

Health Care

San Angelo has two acute care hospitals: Shannon Medical Center and San Angelo Community Medical Center. With over 200 physicians and 50 dentists practicing multiple specialties, San Angelo is widely recognized as a regional medical center. Acute care services available include cancer treatment and open-heart surgery. Other specialized medical facilities include: a regional rehabilitation center, a geriatric care facility, and a mental health and drug rehabilitation hospital. There are currently 7 nursing homes and an additional 10 retirement centers providing a variety of living accommodations and levels of care, including Alzheimer's care.

Recreation & Sports

San Angelo's weather allows residents and visitors to enjoy year round recreational activities. The summer temperatures are moderated by a trip to any of the three lakes that border the city limits. Boating, fishing, and water skiing are popular summer sports. If you have children, you will find a variety of activities for them as well. The City of San Angelo, Boys and Girls Clubs, and the YMCA operate several recreation centers. Organized sports for children include baseball, basketball, football, softball, saddle club, soccer, and gymnastics. Fourteen public tennis court locations, an indoor soccer facility, two public swimming pools, two country clubs with golf, tennis, and swimming, and three additional public golf courses all provide outdoor recreation opportunities.

Fall and winter provide some of the best deer, turkey and quail hunting in Texas. For those that enjoy a sideline seat for their sports enjoyment, college football and basketball kick off in the fall and winter with Angelo State University. Professional sports include PRCA Rodeo, the San Angelo Colts, a member of the United League Baseball, and the San Angelo Stampede, a member of the Indoor Football League.

Weather & Climate

San Angelo's altitude of 1,900 feet, location on the northern boundary of the Chihuahuan desert, and our proximity to rivers and lakes provide a very pleasant climate. With 3 lakes and rivers flowing through the city, San Angelo has an

average morning humidity of 79%, but that drops to a comfortable average of 44% in the afternoons. Temperatures do reach in the 100's during the summer, but low humidity in the 15% to 25% range keeps the "heat index" down. Snow and sleet are not common, but may occur once or twice each year. From an employer's standpoint, there are no lost workdays because of winter. The average annual temperature is 64.5 degrees, with average highs of 77.1, and lows of 51.8. San Angelo receives 251 days of sunshine each year, and the average rainfall is 20.91 inches. *See Weather Chart below.

Public Education

San Angelo Independent School District — San Angelo has two high schools, 1 freshman campus, 3 middle schools, and 17 elementary schools. A major renovation and expansion of facilities is underway following voter approval of a \$117 million bond issue in 2008. For more information, contact the San Angelo Independent School District at (325) 947-3700 or www.saisd.org.

Angelo State University — Angelo State University has a student enrollment of 6,300 with students from every region of Texas, 40 additional states, and numerous foreign countries. Both Baccalaureate and Masters Programs are offered at ASU. For more information, contact the ASU admissions office at (325) 942-2041 or www.angelo.edu.

Howard County Junior College — Although the main campus is in Big Spring, the San Angelo campus has a student enrollment of 1,993. Instruction at this campus is concentrated predominantly in technical/occupational fields of study that lead to Certification and/or Associate of Applied Science Degrees. For more information on course offerings, contact Howard College at (325) 944-9585 or www.howardcollege.edu.

Texas State Technical College — TSTC is located in Sweetwater, 75 miles from San Angelo. It provides advanced technical training in such areas as Computer Network Systems and Administration, Office Software Management, Wind Energy Technology, Aviation Maintenance Technology, and Diesel Technology. Additional information can be obtained at (325) 235-7300 or www.westtexas.tstc.edu.

| | January | February | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | November | December |
|------------------|---------|----------|-------|-------|------|------|------|--------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|
| Avg. Temp | 44.9 | 49.7 | 57.2 | 65.0 | 73.1 | 79.2 | 82.4 | 81.3 | 74.8 | 65.4 | 54.0 | 46.4 |
| Avg. High | 57.9 | 63.5 | 71.1 | 79.0 | 85.6 | 90.8 | 94.4 | 93.1 | 86.6 | 77.8 | 66.5 | 59.3 |
| Avg. Low | 31.8 | 36.0 | 43.3 | 51.0 | 60.6 | 67.6 | 70.4 | 69.4 | 63.0 | 53.0 | 41.4 | 33.5 |
| Avg. Rain | 0.82 | 1.18 | 0.99 | 1.60 | 3.09 | 2.52 | 1.10 | 2.05 | 2.75 | 2.57 | 1.10 | 0.94 |
| Days of Sunshine | 17 | 17 | 20 | 19 | 21 | 24 | 24 | 25 | 22 | 23 | 20 | 19 |

Source: The National Weather Service office in San Angelo. For more information, contact the NWS at (325) 944-9445 or www.srh.noaa.gov/sjt.



