This list is taken directly from the article “Public Data To Share With Clients” in the May 2020 Edition of the Texas Realtor Magazine and tells where to find a wealth of publicly available information online.

Crime statistics: The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) compiles crime statistics searchable by county. Many cities and counties offer crime maps on their websites. txucr.nibrs.com

Sex offender registry: Texas DPS also maintains the state's sex offender registry, which is searchable by name and address, city, and ZIP code. records.txdps.state.tx.us/SexOffenderRegistry

U.S. Census data: The U.S. Census provides detailed population information. The most recent completed census took place in 2010, but the federal government publishes updated data and projections between censuses. data.census.gov/cedsci

School rankings: The Texas Education Agency’s site offers data on academic performance by school district. analyze.txschools.gov

Flood maps: FEMA provides interactive flood maps that show potential risk areas. msc.fema.gov/portal/search

Water quality: The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) presents data on drinking water quality and standards compliance. <https://dww2.tceq.texas.gov/DWW/>

Air quality: TCEQ also forecasts air quality for major cities. Visit tceq.texas.gov > Air > Air Quality and Monitoring.

Traffic and road conditions: The Texas Department of Transportation has traffic maps, road

closures, and incidents on its website. transguide.dot.state.tx.us