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Grey House Publishing announces the Third Edition of *Profiles of Texas*

"Profiles of Texas is highly recommended for all libraries in the state."

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Grey House Publishing is proud to announce the publication of the Third Edition of *Profiles of Texas*. We built this brand new edition based on the concept of Grey House Publishing's *Profiles of America* – a 4-volume compilation of information on more than 42,000 places in the United States. From here, we added entire chapters of specific demographics plus ranking sections, so that *Profiles of Texas* is the most comprehensive portrait ever published of the state of Texas.

This third edition provides data on all populated communities and counties in the state of Texas for which the US Census provides statistics. It includes 7 major sections that cover everything from Education to Ethnic Backgrounds to Climate. All sections include Comparative Statistics or Rankings, and full-color Maps at the back of the book provide valuable information in a quickly processed, visual format.

The first section, **Profiles**, gives detailed profiles of 1,784 places plus 254 counties. Based on core census data, these numbers reflect extensive updates from the U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey, and Nielsen Claritas, a trusted source for up-to-date demographic information. In addition we've added current government statistics and original research, so that these profiles pull together statistical and descriptive information on every Census-recognized place in the state. Major fields of information included in this section are:

**Geography... Housing... Education... Religion... Ancestry... Transportation
Population... Weather... Economy... Industry... Health**

The second section is **Education**. This section begins with an *Educational State Profile*, summarizing number of schools, students, diplomas granted and educational dollars spent. Following this summary are *National Assessment of Educational progress (NAEP) Test Scores*, plus *Texas Assessment of*

Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) Test Scores. Following the state profile and tests scores are School District Rankings on 16 topics ranging from *Teacher/Student Ratios* to *High School Drop-Out Rates*.

The third section, **Ancestry**, provides a detailed look at the ancestral and racial makeup of Texas. Of the 217 ethnic categories they are ranked 3 ways. First by number, based on all places regardless of population; Second, by percent, based on all places regardless of population; Third, by percent based on places with populations of 10,000 or more.

The fourth section covers **Hispanic Population**. This section defines Texas' Hispanic population by 23 Hispanic backgrounds from *Argentinean* to *Venezuelan*. It ranks each of 15 categories, from Median Age to Median Home Value, by each Hispanic background. For example, you'll see that Keller has the highest percentage of *Mexicans* who speak English only at home.

Similar in format to the previous chapter, the fifth section defines Texas' **Asian Population** by 23 Asian backgrounds from *Bangladesh* to *Vietnamese*. It ranks each of 14 categories, from Median Age to Median Home Value, by each Asian background. You will learn that *Filipinos* in Sugar Land have a median household income of \$91,286 and that 100.0% of *Koreans* in College Station are high-school graduates.

In the sixth section the **Climate** is explored in detail in this chapter, which includes a *State Summary*, and profiles of both *National and Cooperative Weather Stations*. In addition, you'll find *Weather Station Rankings*, where you'll see that, over the 30-year recorded period, Amarillo International Airport, Anson, and Penwell reported the lowest annual extreme minimum temperatures of -12°F.

The final section, is devoted to a more visual point of view, there are 16 maps of Texas, most in full-color, at the back of the book. They provide information on topics such as Core-Based Statistical Areas and Counties, Population Demographics, Household size, Median Age, Male/Female Ratio, Income, and the 2008 Presidential Election.

Profiles of Texas goes beyond Census statistics, beyond metro area coverage, beyond the 100 best places to live. Drawn from official census information, other government statistics and original research, you will have at your fingertips data that's available nowhere else in one single source.

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