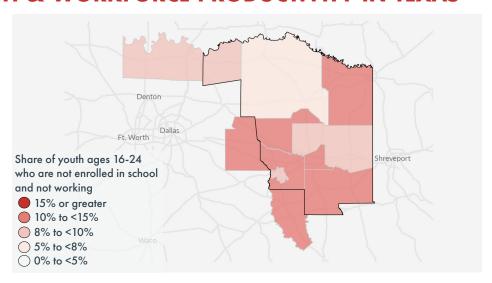


Senate District #1
Sen. Bryan Hughes



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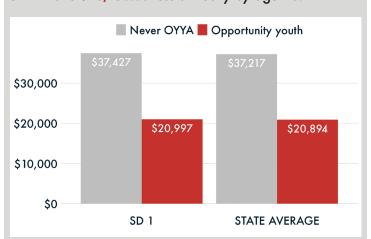
## **SENATE DISTRICT #1**

**2,248** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (15%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,166	52%
Female	1,082	48%
No health insurance	824	37%
No college (age 20-24)	1,117	76%
Parenting	288	13%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

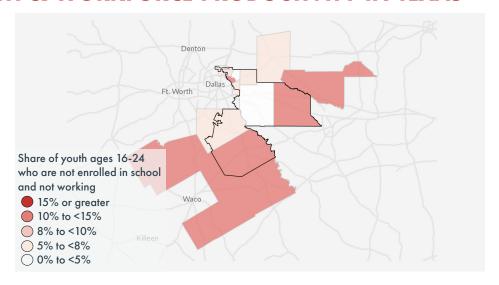
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 1 make \$16,430.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #2
Sen. Bob Hall



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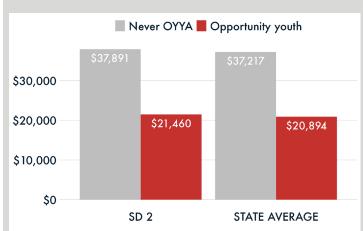
#### **SENATE DISTRICT #2**

**2,145** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (12%).

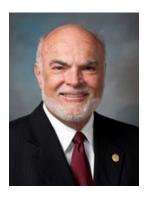
Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,011	47%
Female	1,134	53%
No health insurance	808	38%
No college (age 20-24)	1,034	69%
Parenting	274	13%

### IMPACT ON WAGES

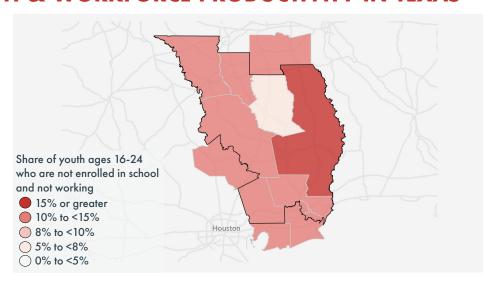
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 2 make \$16,431.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #3
Sen. Robert Nichols



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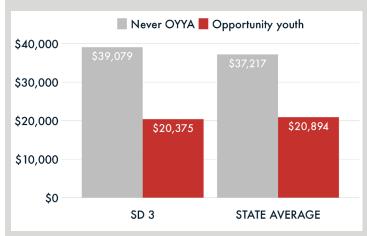
## SENATE DISTRICT #3

**3,098** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (18%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,606	52%
Female	1,492	48%
No health insurance	1,386	45%
No college (age 20-24)	1,816	81%
Parenting	532	17%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

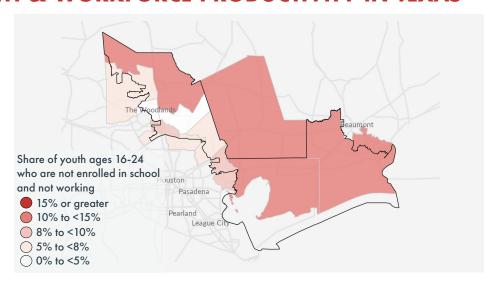
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 3 make \$18,704.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #4
Sen. Brandon Creighton



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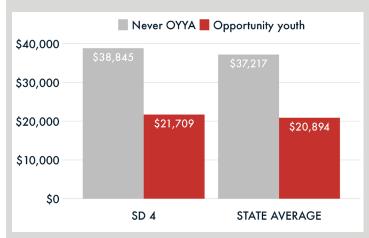
## SENATE DISTRICT #4

