

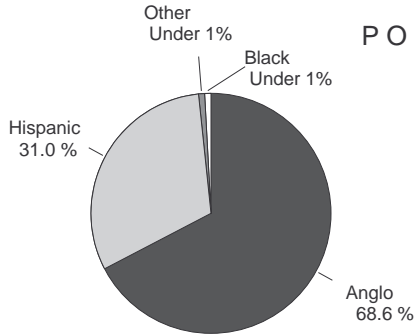


## Selected Facts for Sterling County - 2000



### Demography

Census Population: 1,393      Population Per Square Mile: 1.5  
 Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 246      Area in Square Miles: 923.4



### POPULATION INFORMATION

| Age          | Females    | Males      | Total        | Percent        |
|--------------|------------|------------|--------------|----------------|
| 0 - 4        | 35         | 36         | 71           | 5.1 %          |
| 5 - 14       | 116        | 126        | 242          | 17.4 %         |
| 15 - 44      | 300        | 286        | 586          | 42.1 %         |
| 45 - 64      | 143        | 147        | 290          | 20.8 %         |
| 65 +         | 115        | 89         | 204          | 14.6 %         |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>709</b> | <b>684</b> | <b>1,393</b> | <b>100.0 %</b> |
| County       | 50.9 %     | 49.1 %     |              |                |
| State        | 50.4 %     | 49.6 %     |              |                |

### Socioeconomic Indicators

|  | County    | State     |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| Unemployment Rate  | 3.4 %     | 4.2 %     |
| Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients | 5         | 341,691   |
| Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants                                  | 42        | 1,372,616 |
| Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Eligibles                                 | 112       | 2,710,892 |
| Per Capita Personal Income   | \$ 15,279 | \$27,752  |

|                                  | Number | PERCENT |        |
|----------------------------------|--------|---------|--------|
|                                  |        | County  | State  |
| Persons Living Below Poverty     |        |         |        |
| All ages                         | 230    | 16.8 %  | 15.4 % |
| Less than 18 years               | 92     | 23.3 %  | 20.2 % |
| 18 years and over                | 138    | 14.2 %  | 13.3 % |
| Persons Without Health Insurance |        |         |        |
| Less than 65 years               | 316    | 24.0 %  | 25.7 % |
| Less than 19 years               | 108    | 23.4 %  | 24.6 % |
| 19 to 64 years                   | 208    | 24.4 %  | 26.3 % |

### Natality

|                                       | Births <sup>1</sup> | PERCENT     |        |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------|--------|
|                                       |                     | County      | State  |
| Total Live Births                     | 10                  |             |        |
| Adolescent Mothers (<18)              | 2                   | 20.0 %      | 5.7 %  |
| Unmarried Mothers                     | 4                   | 40.0 %      | 30.6 % |
| Low Birth Weight <sup>1</sup>         | 1                   | 10.0 %      | 7.4 %  |
| Late or No Prenatal Care <sup>1</sup> | 2                   | 20.0 %      | 21.2 % |
| Fertility Rate <sup>3</sup>           | County: 33.3        | State: 76.6 |        |

### Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

|                                | Cases | RATE <sup>3</sup> |       |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------------------|-------|
|                                |       | County            | State |
| Tuberculosis                   | 0     | ----              | 7.2   |
| Sexually Transmitted Diseases  |       |                   |       |
| Primary and Secondary Syphilis | 0     | ----              | 1.9   |
| Gonorrhea                      | 0     | ----              | 157.8 |
| Chlamydia                      | 2     | ----              | 329.7 |
| AIDS                           | 0     | ----              | 13.4  |
| Hepatitis A                    | 0     | ----              | 9.3   |
| Varicella (chickenpox)         | 0     | ----              | 33.6  |

