



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 510,868 Population Per Square Mile: 584.1
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 10 Area In Square Miles: 874.6

Ethnicity	Total	County	State	Age	Females	Males	Total	County	State
		Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent
Anglo	211,153	41.3%	47.4%	00 - 04	15,537	16,212	31,749	6.2%	8.0%
Hispanic	116,045	22.7%	36.8%	05 - 14	38,833	40,864	79,697	15.6%	14.3%
Black	113,313	22.2%	11.6%	15 - 44	108,764	108,012	216,776	42.4%	44.8%
Other	70,357	13.8%	4.1%	45 - 64	76,327	73,390	149,717	29.3%	23.0%
				65+	17,870	15,059	32,929	6.4%	9.8%
				Total	257,331	253,537	510,868	100.0%	100.0%
Anglo	[Bar chart showing 41.3%]			County	50.4%	49.6%			
Hispanic	[Bar chart showing 22.7%]			State	49.9%	50.1%			
Black	[Bar chart showing 22.2%]								
Other	[Bar chart showing 13.8%]								

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	767	135,947	Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	5,606	312,114
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	21,125	2,328,702	Without Health Insurance		
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	47,513	4,438,080	0 - 64 Years	112,590	22.8%
Medicaid Covered Births	2,266	228,202	0 - 17 Years	28,893	19.4%
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	30.6%	56.2%	Persons Living Below Poverty		
Unemployment Rate	4.1%	4.4%	All Ages	42,231	8.4%
Per Capita Personal Income	\$41,779	\$37,083	0 - 17 Years	15,819	11.2%

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	Births ¹	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	7,460		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	190	2.5%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	2,004	26.9%	40.9%
Low Birth Weight ¹	626	8.4%	8.4%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	4,644	66.7%	62.1%
		Rate	
Fertility Rate ¹		68.6	78.3

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	40	7.9	6.3
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	18	3.5	4.9
Gonorrhea	334	65.4	132.9
Chlamydia	894	175.0	354.7
AIDS	84	16.5	12.0
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	4	0.8	4.4
Varicella (Chickenpox)	125	24.5	42.1

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	1,978	700.1	805.1	Accidents	112	29.5	42.2
Heart Disease	474	184.9	202.7	Motor Vehicle Accidents	44	9.1	15.8
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	110	41.8	49.8	Diabetes	57	20.2	25.5
All Cancer	460	145.1	173.7	Alzheimer's	49	25.8	26.6
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	113	36.6	48.2	Influenza and Pneumonia	35	15.3	17.1
Female Breast Cancer	42	21.2	23.0	Assault (Homicide)	26	5.4	6.1
Colon, Rectum and Anus	49	15.6	16.9	Suicide	32	6.3	10.5
Male Prostrate Cancer	23	23.6	21.9	Septicemia	52	18.5	14.5
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	71	26.8	42.5	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	34	7.7	11.5
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	49	17.2	17.0	Infant Deaths	33	4.4	6.2
				Fetal Deaths ¹	38	5.1	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.**