

#1 of 10: Income Gap Between Arriving and Departing Households

Killeen-Temple Leads Texas in Income Inflow

Source: ALEX Intelligence, October 18, 2026

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THE DATA

7.4%

Income Gap Between Arriving and Departing Households (2023)

This is the largest such gap among all U.S. counties that sent households to the Killeen-Temple MSA in 2022-23.

The 7.4% income advantage of incoming households over outgoing ones signals a net gain in economic capacity. This trend reflects a selective migration pattern where higher-earning residents are moving into the MSA, particularly drawn by Fort Cavazos and the Baylor Scott & White medical corridor. The influx is not just demographic — it is fiscal, enhancing local tax bases and supporting long-term affordability stability.

Source: U.S. Internal Revenue Service, Statistics of Income Migration Data, county-to-county inflows, 2022-23 · ALEX Intelligence computation

<https://alex-companies.com/data/2026-10-18-killeen-temple-mig-agi-gap>



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The background of the slide is a photograph of Fort Cavazos, featuring large stone arches and a tall stone tower. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent dark red filter. In the top left corner, there is a solid dark red rectangle containing the number '01' in a light pink, serif font.

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Fort Cavazos Drives Economic Quality

The military base remains the dominant economic anchor, attracting professionals and service members with higher-than-average incomes. This inflow is not merely about employment — it is about household-level economic upgrading. The base's sustained operational intensity, including recent deployments and casualty events, underscores its enduring presence and role in shaping the region's demographic and fiscal profile.

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Migration Quality Over Quantity

The data shows that Killeen-Temple is not just growing in population — it is growing in income quality. The 7.4% gap means that for every household leaving, the incoming one brings higher purchasing power. This dynamic reduces downward pressure on housing values and supports service demand, even as the region absorbs new residents. The market is not simply expanding — it is upgrading.



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