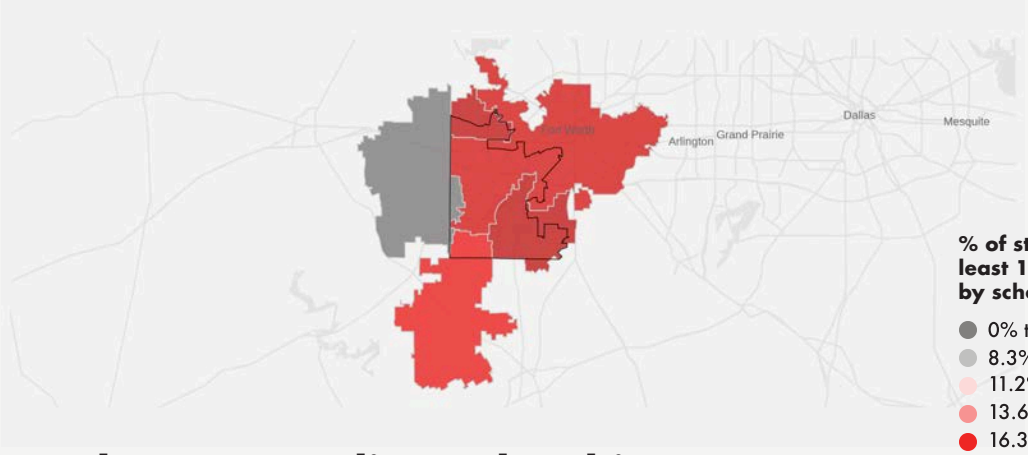
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23.2% of students attending school in HD 97 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #97



Rep. John McQueeney

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

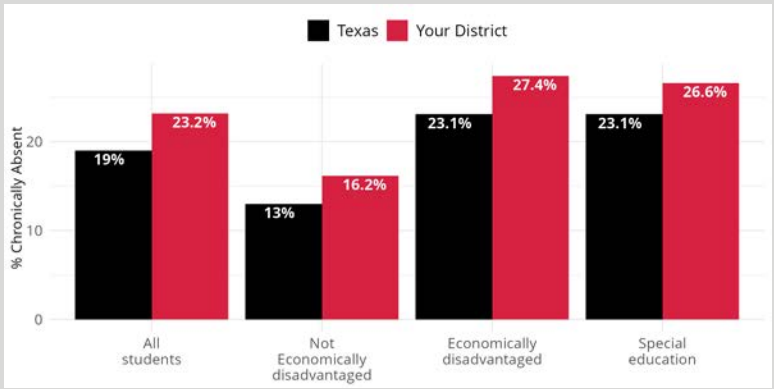
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HOUSE DISTRICT #97

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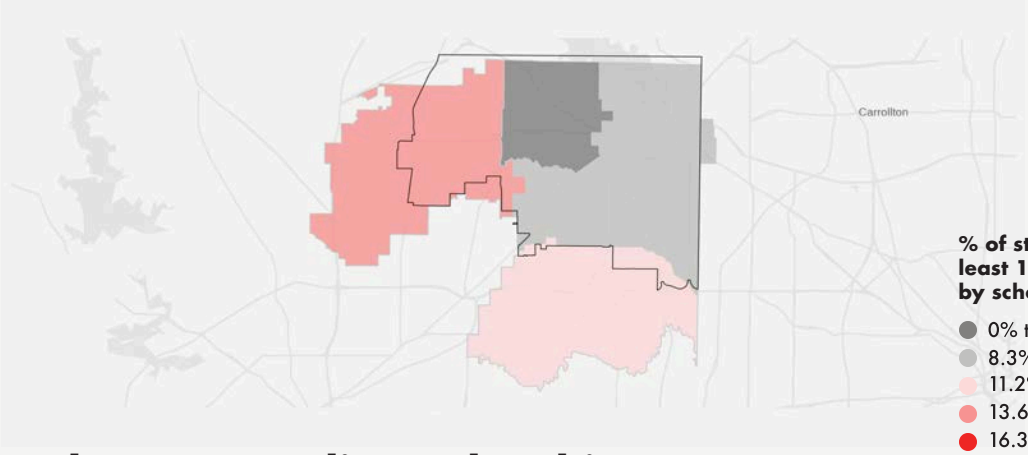
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8.6% of students attending school in HD 98 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #98



Rep. Giovanni Capriglione

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

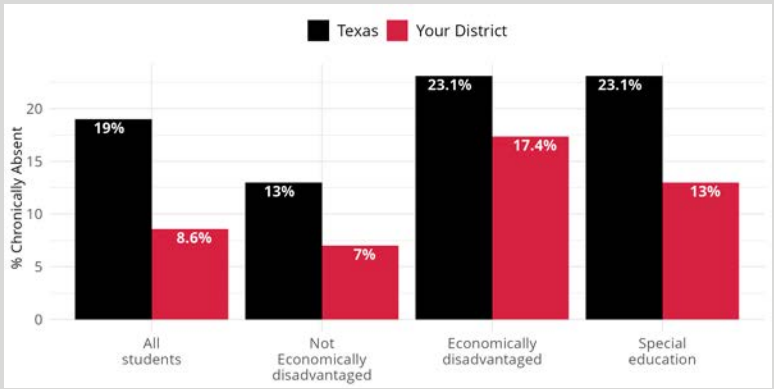
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HOUSE DISTRICT #98

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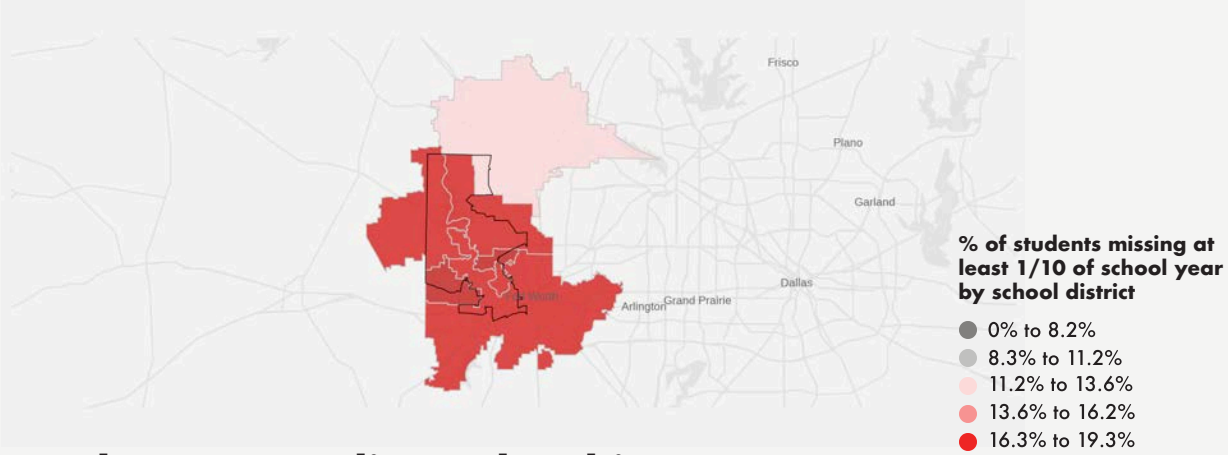
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22.2% of students attending school in HD 99 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #99



Rep. Charlie Geren

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

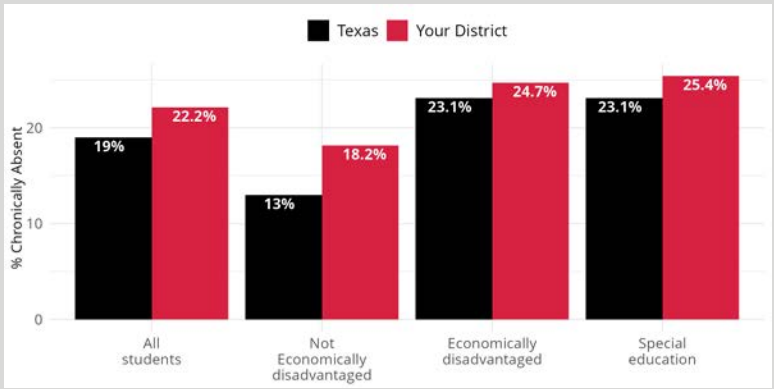
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HOUSE DISTRICT #99

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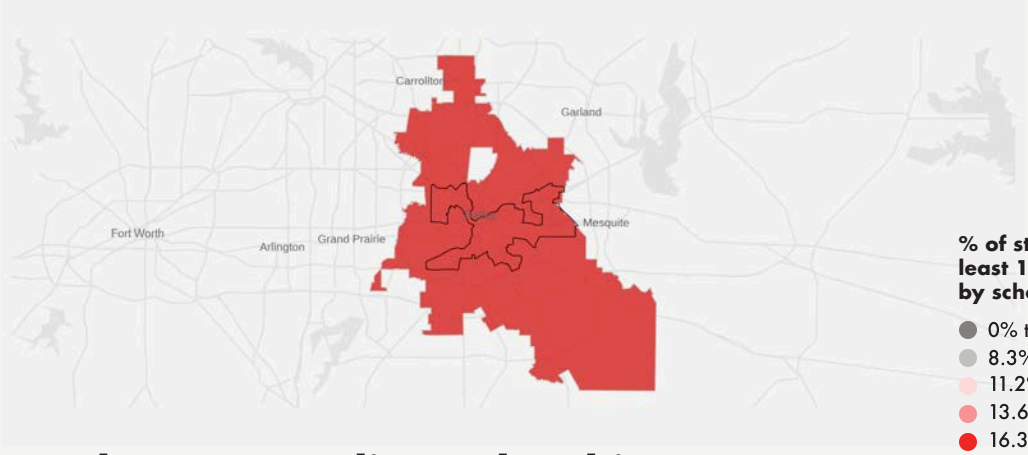
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23.6% of students attending school in HD 100 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #100



Rep. Venton Jones

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

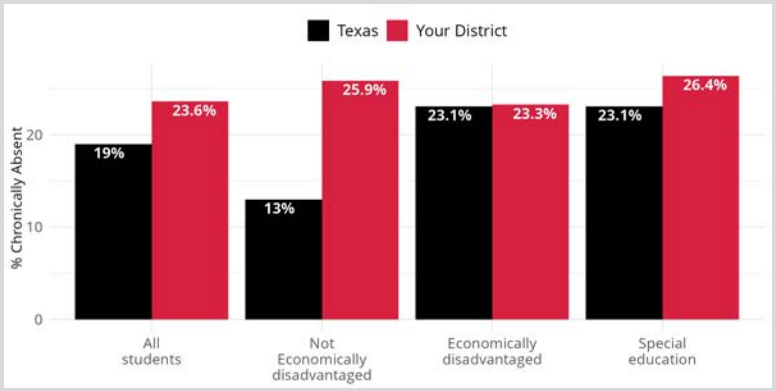
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HOUSE DISTRICT #100

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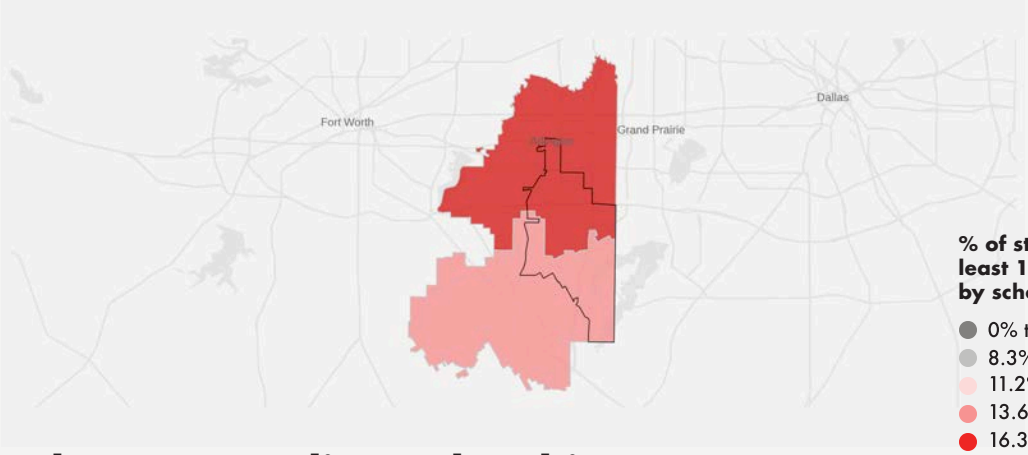
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21% of students attending school in HD 101 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #101



Rep. Chris Turner

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

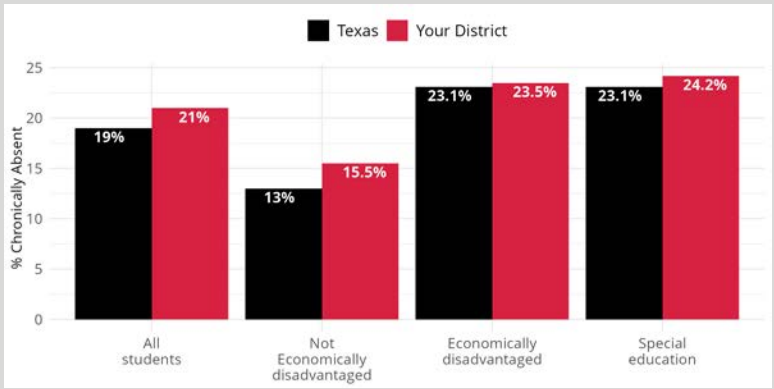
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HOUSE DISTRICT #101

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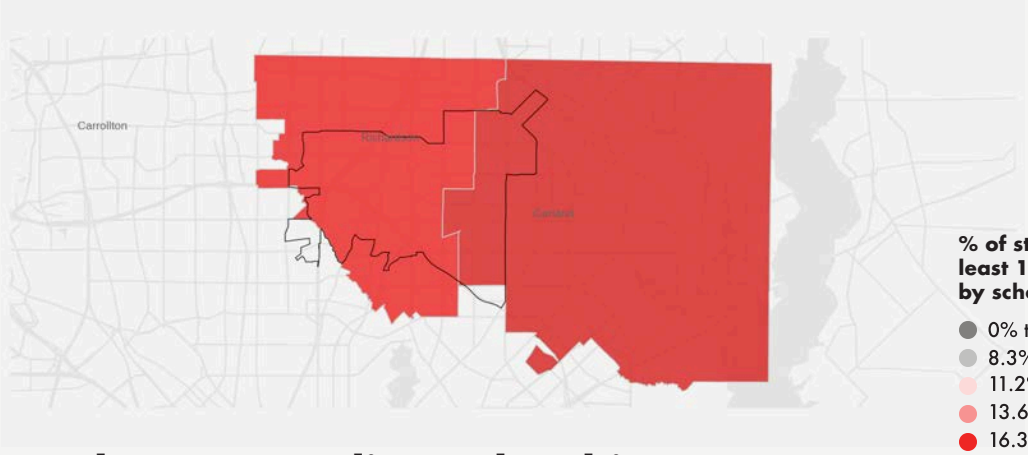
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18.6% of students attending school in HD 102 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #102



Rep. Ana-María Rodríguez Ramos

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

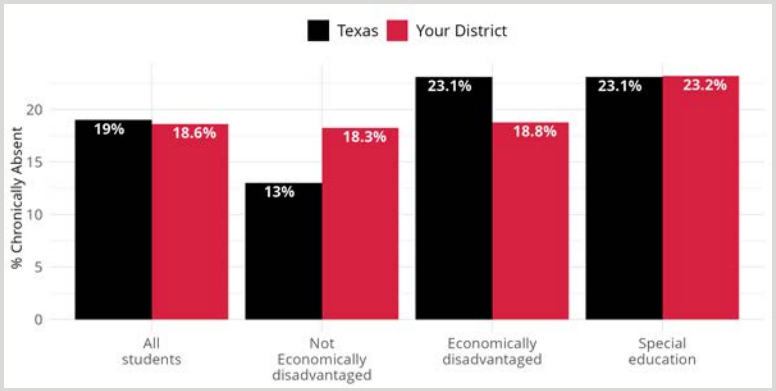
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HOUSE DISTRICT #102

During the 2023-24 school year, 18.6% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 4,642 students. This is a 1 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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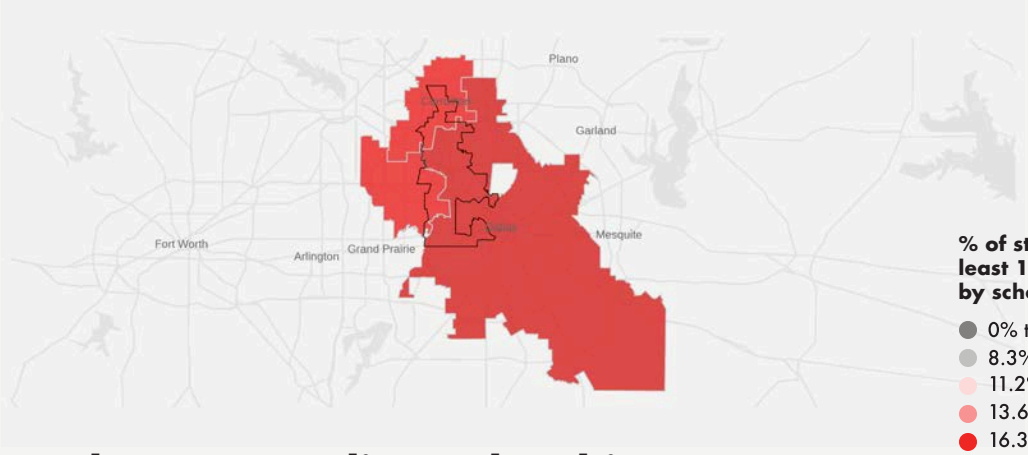
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17.2% of students attending school in HD 103 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #103



Rep. Rafael Anchía

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

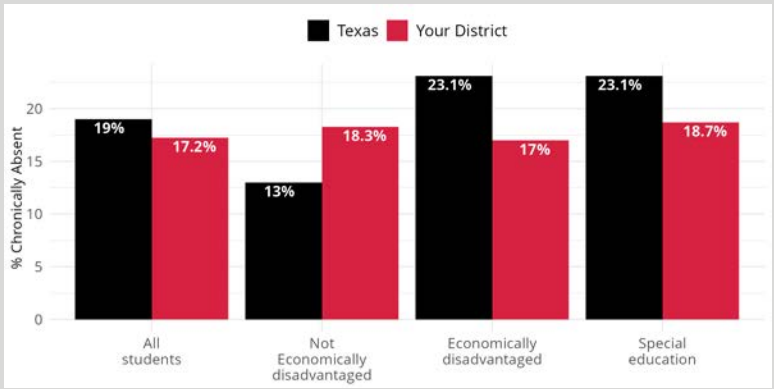
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HOUSE DISTRICT #103

