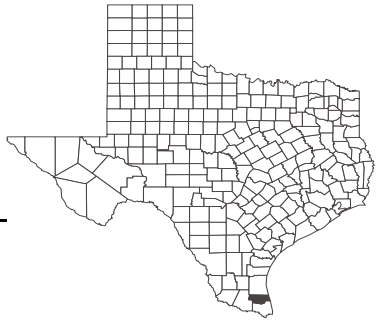
Health Facts Profile 2009

Willacy County



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 20,981
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 114
Population Per Square Mile: 35.2
Area In Square Miles: 596.7

Ethnicity	Total	County Percent	State Percent
Anglo	2,045	9.7%	45.8%
Hispanic	18,504	88.2%	38.2%
Black	372	1.8%	11.5%
Other	60	0.3%	4.4%

Relative % distribution

Anglo	9.7%
Hispanic	88.2%
Black	1.8%
Other	0.3%

Age	Females	Males	Total	County Percent	State Percent
00 - 04	947	998	1,945	9.3%	7.9%
05 - 14	1,520	1,657	3,177	15.1%	14.1%
15 - 44	4,102	4,951	9,053	43.1%	44.6%
45 - 64	2,241	2,109	4,350	20.7%	23.5%
65+	1,394	1,062	2,456	11.7%	10.0%
Total	10,204	10,777	20,981	100.0%	100.0%
County	48.6%	51.4%			
State	49.8%	50.2%			

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Average Monthly TANF Recipients (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families)	307	104,696
Average Monthly SNAP Participants (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)	6,345	2,819,469
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	8,198	4,760,721
Medicaid Covered Births	Not Available	Not Available
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	Not Available	Not Available
Unemployment Rate	12.3%	7.6%
Per Capita Personal Income	$23,584	$38,609

	County	State
Average Monthly CHIP Enrollment (Children's Health Insurance Program)	579	466,242

	Number	Percent County	Percent State
Without Health Insurance			
0 - 64 Years	5,651	32.4%	26.3%
0 - 17 Years	885	14.9%	16.2%
Persons Living Below Poverty			
All Ages	8,030	41.6%	17.1%
0 - 17 Years	2,901	47.6%	24.3%

Natality

	Births[1]	Percent County	Percent State
Total Live Births	356		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	30	8.4%	4.7%
Unmarried Mothers	193	54.2%	42.6%
Low Birth Weight[1]	33	9.3%	8.5%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester[3]	203	57.8%	58.6%
		Rate	
Fertility Rate[1]		86.8	75.1

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate[2] County	Rate[2] State
Tuberculosis	8	38.5	5.9
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	0	---	6.6
Gonorrhea	9	42.9	116.1
Chlamydia	92	438.5	419.0
AIDS	7	33.7	9.2
Pertussis (Whopping Cough)	0	---	13.5
Varicella (Chickenpox)	5	23.8	17.9

Mortality[5]

	Deaths[1]	Rate[4] County	Rate[4] State
Deaths from All Causes	163	840.8	781.2
Heart Disease	34	178.6	186.7
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	6	---	45.8
All Cancer	41	209.3	167.6
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	8	---	45.7
Female Breast Cancer	4	---	21.6
Colon, Rectum and Anus	7	---	15.9
Male Prostrate Cancer	2	---	19.9
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	6	---	43.4
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	5	---	18.2

	Deaths[1]	Rate[4] County	Rate[4] State
Accidents	9	---	40.0
Motor Vehicle Accidents	8	---	14.0
Diabetes	15	---	23.1
Alzheimer's	2	---	26.9
Influenza and Pneumonia	6	---	16.7
Assault (Homicide)	1	---	5.9
Suicide	0	---	11.4
Septicemia	5	---	15.0
Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	4	---	11.6
Infant Deaths	1	---	6.0
Fetal Deaths[1]	0	---	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.**