



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 560,064
 Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 10
 Population Per Square Mile: 640.4
 Area In Square Miles: 874.6

Ethnicity	Total	County		State		Age	Females	Males	Total	County		State	
		Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent		
Anglo	222,184	39.7%	45.8%	00 - 04	16,658	17,425	34,083	6.1%	7.9%				
Hispanic	130,144	23.2%	38.2%	05 - 14	39,948	42,038	81,986	14.6%	14.1%				
Black	126,776	22.6%	11.5%	15 - 44	116,802	116,921	233,723	41.7%	44.6%				
Other	80,960	14.5%	4.4%	45 - 64	88,075	83,165	171,240	30.6%	23.5%				
Relative % distribution				65+	20,865	18,167	39,032	7.0%	10.0%				
Anglo	[Bar chart: 39.7%]			Total	282,348	277,716	560,064	100.0%	100.0%				
Hispanic	[Bar chart: 23.2%]			County	50.4%	49.6%							
Black	[Bar chart: 22.6%]			State	49.8%	50.2%							
Other	[Bar chart: 14.5%]												

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF Recipients (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families)	551	104,696	Average Monthly CHIP Enrollment (Children's Health Insurance Program)	9,914	466,242
Average Monthly SNAP Participants (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)	31,163	2,819,469			
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	50,143	4,760,721	Without Health Insurance		
Medicaid Covered Births	Not Available	Not Available	0 - 64 Years	95,641	18.7%
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	Not Available	Not Available	0 - 17 Years	19,987	12.2%
Unemployment Rate	7.2%	7.6%	Persons Living Below Poverty		
Per Capita Personal Income	\$45,798	\$38,609	All Ages	41,208	7.5%
			0 - 17 Years	16,803	10.4%

Natality

	Births ¹	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	7,970		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	175	2.2%	4.7%
Unmarried Mothers	2,109	26.5%	42.6%
Low Birth Weight ¹	760	9.5%	8.5%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	4,794	63.5%	58.6%
Fertility Rate ¹		68.2	75.1

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	35	6.4	5.9
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	32	5.7	6.6
Gonorrhea	293	52.3	116.1
Chlamydia	1,099	196.2	419.0
AIDS	33	6.0	9.2
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	13	2.3	13.5
Varicella (Chickenpox)	43	7.7	17.9

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	2,162	676.2	781.2	Accidents	138	32.2	40.0
Heart Disease	503	171.6	186.7	Motor Vehicle Accidents	57	10.2	14.0
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	117	43.6	45.8	Diabetes	67	20.0	23.1
All Cancer	493	138.9	167.6	Alzheimer's	43	19.6	26.9
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	115	36.1	45.7	Influenza and Pneumonia	33	10.6	16.7
Female Breast Cancer	54	23.1	21.6	Assault (Homicide)	33	5.7	5.9
Colon, Rectum and Anus	52	15.7	15.9	Suicide	39	6.9	11.4
Male Prostrate Cancer	21	16.1	19.9	Septicemia	71	24.5	15.0
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	76	28.5	43.4	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	36	8.0	11.6
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	34	11.7	18.2	Infant Deaths	49	6.1	6.0
				Fetal Deaths ¹	34	4.2	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.