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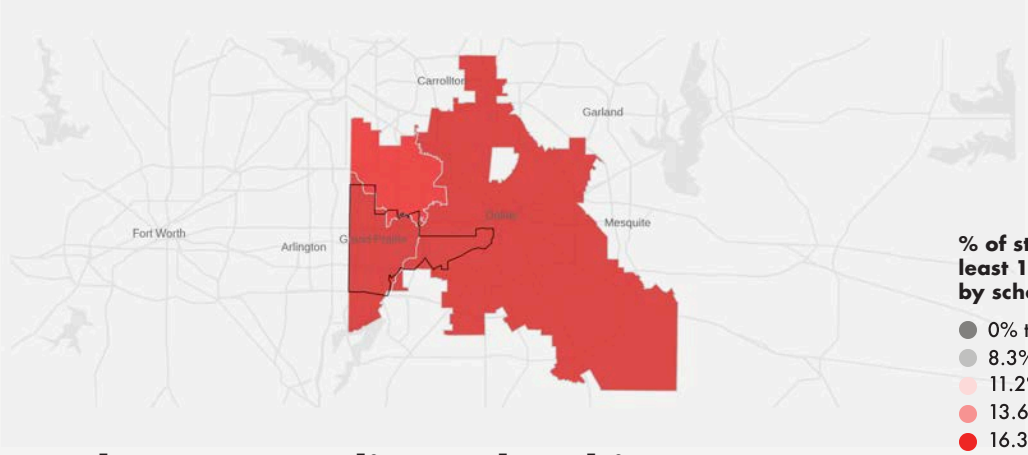
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23.6% of students attending school in HD 104 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #104



Rep. Jessica González

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

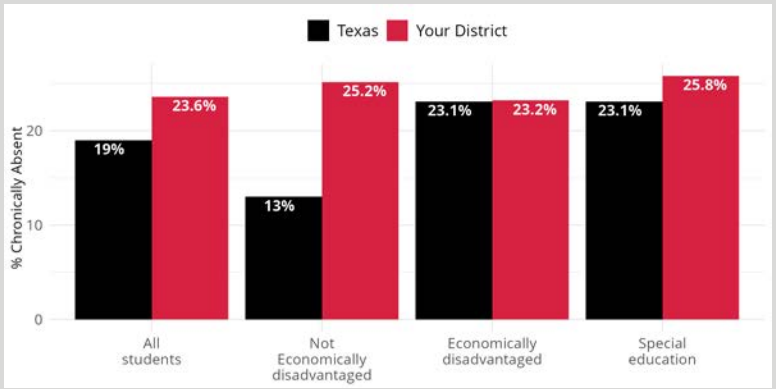
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HOUSE DISTRICT #104

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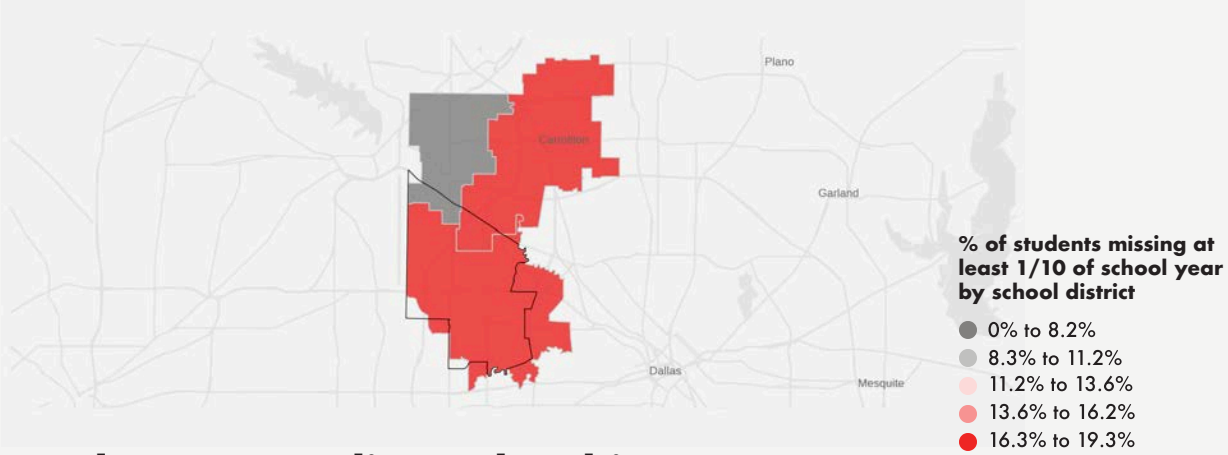
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16.3% of students attending school in HD 105 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #105



Rep. Terry Meza

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

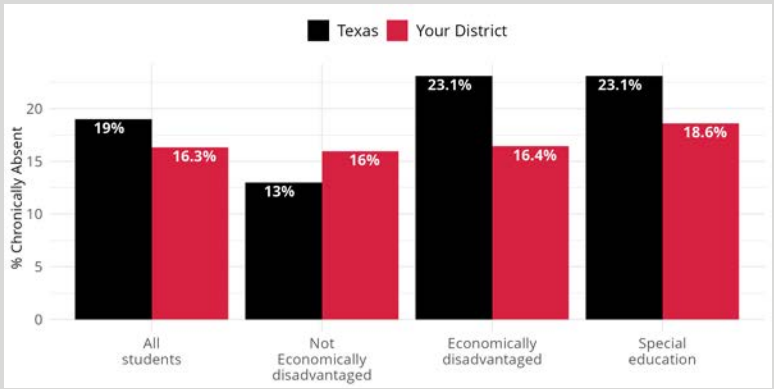
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HOUSE DISTRICT #105

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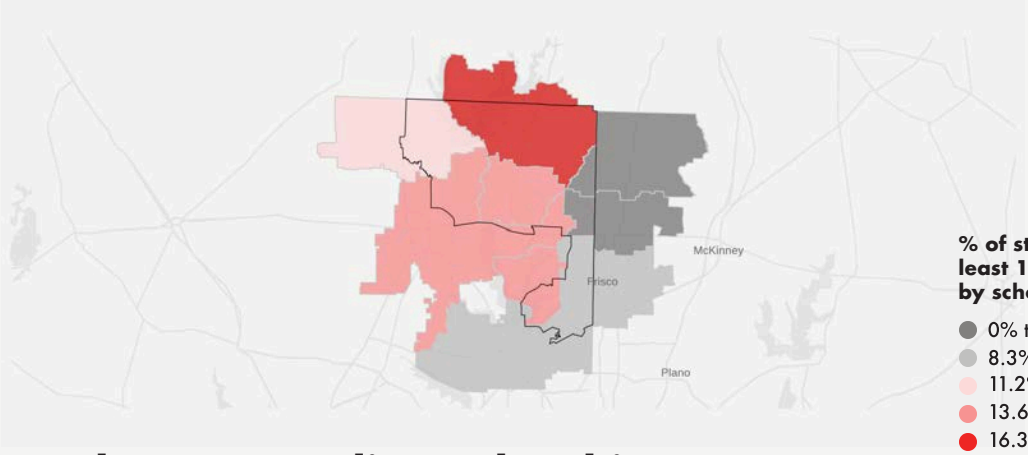
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10.7% of students attending school in HD 106 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #106



Rep. Jared Patterson

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

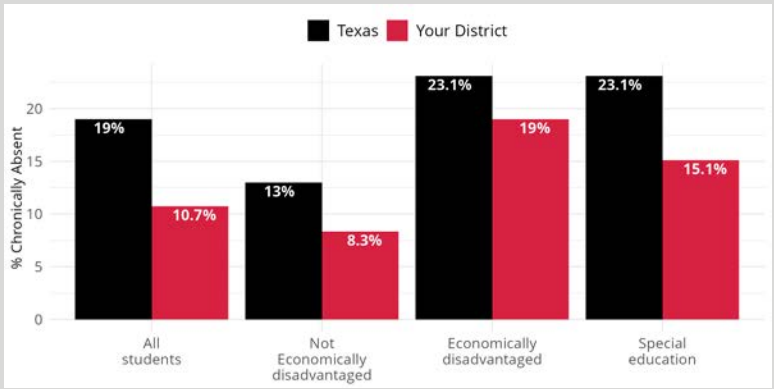
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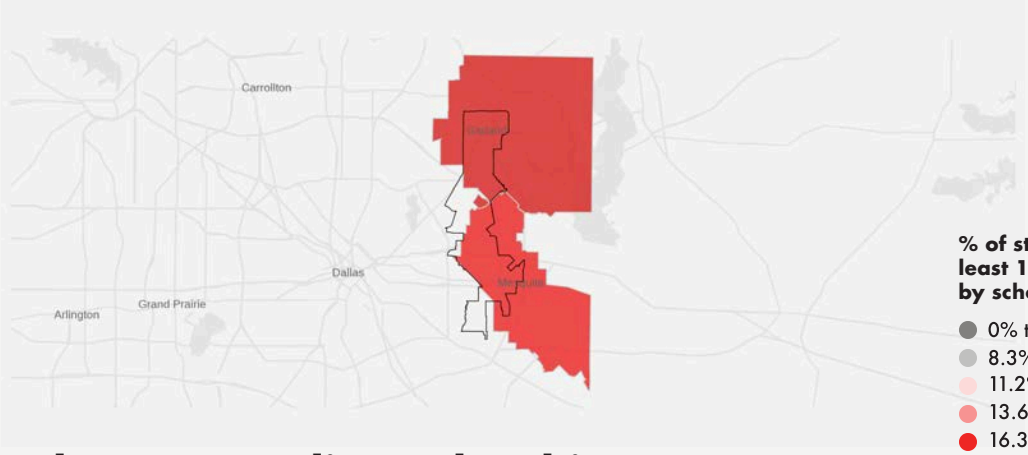
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20% of students attending school in HD 107 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #107



Rep. Linda Garcia

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

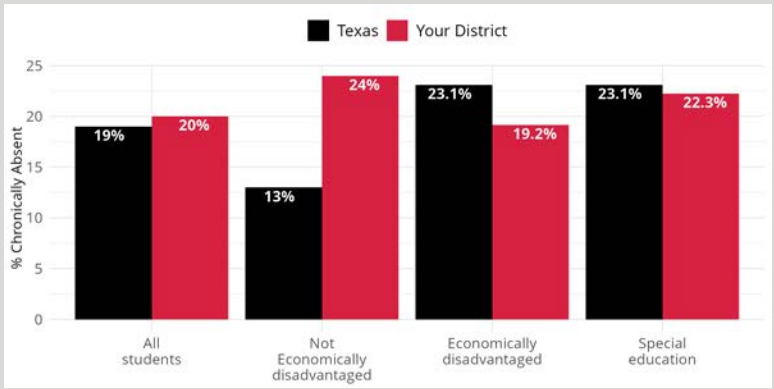
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HOUSE DISTRICT #107

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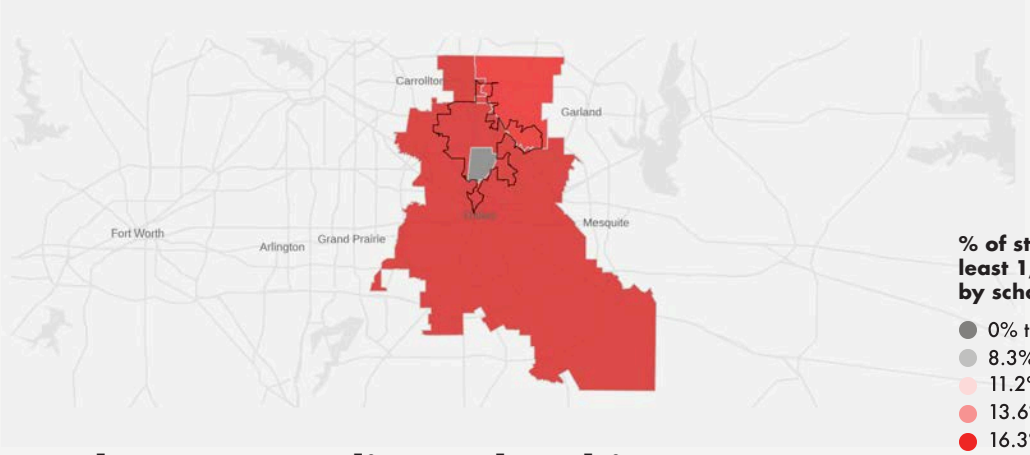
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15.3% of students attending school in HD 108 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #108



Rep. Morgan Meyer

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

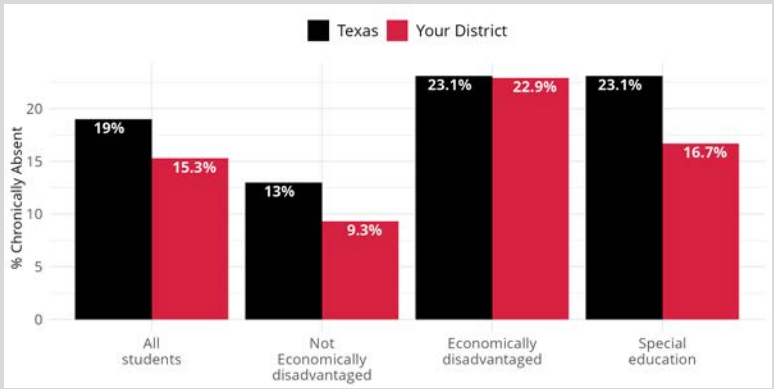
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HOUSE DISTRICT #108

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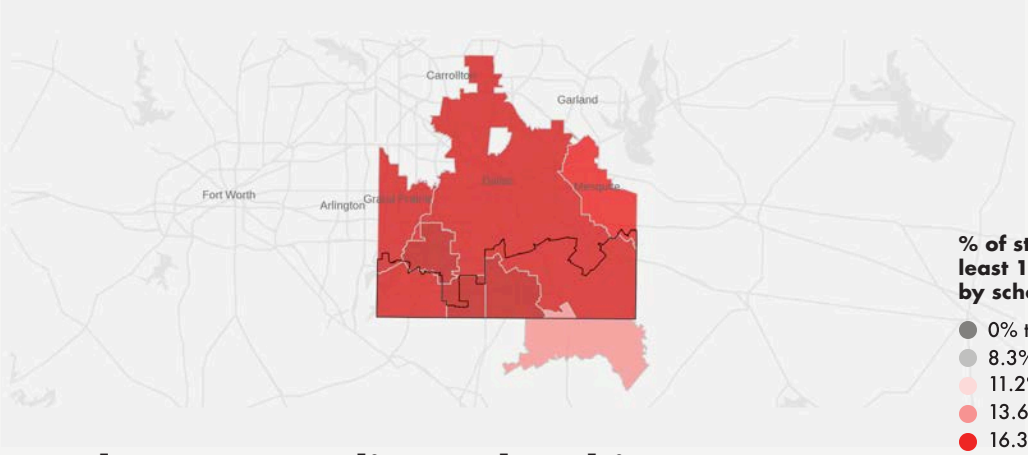
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24.4% of students attending school in HD 109 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #109



Rep. Aicha Davis

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

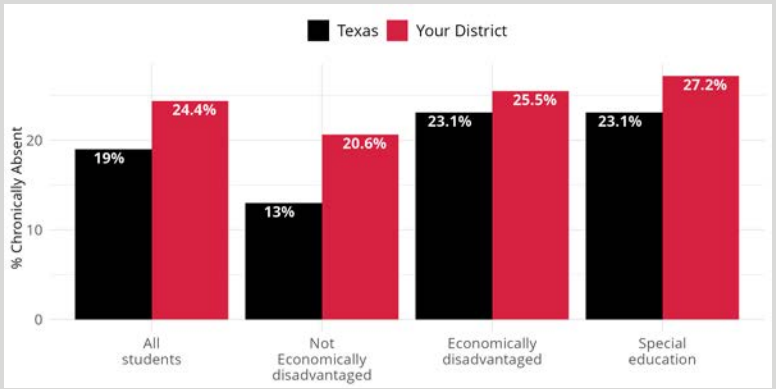
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HOUSE DISTRICT #109

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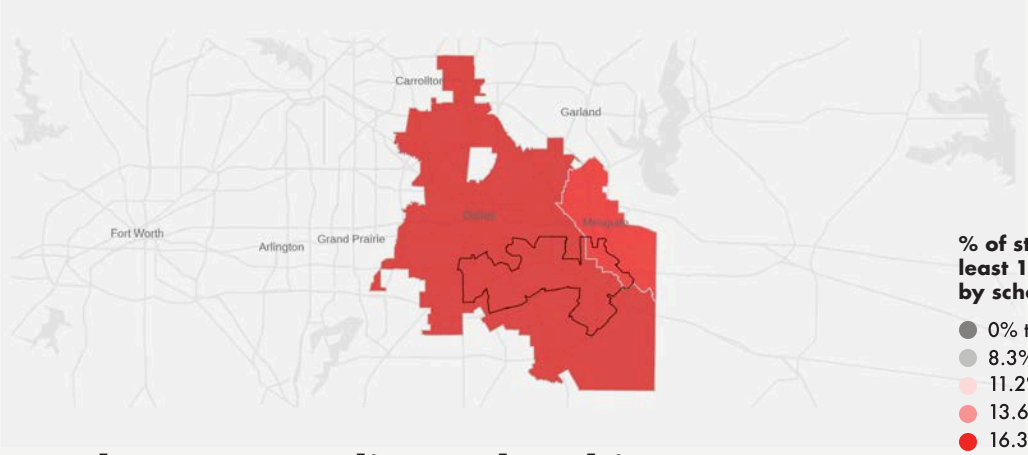
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23.8% of students attending school in HD 110 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #110



Rep. Toni Rose

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

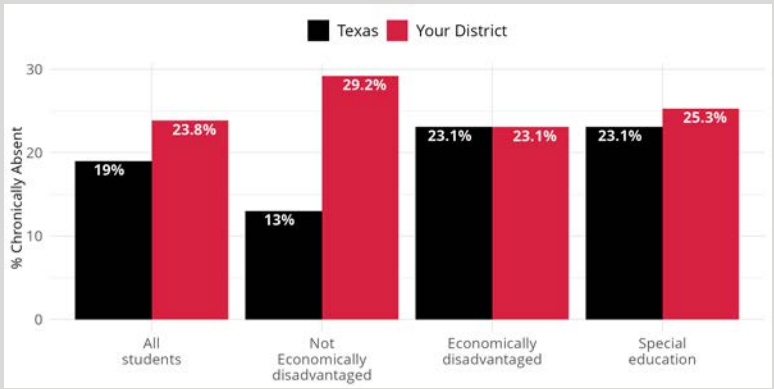
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HOUSE DISTRICT #110

