



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 35,516 Population Per Square Mile: 35.3
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 81 Area In Square Miles: 1,004.7

Ethnicity	Total	County	State	Age	Females	Males	Total	County	State
		Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent
Anglo	14,622	41.2%	47.4%	00 - 04	1,517	1,587	3,104	8.7%	8.0%
Hispanic	18,493	52.1%	36.8%	05 - 14	2,740	2,842	5,582	15.7%	14.3%
Black	2,113	5.9%	11.6%	15 - 44	6,952	8,088	15,040	42.3%	44.8%
Other	288	0.8%	4.1%	45 - 64	3,732	3,627	7,359	20.7%	23.0%
				65+	2,498	1,933	4,431	12.5%	9.8%
				Total	17,439	18,077	35,516	100.0%	100.0%
Anglo	[Bar chart showing 41.2%]			County	49.1%	50.9%			
Hispanic	[Bar chart showing 52.1%]			State	49.9%	50.1%			
Black	[Bar chart showing 5.9%]								
Other	[Bar chart showing 0.8%]								

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	290	135,947	Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	442	312,114
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	5,905	2,328,702	Without Health Insurance		
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	9,587	4,438,080	0 - 64 Years	7,457	25.9%
Medicaid Covered Births	472	228,202	0 - 17 Years	1,894	18.6%
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	71.7%	56.2%	Persons Living Below Poverty		
Unemployment Rate	4.7%	4.4%	All Ages	5,988	18.0%
Per Capita Personal Income	\$23,758	\$37,083	0 - 17 Years	2,500	24.1%

Natality

	Births ¹	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	644		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	51	7.9%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	321	49.8%	40.9%
Low Birth Weight ¹	51	7.9%	8.4%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	321	50.8%	62.1%
		Rate	
Fertility Rate ¹		92.6	78.3

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	0	---	6.3
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	0	---	4.9
Gonorrhea	41	115.4	132.9
Chlamydia	197	554.7	354.7
AIDS	2	5.9	12.0
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	1	2.8	4.4
Varicella (Chickenpox)	1	2.8	42.1

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	285	808.2	805.1	Accidents	18	---	42.2
Heart Disease	69	192.8	202.7	Motor Vehicle Accidents	10	---	15.8
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	12	---	49.8	Diabetes	18	---	25.5
All Cancer	53	150.1	173.7	Alzheimer's	11	---	26.6
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	5	---	48.2	Influenza and Pneumonia	7	---	17.1
Female Breast Cancer	5	---	23.0	Assault (Homicide)	3	---	6.1
Colon, Rectum and Anus	1	---	16.9	Suicide	2	---	10.5
Male Prostrate Cancer	2	---	21.9	Septicemia	3	---	14.5
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	23	65.3	42.5	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	2	---	11.5
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	6	---	17.0	Infant Deaths	2	---	6.2
				Fetal Deaths ¹	2	---	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.**