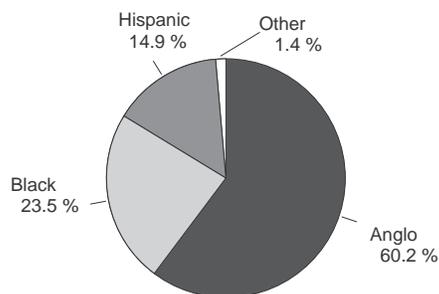


Demography

Estimated Population: 63,567
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 50

Population Per Square Mile: 80.7
Area in Square Miles: 787.5



POPULATION INFORMATION

Age	Females	Males	Total	County Percent	State Percent
00 - 04	1,506	1,567	3,073	4.8 %	8.0 %
05 - 14	2,881	2,945	5,826	9.2 %	14.7 %
15 - 44	12,630	23,151	35,781	56.3 %	45.1 %
45 - 64	5,670	7,200	12,870	20.2 %	22.4 %
65 +	3,290	2,727	6,017	9.5 %	9.8 %
Total	25,977	37,590	63,567	100.0 %	100.0 %
County	40.9 %	59.1 %			
State	50.0 %	50.0 %			

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	305	205,820
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	4,725	2,513,734
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	8,012	3,973,500
Medicaid Covered Births	357	213,668
Medicaid Births as Percent Total Births	55.2 %	55.6 %
Unemployment Rate	5.6 %	5.4 %
Per Capita Personal Income	\$ 18,786	\$ 33,253

	County	State
Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	410	326,621
	Percent	
	County	State
Without Health Insurance		
0 - 64 Years	10,763	27.5 %
0 - 17 Years	1,586	15.5 %
Persons Living Below Poverty		
All ages	10,065	22.6 %
0 - 17 Years	2,313	22.6 %

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	Births	PERCENT	
		County	State
Total Live Births	646		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	22	3.4 %	4.9 %
Unmarried Mothers	272	42.1 %	37.8 %
Low Birth Weight	50	7.7 %	8.3 %
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ²	449	71.0 %	63.7 %
Fertility Rate	County: 51.1	State: 76.7	

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	RATE ³	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	1	2.0	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	1	1.6	3.8
Gonorrhea	17	26.7	113.8
Chlamydia	63	99.1	313.3
AIDS	0	---	13.2
Pertussis	0	---	9.7
Varicella (chickenpox)	44	69.2	36.4

Mortality⁴

	Deaths	RATE ⁵	
		County	State
Deaths From All Causes	388	805.1	829.0
Cardiovascular Disease	131	283.6	290.7
Heart Disease	97	208.5	219.3
Stroke	24	53.3	52.1
All Cancer	84	168.2	179.4
Respiratory / Lung Cancer	23	47.4	50.9
Female Breast Cancer	5	---	23.3
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	30	64.7	44.1
Diabetes	11	---	29.7
Unintentional Injury (Accidents)	15	---	39.8
Motor Vehicle Injury	6	---	16.4
Homicide	0	---	6.4
Suicide	6	---	10.8
Alzheimer's	4	---	27.0
Influenza and Pneumonia	11	---	20.4
Infant Deaths	3	4.6	6.5
Fetal Deaths	6	9.2	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.