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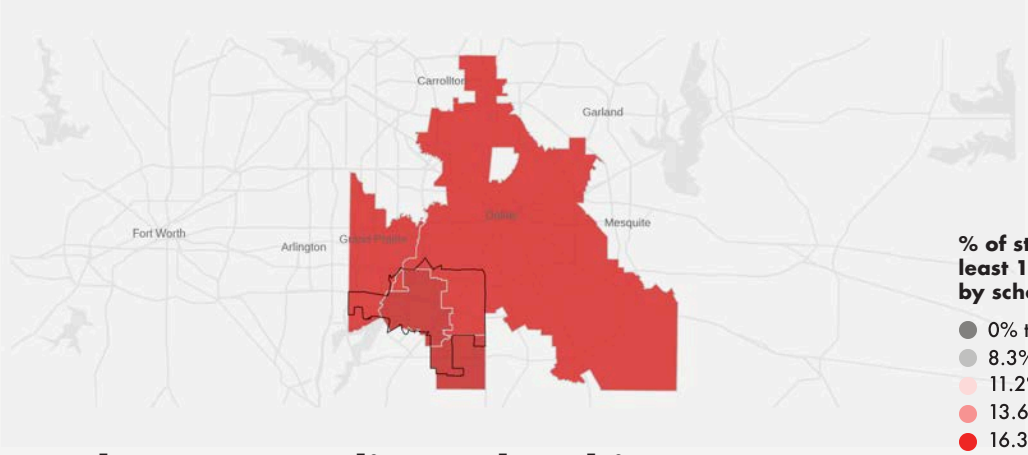
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23.4% of students attending school in HD 111 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #111



Rep. Yvonne Davis

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

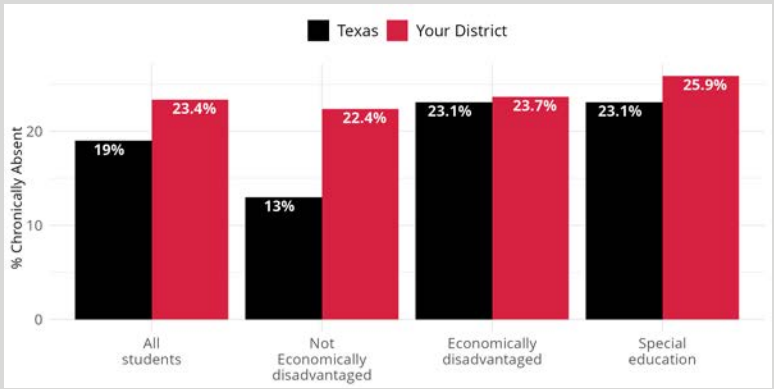
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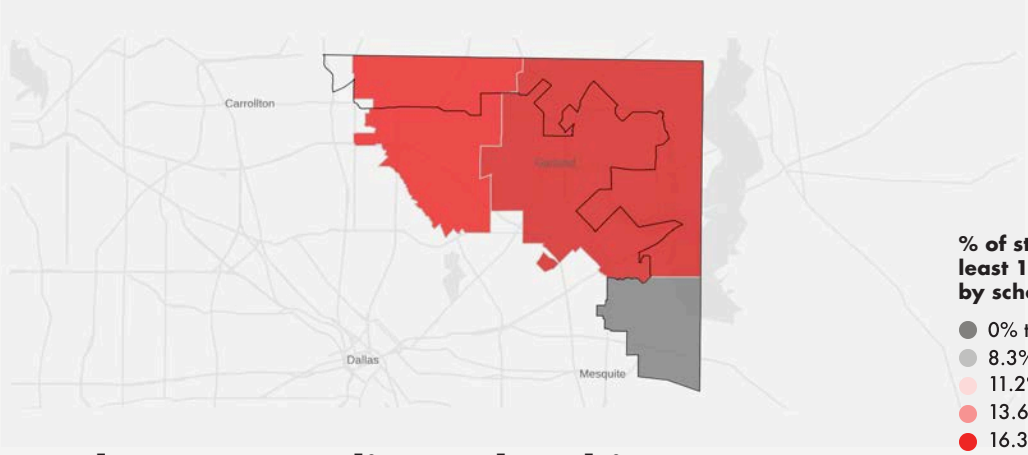
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16.8% of students attending school in HD 112 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #112



Rep. Angie Chen Button

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

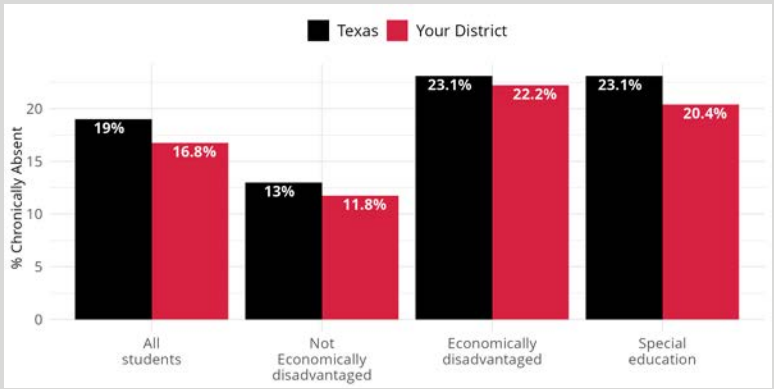
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HOUSE DISTRICT #112

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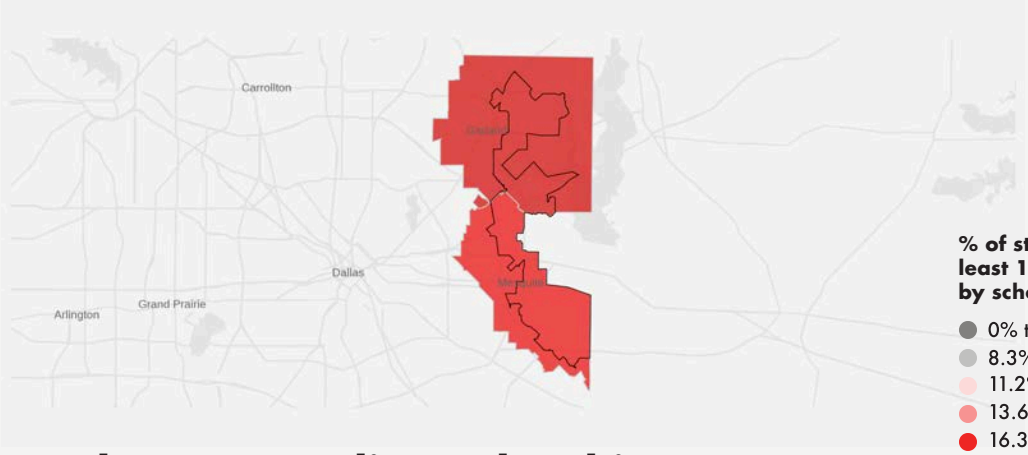
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House District #113



Rep. Rhetta Andrews Bowers

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

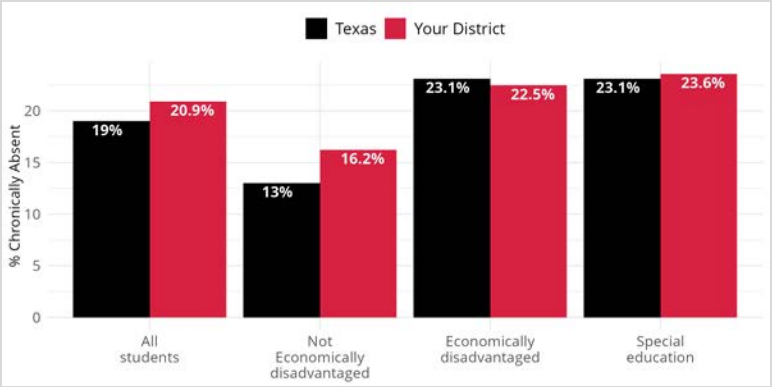
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HOUSE DISTRICT #113

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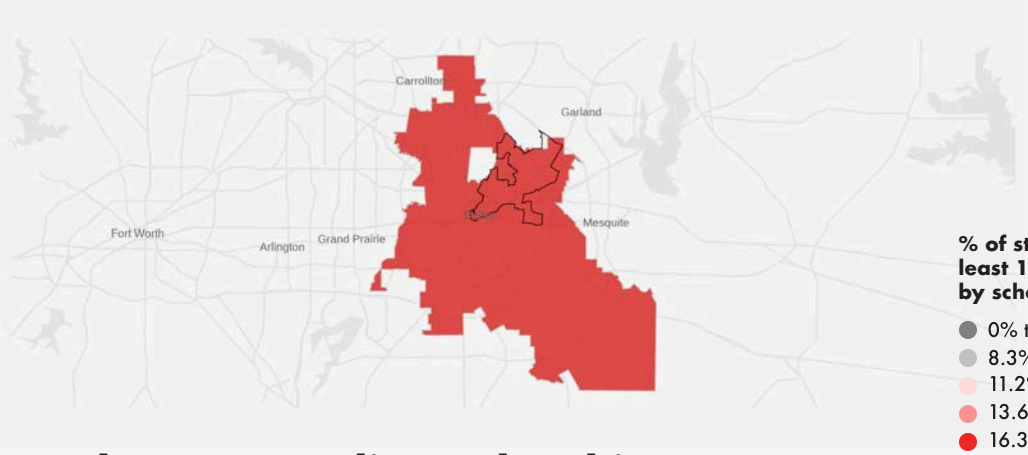
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20.5% of students attending school in HD 114 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #114



Rep. John Bryant

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

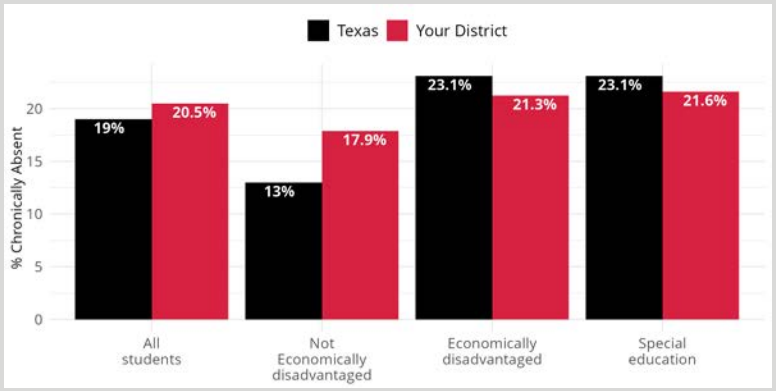
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HOUSE DISTRICT #114

During the 2023-24 school year, 20.5% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 4,899 students. This is a 1 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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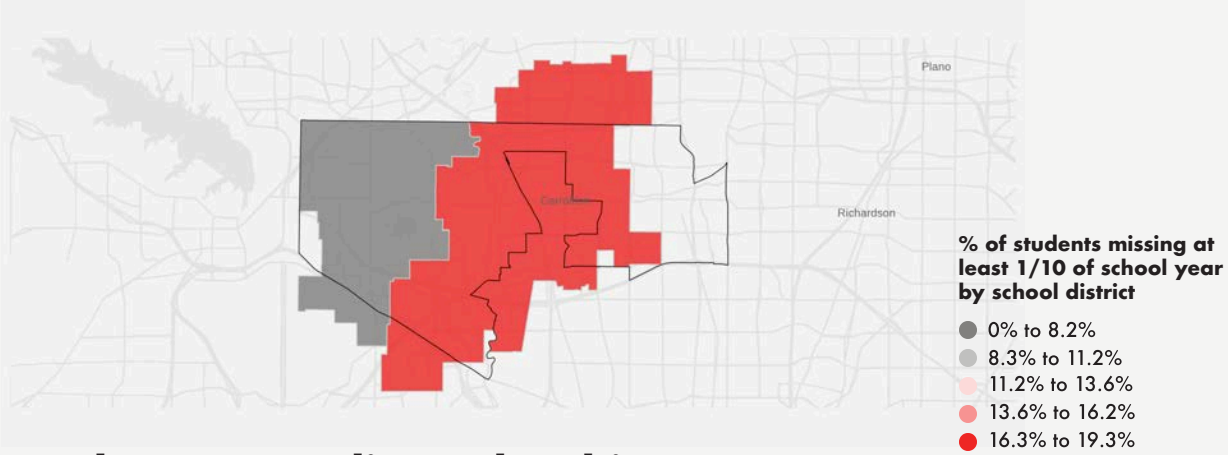
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12.9% of students attending school in HD 115 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #115



Rep. Cassandra Garcia Hernandez

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

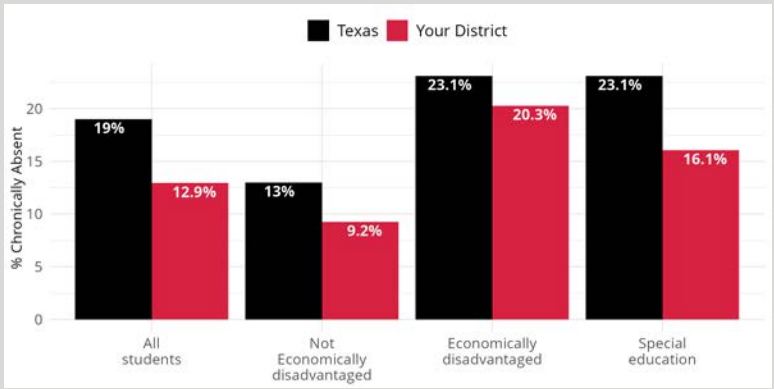
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HOUSE DISTRICT #115

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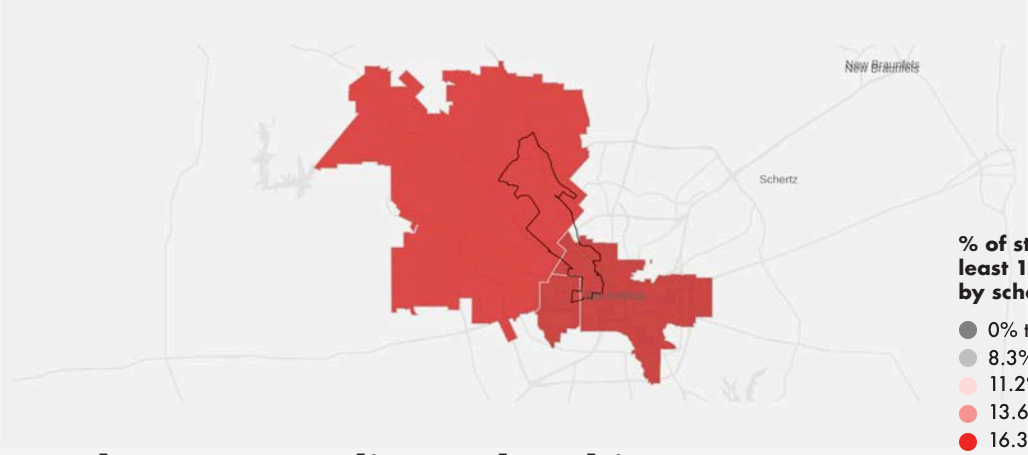
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25.9% of students attending school in HD 116 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #116



Rep. Trey Martinez Fischer

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

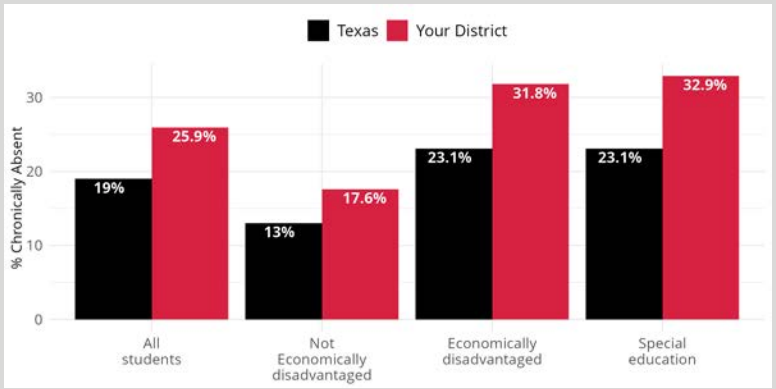
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HOUSE DISTRICT #116

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POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS

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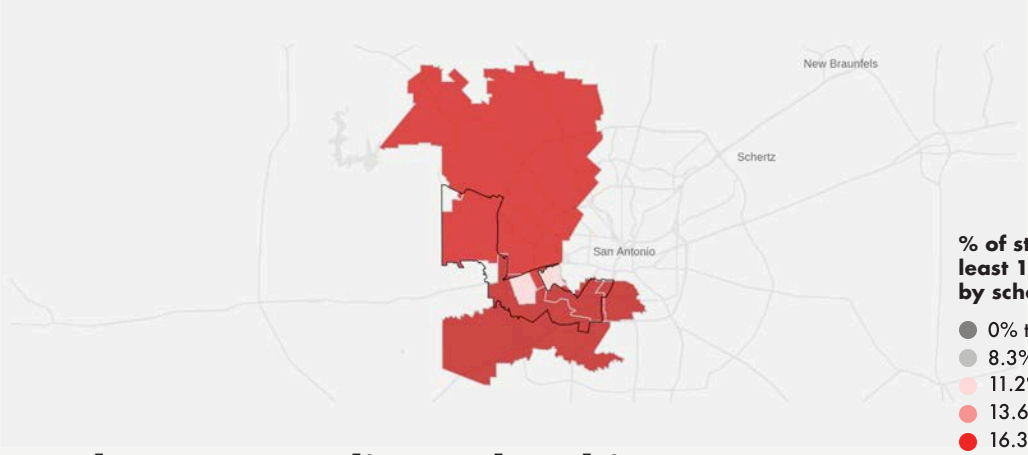
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Defining Chronic Absenteeism and Utilizing Data to Reduce it



21.8% of students attending school in HD 117 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #117



Rep. Philip Cortez

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

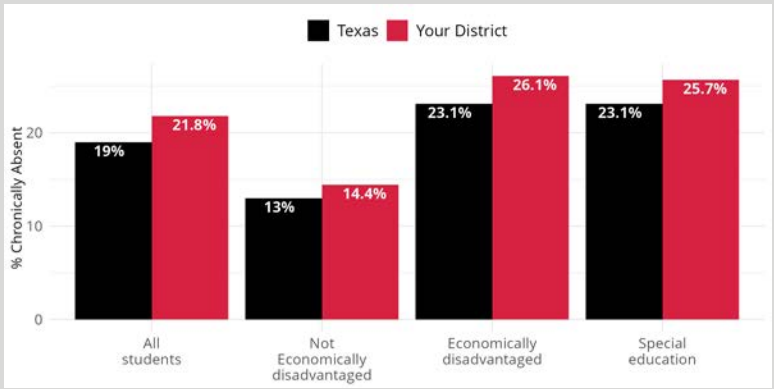
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HOUSE DISTRICT #117