West Texas Training Center — WTTC is a comprehensive regional training center, with the center’s mission being to support and enhance regional economic development via workforce training. Howard College, the San Angelo Independent School District, and Angelo State University are partners in the WTTC consortium, and manage the WTTC project which provides occupational and customized training programs. The facility is also available to regional industry for conducting their specialized training classes, and the center’s “rapid response room” provides a 7,400 square foot area for new and existing companies to conduct employee training. The WTTC is located at 3501 North US Highway 67 across from the San Angelo Business and Industrial Center, a 400 acre business park. For more information on the West Texas Training Center, contact the director’s office at (325) 942-2800 ext. 241 or visit www.wttcsa.org

Private Education

Private Schools — San Angelo has 7 certified private and/or parochial schools: Angelo Catholic School, Cornerstone Christian School, Gateway Christian Academy, TLC Christian Academy, Trinity Lutheran School, San Angelo Christian Academy, and Ambleside School of San Angelo. For more information, visit www.sanangelo.org/downhome/education.php.

TLC Academy — TLC Academy will transition from a private school to a charter school in the fall of 2009. For more information, call (325) 224-2900 or visit www.tlccademysa.com.

American Commercial College — ACC is a private school for career education providing 750 and 1440-hour programs leading to Diploma programs and Associate certificates. Approximately 400 students are trained each year at American Commercial College. For more information, contact ACC at (325) 942-6797 or www.acc-careers.com.

Cultural Affairs

For a city with a population under 100,000, San Angelo provides a high level of cultural events and activities. Texas theatre began in San Angelo - the **San Angelo Civic Theater** is the oldest community-based theater group in Texas. Annual performances include comedy, musicals, and drama. **Angelo State University** is another excellent source for both stage and dinner theater performances. **The San Angelo Symphony** performs 8 times during the year, and is headquartered in the restored City Auditorium. **The Museum of Fine Arts**, located on the river in -downtown San Angelo, provides an outstanding venue for the visual arts and annually sponsors the National Ceramic Arts Competition. **The Cultural Affairs Council** offers many attractive and exciting entertainment options, such as the Cactus Jazz & Blues Festival and the Texas Wine & Food Festival. For more information on the arts, contact the Cultural Affairs Council at (325) 653-6793 or www.sanangeloarts.com.

Housing

In December 2008 new homes were selling in San Angelo in a range of \$90-120 per square foot. The average cost of all resale homes sold in San Angelo in 2008 was \$124,649. There are 68 apartment complexes in San Angelo, and the cost for two bedroom unfurnished apartments range from \$430 to \$680 per month. The “ACCRA Cost of Living Index” for the third quarter of 2008 lists San Angelo as having a housing index that ranks our housing costs as 20% below the national average.

Cost of Living

San Angelo participates in the ACCRA “Cost of Living Index” program. This index is compiled from data submitted on a quarterly basis from over 300 metropolitan areas. Each participating community “shops” 64 items in their respective communities on the same day of each quarter. These prices for goods and services are sent to ACCRA, where a quarterly index is compiled. The national average for each item is given a rating of 100. The 2008 annual average for San Angelo were:

| Pricing Items | Rankings |
|------------------------|----------|
| 100% Composite Index | 89.2 |
| Grocery Items | 86.7 |
| Housing | 79.5 |
| Utilities | 98.8 |
| Transportation | 99.3 |
| Health Care | 96.2 |
| Misc. Goods & Services | 91.4 |

Shopping

San Angelo has 10 shopping centers throughout the community. Nine are shopping centers with outside entrances and one is a fully enclosed mall. Sunset Mall has 60-65 individual businesses and is anchored by Bealls, Dillard’s, JC Penney, and Sears. San Angelo’s national chain retailers include Lowe’s Home Improvement Center, Home Depot, Target, Office Max, Office Depot, Pier One, Michaels, Best Buy, Academy Sports, Sam’s Club, Famous Footwear, PETCO, Petsmart, Inc., Bed, Bath & Beyond, Ross Department Store, Rue-21, Family Power Sports, Ashley Furniture, Furniture Row, Kirklands, Fed-Ex Office, Maurices, and two Wal-Mart Super Centers.