



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 781,204
 Number of counties: 6
 Population Per Square Mile: 36.0
 Area In Square Miles: 21,709.1

Ethnicity	Total	Region		State		Age	Females	Males	Total	Region		State	
		Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent		
Anglo	96,048	12.3%	45.8%	00 - 04	36,375	37,833	74,208	9.5%	7.9%				
Hispanic	650,587	83.3%	38.2%	05 - 14	54,575	56,387	110,962	14.2%	14.1%				
Black	19,861	2.5%	11.5%	15 - 44	173,879	180,588	354,467	45.4%	44.6%				
Other	14,708	1.9%	4.4%	45 - 64	87,448	75,694	163,142	20.9%	23.5%				
Relative % distribution				65+	45,652	32,773	78,425	10.0%	10.0%				
Anglo			12.3%	Total	397,929	383,275	781,204	100.0%	100.0%				
Hispanic			83.3%	Region	50.9%	49.1%							
Black			2.5%	State	49.8%	50.2%							
Other			1.9%										

Socioeconomic Indicators

	Region	State		Region	State
Average Monthly TANF Recipients (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families)	6,954	104,696	Average Monthly CHIP Enrollment (Children's Health Insurance Program)	21,383	466,242
Average Monthly SNAP Participants (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)	159,370	2,819,469			
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	230,734	4,760,721	Without Health Insurance		
Medicaid Covered Births	Not Available	Not Available	0 - 64 Years	214,560	31.7%
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	Not Available	Not Available	0 - 17 Years	35,830	15.1%
Unemployment Rate	9.0%	7.6%	Persons Living Below Poverty		
Per Capita Personal Income	\$29,391	\$38,609	All Ages	179,679	23.6%
			0 - 17 Years	78,152	32.6%

Natality

	Births ¹	Percent	
		Region	State
Total Live Births	14,321		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	851	5.9%	4.7%
Unmarried Mothers	6,330	44.2%	42.6%
Low Birth Weight ¹	1,317	9.2%	8.5%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	7,984	58.4%	58.6%
Fertility Rate ¹		82.4	75.1

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		Region	State
Tuberculosis	58	7.3	5.9
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	13	1.7	6.6
Gonorrhea	506	64.8	116.1
Chlamydia	3,495	447.4	419.0
AIDS	52	6.6	9.2
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	7	0.9	13.5
Varicella (Chickenpox)	152	19.5	17.9

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		Region	State			Region	State
Deaths from All Causes	4,644	723.9	781.2	Accidents	252	34.8	40.0
Heart Disease	1,037	166.2	186.7	Motor Vehicle Accidents	100	12.7	14.0
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	259	41.7	45.8	Diabetes	191	30.2	23.1
All Cancer	1,018	157.0	167.6	Alzheimer's	160	27.5	26.9
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	173	27.1	45.7	Influenza and Pneumonia	78	11.9	16.7
Female Breast Cancer	81	21.6	21.6	Assault (Homicide)	25	3.3	5.9
Colon, Rectum and Anus	97	15.0	15.9	Suicide	66	8.8	11.4
Male Prostrate Cancer	63	26.1	19.9	Septicemia	83	12.9	15.0
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	224	36.5	43.4	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	149	21.7	11.6
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	114	18.1	18.2	Infant Deaths	56	3.9	6.0
				Fetal Deaths ¹	97	6.7	5.2

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.