During the 2023-24 school year, 21.8% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 8,033 students. This is a 4 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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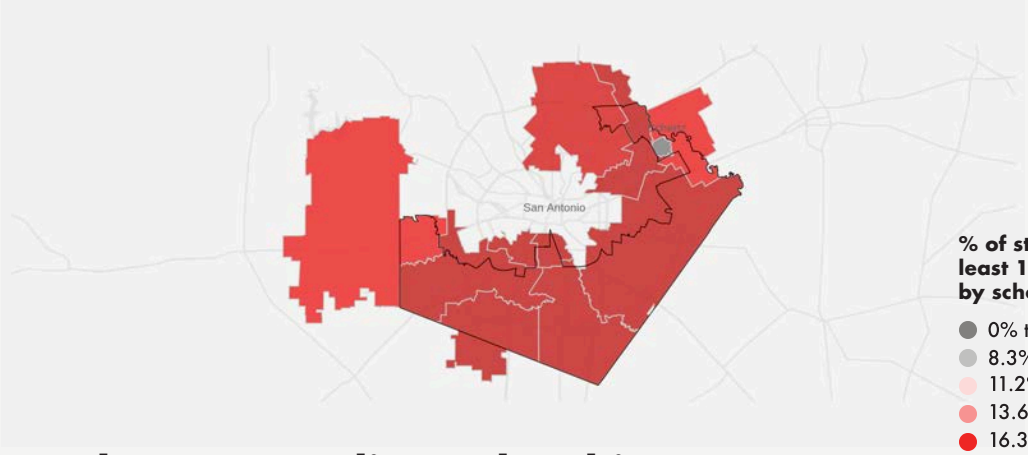
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28.9% of students attending school in HD 118 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #118



Rep. John Lujan

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

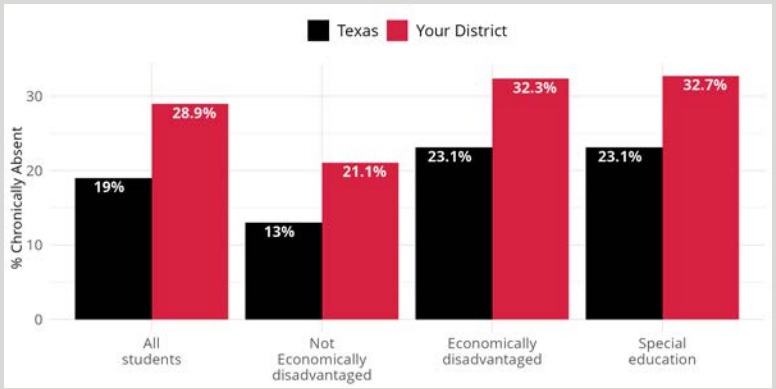
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HOUSE DISTRICT #118

During the 2023-24 school year, 28.9% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 14,305 students. This is a 1 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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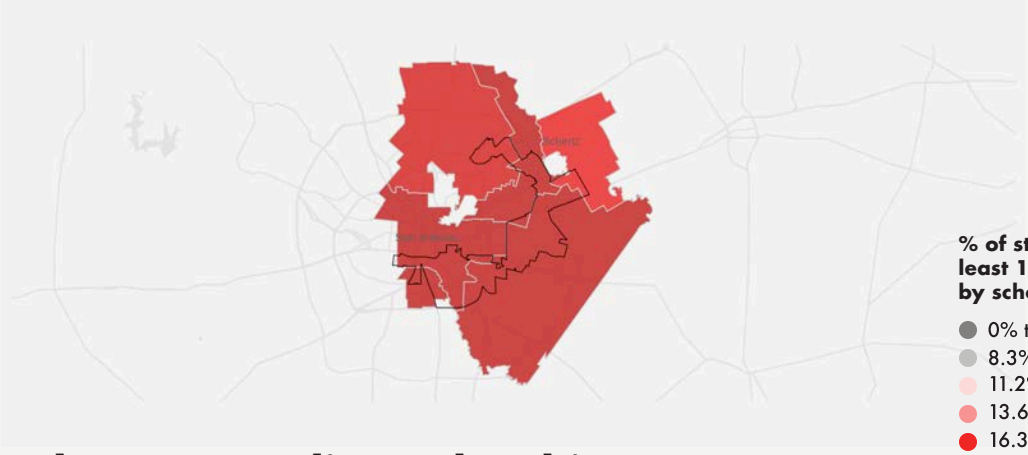
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32% of students attending school in HD 119 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #119



Rep. Elizabeth "Liz" Campos

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

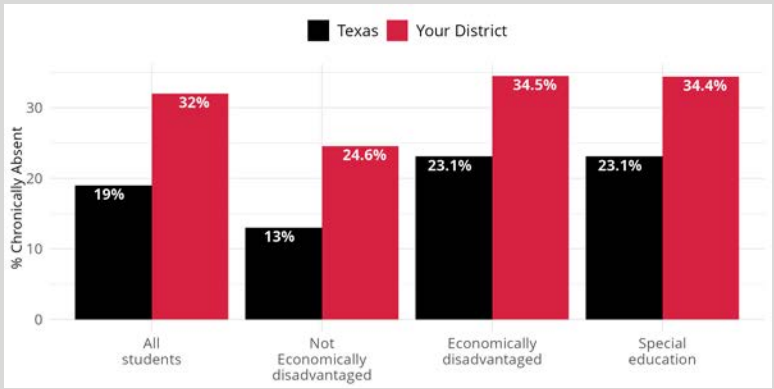
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HOUSE DISTRICT #119

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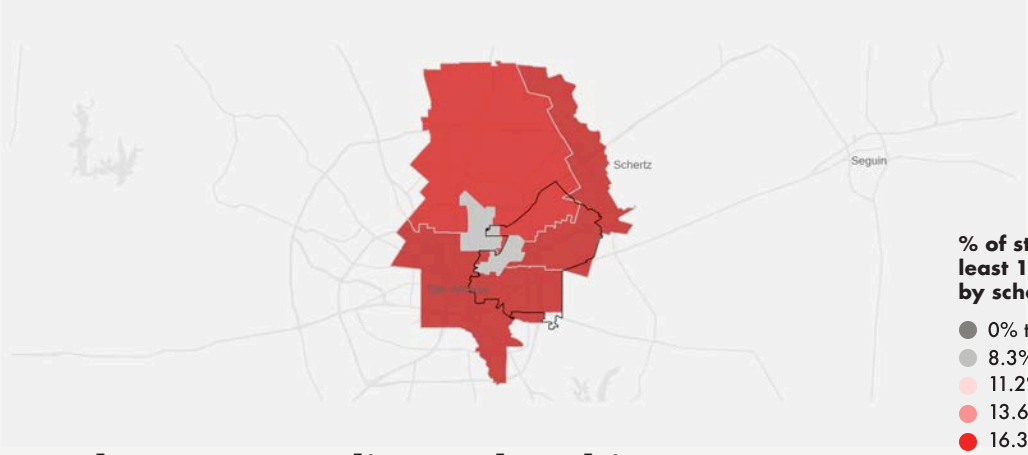
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30.1% of students attending school in HD 120 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #120



Rep. Barbara Gervin-Hawkins

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

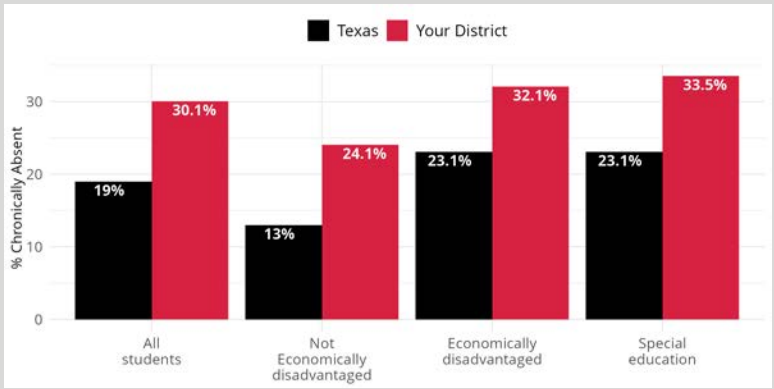
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HOUSE DISTRICT #120

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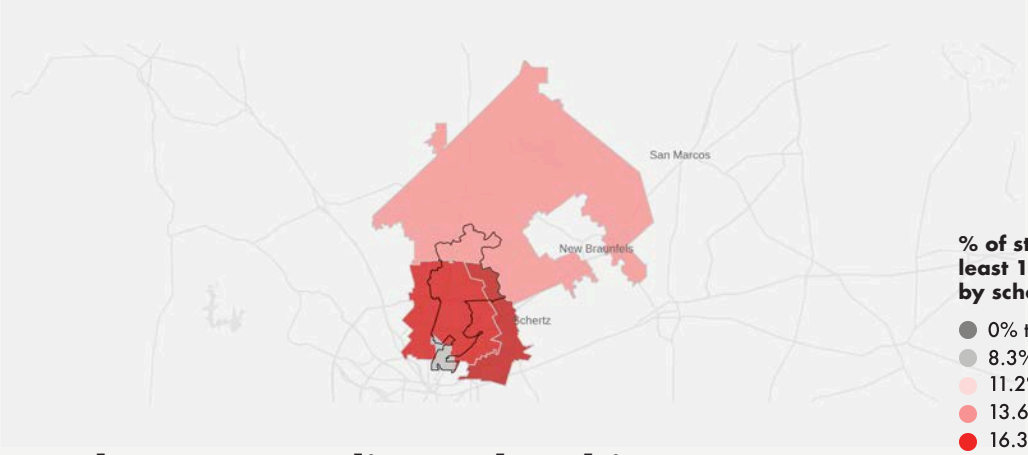
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15.2% of students attending school in HD 121 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #121



Rep. Marc LaHood

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

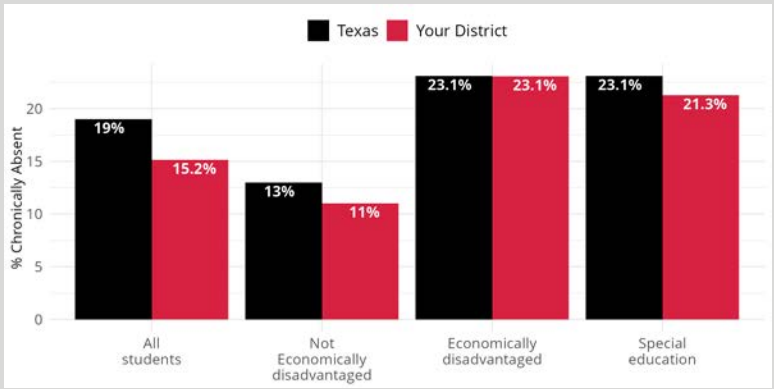
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HOUSE DISTRICT #121

During the 2023-24 school year, 15.2% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 5,139 students. This is a 3 percentage point increase from 2022-23.



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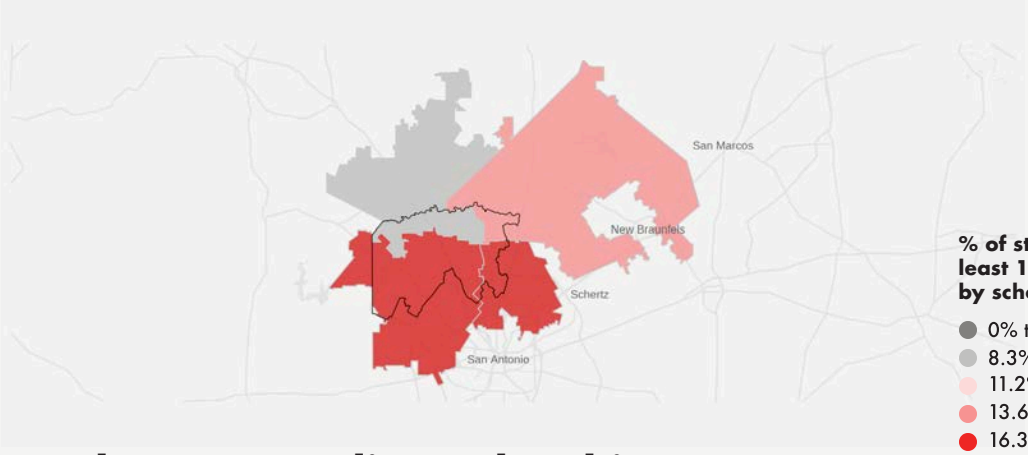
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10.6% of students attending school in HD 122 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #122



Rep. Mark Dorazio

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

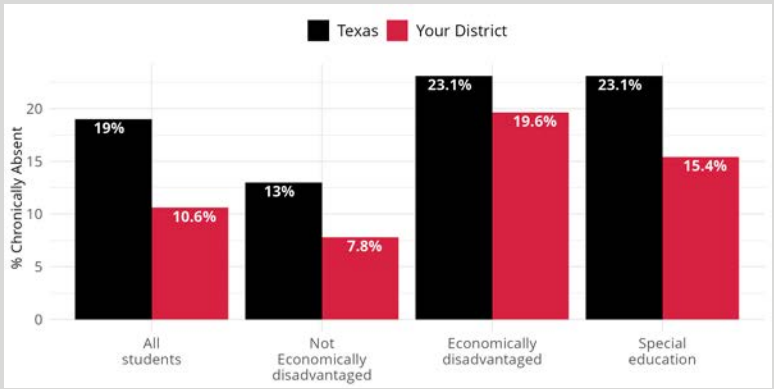
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HOUSE DISTRICT #122

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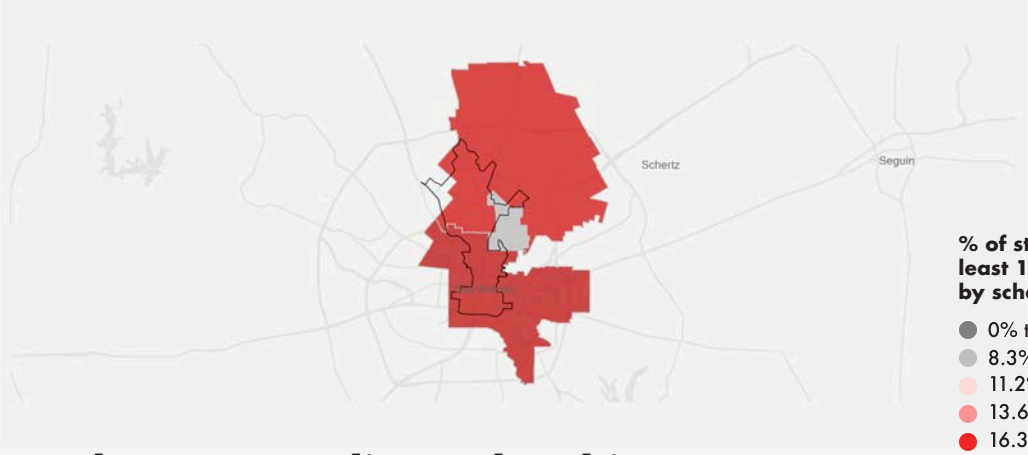
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31.4% of students attending school in HD 123 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #123



Rep. Diego M. Bernal

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

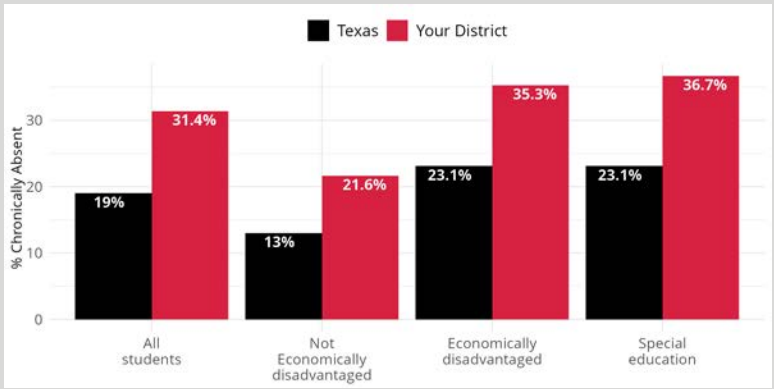
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HOUSE DISTRICT #123

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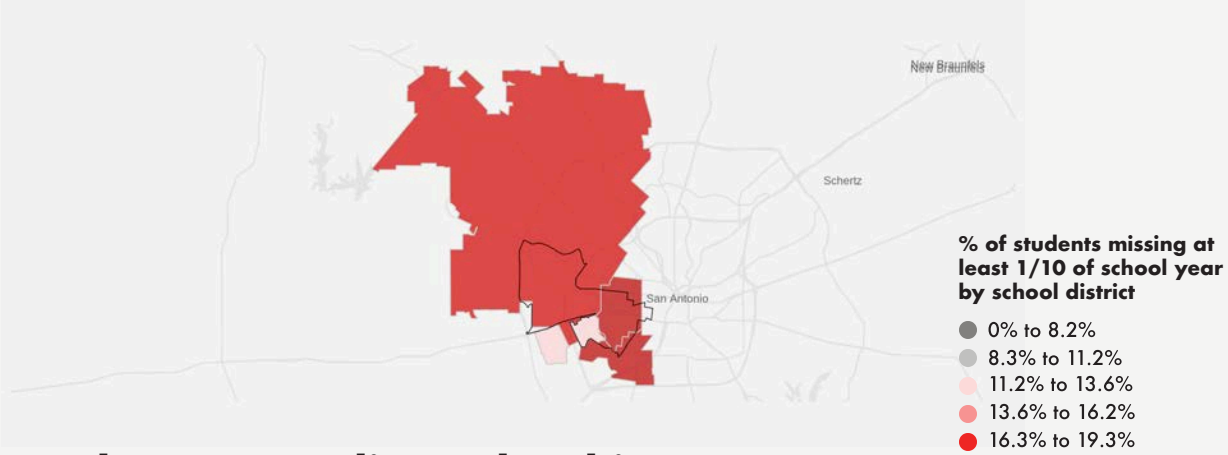
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30.5% of students attending school in HD 124 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #124



Rep. Josey Garcia

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

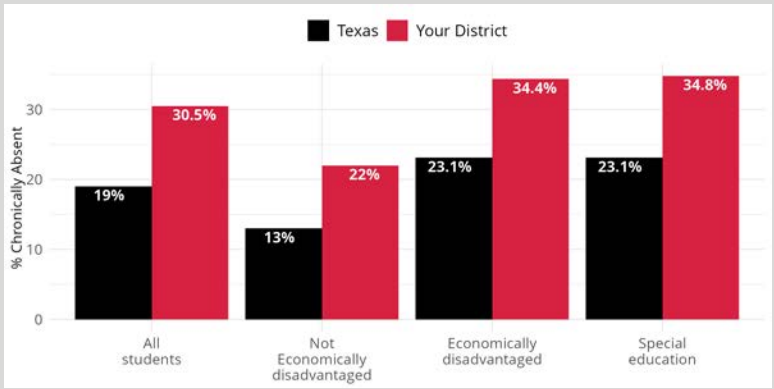
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HOUSE DISTRICT #124

