

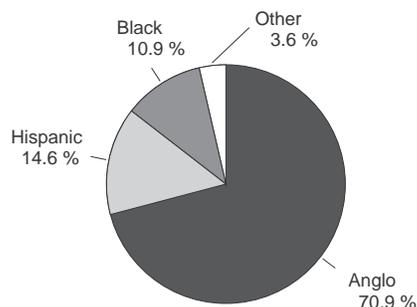
Demography

Estimated Population: 128,711

Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 26

Population Per Square Mile: 205.1

Area in Square Miles: 627.7



POPULATION INFORMATION

Age	Females	Males	Total	County Percent	State Percent
00 - 04	4,480	4,683	9,163	7.1 %	8.0 %
05 - 14	8,372	8,666	17,038	13.2 %	14.7 %
15 - 44	26,445	32,412	58,857	45.7 %	45.1 %
45 - 64	14,068	13,317	27,385	21.3 %	22.4 %
65 +	9,583	6,685	16,268	12.6 %	9.8 %
Total	62,948	65,763	128,711	100.0 %	100.0 %
County	48.9 %	51.1 %			
State	50.0 %	50.0 %			

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	949	205,820
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	14,229	2,513,734
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	21,761	3,973,500
Medicaid Covered Births	928	213,668
Medicaid Births as Percent Total Births	50.4 %	55.6 %
Unemployment Rate	4.7 %	5.4 %
Per Capita Personal Income	\$ 29,966	\$ 33,253

	County	State
Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	927	326,621
	Percent	
	County	State
Without Health Insurance		
0 - 64 Years	19,599	20.0 %
0 - 17 Years	4,554	14.4 %
Persons Living Below Poverty		
All ages	16,650	14.6 %
0 - 17 Years	6,308	20.4 %

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	Births	PERCENT	
		County	State
Total Live Births	1,857		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	98	5.3 %	4.9 %
Unmarried Mothers	678	36.5 %	37.8 %
Low Birth Weight	144	7.8 %	8.3 %
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ²	1,376	74.9 %	63.7 %
Fertility Rate	County: 70.2	State: 76.7	

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	RATE ³	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	5	4.0	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	3	2.3	3.8
Gonorrhea	299	232.3	113.8
Chlamydia	495	384.6	313.3
AIDS	4	3.2	13.2
Pertussis	2	1.6	9.7
Varicella (chickenpox)	10	7.8	36.4

Mortality⁴

	Deaths	RATE ⁵	
		County	State
Deaths From All Causes	1,303	1,014.2	829.0
Cardiovascular Disease	439	338.6	290.7
Heart Disease	321	248.4	219.3
Stroke	83	63.4	52.1
All Cancer	266	210.0	179.4
Respiratory / Lung Cancer	88	69.7	50.9
Female Breast Cancer	22	32.2	23.3
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	82	63.4	44.1
Diabetes	56	43.8	29.7
Unintentional Injury (Accidents)	52	43.4	39.8
Motor Vehicle Injury	19	---	16.4
Homicide	8	---	6.4
Suicide	23	18.0	10.8
Alzheimer's	43	32.4	27.0
Influenza and Pneumonia	21	16.1	20.4
Infant Deaths	14	7.5	6.5
Fetal Deaths	4	2.1	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.