**2,190** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (13%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,035	47%
Female	1,154	53%
No health insurance	911	42%
No college (age 20-24)	1,137	73%
Parenting	404	18%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

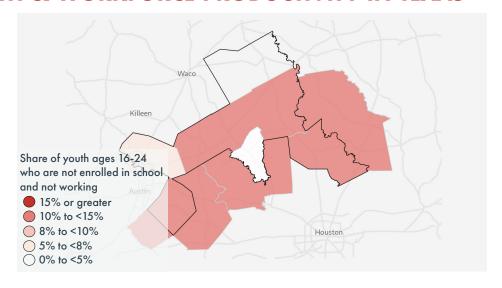
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 4 make \$17,135.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #5
Sen. Charles Schwertner



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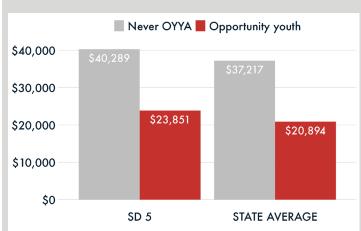
## SENATE DISTRICT #5

**2,841** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (8%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,437	51%
Female	1,404	49%
No health insurance	1,089	38%
No college (age 20-24)	1,282	71%
Parenting	311	11%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

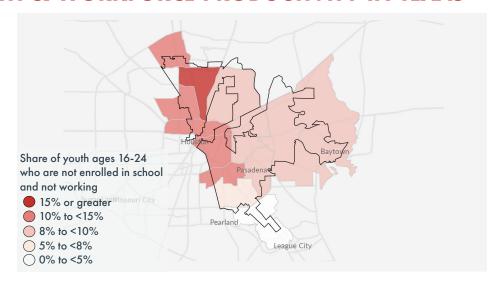
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 5 make \$16,437.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #6
Sen. Carol Alvarado



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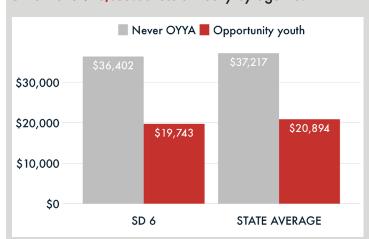
## **SENATE DISTRICT #6**

**2,722** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (17%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,313	48%
Female	1,409	52%
No health insurance	1,441	53%
No college (age 20-24)	1,492	79%
Parenting	525	19%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

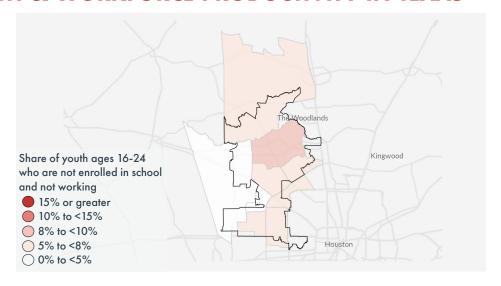
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 6 make \$16,659.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #7
Sen. Paul Bettencourt



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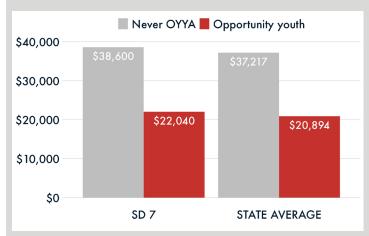
## **SENATE DISTRICT #7**

1,904 youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (12%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,036	54%
Female	868	46%
No health insurance	729	38%
No college (age 20-24)	<i>7</i> 58	64%
Parenting	135	7%

### IMPACT ON WAGES

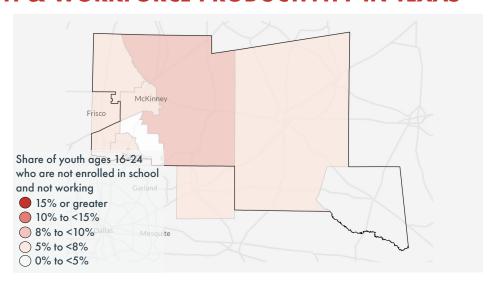
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 7 make \$16,560.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #8
Sen. Angela Paxton



