



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 49,480
 Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 63
 Population Per Square Mile: 47.0
 Area In Square Miles: 1,052.2

Ethnicity	Total	County		State		Age	Females	Males	Total	County		State	
		Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent		
Anglo	31,985	64.6%	64.6%	45.8%	45.8%	00 - 04	1,702	1,790	3,492	7.1%	7.1%	7.9%	7.9%
Hispanic	9,446	19.1%	19.1%	38.2%	38.2%	05 - 14	3,323	3,638	6,961	14.1%	14.1%	14.1%	14.1%
Black	7,656	15.5%	15.5%	11.5%	11.5%	15 - 44	8,953	10,396	19,349	39.1%	39.1%	44.6%	44.6%
Other	393	0.8%	0.8%	4.4%	4.4%	45 - 64	6,033	6,239	12,272	24.8%	24.8%	23.5%	23.5%
Relative % distribution						65+	4,099	3,307	7,406	15.0%	15.0%	10.0%	10.0%
Anglo	[Bar chart: 64.6%]			64.6%		Total	24,110	25,370	49,480	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Hispanic	[Bar chart: 19.1%]			19.1%		County	48.7%	51.3%					
Black	[Bar chart: 15.5%]			15.5%		State	49.8%	50.2%					
Other	[Bar chart: 0.8%]			0.8%									

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF Recipients (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families)	115	104,696	Average Monthly CHIP Enrollment (Children's Health Insurance Program)	1,115	466,242
Average Monthly SNAP Participants (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)	7,068	2,819,469			
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	12,132	4,760,721			
Medicaid Covered Births	Not Available	Not Available			
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	Not Available	Not Available			
Unemployment Rate	9.0%	7.6%			
Per Capita Personal Income	\$29,225	\$38,609			
			Without Health Insurance		
			0 - 64 Years	11,224	27.9%
			0 - 17 Years	2,135	17.2%
			Persons Living Below Poverty		
			All Ages	10,284	22.5%
			0 - 17 Years	4,108	32.8%

Natality

	Births ¹	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	789		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	41	5.2%	4.7%
Unmarried Mothers	376	47.7%	42.6%
Low Birth Weight ¹	62	7.9%	8.5%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	321	44.5%	58.6%
Fertility Rate ¹		88.1	75.1

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	1	2.1	5.9
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	2	4.0	6.6
Gonorrhea	47	95.0	116.1
Chlamydia	153	309.2	419.0
AIDS	2	4.1	9.2
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	3	6.1	13.5
Varicella (Chickenpox)	10	20.2	17.9

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	513	914.6	781.2	Accidents	35	71.1	40.0
Heart Disease	141	247.6	186.7	Motor Vehicle Accidents	17	---	14.0
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	36	64.9	45.8	Diabetes	6	---	23.1
All Cancer	128	220.3	167.6	Alzheimer's	10	---	26.9
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	45	78.7	45.7	Influenza and Pneumonia	6	---	16.7
Female Breast Cancer	5	---	21.6	Assault (Homicide)	4	---	5.9
Colon, Rectum and Anus	7	---	15.9	Suicide	7	---	11.4
Male Prostrate Cancer	6	---	19.9	Septicemia	3	---	15.0
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	27	47.9	43.4	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	2	---	11.6
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	7	---	18.2	Infant Deaths	3	---	6.0
				Fetal Deaths ¹	6	---	5.2

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.