During the 2023-24 school year, 30.5% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 10,601 students. This is a 3 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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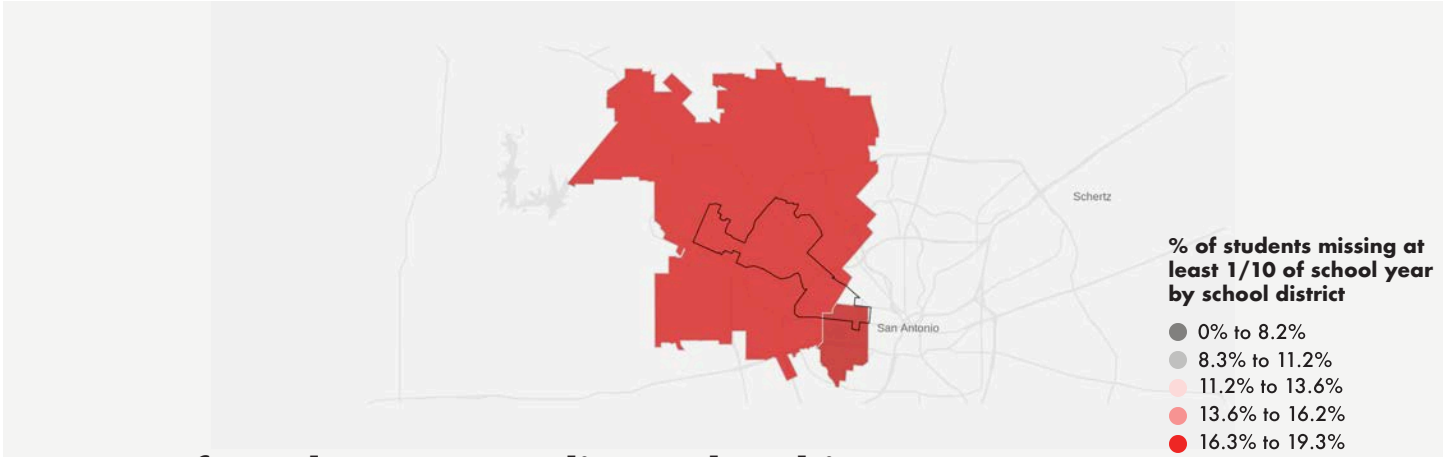
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24.4% of students attending school in HD 125 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #125



Rep. Ray Lopez

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

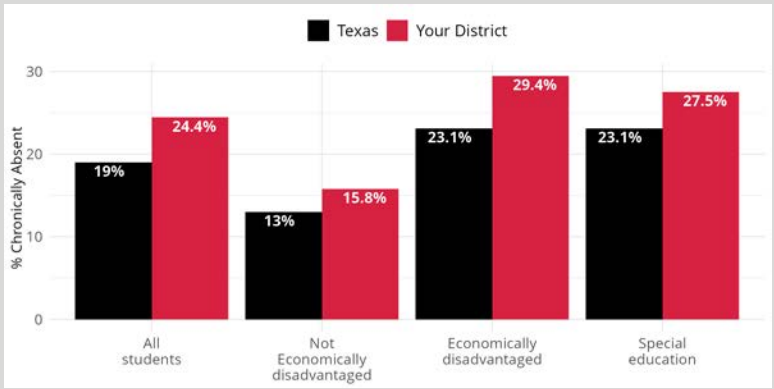
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HOUSE DISTRICT #125

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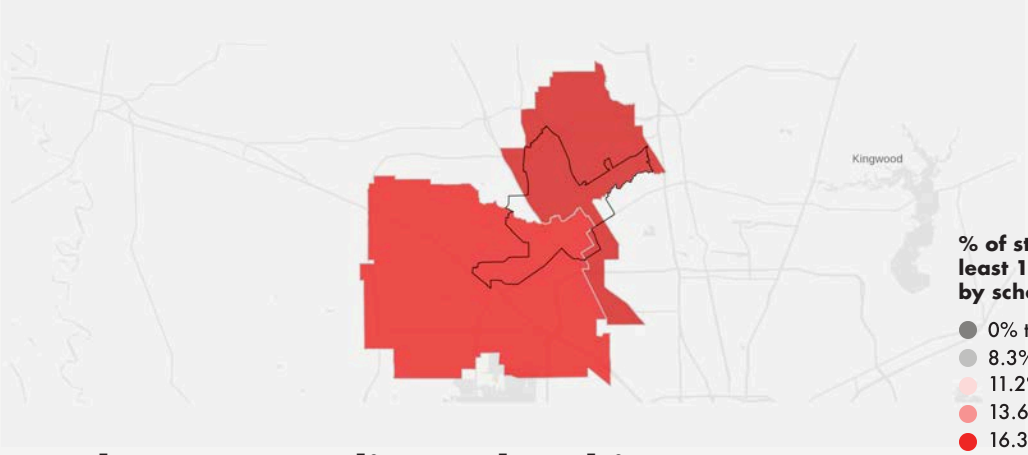
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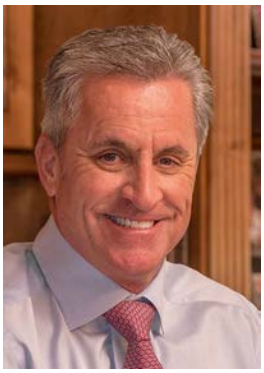
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22.3% of students attending school in HD 126 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #126



Rep. Sam Harless

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

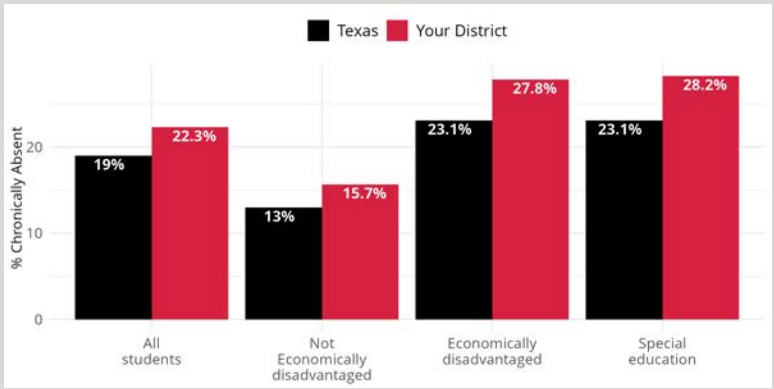
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HOUSE DISTRICT #126

During the 2023-24 school year, 22.3% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 8,233 students. This is a 1 percentage point increase from 2022-23.



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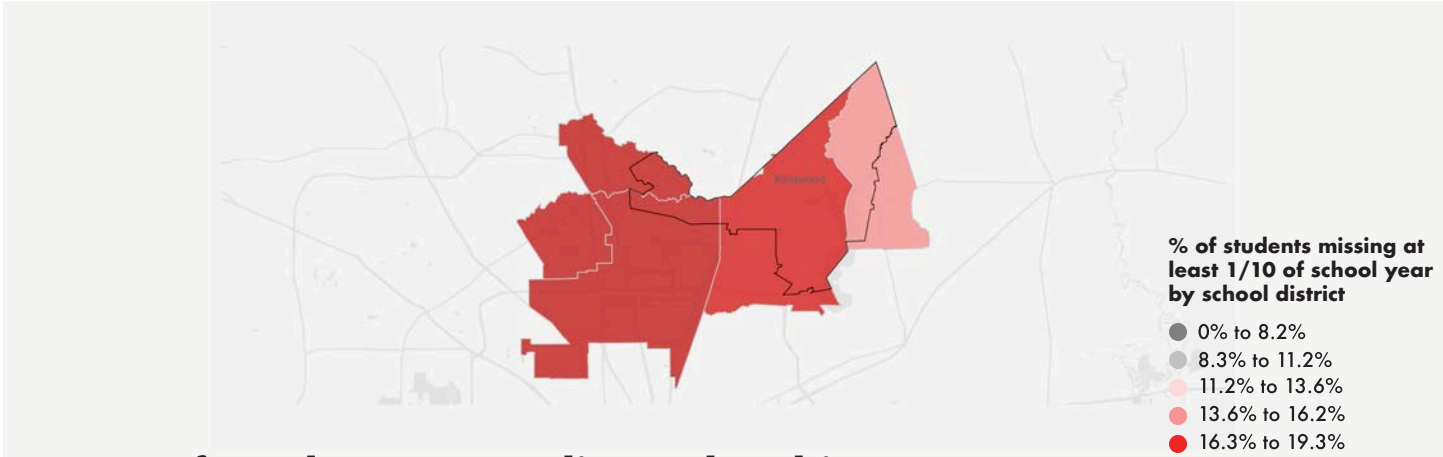
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19.8% of students attending school in HD 127 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #127



Rep. Charles Cunningham

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

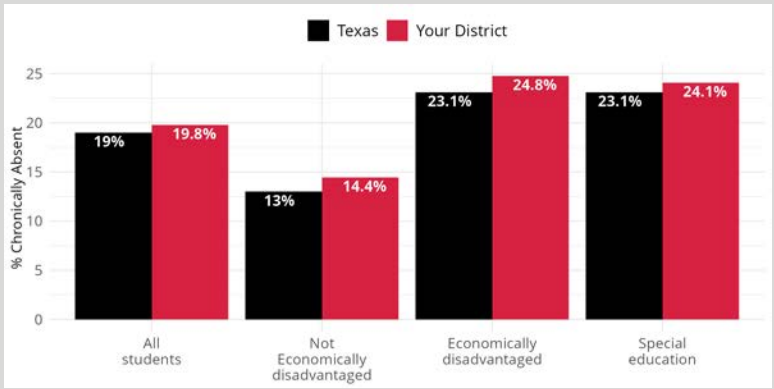
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HOUSE DISTRICT #127

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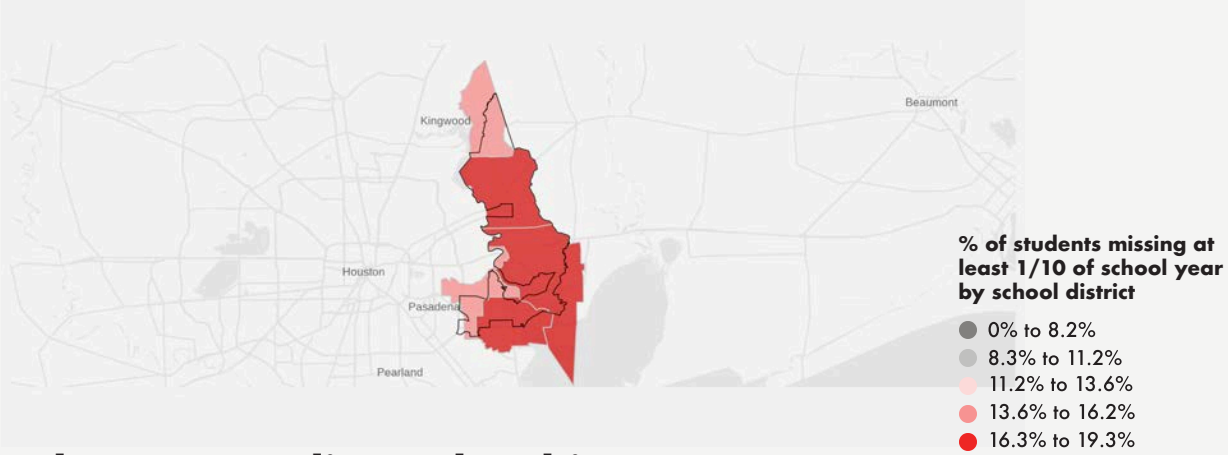
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20% of students attending school in HD 128 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #128



Rep. Briscoe Cain

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

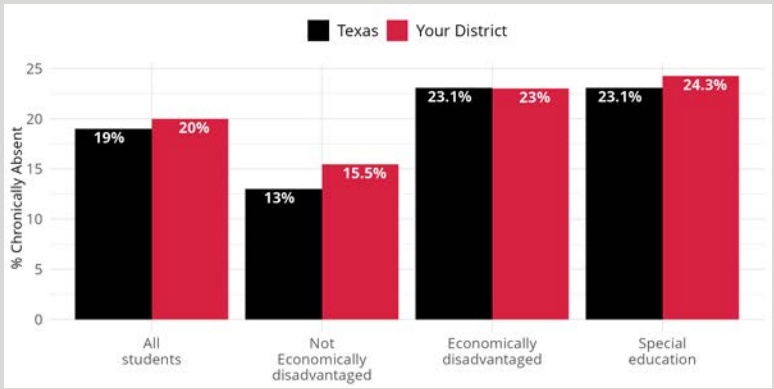
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HOUSE DISTRICT #128

During the 2023-24 school year, 20% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 8,328 students. This is a 1 percentage point increase from 2022-23.



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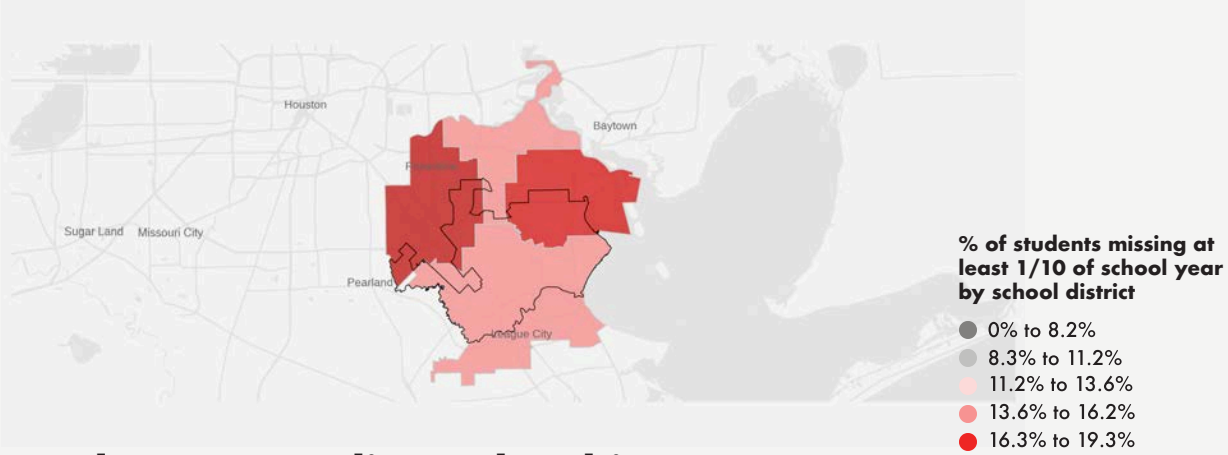
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16.8% of students attending school in HD 129 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #129



Rep. Dennis Paul

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

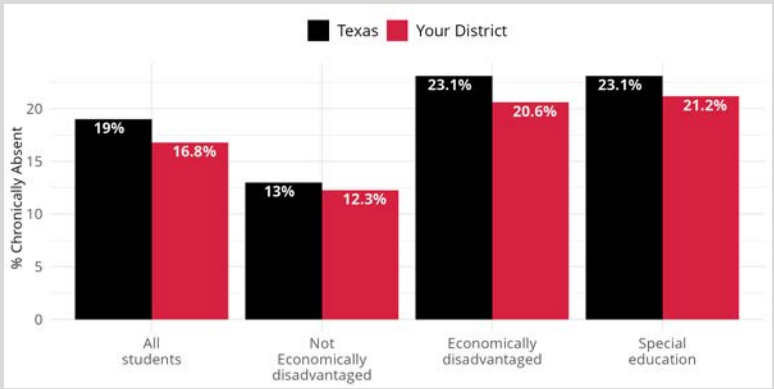
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HOUSE DISTRICT #129

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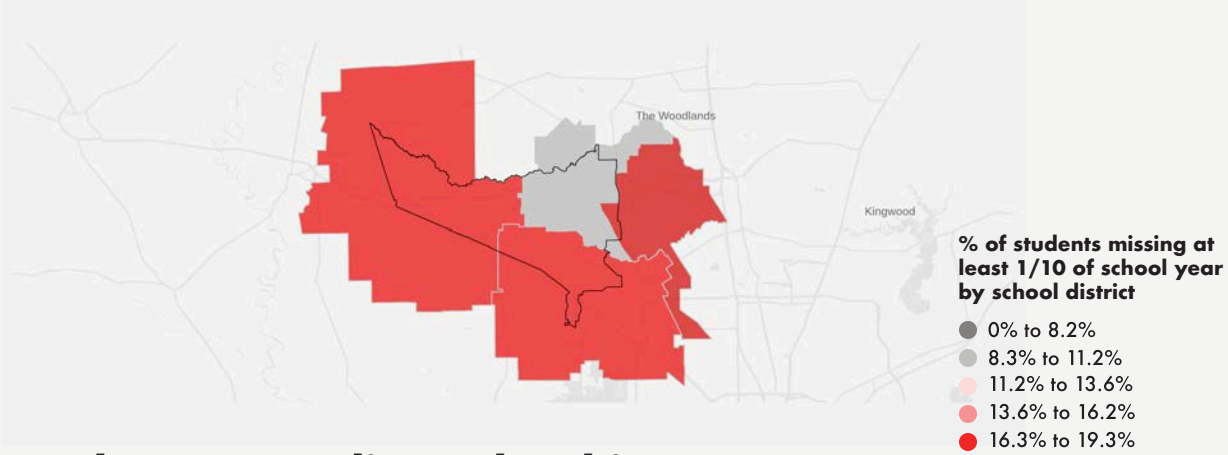
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12.9% of students attending school in HD 130 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #130



Rep. Tom Oliverson

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

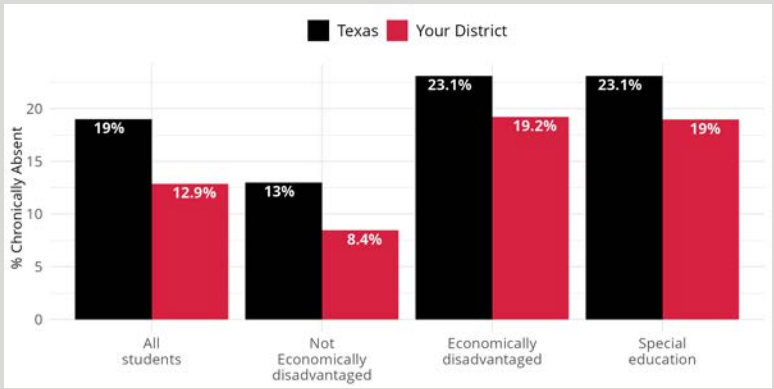
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HOUSE DISTRICT #130

