

Demography

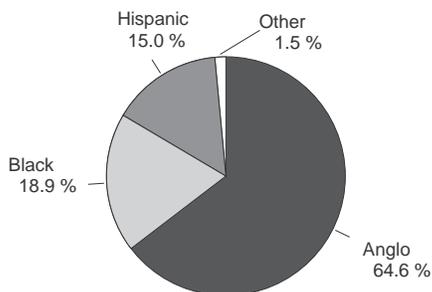
Estimated Population: 190,019

Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 22

Population Per Square Mile: 204.7

Area in Square Miles: 928.4

POPULATION INFORMATION



Age	Females	Males	Total	County Percent	State Percent
00 - 04	6,861	7,127	13,988	7.4 %	8.0 %
05 - 14	13,223	13,727	26,950	14.2 %	14.7 %
15 - 44	39,049	37,817	76,866	40.5 %	45.1 %
45 - 64	23,612	21,644	45,256	23.8 %	22.4 %
65 +	15,635	11,324	26,959	14.2 %	9.8 %
Total	98,380	91,639	190,019	100.0 %	100.0 %
County	51.8 %	48.2 %			
State	50.0 %	50.0 %			

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	964	205,820
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	18,801	2,513,734
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	33,714	3,973,500
Medicaid Covered Births	1,953	213,668
Medicaid Births as Percent Total Births	67.7 %	55.6 %
Unemployment Rate	5.0 %	5.4 %
Per Capita Personal Income	\$ 31,892	\$ 33,253

	County	State
Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	2,859	326,621
	Percent	
	Number	Percent
Without Health Insurance		
0 - 64 Years	40,607	24.8 %
0 - 17 Years	8,600	17.4 %
Persons Living Below Poverty		
All ages	29,739	16.1 %
0 - 17 Years	11,413	23.5 %

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	Births	PERCENT	
		County	State
Total Live Births	2,889		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	127	4.4 %	4.9 %
Unmarried Mothers	1,099	38.0 %	37.8 %
Low Birth Weight	239	8.3 %	8.3 %
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ²	1,166	42.7 %	63.7 %
Fertility Rate	County: 74.0	State: 76.7	

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	RATE ³	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	9	4.7	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	2	1.1	3.8
Gonorrhea	299	157.4	113.8
Chlamydia	757	398.4	313.3
AIDS	19	10.0	13.2
Pertussis	13	6.8	9.7
Varicella (chickenpox)	68	35.8	36.4

Mortality⁴

	Deaths	RATE ⁵	
		County	State
Deaths From All Causes	1,473	698.3	829.0
Cardiovascular Disease	549	257.1	290.7
Heart Disease	429	200.6	219.3
Stroke	86	40.9	52.1
All Cancer	336	158.1	179.4
Respiratory / Lung Cancer	109	50.6	50.9
Female Breast Cancer	23	19.9	23.3
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	68	31.9	44.1
Diabetes	49	23.5	29.7
Unintentional Injury (Accidents)	70	36.9	39.8
Motor Vehicle Injury	41	22.0	16.4
Homicide	17	---	6.4
Suicide	21	11.2	10.8
Alzheimer's	49	22.4	27.0
Influenza and Pneumonia	36	17.1	20.4
Infant Deaths	20	6.9	6.5
Fetal Deaths	14	4.8	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 Due to a revised birth certificate in 2005, onset of prenatal care is not comparable to values published in prior years.

³ Disease rates are per 100,000 population. Use caution interpreting rates based on small numbers of cases.

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.