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Santa Rita Ranch leads by 13.3 minutes

Williamson County’s commute spread, 2024

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The gap between the longest and shortest average commutes in Williamson County is 13.3 minutes.

This spread—measured between Santa Rita Ranch (37.5 minutes) and Brushy Creek (24.2 minutes)—reveals a growing disparity in daily travel burden across the county's suburban communities. The difference is not just about time, but about access to opportunity, lifestyle flexibility, and quality of life. In a region where remote work and hybrid models are entrenched, this divergence suggests that not all parts of Williamson County are equally equipped for modern mobility patterns.



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https://alex-companies.com/data/2026-11-27-williamson-commute-spread

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Commute inequality fuels housing stratification

The 13.3-minute spread reflects a deeper trend: access to low-commute zones is becoming a premium feature. Areas like Brushy Creek, with shorter average commutes, are likely experiencing increased demand and pricing pressure, while higher-commute areas like Santa Rita Ranch may face slower appreciation or higher turnover. This divergence isn't just about roads—it's about who can afford to live where, and who is being left behind in the daily grind.

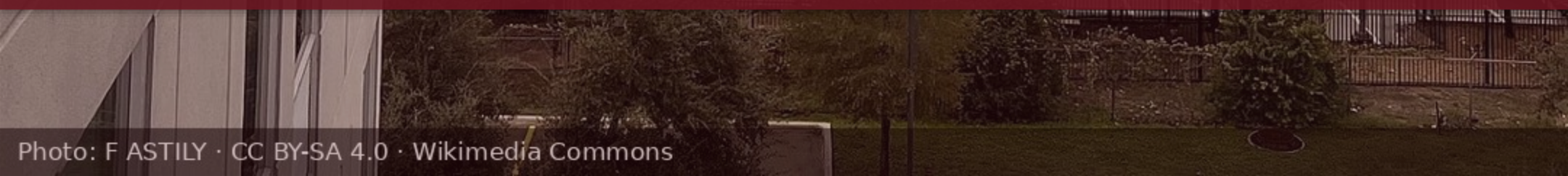


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Infrastructure lags behind development pace

The wide commute spread suggests that transportation planning has not kept pace with suburban expansion. While new communities like Liberty Hill and Taylor are growing rapidly, their infrastructure—especially transit connectivity and road network design—may not be optimized for efficient flow. This lag could lead to long-term congestion, reduced productivity, and diminished quality of life, even as population and economic activity rise.

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