



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 35,921 Population Per Square Mile: 35.8
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 80 Area In Square Miles: 1,004.7

Ethnicity	Total	County	State	Age	Females	Males	Total	County	State
		Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent
Anglo	14,996	41.7%	48.2%	00 - 04	1,534	1,610	3,144	8.8%	8.0%
Hispanic	18,510	51.5%	36.1%	05 - 14	2,789	2,884	5,673	15.8%	14.5%
Black	2,122	5.9%	11.7%	15 - 44	7,063	8,230	15,293	42.6%	45.0%
Other	293	0.8%	4.0%	45 - 64	3,725	3,638	7,363	20.5%	22.8%
				65+	2,525	1,923	4,448	12.4%	9.8%
				Total	17,636	18,285	35,921	100.0%	100.0%
				County	49.1%	50.9%			
				State	50.0%	50.0%			



Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	358	159,889	Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	418	304,217
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	5,871	2,548,310			
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	9,409	4,313,318			
Medicaid Covered Births	380	223,128			
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	62.4%	56.6%			
Unemployment Rate	5.2%	4.9%			
Per Capita Personal Income	\$22,777	\$35,162			

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	Births ¹	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	608		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	58	9.5%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	284	46.7%	39.6%
Low Birth Weight ¹	55	9.0%	8.5%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	356	55.3%	60.5%
		Rate	
Fertility Rate ¹		86.1	77.6

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	0	---	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	0	---	4.5
Gonorrhea	56	155.9	128.8
Chlamydia	187	520.6	320.4
AIDS	2	5.8	12.4
Pertussis	0	---	4.1
Varicella (Chickenpox)	1	2.8	50.1

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	301	849.8	805.1	Accidents	13	---	40.7
Heart Disease	57	156.5	203.6	Motor Vehicle Accidents	7	---	16.2
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	20	---	50.2	Diabetes	19	---	26.5
All Cancer	71	205.0	176.7	Alzheimer's	12	---	27.6
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	9	---	49.5	Influenza and Pneumonia	7	---	18.0
Female Breast Cancer	4	---	22.8	Assault (Homicide)	0	---	6.0
Colorectal Cancer	10	---	17.1	Suicide	1	---	10.2
Male Prostrate Cancer	3	---	22.6	Septicemia	3	---	13.8
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	22	62.8	40.9	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	9	---	11.0
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	5	---	15.7	Infant Deaths	0	---	6.2
				Fetal Deaths ¹	8	---	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 Disease rates are per 100,000 population. Use caution interpreting rates based on small numbers of cases.

³ Due to a revised birth certificate in 2005, onset of prenatal care is not comparable to values published in prior years.

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.**