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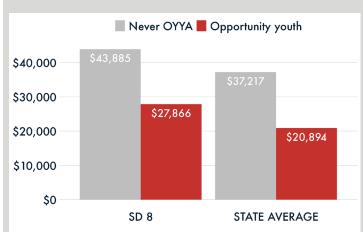
## **SENATE DISTRICT #8**

1,980 youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (10%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,030	52%
Female	950	48%
No health insurance	<i>7</i> 15	36%
No college (age 20-24)	833	61%
Parenting	190	10%

### IMPACT ON WAGES

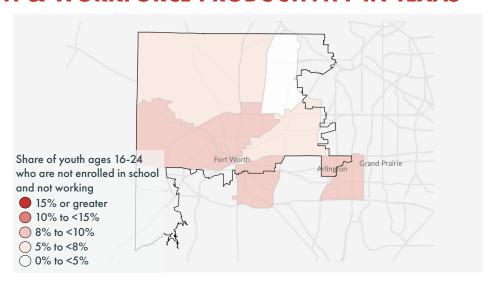
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 8 make \$16,019.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #9
Sen. Kelly Hancock



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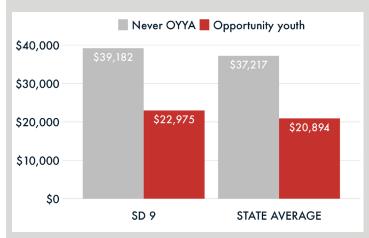
### **SENATE DISTRICT #9**

1,853 youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (11%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	865	47%
Female	988	53%
No health insurance	<i>7</i> 80	42%
No college (age 20-24)	937	74%
Parenting	306	17%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

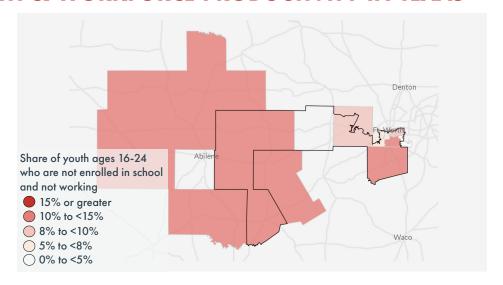
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 9 make \$16,207.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #10 Sen. Phil King



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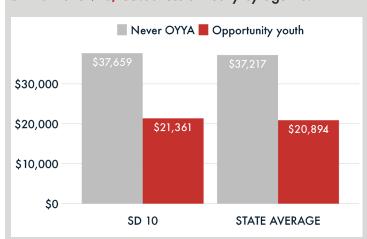
## SENATE DISTRICT #10

**2,864** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (15%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,390	49%
Female	1,474	51%
No health insurance	1,257	44%
No college (age 20-24)	1,329	72%
Parenting	509	18%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

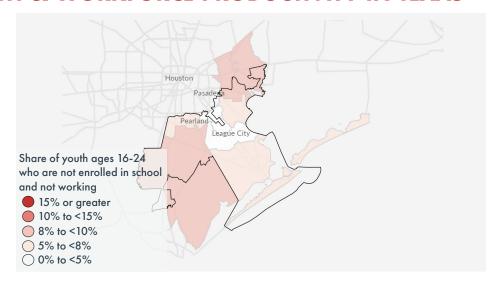
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 10 make \$16,299.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #11
Sen. Mayes Middleton



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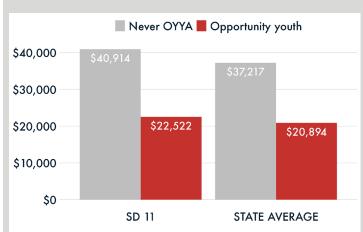
## SENATE DISTRICT #11

**2,060** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (12%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,109	54%
Female	951	46%
No health insurance	810	39%
No college (age 20-24)	1,015	66%
Parenting	361	18%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

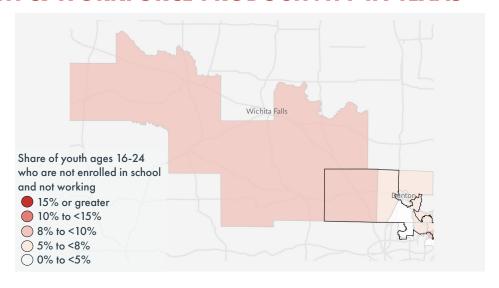
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 11 make \$18,392.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #12 Sen. Tan Parker