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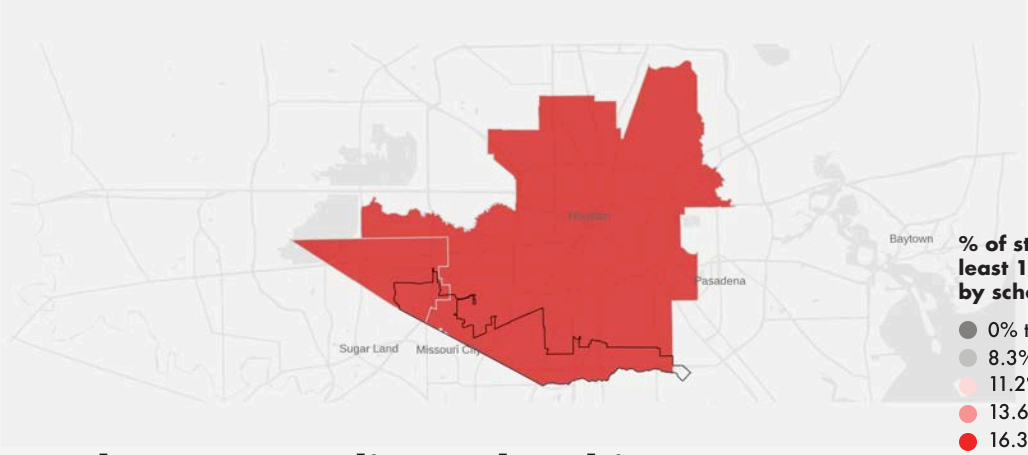
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22.6% of students attending school in HD 131 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #131



Rep. Alma A. Allen

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

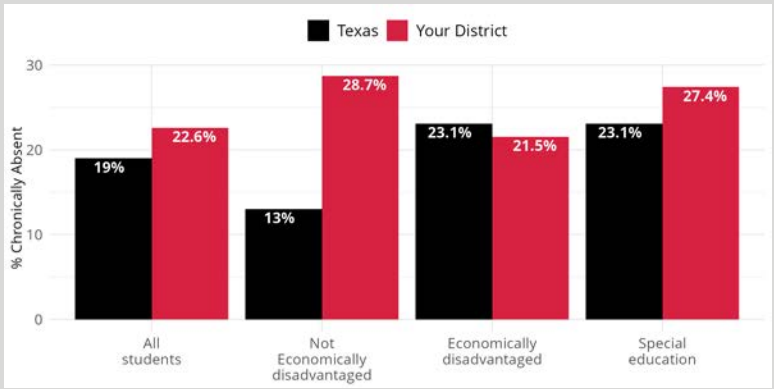
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HOUSE DISTRICT #131

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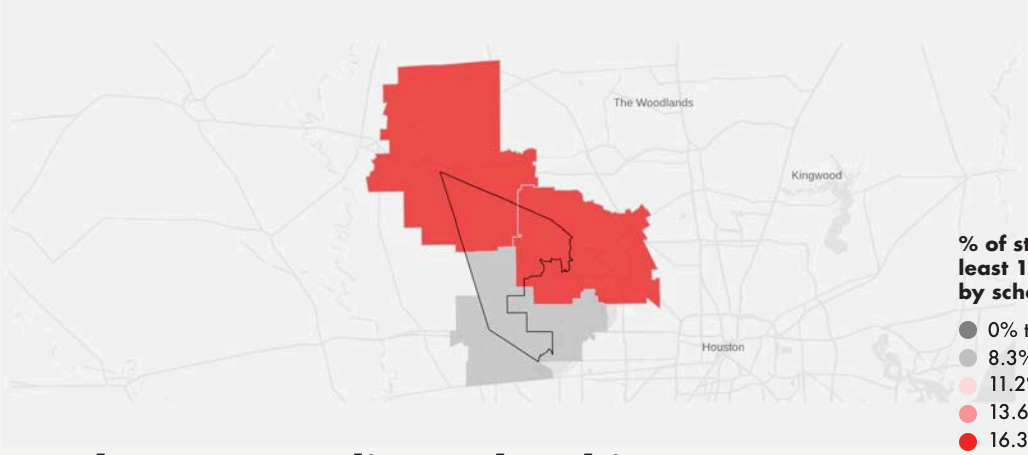
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15.2% of students attending school in HD 132 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #132



Rep. Mike Schofield

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

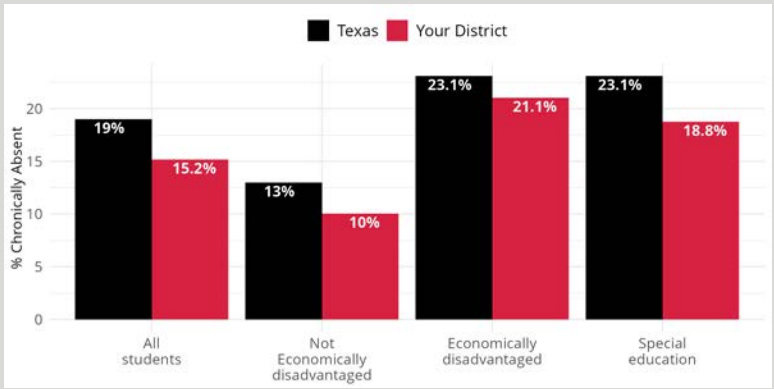
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HOUSE DISTRICT #132

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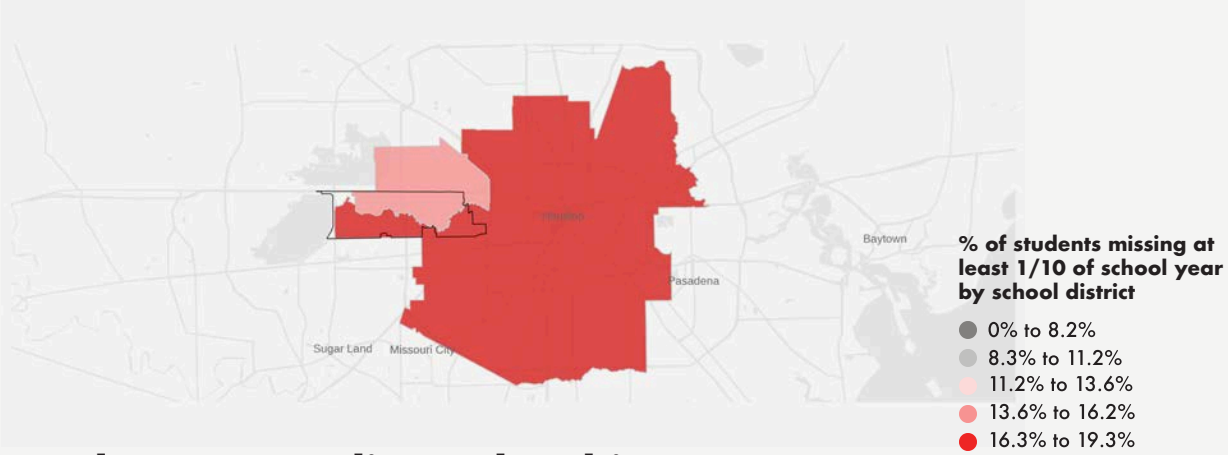
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14.6% of students attending school in HD 133 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #133



Rep. Mano DeAyala

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

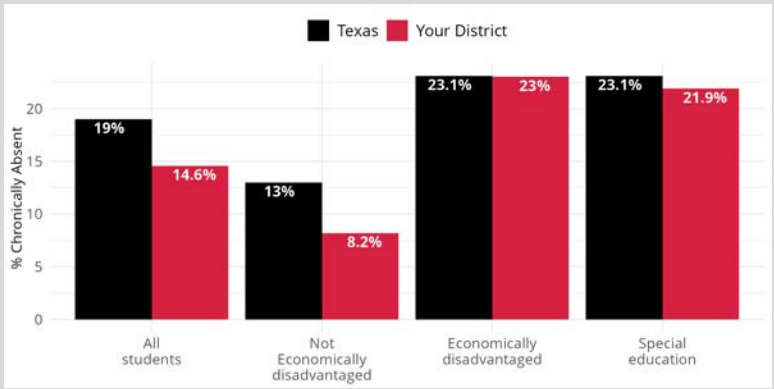
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HOUSE DISTRICT #133

During the 2023-24 school year, 14.6% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 4,033 students. This is little change from 2022-23.



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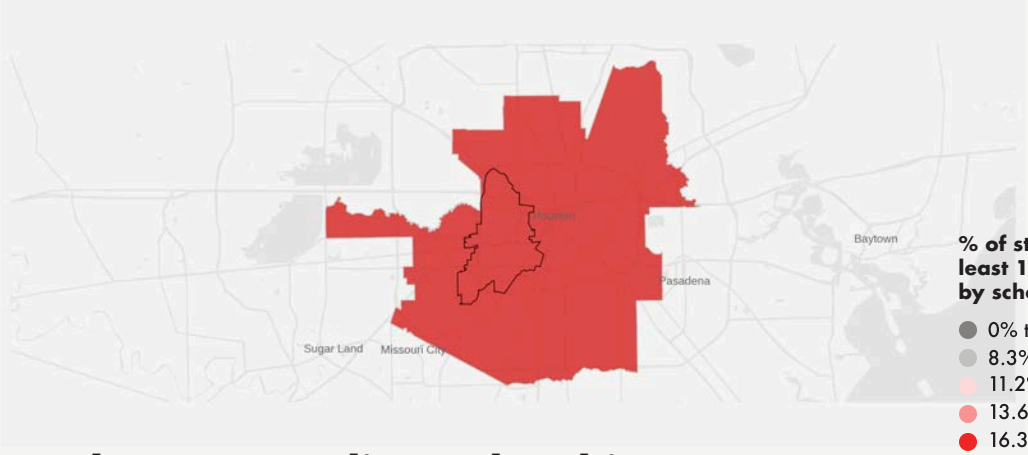
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11.3% of students attending school in HD 134 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #134



Rep. Ann Johnson

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

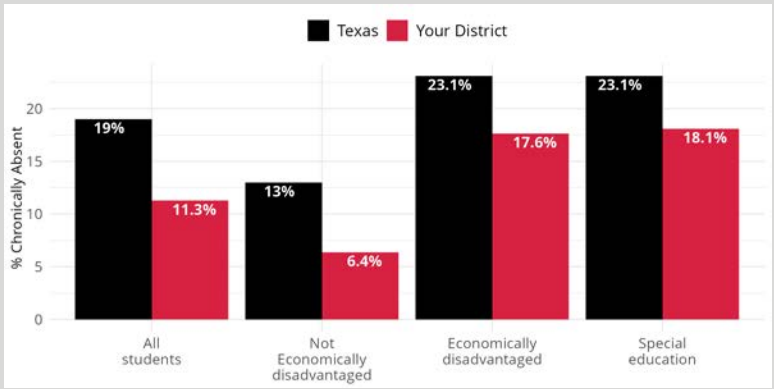
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HOUSE DISTRICT #134

During the 2023-24 school year, 11.3% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 2,667 students. This is a 1 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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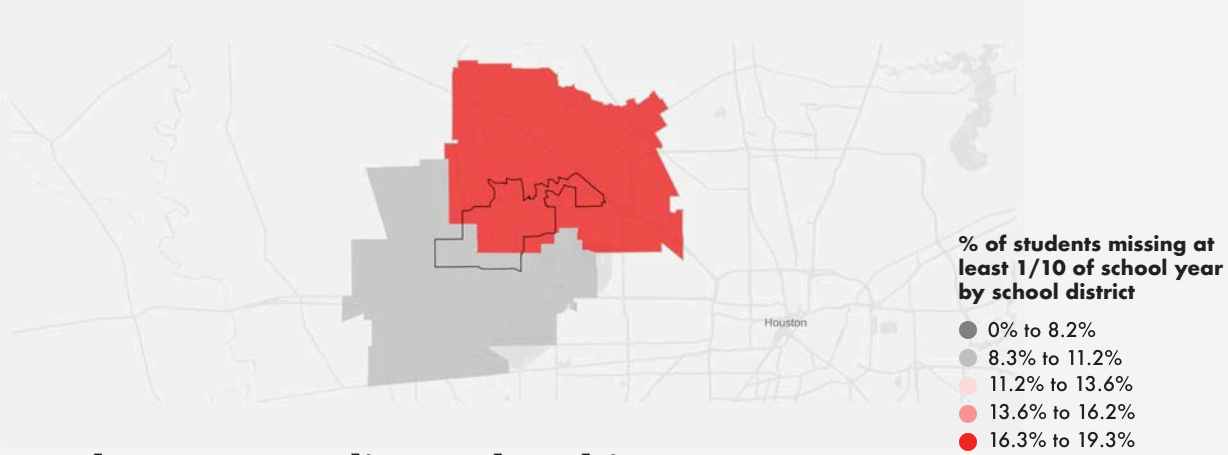
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19.1% of students attending school in HD 135 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #135



Rep. Jon E. Rosenthal

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

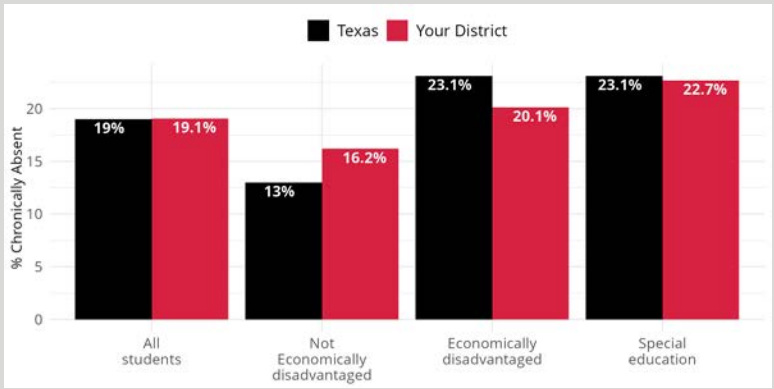
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HOUSE DISTRICT #135

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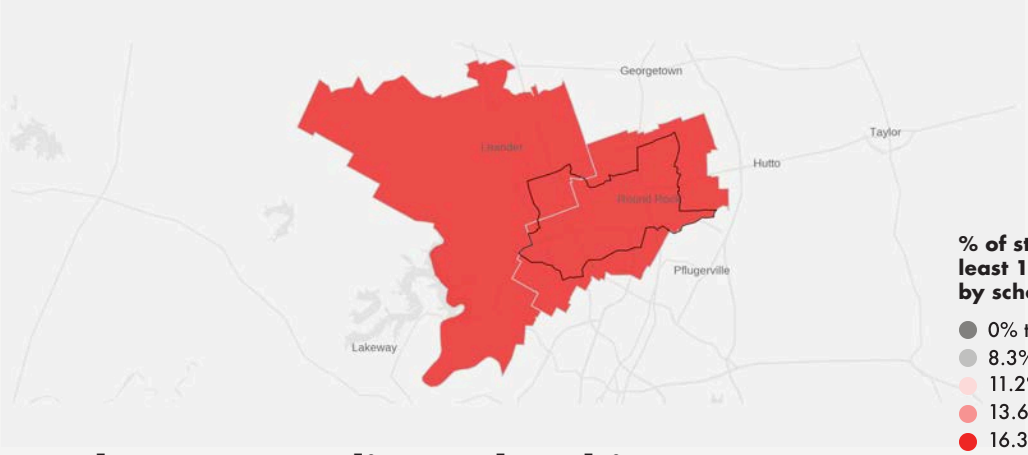
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18.2% of students attending school in HD 136 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #136



Rep. John H. Bucy III

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

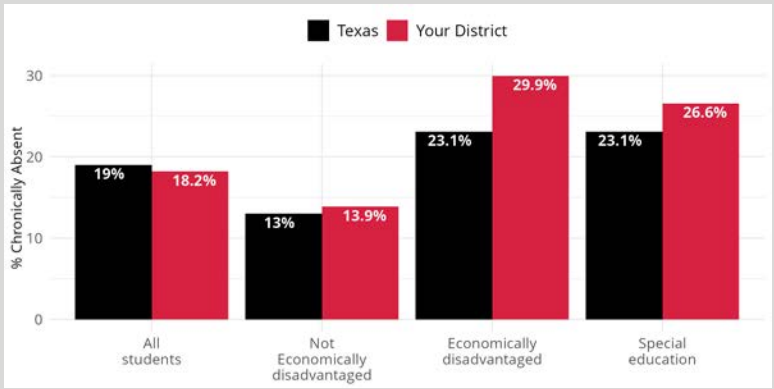
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HOUSE DISTRICT #136

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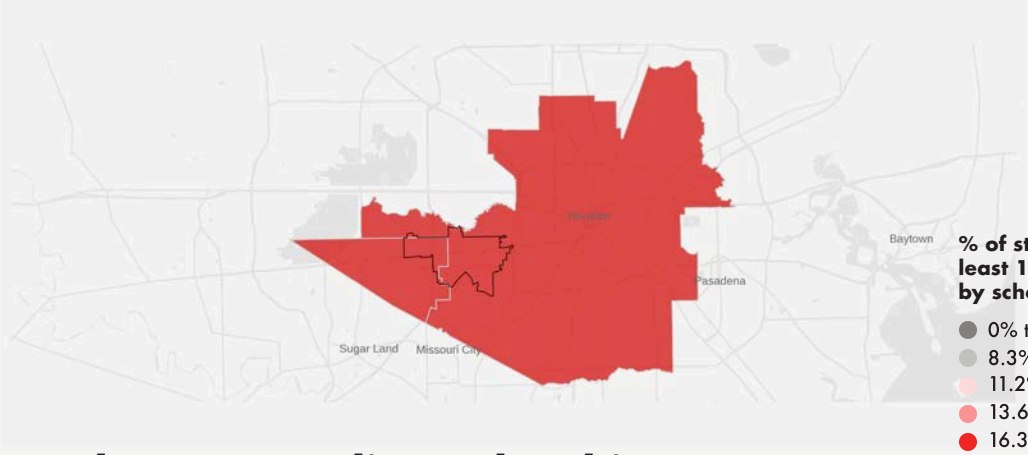
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14.3% of students attending school in HD 137 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #137



