



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 30,370 Population Per Square Mile: 34.9
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 94 Area In Square Miles: 871.0

Ethnicity	Total	County	State	Age	Females	Males	Total	County	State
		Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent
Anglo	8,070	26.6%	47.4%	00 - 04	1,200	1,252	2,452	8.1%	8.0%
Hispanic	20,443	67.3%	36.8%	05 - 14	1,829	2,026	3,855	12.7%	14.3%
Black	1,173	3.9%	11.6%	15 - 44	6,754	7,762	14,516	47.8%	44.8%
Other	684	2.3%	4.1%	45 - 64	3,219	2,933	6,152	20.3%	23.0%
				65+	1,933	1,462	3,395	11.2%	9.8%
				Total	14,935	15,435	30,370	100.0%	100.0%
				County	49.2%	50.8%			
				State	49.9%	50.1%			



Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	308	135,947	Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	460	312,114
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	5,961	2,328,702	Without Health Insurance		
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	8,841	4,438,080	0 - 64 Years	6,735	25.9%
Medicaid Covered Births	369	228,202	0 - 17 Years	1,091	14.2%
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	70.7%	56.2%	Persons Living Below Poverty		
Unemployment Rate	4.2%	4.4%	All Ages	7,086	24.4%
Per Capita Personal Income	\$28,095	\$37,083	0 - 17 Years	2,489	32.8%

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	Births ¹	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	553		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	34	6.1%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	297	53.7%	40.9%
Low Birth Weight ¹	60	10.8%	8.4%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	297	56.1%	62.1%
		Rate	
Fertility Rate ¹		81.9	78.3

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	1	3.3	6.3
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	0	---	4.9
Gonorrhea	42	138.3	132.9
Chlamydia	180	592.7	354.7
AIDS	4	13.2	12.0
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	0	---	4.4
Varicella (Chickenpox)	38	125.1	42.1

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	259	976.9	805.1	Accidents	12	---	42.2
Heart Disease	97	373.2	202.7	Motor Vehicle Accidents	2	---	15.8
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	8	---	49.8	Diabetes	6	---	25.5
All Cancer	43	161.6	173.7	Alzheimer's	4	---	26.6
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	12	---	48.2	Influenza and Pneumonia	11	---	17.1
Female Breast Cancer	3	---	23.0	Assault (Homicide)	0	---	6.1
Colon, Rectum and Anus	2	---	16.9	Suicide	2	---	10.5
Male Prostrate Cancer	4	---	21.9	Septicemia	8	---	14.5
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	14	---	42.5	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	5	---	11.5
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	5	---	17.0	Infant Deaths	1	---	6.2
				Fetal Deaths ¹	7	---	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.**