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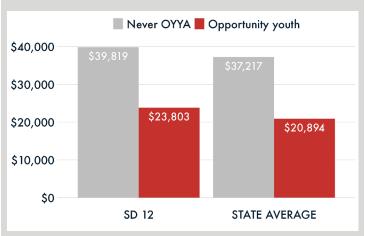
## SENATE DISTRICT #12

**1,322** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (9%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	651	49%
Female	670	51%
No health insurance	482	36%
No college (age 20-24)	547	60%
Parenting	180	14%

### **IMPACT ON WAGES**

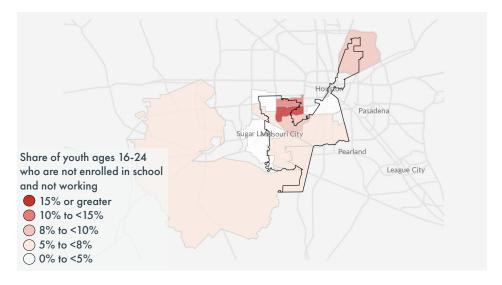
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 12 make \$16,016.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #13 Sen. Borris L.Miles



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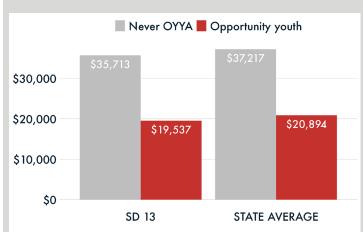
## SENATE DISTRICT #13

**2,155** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (13%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	961	45%
Female	1,194	55%
No health insurance	1,047	49%
No college (age 20-24)	1,132	70%
Parenting	365	17%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

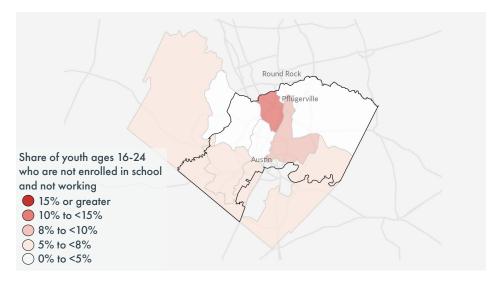
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 13 make \$16,176.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #14
Sen. Sarah Eckhardt



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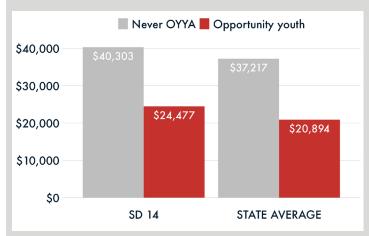
#### SENATE DISTRICT #14

**1,367** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (6%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	645	47%
Female	722	53%
No health insurance	515	38%
No college (age 20-24)	539	52%
Parenting	140	10%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

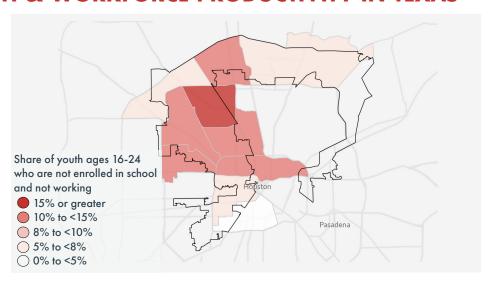
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 14 make \$15,826.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #15
Sen. Molly Cook



#### OPPORTUNITY YOUTH IN TEXAS

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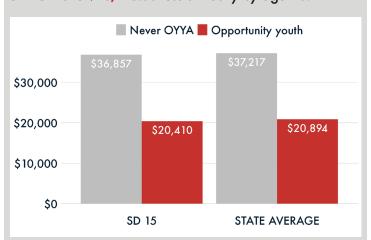
## SENATE DISTRICT #15

**2,295** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (14%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,113	49%
Female	1,181	51%
No health insurance	1,183	52%
No college (age 20-24)	1,117	71%
Parenting	417	18%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

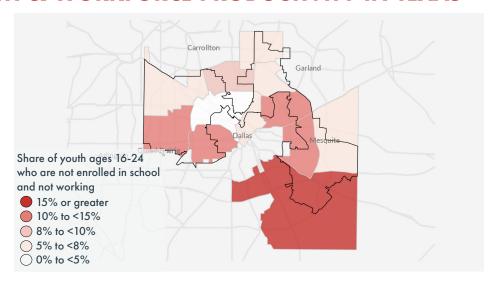
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Senate District #16
Sen. Nathan Johnson