Rep. Gene Wu

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

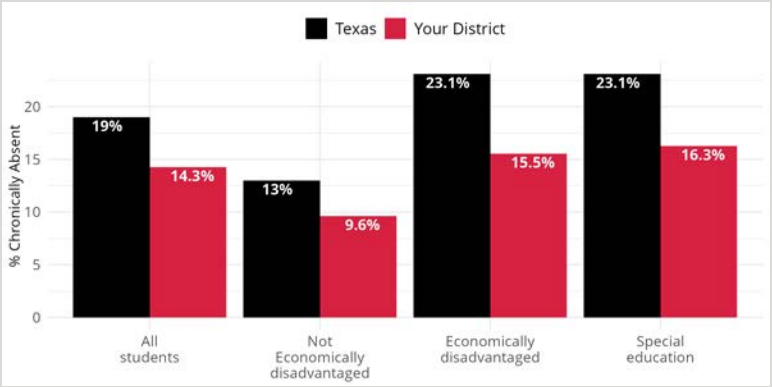
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HOUSE DISTRICT #137

During the 2023-24 school year, 14.3% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 5,570 students. This is a 2 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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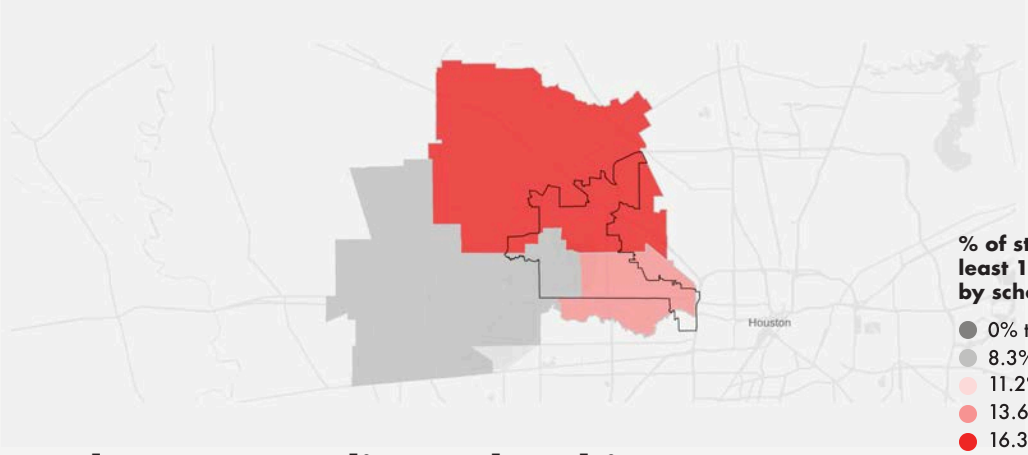
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21.1% of students attending school in HD 138 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #138



Rep. Lacey Hull

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

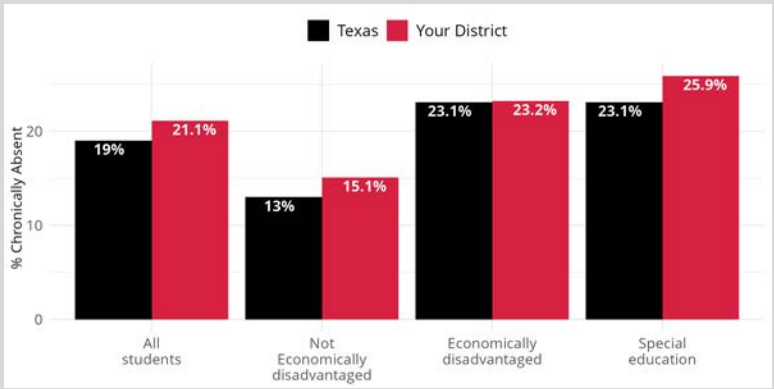
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HOUSE DISTRICT #138

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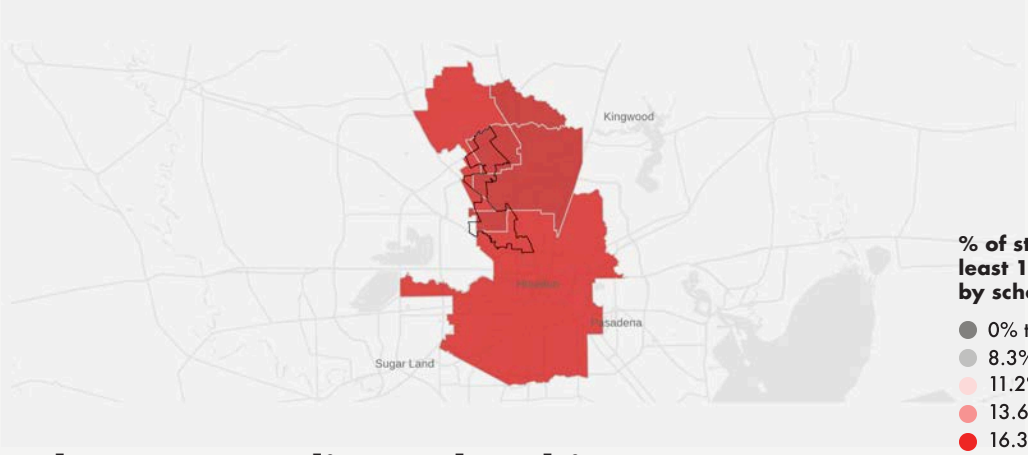
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26% of students attending school in HD 139 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #139



Rep. Charlene Ward Johnson

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

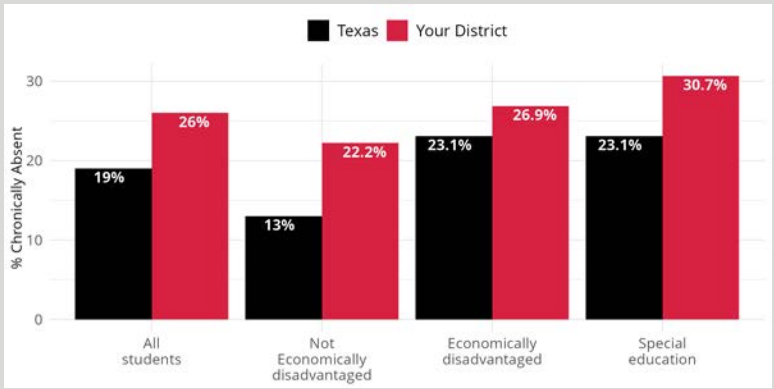
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HOUSE DISTRICT #139

During the 2023-24 school year, 26% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 10,710 students. This is a 4 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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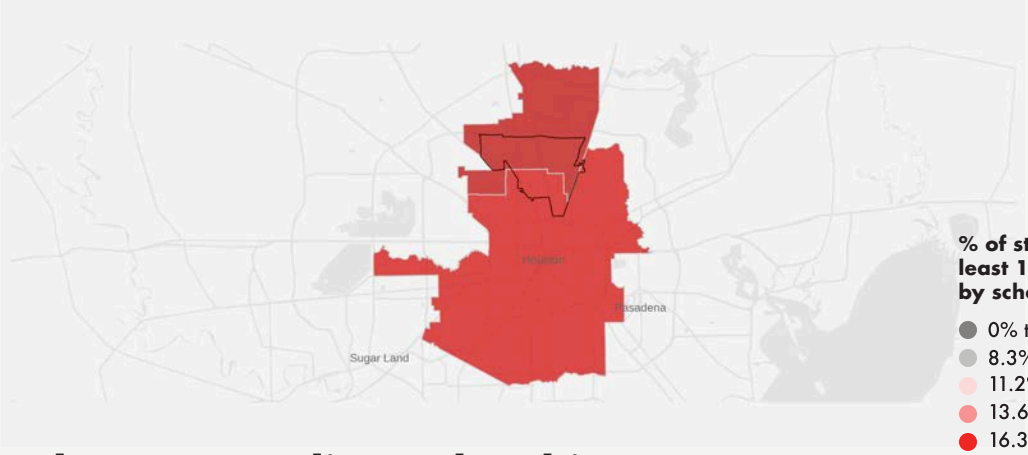
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27% of students attending school in HD 140 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #140



Rep. Armando Walle

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

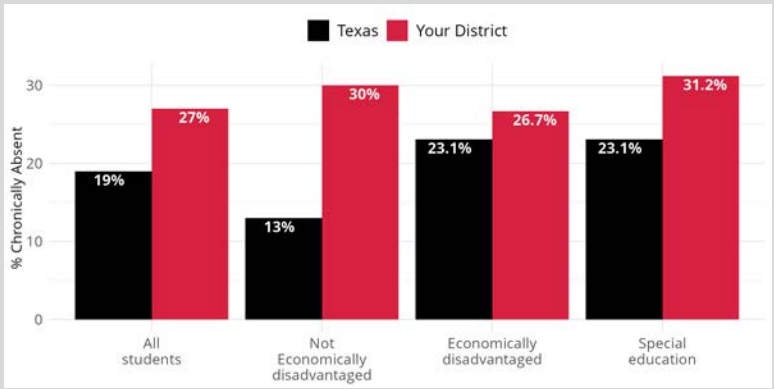
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HOUSE DISTRICT #140

During the 2023-24 school year, 27% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 9,525 students. This is a 5 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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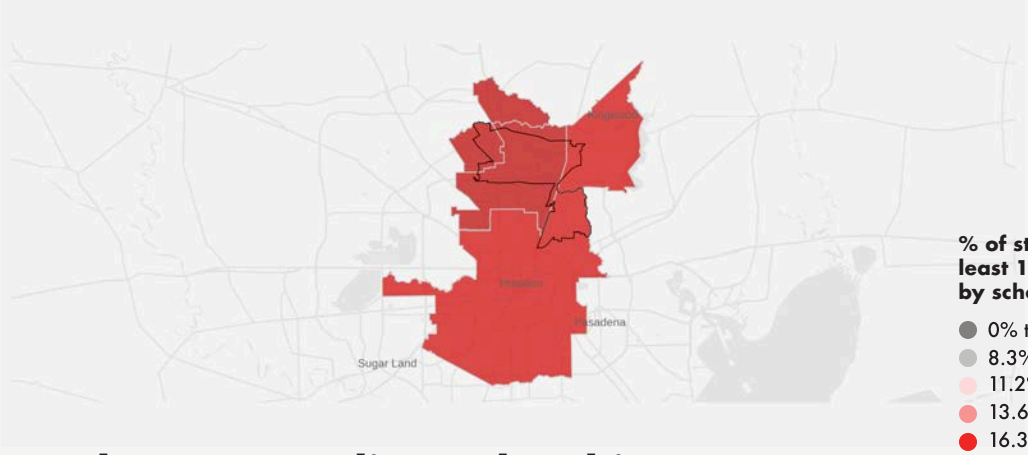
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35.7% of students attending school in HD 141 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #141



Rep. Senfronia Thompson

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

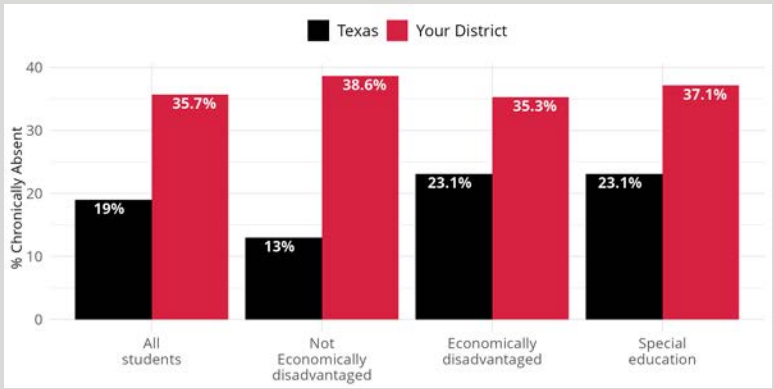
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HOUSE DISTRICT #141

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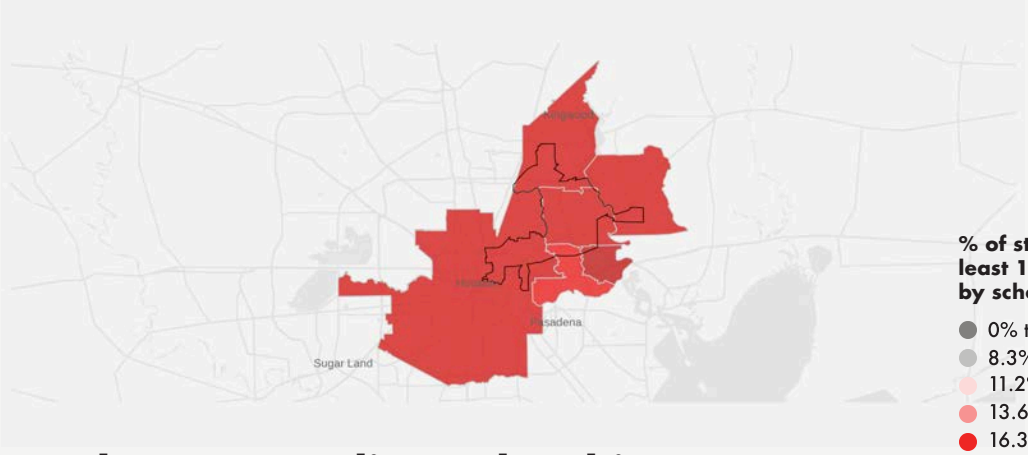
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25.5% of students attending school in HD 142 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #142



Rep. Harold V. Dutton Jr.

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

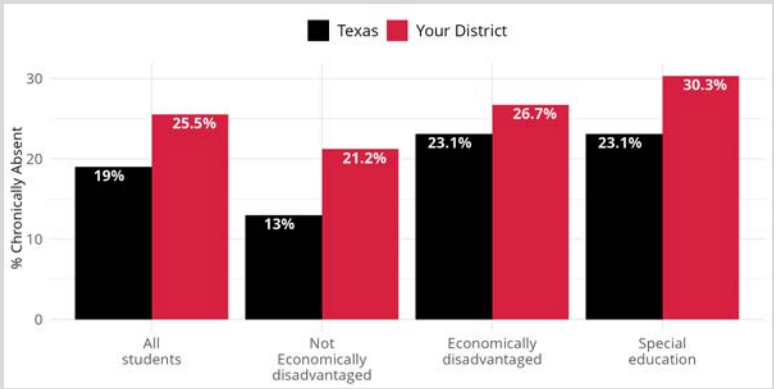
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HOUSE DISTRICT #142

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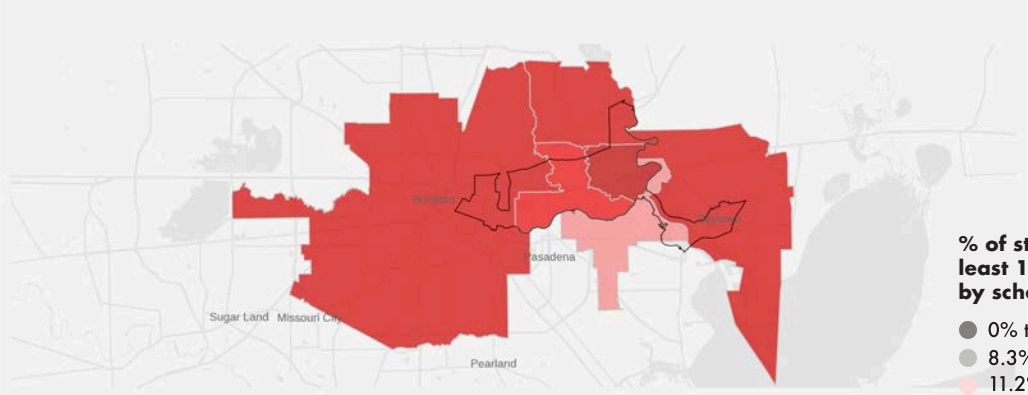
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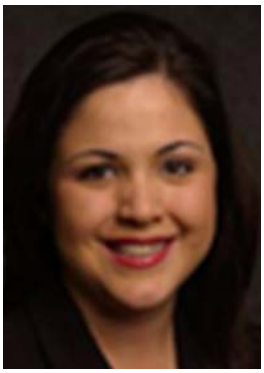
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20.5% of students attending school in HD 143 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #143



Rep. Ana Hernandez

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

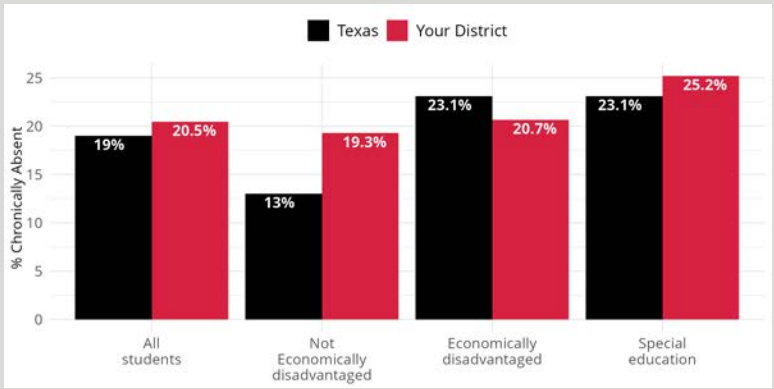
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HOUSE DISTRICT #143

During the 2023-24 school year, 20.5% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 7,043 students. This is a 2 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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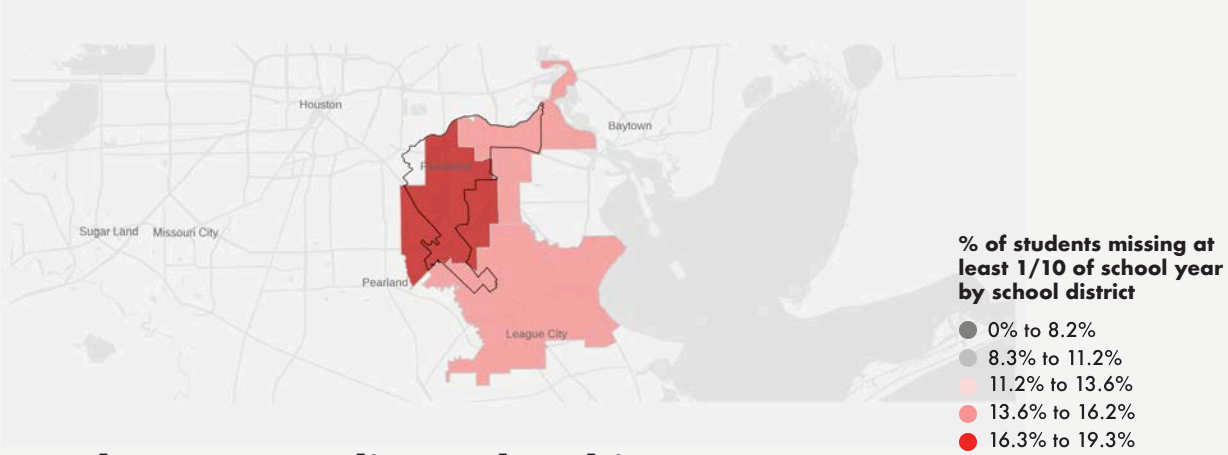
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26.2% of students attending school in HD 144 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #144



