



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 17,188 Population Per Square Mile: 27.3
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 131 Area In Square Miles: 628.5

Ethnicity	Total	County	State	Age	Females	Males	Total	County	State
		Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent
Anglo	11,109	64.6%	47.4%	00 - 04	569	592	1,161	6.8%	8.0%
Hispanic	3,962	23.1%	36.8%	05 - 14	1,157	1,192	2,349	13.7%	14.3%
Black	2,004	11.7%	11.6%	15 - 44	3,274	3,649	6,923	40.3%	44.8%
Other	113	0.7%	4.1%	45 - 64	2,159	2,212	4,371	25.4%	23.0%
				65+	1,310	1,074	2,384	13.9%	9.8%
				Total	8,469	8,719	17,188	100.0%	100.0%
Anglo									
Hispanic									
Black									
Other									
				County	49.3%	50.7%			
				State	49.9%	50.1%			

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	28	135,947	Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	229	312,114
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	938	2,328,702			
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	2,378	4,438,080	Without Health Insurance		
Medicaid Covered Births	120	228,202	0 - 64 Years	3,681	27.6%
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	54.8%	56.2%	0 - 17 Years	877	22.7%
Unemployment Rate	3.5%	4.4%	Persons Living Below Poverty		
Per Capita Personal Income	\$30,524	\$37,083	All Ages	1,927	12.3%
			0 - 17 Years	718	18.5%

Natality

	Births ¹	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	215		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	6	2.8%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	84	39.1%	40.9%
Low Birth Weight ¹	21	9.8%	8.4%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	107	55.2%	62.1%
		Rate	
Fertility Rate ¹		65.7	78.3

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	0	---	6.3
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	0	---	4.9
Gonorrhea	13	75.6	132.9
Chlamydia	24	139.6	354.7
AIDS	1	5.8	12.0
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	0	---	4.4
Varicella (Chickenpox)	3	17.5	42.1

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	165	870.3	805.1	Accidents	10	---	42.2
Heart Disease	49	256.4	202.7	Motor Vehicle Accidents	5	---	15.8
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	7	---	49.8	Diabetes	12	---	25.5
All Cancer	38	199.1	173.7	Alzheimer's	4	---	26.6
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	9	---	48.2	Influenza and Pneumonia	2	---	17.1
Female Breast Cancer	1	---	23.0	Assault (Homicide)	1	---	6.1
Colon, Rectum and Anus	0	---	16.9	Suicide	1	---	10.5
Male Prostrate Cancer	4	---	21.9	Septicemia	1	---	14.5
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	1	---	42.5	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	6	---	11.5
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	2	---	17.0	Infant Deaths	2	---	6.2
				Fetal Deaths ¹	0	---	5.4

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.**