



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 245,854 Population Per Square Mile: 67.2
 Number of counties: 4 Area In Square Miles: 3,660.4

Ethnicity	Total	Region		State		Age	Females	Males	Total	Region		State	
		Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent		
Anglo	165,454	67.3%	47.4%	00 - 04	8,849	9,182	18,031	7.3%	8.0%				
Hispanic	58,790	23.9%	36.8%	05 - 14	16,683	17,440	34,123	13.9%	14.3%				
Black	14,222	5.8%	11.6%	15 - 44	51,828	54,822	106,650	43.4%	44.8%				
Other	7,388	3.0%	4.1%	45 - 64	29,383	28,971	58,354	23.7%	23.0%				
				65+	16,558	12,138	28,696	11.7%	9.8%				
				Total	123,301	122,553	245,854	100.0%	100.0%				
Anglo				Region	50.2%	49.8%							
Hispanic				State	49.9%	50.1%							
Black													
Other													

Socioeconomic Indicators

	Region	State		Region	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	818	135,947	Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	1,921	312,114
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	22,677	2,328,702	Without Health Insurance		
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	47,268	4,438,080	0 - 64 Years	49,047	23.5%
Medicaid Covered Births	2,194	228,202	0 - 17 Years	10,828	16.7%
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	55.7%	56.2%	Persons Living Below Poverty		
Unemployment Rate	3.4%	4.4%	All Ages	39,323	16.9%
Per Capita Personal Income	\$31,862	\$37,083	0 - 17 Years	15,210	23.9%

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	Births ¹	Percent	
		Region	State
Total Live Births	3,884		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	213	5.5%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	1,517	39.1%	40.9%
Low Birth Weight ¹	339	8.7%	8.4%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	2,300	60.9%	62.1%
Fertility Rate ¹		74.9	78.3

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		Region	State
Tuberculosis	4	1.7	6.3
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	10	4.1	4.9
Gonorrhea	544	221.3	132.9
Chlamydia	1,098	446.6	354.7
AIDS	6	2.5	12.0
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	14	5.7	4.4
Varicella (Chickenpox)	592	240.8	42.1

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		Region	State			Region	State
Deaths from All Causes	2,046	861.3	805.1	Accidents	99	40.4	42.2
Heart Disease	431	182.7	202.7	Motor Vehicle Accidents	42	17.0	15.8
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	136	57.8	49.8	Diabetes	72	30.2	25.5
All Cancer	404	169.3	173.7	Alzheimer's	65	27.9	26.6
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	126	53.0	48.2	Influenza and Pneumonia	39	16.3	17.1
Female Breast Cancer	28	21.5	23.0	Assault (Homicide)	18	---	6.1
Colon, Rectum and Anus	34	14.3	16.9	Suicide	31	12.5	10.5
Male Prostrate Cancer	18	---	21.9	Septicemia	30	13.0	14.5
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	167	71.4	42.5	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	28	11.5	11.5
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	34	14.3	17.0	Infant Deaths	43	11.1	6.2
				Fetal Deaths ¹	12	---	5.4

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.**