Rep. Mary Ann Perez

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

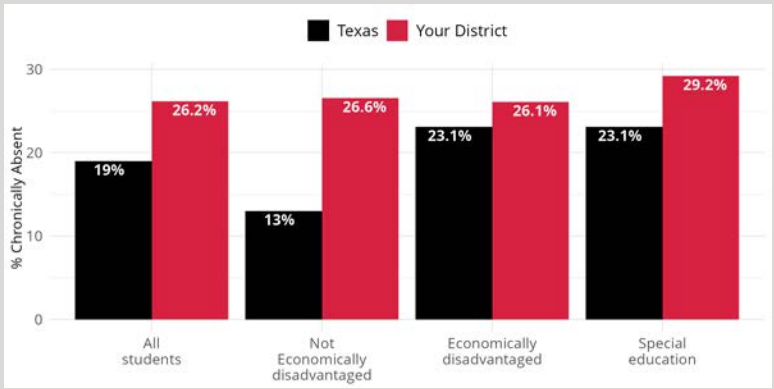
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HOUSE DISTRICT #144

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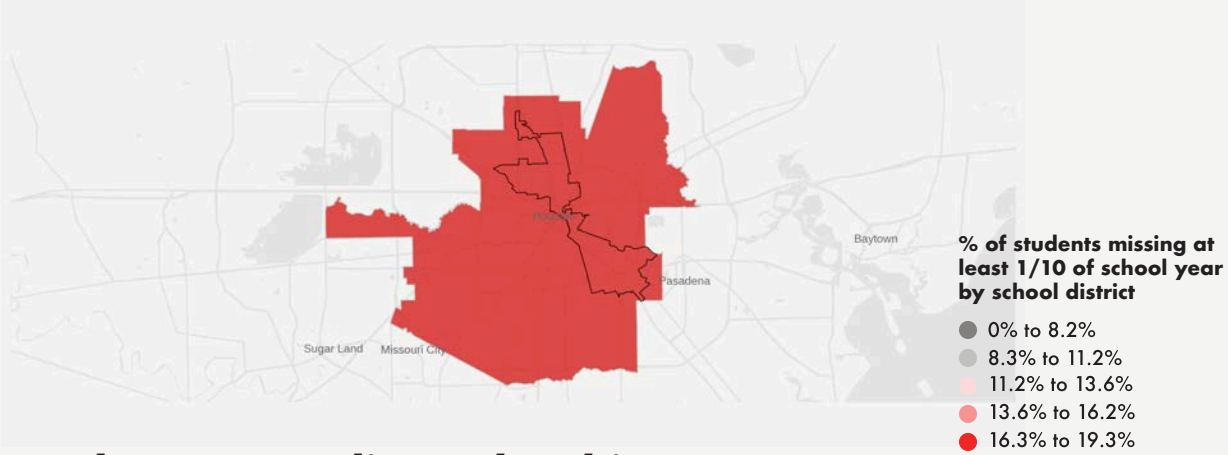
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18.6% of students attending school in HD 145 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #145



Rep. Christina Morales

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

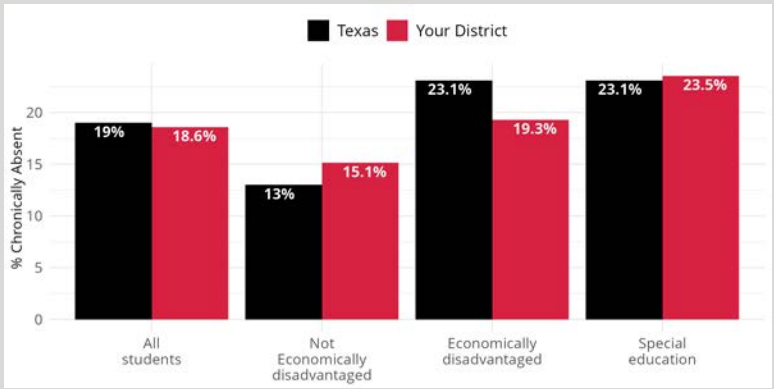
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HOUSE DISTRICT #145

During the 2023-24 school year, 18.6% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 6,818 students. This is a 3 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS

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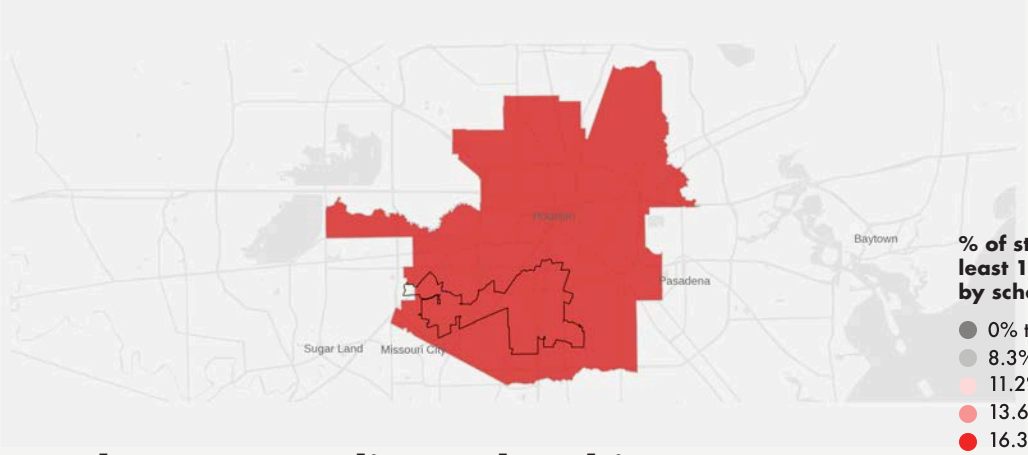
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25.3% of students attending school in HD 146 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #146



Rep. Lauren Ashley Simmons

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

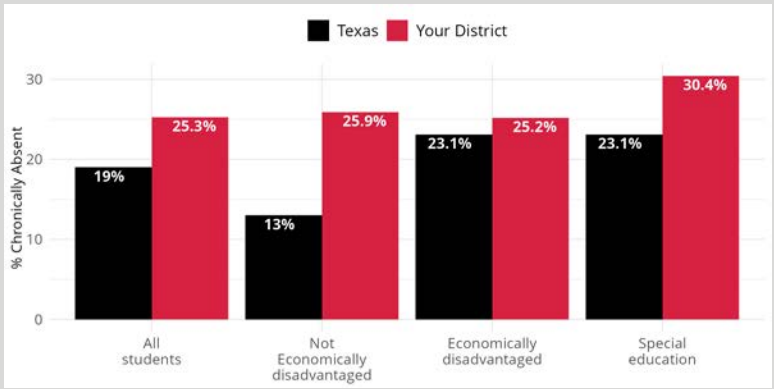
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HOUSE DISTRICT #146

During the 2023-24 school year, 25.3% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 6,127 students. This is a 3 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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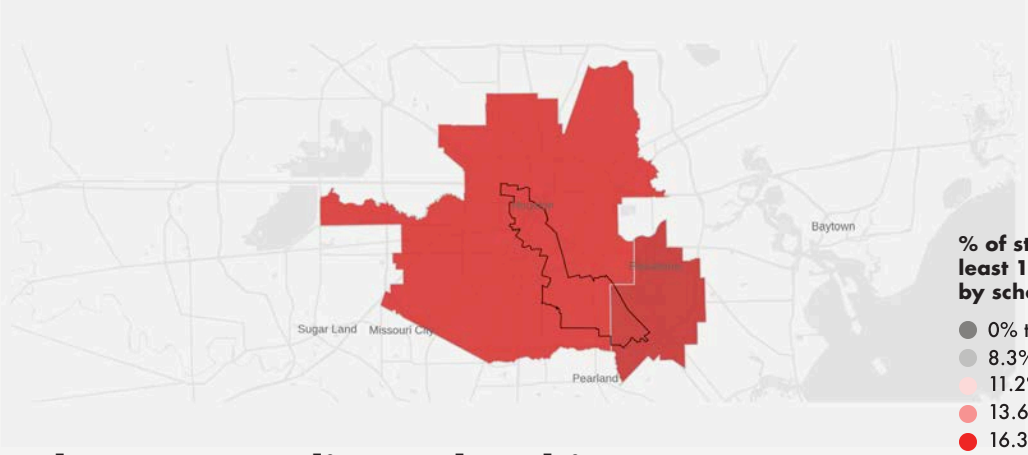
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20% of students attending school in HD 147 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #147



Rep. Jolanda "Jo" Jones

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

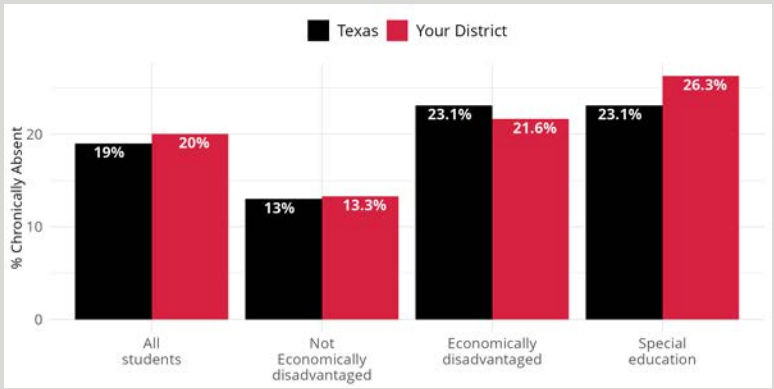
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HOUSE DISTRICT #147

During the 2023-24 school year, 20% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 5,176 students. This is a 3 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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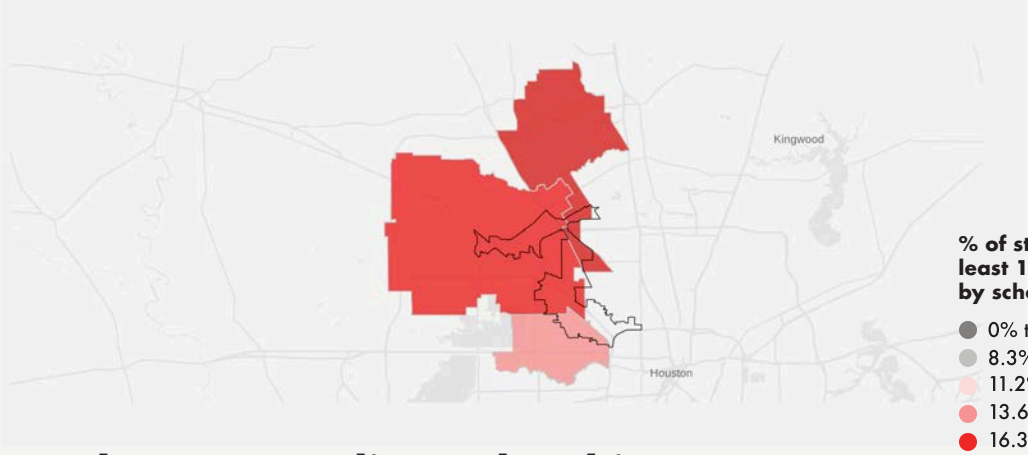
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23.8% of students attending school in HD 148 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #148



Rep. Penny Morales Shaw

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

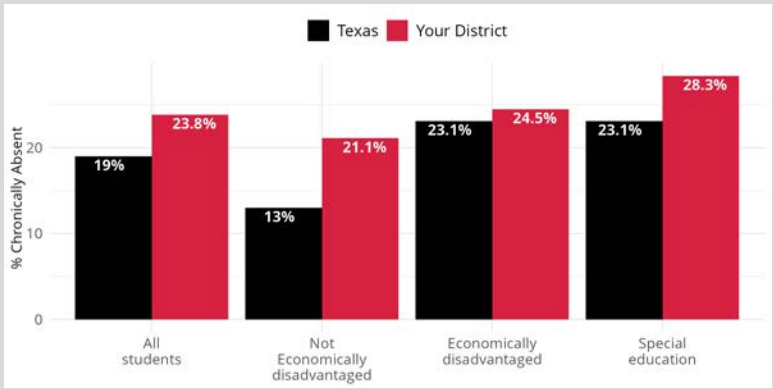
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HOUSE DISTRICT #148

During the 2023-24 school year, 23.8% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 5,201 students. This is little change from 2022-23.



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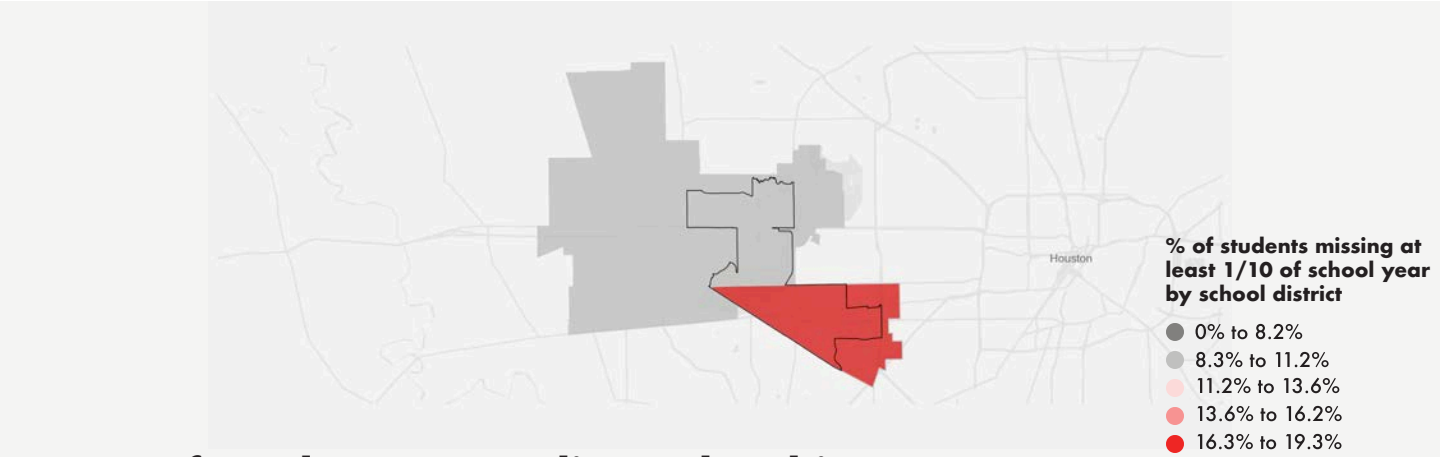
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21.9% of students attending school in HD 149 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #149



Rep. Hubert Vo

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

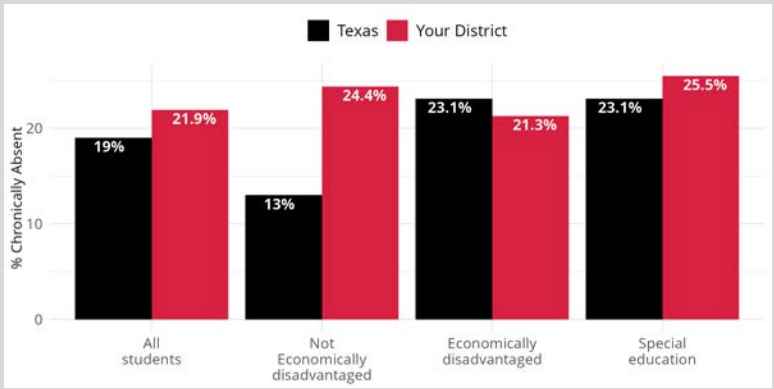
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HOUSE DISTRICT #149

During the 2023-24 school year, 21.9% of students attending school in this district missed at least one-tenth of their instruction – a total of 9,630 students. This is a 2 percentage point decrease from 2022-23.



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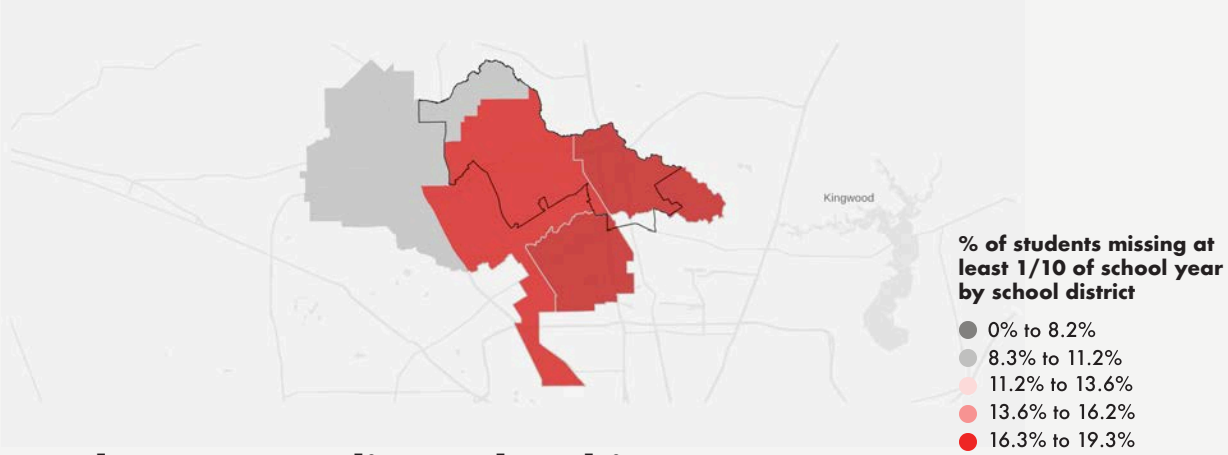
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19.4% of students attending school in HD 150 were chronically absent in 2023-24.



House District #150



Rep. Valoree Swanson

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

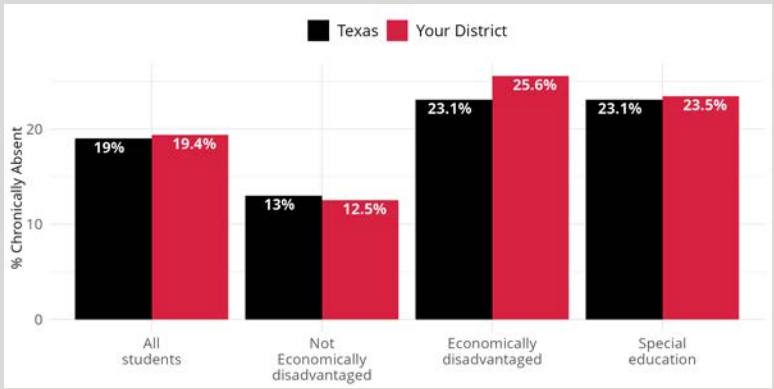
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HOUSE DISTRICT #150

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