

Municipal Demographic Data

Leadership Montgomery County Government Day

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In an effort to provide helpful background information and insight regarding your city/township to the LMC class and alumni, please provide the following information regarding your jurisdiction:

1. Incorporation/formation date?

In 1881, Houston lumberman Isaac Conroe established a sawmill on Stewart's Creek two miles east of the International Great Northern Railroad's Houston-Crockett line on a tract of land in the J. Smith survey, which was first settled in the late 1830's. In January 1884, a post office was established at the mill commissary, and the community took the name Conroe's Switch. Within a decade the name was shortened to Conroe.

By 1892 the community had become a shipping center for lumber, cotton, livestock and bricks. It had five steam-powered saw and planning mills, several brickyards, a cotton gin, a gristmill, and several hotels and general stores. The Conroe Independent School District was established and by 1896 and the community's first weekly newspaper, the Courier, had been founded.

By 1900, Conroe was Montgomery County's largest community. **It was incorporated in 1904** with a population of 1,009, and its first mayor and city council were elected the following year. In 1906, the first electric lighting appeared in the town when an electrical generating plant was constructed on nearby Stewart's Creek.

2. Population?

92,648 (2020 Census Estimate)

3. Square Miles & Extraterritorial Jurisdiction?

City limits are 74.6 square miles; ETJ is 332.4 square miles

4. Number of Water/Sewer Connections?

22,185 (August 2020)

5. Miles of Roads?

346 Miles

6. Acres of Parks?

There are over 26 parks in the Greater Conroe area, encompassing 389 total acres. One of Conroe's largest parks is the Carl Barton, Jr. Park, which features 204 acres of play structures, picnic tables, pavilions, 6/10 mile walking and/or jogging trails, softball/baseball fields, soccer fields, a fitness course, fishing, a multi-purpose trail that can be used for biking or hiking, public art, public restrooms, and handicap accessibility.

7. Number of Employees

- a. Police – 171
- b. Fire – 138
- c. Public Works – 124
- d. Other – 173
- e. Total FTEs – 606
- f. Part Time Hours – 143,021

8. Median Age

34 years old

9. Median Household Income

\$59,189