



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 590,120 Population Per Square Mile: 664.2
 Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 9 Area In Square Miles: 888.5

Ethnicity	Total	County	State	Age	Females	Males	Total	County	State
		Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent
Anglo	430,611	73.0%	48.2%	00 - 04	21,684	22,547	44,231	7.5%	8.0%
Hispanic	87,375	14.8%	36.1%	05 - 14	39,622	41,796	81,418	13.8%	14.5%
Black	40,104	6.8%	11.7%	15 - 44	152,642	148,737	301,379	51.1%	45.0%
Other	32,030	5.4%	4.0%	45 - 64	67,066	65,343	132,409	22.4%	22.8%
				65+	17,309	13,374	30,683	5.2%	9.8%
				Total	298,323	291,797	590,120	100.0%	100.0%
				County	50.6%	49.4%			
				State	50.0%	50.0%			



Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	515	159,889	Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	3,742	304,217
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	17,561	2,548,310			
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	39,926	4,313,318			
Medicaid Covered Births	2,621	223,128			
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	27.9%	56.6%			
Unemployment Rate	4.3%	4.9%			
Per Capita Personal Income	\$37,752	\$35,162			

	Number	County Percent	State Percent
Without Health Insurance			
0 - 64 Years	114,039	20.0%	27.6%
0 - 17 Years	30,568	17.9%	20.3%
Persons Living Below Poverty			
All Ages	46,388	8.1%	16.9%
0 - 17 Years	13,496	8.8%	23.8%

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	Births ¹	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	9,394		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	193	2.1%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	2,124	22.6%	39.6%
Low Birth Weight ¹	705	7.5%	8.5%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	6,361	68.7%	60.5%
		Rate	
Fertility Rate ¹		61.5	77.6

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	13	2.2	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	1	0.2	4.5
Gonorrhea	294	49.8	128.8
Chlamydia	893	151.3	320.4
AIDS	29	4.9	12.4
Pertussis	52	8.8	4.1
Varicella (Chickenpox)	323	54.7	50.1

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	2,187	761.3	805.1	Accidents	123	28.3	40.7
Heart Disease	463	168.4	203.6	Motor Vehicle Accidents	50	9.9	16.2
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	105	44.1	50.2	Diabetes	68	21.7	26.5
All Cancer	554	182.4	176.7	Alzheimer's	81	37.4	27.6
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	156	55.7	49.5	Influenza and Pneumonia	55	22.8	18.0
Female Breast Cancer	45	22.2	22.8	Assault (Homicide)	15	---	6.0
Colorectal Cancer	54	17.2	17.1	Suicide	53	8.9	10.2
Male Prostrate Cancer	24	26.8	22.6	Septicemia	26	11.1	13.8
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	148	60.8	40.9	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	26	6.7	11.0
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	37	15.0	15.7	Infant Deaths	47	5.0	6.2
				Fetal Deaths ¹	49	5.2	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 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.**