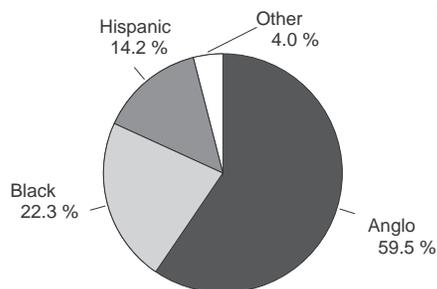


Demography

Estimated Population: 75,482
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 47

Population Per Square Mile: 71.8
Area in Square Miles: 1,051.8



POPULATION INFORMATION

Age	Females	Males	Total	County Percent	State Percent
00 - 04	2,255	2,343	4,598	6.1 %	8.0 %
05 - 14	5,547	5,701	11,248	14.9 %	14.7 %
15 - 44	20,123	22,995	43,118	57.1 %	45.1 %
45 - 64	6,607	5,480	12,087	16.0 %	22.4 %
65 +	2,543	1,888	4,431	5.9 %	9.8 %
Total	37,075	38,407	75,482	100.0 %	100.0 %
County	49.1 %	50.9 %			
State	50.0 %	50.0 %			

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	269	205,820
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	4,535	2,513,734
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	7,637	3,973,500
Medicaid Covered Births	286	213,668
Medicaid Births as Percent Total Births	32.5 %	55.6 %
Unemployment Rate	6.2 %	5.4 %
Per Capita Personal Income	\$ 26,952	\$ 33,253

	County	State
Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	410	326,621
	Percent	
	Number	Percent
Without Health Insurance		
0 - 64 Years	13,190	25.8 %
0 - 17 Years	3,868	21.3 %
Persons Living Below Poverty		
All ages	8,669	14.8 %
0 - 17 Years	3,344	17.4 %

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	Births	PERCENT	
		County	State
Total Live Births	962		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	25	2.6 %	4.9 %
Unmarried Mothers	277	28.8 %	37.8 %
Low Birth Weight	75	7.8 %	8.3 %
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ²	654	68.7 %	63.7 %
Fertility Rate	County: 47.8	State: 76.7	

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	RATE ³	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	0	---	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	1	1.3	3.8
Gonorrhea	55	72.9	113.8
Chlamydia	156	206.7	313.3
AIDS	4	5.9	13.2
Pertussis	4	5.3	9.7
Varicella (chickenpox)	23	30.5	36.4

Mortality⁴

	Deaths	RATE ⁵	
		County	State
Deaths From All Causes	396	1,067.3	829.0
Cardiovascular Disease	146	427.6	290.7
Heart Disease	105	306.9	219.3
Stroke	26	76.5	52.1
All Cancer	77	200.5	179.4
Respiratory / Lung Cancer	28	74.6	50.9
Female Breast Cancer	1	---	23.3
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	28	80.2	44.1
Diabetes	16	---	29.7
Unintentional Injury (Accidents)	24	43.7	39.8
Motor Vehicle Injury	11	---	16.4
Homicide	1	---	6.4
Suicide	12	---	10.8
Alzheimer's	9	---	27.0
Influenza and Pneumonia	4	---	20.4
Infant Deaths	9	9.4	6.5
Fetal Deaths	5	5.2	5.5

¹ All births and deaths are by county of residence. Low birth weight represents live-born infants weighing less than 2,500 grams at birth

Fetal deaths are those occurring after 20 weeks gestation and prior to birth. Fertility rates are per 1,000 women ages 15 - 44.

² Due to a revised birth certificate in 2005, onset of prenatal care is not comparable to values published in prior years.

³ Disease rates are per 100,000 population. Use caution interpreting rates based on small numbers of cases.

⁴ Infant death rates are per 1,000 live births. Fetal death rates are per 1,000 live births plus fetal deaths. All other death rates were age-adjusted to the 2000 standard per 100,000 population. No age-adjusted rates were calculated if based on 20 or fewer deaths. Infant and fetal death rates were not calculated if 20 or fewer births or births plus fetal deaths occurred. Missing rates are indicated by "----".

⁵ Current mortality rates by cause are not comparable with data reported prior to 1999.

Refer to the Data Sources Document for more detail.