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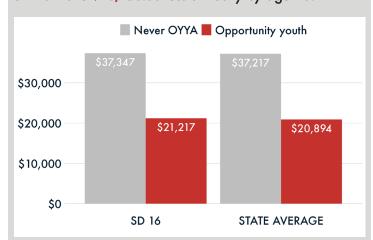
## SENATE DISTRICT #16

**2,275** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (14%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,018	45%
Female	1,256	55%
No health insurance	1,121	49%
No college (age 20-24)	1,136	71%
Parenting	426	19%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

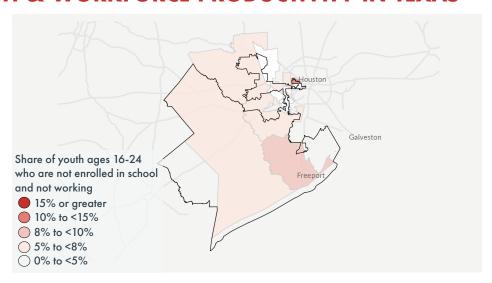
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 16 make \$16,130.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #17 Sen. Joan Huffman



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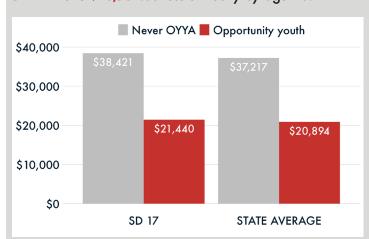
## **SENATE DISTRICT #17**

**1,878** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (11%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	990	53%
Female	887	47%
No health insurance	840	45%
No college (age 20-24)	1,000	74%
Parenting	191	10%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

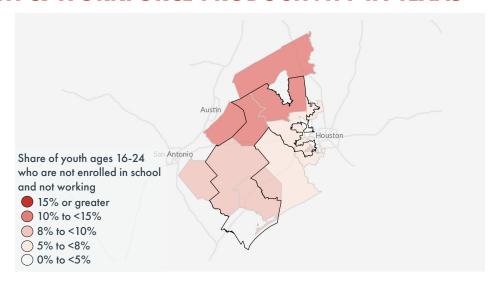
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 17 make \$16,981.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #18
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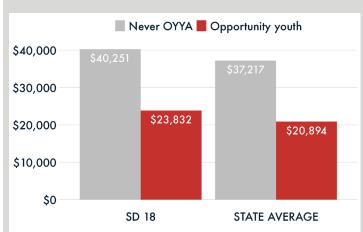
## SENATE DISTRICT #18

**2,131** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (11%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,177	55%
Female	954	45%
No health insurance	871	41%
No college (age 20-24)	1,191	76%
Parenting	245	11%

### IMPACT ON WAGES

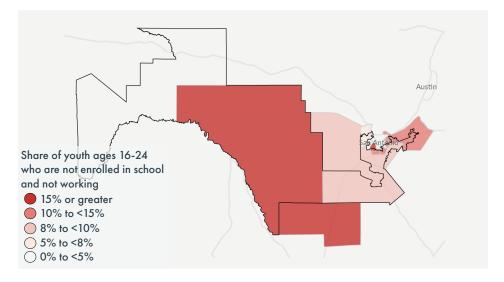
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 18 make \$16,419.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #19
Sen. Roland Gutierrez



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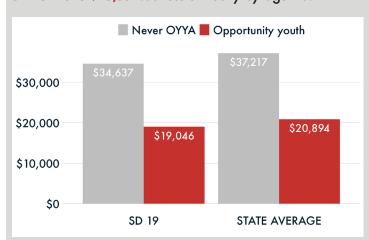
#### SENATE DISTRICT #19

**3,042** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (16%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,518	50%
Female	1,525	50%
No health insurance	1,352	44%
No college (age 20-24)	1,667	76%
Parenting	499	16%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

