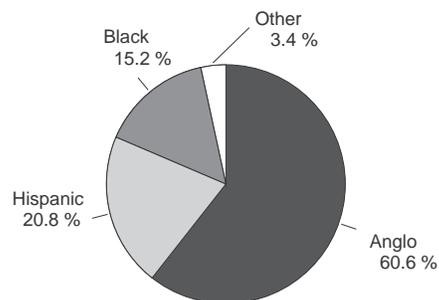


### Demography

Estimated Population: 275,338  
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 16

Population Per Square Mile: 690.9  
Area in Square Miles: 398.5



### POPULATION INFORMATION

Age	Females	Males	Total	County Percent	State Percent
00 - 04	9,712	10,094	19,806	7.2 %	8.0 %
05 - 14	18,680	19,351	38,031	13.8 %	14.7 %
15 - 44	57,812	56,767	114,579	41.6 %	45.1 %
45 - 64	36,440	36,025	72,465	26.3 %	22.4 %
65 +	17,430	13,027	30,457	11.1 %	9.8 %
Total	140,074	135,264	275,338	100.0 %	100.0 %
County	50.9 %	49.1 %			
State	50.0 %	50.0 %			

### Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	2,114	205,820
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	25,837	2,513,734
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	41,920	3,973,500
Medicaid Covered Births	2,428	213,668
Medicaid Births as Percent Total Births	61.6 %	55.6 %
Unemployment Rate	5.7 %	5.4 %
Per Capita Personal Income	\$ 34,199	\$ 33,253

	County	State
Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	2,876	326,621
	Percent	
	County	State
Without Health Insurance		
0 - 64 Years	54,478	21.8 %
0 - 17 Years	11,619	16.0 %
Persons Living Below Poverty		
All ages	36,325	13.3 %
0 - 17 Years	12,463	17.7 %

### Nativity<sup>1</sup>

	Births	PERCENT	
		County	State
Total Live Births	3,942		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	150	3.8 %	4.9 %
Unmarried Mothers	1,563	39.6 %	37.8 %
Low Birth Weight	341	8.7 %	8.3 %
Prenatal Care in First Trimester <sup>2</sup>	2,587	66.9 %	63.7 %
Fertility Rate	County: 68.2	State: 76.7	

### Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	RATE <sup>3</sup>	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	20	7.3	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	11	4.0	3.8
Gonorrhea	443	160.9	113.8
Chlamydia	826	300.0	313.3
AIDS	36	13.1	13.2
Pertussis	4	1.5	9.7
Varicella (chickenpox)	109	39.6	36.4

### Mortality<sup>4</sup>

	Deaths	RATE <sup>5</sup>	
		County	State
Deaths From All Causes	2,409	945.2	829.0
Cardiovascular Disease	792	318.6	290.7
Heart Disease	608	243.0	219.3
Stroke	140	57.5	52.1
All Cancer	574	218.9	179.4
Respiratory / Lung Cancer	153	58.2	50.9
Female Breast Cancer	37	24.4	23.3
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	118	47.0	44.1
Diabetes	60	23.8	29.7
Unintentional Injury (Accidents)	137	50.0	39.8
Motor Vehicle Injury	44	16.0	16.4
Homicide	21	7.4	6.4
Suicide	39	14.2	10.8
Alzheimer's	81	35.3	27.0
Influenza and Pneumonia	29	12.0	20.4
Infant Deaths	28	7.1	6.5
Fetal Deaths	27	6.8	5.5

<sup>1</sup> 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.

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

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

<sup>4</sup> 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 "----".

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

Refer to the Data Sources Document for more detail.