



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 77,176 Population Per Square Mile: 66.5
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 46 Area In Square Miles: 1,159.7

Ethnicity	Total	County	State	Age	Females	Males	Total	County	State
		Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent
Anglo	55,538	72.0%	48.2%	00 - 04	2,588	2,716	5,304	6.9%	8.0%
Hispanic	10,982	14.2%	36.1%	05 - 14	5,475	5,853	11,328	14.7%	14.5%
Black	9,900	12.8%	11.7%	15 - 44	17,329	16,564	33,893	43.9%	45.0%
Other	756	1.0%	4.0%	45 - 64	9,559	9,214	18,773	24.3%	22.8%
				65+	4,357	3,521	7,878	10.2%	9.8%
				Total	39,308	37,868	77,176	100.0%	100.0%
				County	50.9%	49.1%			
				State	50.0%	50.0%			

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	516	159,889	Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	1,117	304,217
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	9,630	2,548,310			
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	16,415	4,313,318			
Medicaid Covered Births	611	223,128			
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	58.0%	56.6%			
Unemployment Rate	5.8%	4.9%			
Per Capita Personal Income	\$28,992	\$35,162			

	Number	County	State
Without Health Insurance			
0 - 64 Years	15,494	24.7%	27.6%
0 - 17 Years	3,133	16.1%	20.3%
Persons Living Below Poverty			
All Ages	10,114	14.4%	16.9%
0 - 17 Years	3,918	20.3%	23.8%

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	Births ¹	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	1,054		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	51	4.8%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	439	41.7%	39.6%
Low Birth Weight ¹	84	8.0%	8.5%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	586	55.3%	60.5%
Fertility Rate ¹		60.8	77.6

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	2	2.7	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	0	---	4.5
Gonorrhea	30	38.9	128.8
Chlamydia	85	110.1	320.4
AIDS	3	4.1	12.4
Pertussis	3	3.9	4.1
Varicella (Chickenpox)	9	11.7	50.1

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	664	1,000.8	805.1	Accidents	64	85.6	40.7
Heart Disease	182	281.9	203.6	Motor Vehicle Accidents	31	39.6	16.2
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	29	45.4	50.2	Diabetes	22	35.9	26.5
All Cancer	159	232.9	176.7	Alzheimer's	18	---	27.6
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	60	84.8	49.5	Influenza and Pneumonia	8	---	18.0
Female Breast Cancer	13	---	22.8	Assault (Homicide)	4	---	6.0
Colorectal Cancer	14	---	17.1	Suicide	7	---	10.2
Male Prostrate Cancer	8	---	22.6	Septicemia	15	---	13.8
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	31	48.9	40.9	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	7	---	11.0
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	15	---	15.7	Infant Deaths	6	---	6.2
				Fetal Deaths ¹	1	---	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.**