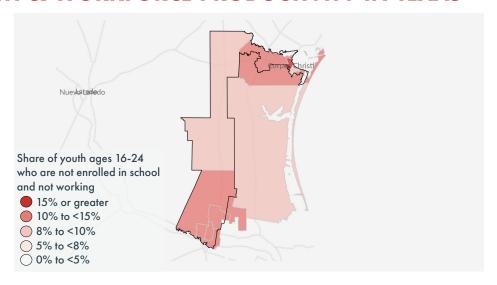
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 19 make \$15,592.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #20
Sen. Juan"Chuy" Hinojosa



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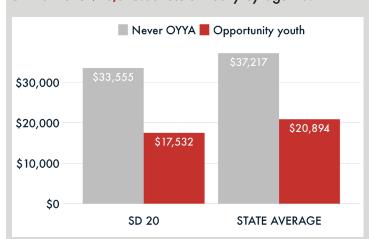
#### SENATE DISTRICT #20

**2,961** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (17%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,502	51%
Female	1,460	49%
No health insurance	1,523	51%
No college (age 20-24)	1,295	69%
Parenting	468	16%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

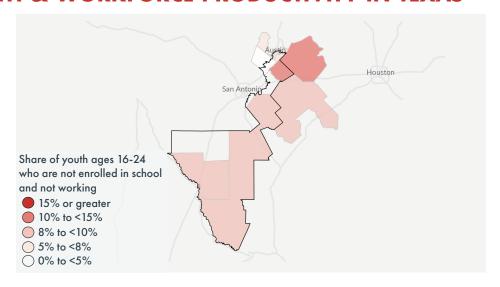
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 20 make \$16,023.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #21
Sen. Judith Zaffirini



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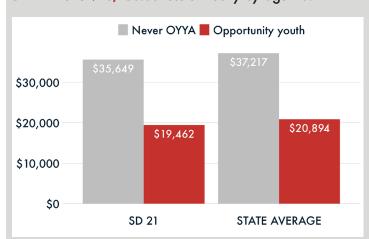
#### SENATE DISTRICT #21

**2,758** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (12%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,447	52%
Female	1,311	48%
No health insurance	1,202	44%
No college (age 20-24)	1,323	68%
Parenting	425	15%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

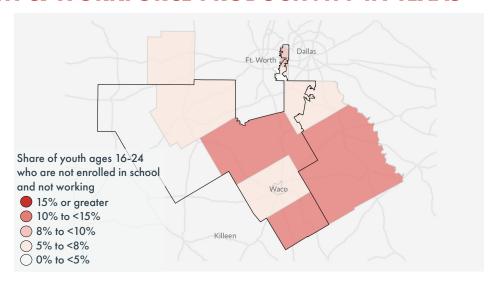
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 21 make \$16,186.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #22 Sen. Brian Birdwell



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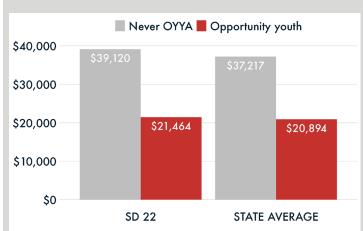
## SENATE DISTRICT #22

**2,310** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (11%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,082	47%
Female	1,228	53%
No health insurance	868	38%
No college (age 20-24)	1,213	76%
Parenting	455	20%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

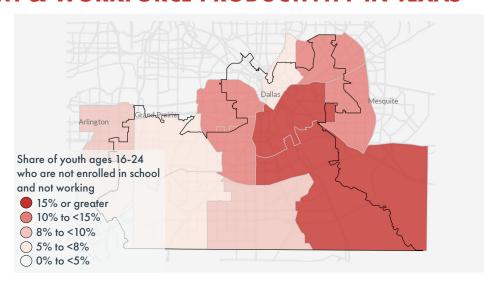
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 22 make \$17,656.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #23
Sen. Royce West



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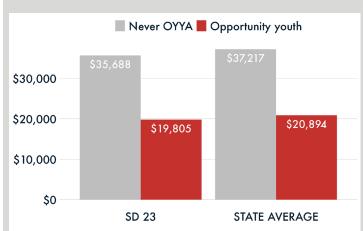
#### SENATE DISTRICT #23

**2,483** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (15%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,188	48%
Female	1,295	52%
No health insurance	1,079	43%
No college (age 20-24)	1,275	74%
Parenting	465	19%

