



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 147,555
 Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 26
 Population Per Square Mile: 217.7
 Area In Square Miles: 677.9

Ethnicity	Total	County		State		Age	Females	Males	Total	County		State	
		Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent		
Anglo	93,656	63.5%	46.6%	00 - 04	4,804	4,995	9,799	6.6%	7.9%				
Hispanic	46,579	31.6%	37.5%	05 - 14	7,806	8,303	16,109	10.9%	14.2%				
Black	5,128	3.5%	11.6%	15 - 44	35,953	38,803	74,756	50.7%	44.7%				
Other	2,192	1.5%	4.3%	45 - 64	17,739	17,687	35,426	24.0%	23.3%				
Relative % distribution				65+	6,326	5,139	11,465	7.8%	9.9%				
Anglo	[Bar chart: 63.5%]			Total	72,628	74,927	147,555	100.0%	100.0%				
Hispanic	[Bar chart: 31.6%]			County	49.2%	50.8%							
Black	[Bar chart: 3.5%]			State	49.9%	50.1%							
Other	[Bar chart: 1.5%]												

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF Recipients (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families)	26	117,689	Average Monthly CHIP Enrollment (Children's Health Insurance Program)	1,659	389,062
Average Monthly SNAP Participants (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)	8,615	2,366,546			
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	17,108	4,508,948			
Medicaid Covered Births	763	224,937			
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	36.9%	55.3%			
Unemployment Rate	4.4%	4.9%			
Per Capita Personal Income	\$29,353	\$37,809			

	Number	County	State
Without Health Insurance			
0 - 64 Years	29,399	22.8%	25.7%
0 - 17 Years	5,785	16.0%	16.9%
Persons Living Below Poverty			
All Ages	19,874	14.2%	15.8%
0 - 17 Years	4,838	13.5%	22.5%

Natality

	Births ¹	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	2,097		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	83	4.0%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	626	29.9%	41.9%
Low Birth Weight ¹	166	7.9%	8.4%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	1,305	63.0%	58.4%
Fertility Rate ¹		58.3	76.8

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	4	2.7	6.2
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	3	2.0	5.8
Gonorrhea	148	100.3	129.8
Chlamydia	923	625.5	405.8
AIDS	4	2.7	11.9
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	4	2.7	8.4
Varicella (Chickenpox)	35	23.7	32.2

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	739	760.9	808.8	Accidents	67	51.2	41.4
Heart Disease	153	166.0	194.3	Motor Vehicle Accidents	26	16.6	15.3
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	39	43.4	49.4	Diabetes	26	25.5	25.4
All Cancer	153	150.8	172.4	Alzheimer's	37	45.8	28.7
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	31	29.5	47.0	Influenza and Pneumonia	20	24.0	18.3
Female Breast Cancer	16	---	22.3	Assault (Homicide)	1	---	5.9
Colon, Rectum and Anus	15	---	16.4	Suicide	19	---	11.0
Male Prostrate Cancer	4	---	20.8	Septicemia	11	---	14.8
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	27	31.2	45.8	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	12	---	11.7
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	9	---	17.9	Infant Deaths	15	---	6.1
				Fetal Deaths ¹	13	---	5.6

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.