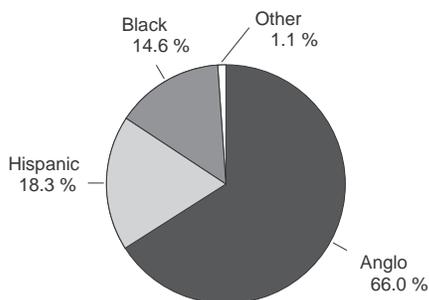


Demography

Estimated Population: 82,055
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 44

Population Per Square Mile: 102.4
Area in Square Miles: 801.6



POPULATION INFORMATION

Age	Females	Males	Total	County Percent	State Percent
00 - 04	3,053	3,186	6,239	7.6 %	8.0 %
05 - 14	6,012	6,173	12,185	14.8 %	14.7 %
15 - 44	16,469	17,157	33,626	41.0 %	45.1 %
45 - 64	9,798	9,680	19,478	23.7 %	22.4 %
65 +	6,061	4,466	10,527	12.8 %	9.8 %
Total	41,393	40,662	82,055	100.0 %	100.0 %
County	50.4 %	49.6 %			
State	50.0 %	50.0 %			

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	742	205,820
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	12,380	2,513,734
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	17,993	3,973,500
Medicaid Covered Births	804	213,668
Medicaid Births as Percent Total Births	62.2 %	55.6 %
Unemployment Rate	5.5 %	5.4 %
Per Capita Personal Income	\$ 29,399	\$ 33,253

	County	State
Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	901	326,621
	Percent	
	Number	Percent
Without Health Insurance		
0 - 64 Years	15,351	22.1 %
0 - 17 Years	3,438	15.8 %
Persons Living Below Poverty		
All ages	15,622	19.9 %
0 - 17 Years	6,505	29.8 %

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	Births	PERCENT	
		County	State
Total Live Births	1,343		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	88	6.6 %	4.9 %
Unmarried Mothers	571	42.5 %	37.8 %
Low Birth Weight	118	8.8 %	8.3 %
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ²	790	60.1 %	63.7 %
Fertility Rate	County: 81.5	State: 76.7	

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	RATE ³	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	2	2.5	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	12	14.6	3.8
Gonorrhea	116	141.4	113.8
Chlamydia	268	326.6	313.3
AIDS	4	4.9	13.2
Pertussis	7	8.5	9.7
Varicella (chickenpox)	40	48.7	36.4

Mortality⁴

	Deaths	RATE ⁵	
		County	State
Deaths From All Causes	730	868.7	829.0
Cardiovascular Disease	264	308.9	290.7
Heart Disease	175	203.6	219.3
Stroke	76	89.5	52.1
All Cancer	164	196.6	179.4
Respiratory / Lung Cancer	53	63.7	50.9
Female Breast Cancer	10	---	23.3
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	48	57.7	44.1
Diabetes	27	31.9	29.7
Unintentional Injury (Accidents)	38	47.9	39.8
Motor Vehicle Injury	20	---	16.4
Homicide	4	---	6.4
Suicide	8	---	10.8
Alzheimer's	30	35.4	27.0
Influenza and Pneumonia	15	---	20.4
Infant Deaths	7	5.2	6.5
Fetal Deaths	6	4.5	5.5

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 Due to a revised birth certificate in 2005, onset of prenatal care is not comparable to values published in prior years.

³ Disease rates are per 100,000 population. Use caution interpreting rates based on small numbers of cases.

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.