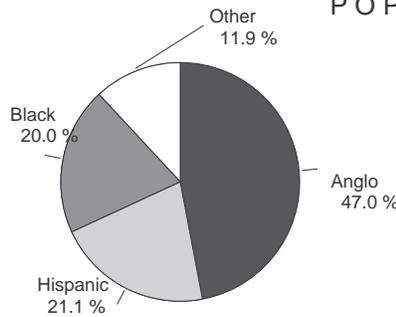


Selected Facts for Fort Bend County - 2000



Demography

Census Population: 354,452 Population Per Square Mile: 405.3
 Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 10 Area in Square Miles: 874.6



POPULATION INFORMATION

Age	Females	Males	Total	Percent
0 - 4	13,317	14,020	27,337	7.7 %
5 - 14	32,273	33,767	66,040	18.6 %
15 - 44	81,650	79,854	161,504	45.6 %
45 - 64	39,299	40,103	79,402	22.4 %
65 +	11,476	8,693	20,169	5.7 %
Total	178,015	176,437	354,452	100.0 %
County	50.2 %	49.8 %		
State	50.4 %	49.6 %		

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Unemployment Rate	2.9 %	4.2 %
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	703	341,691
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	4,808	1,372,616
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Eligibles	17,364	2,710,892
Per Capita Personal Income	\$ 29,395	\$ 27,752

	Number	PERCENT	
		County	State
Persons Living Below Poverty			
All ages	24,953	7.1 %	15.4 %
Less than 18 years	9,539	8.5 %	20.2 %
18 years and over	15,084	6.4 %	13.3 %
Persons Without Health Insurance			
Less than 65 years	72,414	23.0 %	25.7 %
Less than 19 years	21,667	22.0 %	24.6 %
19 to 64 years	50,747	23.4 %	26.3 %

Natality

	Births ¹	PERCENT	
		County	State
Total Live Births	5,240		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	158	3.0 %	5.7 %
Unmarried Mothers	1,070	20.4 %	30.6 %
Low Birth Weight ¹	360	6.9 %	7.4 %
Late or No Prenatal Care ¹	663	13.2 %	21.2 %
Fertility Rate ³	County: 64.2	State: 76.6	

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	RATE ³	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	20	----	7.2
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	14	----	1.9
Gonorrhea	208	58.7	157.8
Chlamydia	519	146.4	329.7
AIDS	22	6.2	13.4
Hepatitis A	19	----	9.3
Varicella (chickenpox)	2	----	33.6

Mortality²

	Deaths ¹	RATE ³	
		County	State
Deaths From All Causes	1,375	771.9	890.0
Cardiovascular Disease	516	327.7	351.3
Heart Disease	359	223.4	263.1
Stroke	114	77.4	66.7
All Cancer	363	192.4	196.2
Lung Cancer	101	53.1	56.1
Female Breast Cancer	34	26.8	25.3
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	40	25.0	44.7

	Deaths ¹	RATE ³	
		County	State
Diabetes	42	22.6	31.1
Unintentional Injury (Accidents)	71	24.1	38.7
Motor Vehicle Injury	48	15.1	18.5
Homicide	17	----	6.2
Suicide	21	6.0	10.4
Work-related Injury	4	----	3.1
Infant Deaths	18	----	5.7
Fetal Deaths ¹	19	----	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. 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.

² Mortality data reported for 2000 are not comparable with data reported prior to 1999. Since 1999, TDH has followed the National Center for Health Statistics guidelines for reporting mortality statistics that include coding data using the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, 10th Revision and age adjustments using the 2000 Standard Population.

³ Fertility 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 age 16+. The remaining death rates have been age-adjusted to the 2000 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 "----".

Note

Health Professionals

	County	State
Direct Patient Care Physicians	303	31,769
Ratio of Population per Direct Care Physician.	1,170	656
Ratio of Population per General/Family Practice.	4,664	3,789
Ratio of Population (Females 15-44) per ob/gyn.	4,536	2,298
Registered Nurses	1,023	131,205
Ratio of Population per Registered Nurse.	346	159
Dentists	133	7,417
Ratio of Population per Dentist.	2,665	2,811

Health Facilities

	County	State
Acute Care Hospitals.	4	475
Licensed Beds.	421	71,905
Staffed Beds.	345	56,688
Disproportionate share hospital payments.	\$ 1,607,306	\$ 828,002,930
Nursing Homes	8	1,160
Licensed Beds.	829	127,494

No areas/populations in Fort Bend County were designated as a Health Professional Shortage Area as of March 2002. Some subcounty areas/populations in Fort Bend County were designated as a Medically Underserved Area as of March 2002. For updated information, please check with 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 Fort Bend County

Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program¹

Mammograms performed. 72

Children's Health Services

Children's health services available to county residents No

Children with Special Health Care Needs¹

Eligible children. 83
 Children served. 45
 Amount paid. \$ 267,630

Emergency Medical Services

Emergency vehicles permitted. 23
 EMS personnel certified. 446

Family Planning Services (Title V and XX)

Family planning services available to county residents Yes

Food and Drug Safety

Facilities licensed, registered, permitted or accredited. 288

Immunization Division

Vaccine doses administered (less than age 20). 43,007

Kidney Health Care¹

ESRD patients receiving life-sustaining treatments. 187
 Estimated cost of treatments \$ 204,906

Fort Bend County Health Department

TDH funding. \$ 89,381

Milk and Dairy Products Division

Establishments regulated. 0

Oral Health Services¹

Children receiving dental care in the fee for service program 50

Primary Care Office¹

Reported clients served. 3,578

Radiation Control Program

Health-related permit locations 193
 Certified mammography locations. 7

Texas Health Steps (EPSDT)¹

Clients receiving one or more dental services 4,370

Tuberculosis Elimination Division¹

Persons evaluated for TB disease after contact with a TB case 74

Women's Health Services

Prenatal and postpartum care services available to county residents No

Women, Infants, and Children's Nutrition¹

Clients receiving benefits. 8,955

Zoonosis Control

Number of animals diagnosed positive for rabies. 8

¹Data are reported by county of residence of the client.

For information on sources of data, refer to the document *Texas Health Facts Data Sources, 2000*.