



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 533,696
 Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 10
 Population Per Square Mile: 610.2
 Area In Square Miles: 874.6

Ethnicity	Total	County		State		Age	Females	Males	Total	County		State	
		Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent		
Anglo	216,011	40.5%	46.6%	00 - 04	16,082	16,768	32,850	6.2%	7.9%				
Hispanic	122,652	23.0%	37.5%	05 - 14	39,244	41,308	80,552	15.1%	14.2%				
Black	119,707	22.4%	11.6%	15 - 44	112,509	112,140	224,649	42.1%	44.7%				
Other	75,326	14.1%	4.3%	45 - 64	81,918	78,022	159,940	30.0%	23.3%				
Relative % distribution				65+	19,209	16,496	35,705	6.7%	9.9%				
Anglo	[Bar chart: 40.5%]			Total	268,962	264,734	533,696	100.0%	100.0%				
Hispanic	[Bar chart: 23.0%]			County	50.4%	49.6%							
Black	[Bar chart: 22.4%]			State	49.9%	50.1%							
Other	[Bar chart: 14.1%]												

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF Recipients (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families)	586	117,689	Average Monthly CHIP Enrollment (Children's Health Insurance Program)	7,406	389,062
Average Monthly SNAP Participants (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)	23,628	2,366,546			
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	47,644	4,508,948	Without Health Insurance		
Medicaid Covered Births	2,255	224,937	0 - 64 Years	98,232	19.9%
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	29.7%	55.3%	0 - 17 Years	20,530	13.9%
Unemployment Rate	4.5%	4.9%	Persons Living Below Poverty		
Per Capita Personal Income	\$44,265	\$37,809	All Ages	41,859	8.0%
			0 - 17 Years	14,869	10.2%

Natality

	Births ¹	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	7,826		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	218	2.8%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	2,156	27.5%	41.9%
Low Birth Weight ¹	680	8.7%	8.4%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	4,787	64.3%	58.4%
Fertility Rate ¹		69.6	76.8

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	16	3.0	6.2
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	23	4.3	5.8
Gonorrhea	303	56.8	129.8
Chlamydia	1,198	224.5	405.8
AIDS	42	7.9	11.9
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	7	1.3	8.4
Varicella (Chickenpox)	73	13.7	32.2

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	2,091	704.5	808.8	Accidents	111	25.9	41.4
Heart Disease	482	180.2	194.3	Motor Vehicle Accidents	46	9.6	15.3
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	118	47.9	49.4	Diabetes	58	18.9	25.4
All Cancer	497	142.2	172.4	Alzheimer's	62	30.8	28.7
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	123	37.5	47.0	Influenza and Pneumonia	45	16.6	18.3
Female Breast Cancer	33	15.1	22.3	Assault (Homicide)	22	3.9	5.9
Colon, Rectum and Anus	51	16.2	16.4	Suicide	44	9.8	11.0
Male Prostrate Cancer	23	24.0	20.8	Septicemia	41	16.0	14.8
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	80	31.9	45.8	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	27	5.4	11.7
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	45	16.0	17.9	Infant Deaths	36	4.6	6.1
				Fetal Deaths ¹	41	5.2	5.6

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.**