

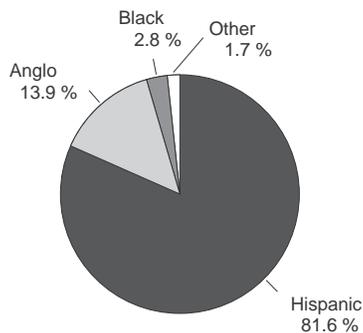
Demography

Estimated Population: 726,006

Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 6

Population Per Square Mile: 716.6

Area in Square Miles: 1,013.1



POPULATION INFORMATION

Age	Females	Males	Total	County Percent	State Percent
00 - 04	34,289	35,665	69,954	9.6 %	8.0 %
05 - 14	54,755	56,182	110,937	15.3 %	14.7 %
15 - 44	163,956	165,317	329,273	45.4 %	45.1 %
45 - 64	78,021	66,899	144,920	20.0 %	22.4 %
65 +	41,607	29,315	70,922	9.8 %	9.8 %
Total	372,628	353,378	726,006	100.0 %	100.0 %
County	51.3 %	48.7 %			
State	50.0 %	50.0 %			

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	12,839	205,820
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	157,946	2,513,734
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	212,731	3,973,500
Medicaid Covered Births	8,795	213,668
Medicaid Births as Percent Total Births	60.5 %	55.6 %
Unemployment Rate	7.0 %	5.4 %
Per Capita Personal Income	\$ 24,081	\$ 33,253

	County	State
Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	14,054	326,621
	Percent	
	Number	Percent
Without Health Insurance		
0 - 64 Years	191,075	29.5 %
0 - 17 Years	35,926	16.0 %
Persons Living Below Poverty		
All ages	204,588	29.0 %
0 - 17 Years	87,983	39.4 %

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	Births	PERCENT	
		County	State
Total Live Births	14,540		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	906	6.2 %	4.9 %
Unmarried Mothers	5,647	38.8 %	37.8 %
Low Birth Weight	1,284	8.8 %	8.3 %
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ²	7,906	55.9 %	63.7 %
Fertility Rate	County: 88.7	State: 76.7	

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	RATE ³	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	49	6.8	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	6	0.8	3.8
Gonorrhea	342	47.1	113.8
Chlamydia	2,647	364.6	313.3
AIDS	64	8.8	13.2
Pertussis	14	1.9	9.7
Varicella (chickenpox)	319	43.9	36.4

Mortality⁴

	Deaths	RATE ⁵	
		County	State
Deaths From All Causes	4,383	778.7	829.0
Cardiovascular Disease	1,403	260.1	290.7
Heart Disease	1,062	196.4	219.3
Stroke	227	41.8	52.1
All Cancer	970	169.5	179.4
Respiratory / Lung Cancer	198	34.9	50.9
Female Breast Cancer	78	23.5	23.3
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	206	38.5	44.1
Diabetes	257	46.4	29.7
Unintentional Injury (Accidents)	207	31.0	39.8
Motor Vehicle Injury	88	12.1	16.4
Homicide	22	2.8	6.4
Suicide	50	7.7	10.8
Alzheimer's	127	25.7	27.0
Influenza and Pneumonia	86	15.9	20.4
Infant Deaths	76	5.2	6.5
Fetal Deaths	72	4.9	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.