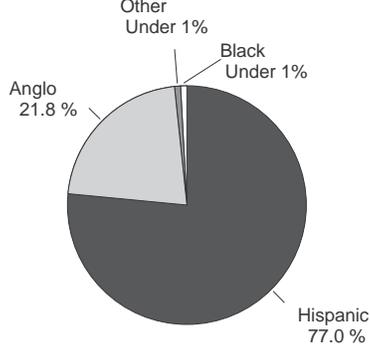


Demography

Estimated Population: 40,570
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 71

Population Per Square Mile: 46.9
Area in Square Miles: 864.5



POPULATION INFORMATION

Age	Females	Males	Total	County Percent	State Percent
00 - 04	1,605	1,686	3,291	8.1 %	8.0 %
05 - 14	3,251	3,356	6,607	16.3 %	14.7 %
15 - 44	8,250	8,133	16,383	40.4 %	45.1 %
45 - 64	4,636	4,505	9,141	22.5 %	22.4 %
65 +	2,917	2,231	5,148	12.7 %	9.8 %
Total	20,659	19,911	40,570	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	478	205,820
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	8,413	2,513,734
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	12,405	3,973,500
Medicaid Covered Births	516	213,668
Medicaid Births as Percent Total Births	76.6 %	55.6 %
Unemployment Rate	5.5 %	5.4 %
Per Capita Personal Income	\$ 24,471	\$ 33,253

	County	State
Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	857	326,621
Percent		
	County	State
Without Health Insurance		
0 - 64 Years	24.9 %	26.3 %
0 - 17 Years	15.6 %	19.2 %
Persons Living Below Poverty		
All ages	24.7 %	17.5 %
0 - 17 Years	34.0 %	24.7 %

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	Births	PERCENT	
		County	State
Total Live Births	695		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	77	11.1 %	4.9 %
Unmarried Mothers	405	58.3 %	37.8 %
Low Birth Weight	73	10.5 %	8.3 %
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ²	295	43.3 %	63.7 %
Fertility Rate	County: 84.2	State: 76.7	

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	RATE ³	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	1	2.5	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	0	---	3.8
Gonorrhea	15	37.0	113.8
Chlamydia	157	387.0	313.3
AIDS	0	---	13.2
Pertussis	3	7.4	9.7
Varicella (chickenpox)	2	4.9	36.4

Mortality⁴

	Deaths	RATE ⁵	
		County	State
Deaths From All Causes	369	929.2	829.0
Cardiovascular Disease	118	300.1	290.7
Heart Disease	102	259.1	219.3
Stroke	11	---	52.1
All Cancer	72	178.5	179.4
Respiratory / Lung Cancer	17	---	50.9
Female Breast Cancer	4	---	23.3
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	16	---	44.1
Diabetes	27	68.9	29.7
Unintentional Injury (Accidents)	32	79.1	39.8
Motor Vehicle Injury	18	---	16.4
Homicide	5	---	6.4
Suicide	5	---	10.8
Alzheimer's	9	---	27.0
Influenza and Pneumonia	12	---	20.4
Infant Deaths	7	10.1	6.5
Fetal Deaths	3	4.3	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.