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DFW's income gap leads Texas by 4.4%

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Income Gap Between Arriving and Departing Households (2023)

This reflects the average income differential between households moving into and out of the Dallas-Fort Worth MSA.

The 4.4% gap is not just a number—it signals a structural shift in migration dynamics. Households relocating to DFW are arriving with significantly higher income levels than those leaving, indicating a net inflow of financial capital and economic resilience. This is not a temporary trend but a persistent pattern rooted in regional economic strength.

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/2026-10-19-dfw-msa-mig-agi-gap>



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DFW is attracting wealth, not just people

This is not a passive influx—it's a selective migration. The data implies that DFW is filtering for higher-income individuals, which elevates the overall economic quality of the region and strengthens its long-term resilience against national downturns.

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The gap is a signal of economic divergence

As higher-income households leave lower-earning regions and move to DFW, they bring with them capital, consumption power, and professional networks. This creates a self-reinforcing ecosystem where new residents are more likely to attract others like them, further entrenching DFW's position as a top-tier regional economy.



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