### IMPACT ON WAGES

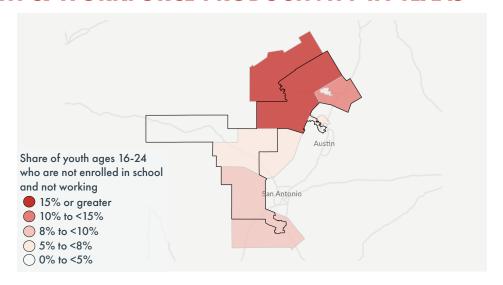
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 23 make \$15,883.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #24
Sen. Pete Flores



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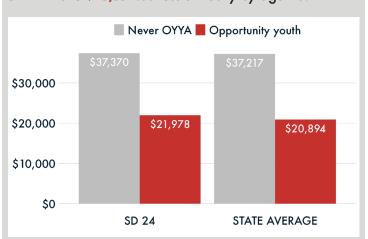
### SENATE DISTRICT #24

**2,757** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (12%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,463	53%
Female	1,294	47%
No health insurance	971	35%
No college (age 20-24)	1,384	73%
Parenting	381	14%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

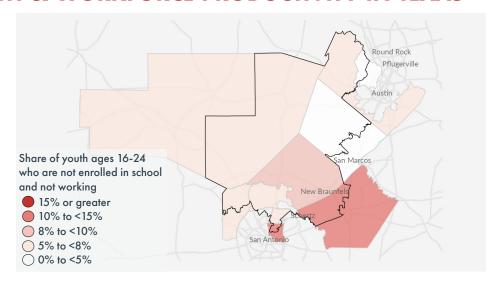
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 24 make \$15,392.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #25
Sen. Donna Campbell



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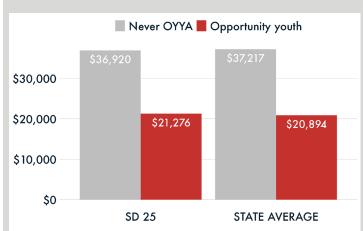
## SENATE DISTRICT #25

**1,958** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (11%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	993	51%
Female	965	49%
No health insurance	578	30%
No college (age 20-24)	914	65%
Parenting	276	14%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

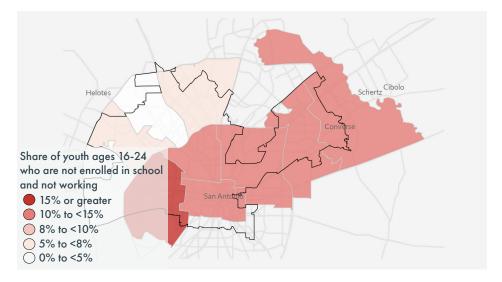
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 25 make \$15,643.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #26 Sen. José Menéndez



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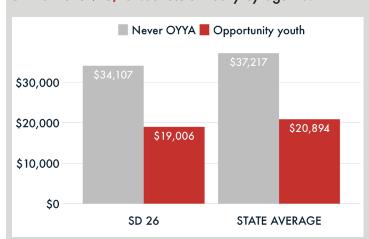
#### SENATE DISTRICT #26

**2,236** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (13%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,096	49%
Female	1,140	51%
No health insurance	917	41%
No college (age 20-24)	1,127	73%
Parenting	381	17%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

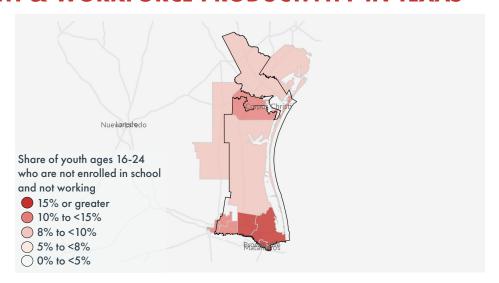
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 26 make \$15,101.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #27
Sen. Adam Hinojosa



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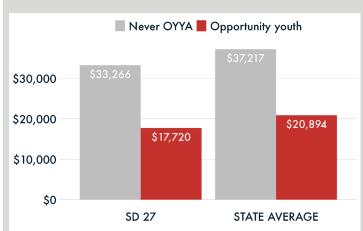
## **SENATE DISTRICT #27**

**3,533** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (19%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,970	56%
Female	1,563	44%
No health insurance	1,897	54%
No college (age 20-24)	1,752	77%
Parenting	592	17%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

