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Analysis shows DFW commutes among the worst

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Anyone who commutes in the Dallas-Fort Worth area knows that traffic is heavy no matter which direction you're heading.

But when it comes to bad local commutes, the folks in Little Elm apparently have it worse than anyone else in the state for communities with populations between 10,000 and 50,000.

That's according to an analysis of daily commute times by On Numbers, a feature of American City Business Journals, the parent company of the *Dallas Business Journal*.

Little Elm, in Denton County, ranked 2,988th out of 3,012 American cities in that population range for the average amount of time its citizens told the 2009 American Community Survey they spent driving home from work. They ranked last in the state of Texas, according to the analysis.

The American Community Survey is conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau.

But Little Elm residents weren't alone. Here's how some other DFW area cities fared in the analysis:

- *Seagoville, No. 2907
- *Wylie, No. 2,875
- *Forney, No. 2,834
- *Rockwall, No. 2,819
- *Sachse, No. 2,796
- *Lancaster, No. 2,795
- *Corinth, No. 2,790

- *DeSoto, No. 2,732
- *Crowley, No. 2,730
- *Murphy, No. 2,728

We could go on with more, as many DFW cities ranked in the 2,000s.

The highest ranked DFW area city was University Park, which fell at No. 471 on the list.

Where's the best commute in America, you might ask? It's Altus, Okla., which is southwest of Oklahoma City. Four fifths of the residents of Altus said it takes them less than 15 minutes to drive home from work, which is nearly triple the national average, On Numbers reported.

Falling at No. 3,012 with the worst commute is Poinciana, Fla., which is south of Orlando.

The analysis is [accompanied by a searchable database.](#)

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