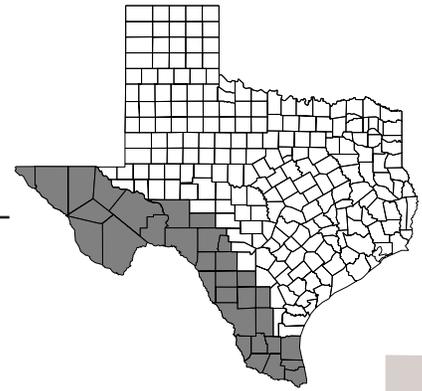




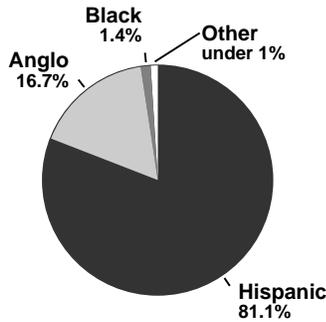
Selected Facts for *Border Area*¹ - 1997



Demography

Estimated Population: 2,038,784
 Number of Counties: 32

Population Per Square Mile: 30.8
 Area in Square Miles: 66,266



POPULATION INFORMATION

Age	Females	Males	Total	Percent
0 - 4	118,822	123,907	242,729	11.9 %
5 - 14	179,420	186,177	365,597	17.9 %
15 - 44	462,069	455,639	917,708	45.0 %
45 - 64	172,401	149,090	321,491	15.8 %
Over 64	110,649	80,610	191,259	9.4 %
Total	1,043,361	995,423	2,038,784	100.0 %
Border	51.2 %	48.8 %		
State	50.5 %	49.5 %		

Socioeconomic Indicators

	Border	State
Unemployment Rate	13.8 %	5.4 %
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	139,312	600,128
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	584,440	2,117,429
Average Monthly Medicaid Eligibles ²	435,027	1,934,199

Medicaid (Title XIX)

	Border	State
Medicaid Expenditures ³	\$ 1,155,517,647	\$ 7,140,044,803
Unduplicated Count of:		
Medicaid Recipients	552,877	2,537,207
Medicaid Clients Served:		
Physicians Services	460,215	1,953,183
Inpatient Hospital Services	102,947	492,235
Outpatient Hospital Services	219,335	1,093,265
Prescribed Medications	448,152	1,988,060
Family Planning Services	37,006	196,762
THSteps (EPSDT) Checkups	315,868	1,069,257

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	Number ⁴	PERCENT	
		Border	State
Total Live Births	46,918		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	3,555	7.6 %	6.7 %
Unmarried Mothers	12,767	27.2 %	30.7 %
Low Birth Weight ⁴	3,189	6.8 %	7.3 %
Late or No Prenatal Care ⁴	15,683	33.4 %	21.5 %
Fertility Rate ⁵	Border: 101.5	State: 74.9	

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Number	RATE ⁵	
		Border	State
Tuberculosis	303	14.9	10.2
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	10	---	3.5
Gonorrhea	436	21.4	136.9
Chlamydia	4,492	220.3	260.7
AIDS	256	12.6	24.3
Measles	0	---	---

Mortality

	Deaths ⁴	RATE ⁵	
		Border	State
Deaths From All Causes	11,684	447.7	515.9
Cardiovascular Disease	4,340	152.6	187.4
Heart Disease	3,399	120.5	145.8
Stroke	691	23.7	30.9
All Cancer	2,533	106.1	125.9
Lung Cancer	564	23.1	38.2
Female Breast Cancer	224	19.1	18.5
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	450	14.5	22.8
Diabetes	635	26.9	17.8
Infant Deaths	232	4.9	6.4
Fetal Deaths ⁴	242	5.2	5.9
Unintentional Injury (Accidents)	623	29.7	33.6
Motor Vehicle Injury	331	16.6	18.9
Work-related Injury	27	1.3	2.2
Homicide	118	6.0	7.9
Suicide	135	6.8	10.7

¹The US/Mexico Border Project includes 32 Texas counties within 100 kilometers of the Rio Grande. Those counties are: Brewster, Brooks, Cameron, Crockett, Culberson, Dimmit, Duval, Edwards, El Paso, Frio, Hidalgo, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Jim Hogg, Kenedy, Kinney, La Salle, Maverick, McMullen, Pecos, Presidio, Real, Reeves, Starr, Sutton, Terrell, Uvalde, Val Verde, Webb, Willacy, Zapata, and Zavala.

