



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 52,162 Population Per Square Mile: 40.7
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 57 Area In Square Miles: 1,280.1

Ethnicity	Total	County		State		Age	Females	Males	Total	County		State	
		Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent		
Anglo	1,654	3.2%	48.2%	00 - 04	2,539	2,641	5,180	9.9%	8.0%				
Hispanic	49,727	95.3%	36.1%	05 - 14	4,772	4,952	9,724	18.6%	14.5%				
Black	56	0.1%	11.7%	15 - 44	11,409	10,603	22,012	42.2%	45.0%				
Other	725	1.4%	4.0%	45 - 64	5,386	4,763	10,149	19.5%	22.8%				
				65+	2,895	2,202	5,097	9.8%	9.8%				
				Total	27,001	25,161	52,162	100.0%	100.0%				
				County	51.8%	48.2%							
				State	50.0%	50.0%							



Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	578	159,889	Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	1,381	304,217
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	15,022	2,548,310	Without Health Insurance		
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	20,375	4,313,318	0 - 64 Years	14,471	30.9%
Medicaid Covered Births	759	223,128	0 - 17 Years	3,019	17.3%
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	70.3%	56.6%	Persons Living Below Poverty		
Unemployment Rate	13.0%	4.9%	All Ages	19,079	36.6%
Per Capita Personal Income	\$15,672	\$35,162	0 - 17 Years	8,535	46.9%

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	Births ¹	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	1,061		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	79	7.4%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	340	32.0%	39.6%
Low Birth Weight ¹	99	9.3%	8.5%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	831	78.0%	60.5%
Fertility Rate ¹		93.0	77.6

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	15	28.8	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	1	1.9	4.5
Gonorrhea	9	17.3	128.8
Chlamydia	115	220.5	320.4
AIDS	1	1.9	12.4
Pertussis	0	---	4.1
Varicella (Chickenpox)	116	222.4	50.1

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	300	747.2	805.1	Accidents	10	---	40.7
Heart Disease	71	180.9	203.6	Motor Vehicle Accidents	7	---	16.2
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	15	---	50.2	Diabetes	23	57.8	26.5
All Cancer	66	160.6	176.7	Alzheimer's	1	---	27.6
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	13	---	49.5	Influenza and Pneumonia	7	---	18.0
Female Breast Cancer	1	---	22.8	Assault (Homicide)	2	---	6.0
Colorectal Cancer	8	---	17.1	Suicide	2	---	10.2
Male Prostrate Cancer	5	---	22.6	Septicemia	13	---	13.8
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	11	---	40.9	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	9	---	11.0
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	12	---	15.7	Infant Deaths	4	---	6.2
				Fetal Deaths ¹	4	---	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 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.**