### Mortality<sup>2</sup>

|                                    | Deaths <sup>1</sup> | RATE <sup>3</sup> |       |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|
|                                    |                     | County            | State |
| Deaths From All Causes             | 5                   | ----              | 890.0 |
| Cardiovascular Disease             | 4                   | ----              | 351.3 |
| Heart Disease                      | 4                   | ----              | 263.1 |
| Stroke                             | 0                   | ----              | 66.7  |
| All Cancer                         | 0                   | ----              | 196.2 |
| Lung Cancer                        | 0                   | ----              | 56.1  |
| Female Breast Cancer               | 0                   | ----              | 25.3  |
| Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases | 0                   | ----              | 44.7  |

|                                  | Deaths <sup>1</sup> | RATE <sup>3</sup> |       |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|
|                                  |                     | County            | State |
| Diabetes                         | 1                   | ----              | 31.1  |
| Unintentional Injury (Accidents) | 0                   | ----              | 38.7  |
| Motor Vehicle Injury             | 0                   | ----              | 18.5  |
| Homicide                         | 0                   | ----              | 6.2   |
| Suicide                          | 0                   | ----              | 10.4  |
| Work-related Injury              | 0                   | ----              | 3.1   |
| Infant Deaths                    | 0                   | ----              | 5.7   |
| Fetal Deaths <sup>1</sup>        | 0                   | ----              | 5.6   |

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>3</sup> 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   |
|---|--------|---------|
| <b>Direct Patient Care Physicians</b> .....           | 0      | 31,769  |
| Ratio of Population per Direct Care Physician. ....   | 0      | 656     |
| Ratio of Population per General/Family Practice. .... | 0      | 3,789   |
| Ratio of Population (Females 15-44) per ob/gyn. ....  | 0      | 2,298   |
| <b>Registered Nurses</b> .....                        | 3      | 131,205 |
| Ratio of Population per Registered Nurse. ....        | 464    | 159     |
| <b>Dentists</b> .....                                 | 0      | 7,417   |
| Ratio of Population per Dentist. ....                 | 0      | 2,811   |

**Health Facilities**

|  | County | State          |
|--|--------|----------------|
| <b>Acute Care Hospitals</b> .....              | 0      | 475            |
| Licensed Beds. ....                            | 0      | 71,905         |
| Staffed Beds. ....                             | 0      | 56,688         |
| Disproportionate share hospital payments. .... | \$ 0   | \$ 828,002,930 |
| <b>Nursing Homes</b> .....                     | 1      | 1,160          |
| Licensed Beds. ....                            | .28    | 127,494        |

All of Sterling County was designated as a Health Professional Shortage Area and 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 Sterling County**

**Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program<sup>1</sup>**

Mammograms performed. .... 0

**Children's Health Services**

Children's health services available to county residents .... No

**Children with Special Health Care Needs<sup>1</sup>**

Eligible children. .... 1  
 Children served. .... 1  
 Amount paid. .... \$ 605

**Emergency Medical Services**

Emergency vehicles permitted. .... 2  
 EMS personnel certified. .... 12

**Family Planning Services (Title V and XX)**

Family planning services available to county residents .... No

**Food and Drug Safety**

Facilities licensed, registered, permitted or accredited. .... 12

**Immunization Division**

Vaccine doses administered (less than age 20). .... 292

**Kidney Health Care<sup>1</sup>**

ESRD patients receiving life-sustaining treatments. .... 1  
 Estimated cost of treatments .... \$ 1,935

**Milk and Dairy Products Division**

Establishments regulated. .... 0

**Oral Health Services<sup>1</sup>**

Children receiving dental care in the fee for service program .... 85

**Primary Care Office<sup>1</sup>**

Reported clients served. .... 0

**Radiation Control Program**

Health-related permit locations .... 0  
 Certified mammography locations. .... 0

**Texas Health Steps (EPSDT)<sup>1</sup>**

Clients receiving one or more dental services .... 25

**Tuberculosis Elimination Division<sup>1</sup>**

Persons evaluated for TB disease after contact with a TB case .... 0

**Women's Health Services**

Prenatal and postpartum care services available to county residents .... No

**Women, Infants, and Children's Nutrition<sup>1</sup>**

Clients receiving benefits. .... 39

**Zoonosis Control**

Number of animals diagnosed positive for rabies. .... 2

<sup>1</sup>Data 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*.