



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 37,439
 Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 79
 Population Per Square Mile: 33.6
 Area In Square Miles: 1,114.5

Ethnicity	Total	County		State		Age	Females	Males	Total	County		State	
		Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent		
Anglo	17,572	46.9%	45.8%	00 - 04	1,420	1,470	2,890	7.7%	7.9%				
Hispanic	13,889	37.1%	38.2%	05 - 14	2,544	2,745	5,289	14.1%	14.1%				
Black	4,581	12.2%	11.5%	15 - 44	7,266	7,440	14,706	39.3%	44.6%				
Other	1,397	3.7%	4.4%	45 - 64	4,772	4,900	9,672	25.8%	23.5%				
Relative % distribution				65+	2,722	2,160	4,882	13.0%	10.0%				
Anglo	[Bar chart: 46.9%]			Total	18,724	18,715	37,439	100.0%	100.0%				
Hispanic	[Bar chart: 37.1%]			County	50.0%	50.0%							
Black	[Bar chart: 12.2%]			State	49.8%	50.2%							
Other	[Bar chart: 3.7%]												

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF Recipients (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families)	77	104,696	Average Monthly CHIP Enrollment (Children's Health Insurance Program)	778	466,242
Average Monthly SNAP Participants (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)	5,879	2,819,469			
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	8,637	4,760,721			
Medicaid Covered Births	Not Available	Not Available			
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	Not Available	Not Available			
Unemployment Rate	10.3%	7.6%			
Per Capita Personal Income	\$30,409	\$38,609			

Natality

	Births ¹	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	524		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	26	5.0%	4.7%
Unmarried Mothers	263	50.2%	42.6%
Low Birth Weight ¹	39	7.4%	8.5%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	251	54.4%	58.6%
Fertility Rate ¹		72.1	75.1

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	1	2.6	5.9
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	3	8.0	6.6
Gonorrhea	31	82.8	116.1
Chlamydia	95	253.7	419.0
AIDS	2	5.2	9.2
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	0	---	13.5
Varicella (Chickenpox)	1	2.7	17.9

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	349	894.6	781.2	Accidents	19	---	40.0
Heart Disease	88	224.1	186.7	Motor Vehicle Accidents	8	---	14.0
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	21	54.0	45.8	Diabetes	8	---	23.1
All Cancer	77	192.2	167.6	Alzheimer's	5	---	26.9
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	25	60.9	45.7	Influenza and Pneumonia	15	---	16.7
Female Breast Cancer	5	---	21.6	Assault (Homicide)	3	---	5.9
Colon, Rectum and Anus	9	---	15.9	Suicide	4	---	11.4
Male Prostrate Cancer	2	---	19.9	Septicemia	11	---	15.0
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	12	---	43.4	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	9	---	11.6
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	10	---	18.2	Infant Deaths	2	---	6.0
				Fetal Deaths ¹	5	---	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.