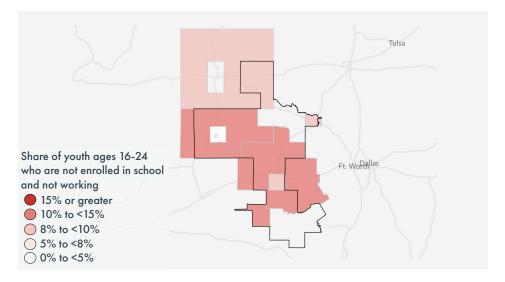
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 27 make \$15,546.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #28
Sen. Charles Perry



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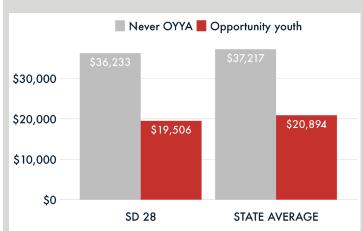
## SENATE DISTRICT #28

**2,266** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (9%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,095	48%
Female	1,170	52%
No health insurance	921	41%
No college (age 20-24)	1,282	79%
Parenting	472	21%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

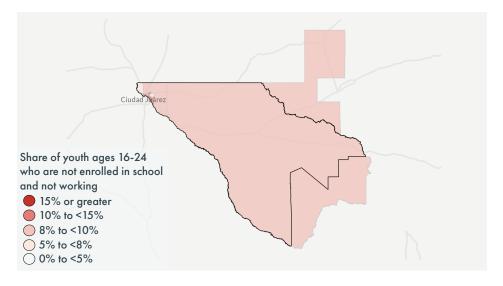
On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 28 make \$16,727.00 less annually by age 28.







Senate District #29
Sen. César Blanco



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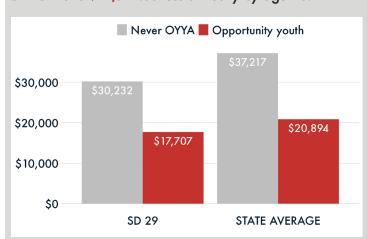
## SENATE DISTRICT #29

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Male	1,327	52%
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No health insurance	1,185	46%
No college (age 20-24)	1,112	63%
Parenting	483	19%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

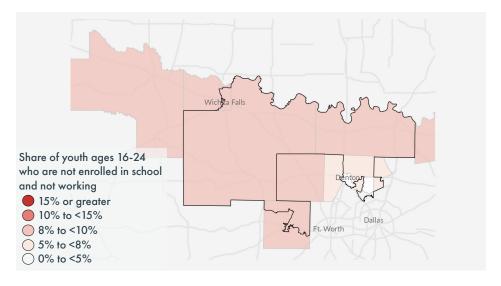
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Senate District #30
Sen. Brent Hagenbuch



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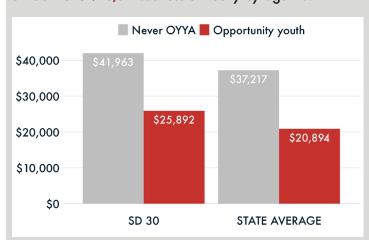
## SENATE DISTRICT #30

**2,190** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (10%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,069	49%
Female	1,121	51%
No health insurance	705	32%
No college (age 20-24)	1,036	66%
Parenting	313	14%

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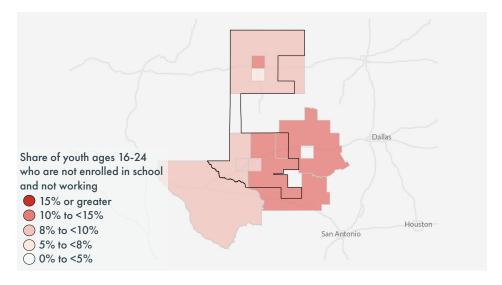
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Senate District #31 Sen. Kevin Sparks



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**2,470** youth ages 16-24 are **not** enrolled in school and **not** working (14%).

Opportunity youth	Count	Percent
Male	1,164	47%
Female	1,306	53%
No health insurance	1,109	45%
No college (age 20-24)	1,331	78%
Parenting	691	28%

#### IMPACT ON WAGES

On average, youth who experienced disconnection in SD 31 make \$19,567.00 less annually by age 28.

