



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 42,253 Population Per Square Mile: 38.8
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 71 Area In Square Miles: 1,090.1

Ethnicity	Total	County	State	Age	Females	Males	Total	County	State
		Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent
Anglo	20,505	48.5%	47.4%	00 - 04	1,567	1,630	3,197	7.6%	8.0%
Hispanic	15,234	36.1%	36.8%	05 - 14	2,852	3,104	5,956	14.1%	14.3%
Black	6,261	14.8%	11.6%	15 - 44	8,281	8,717	16,998	40.2%	44.8%
Other	253	0.6%	4.1%	45 - 64	5,223	5,186	10,409	24.6%	23.0%
				65+	3,294	2,399	5,693	13.5%	9.8%
				Total	21,217	21,036	42,253	100.0%	100.0%
Anglo	[Bar chart showing 48.5%]			County	50.2%	49.8%			
Hispanic	[Bar chart showing 36.1%]			State	49.9%	50.1%			
Black	[Bar chart showing 14.8%]								
Other	[Bar chart showing 0.6%]								

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	68	135,947	Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	608	312,114
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	3,738	2,328,702	Without Health Insurance		
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	8,516	4,438,080	0 - 64 Years	9,937	28.4%
Medicaid Covered Births	419	228,202	0 - 17 Years	1,963	18.2%
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	63.0%	56.2%	Persons Living Below Poverty		
Unemployment Rate	4.2%	4.4%	All Ages	6,294	15.7%
Per Capita Personal Income	\$29,861	\$37,083	0 - 17 Years	2,348	21.8%

Natality

	Births ¹	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	611		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	34	5.6%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	323	52.9%	40.9%
Low Birth Weight ¹	43	7.0%	8.4%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	309	53.1%	62.1%
Fertility Rate ¹		73.8	78.3

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	2	4.7	6.3
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	1	2.4	4.9
Gonorrhea	39	92.3	132.9
Chlamydia	76	179.9	354.7
AIDS	6	14.2	12.0
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	0	---	4.4
Varicella (Chickenpox)	13	30.8	42.1

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	399	862.2	805.1	Accidents	27	61.7	42.2
Heart Disease	99	209.9	202.7	Motor Vehicle Accidents	13	---	15.8
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	29	65.5	49.8	Diabetes	16	---	25.5
All Cancer	96	209.6	173.7	Alzheimer's	12	---	26.6
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	24	52.1	48.2	Influenza and Pneumonia	8	---	17.1
Female Breast Cancer	9	---	23.0	Assault (Homicide)	2	---	6.1
Colon, Rectum and Anus	11	---	16.9	Suicide	4	---	10.5
Male Prostrate Cancer	13	---	21.9	Septicemia	5	---	14.5
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	22	47.0	42.5	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	4	---	11.5
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	21	43.4	17.0	Infant Deaths	4	---	6.2
				Fetal Deaths ¹	4	---	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.**