²For 1997, unduplicated counts of Medicaid eligibles were not available.

³Excluding Disproportionate Share Hospital payments.

⁴All births and deaths are by county of residence. Low birth weight represents live-born infants weighing less than 2,500 grams at birth. Late prenatal care refers to mothers who did not receive prenatal care during the first trimester of pregnancy. Fetal deaths are those occurring after 20 weeks gestation and prior to birth.

⁵Fertility rates are per 1,000 women ages 15 - 44. Infant death rates and fetal death rates are per 1,000 live births. Work-related injury death rates are per 100,000 population. The remaining death rates have been age-adjusted to the 1940 U.S. standard population per 100,000 population. Communicable disease rates are also per 100,000 population. Rates and percents have not been calculated if 20 or fewer births, deaths or cases occurred, as indicated by "---".

Health Professionals

	Border	Statewide
Direct Patient Care Physicians	1,736	27,817
Ratio of Population per Direct Care Physician.	1,174	699
Ratio of Population per General/Family Practice.	6,159	3,892
Ratio of Population (Females 15-44) per ob/gyn.	3,949	2,384
Registered Nurses	9,306	141,129
Ratio of Population per Registered Nurse.219	.138
Dentists	363	8,191
Ratio of Population per Dentist.5616	2,373
Participating Medicaid Physicians	1,090	9,893

Health Facilities

Acute Care Hospitals	34
Licensed Beds.	5,382
Staffed Beds.	4,712
Disproportionate share hospital payments.	\$ 84,480,408
Nursing Homes60
Licensed Beds.	6,450

There were 29 counties in the Border Area with primary care Health Professional Shortage Area designations at the close of 1998. These included 23 whole county designations and 6 counties with partial areas/populations designated. The Border Area also had 31 counties with Medically Underserved Area designations. These included the total population in 28 counties and subcounty areas/populations in another 3 counties. For updated information please contact the Health Professions Resource Center at 512-458-7261 or at <http://www.tdh.state.tx.us/dpa/>.

Texas Department of Health Program Summary for the Border Area

Children's Health Services¹

Children receiving care. 17,925

Chronically Ill and Disabled Children's Services²

Eligible children. 4,546
 Children served. 1,315
 Amount paid. \$ 2,792,627

Dental Health Services²

Children receiving dental care. 5,811
 Children provided with dental education. 90,811

Emergency Medical Services

Ambulances permitted. 267
 EMS personnel certified. 3,702

Family Planning Services (Title V and XX)¹

Individuals served. 51,212

Food and Drug Safety

Facilities licensed, registered, permitted or accredited. 3,607

Immunization Division

Vaccine doses administered (less than age 20). 1,194,251

Radiation Control Program

Health related permits issued. 852

Certified mammography locations. 41

Women's Health Services¹

Women receiving prenatal and postpartum care. 25,202

Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program³

Mammograms performed. 6,959

Milk and Dairy Products Division

Establishments regulated. 42

Primary Health Care/COPC Services²

Reported clients served. 28,880

Kidney Health Care²

ESRD patients receiving life-sustaining treatments. 2,524
 Estimated cost of treatments. \$ 2,692,218

Tuberculosis Elimination Division³

TB cases completing drug therapy. 266

Women, Infants, and Children's Nutrition²

Clients receiving benefits. 288,596

Zoonosis Control

Number of animals diagnosed positive for rabies. 43

The Border Area has six participating local health departments:

Cameron County Health Department; El Paso City-County Health and Environmental District; Hidalgo County Health Department; Maverick County Health Department; Uvalde City-County Health Department; City of Laredo Health Department

TDH funding. \$ 13,129,343

¹Data are reported by the location of the administrative site of provider.

³Data are reported by county of location of the provider.

²Data are reported by county of residence of the client.