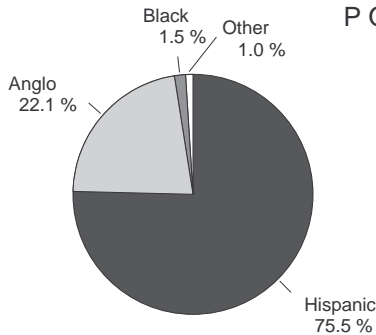


Selected Facts for Val Verde County - 2000



Demography

Census Population: 44,856 Population Per Square Mile: 14.1
 Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 63 Area in Square Miles: 3170.4



POPULATION INFORMATION

Age	Females	Males	Total	Percent
0 - 4	1,919	2,084	4,003	8.9 %
5 - 14	3,986	4,086	8,072	18.0 %
15 - 44	9,554	9,501	19,055	42.5 %
45 - 64	4,591	4,222	8,813	19.6 %
65 +	2,719	2,194	4,913	11.0 %
Total	22,769	22,087	44,856	100.0 %
County	50.8 %	49.2 %		
State	50.4 %	49.6 %		

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Unemployment Rate	6.9 %	4.2 %
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	1,115	341,691
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	6,818	1,372,616
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Eligibles	11,118	2,710,892
Per Capita Personal Income	\$ 16,711	\$ 27,752

	Number	PERCENT	
		County	State
Persons Living Below Poverty			
All ages	11,507	26.1 %	15.4 %
Less than 18 years	4,804	33.8 %	20.2 %
18 years and over	6,653	22.4 %	13.3 %
Persons Without Health Insurance			
Less than 65 years	12,609	31.7 %	25.7 %
Less than 19 years	4,495	29.3 %	24.6 %
19 to 64 years	8,114	33.2 %	26.3 %

Natality

	Births ¹	PERCENT	
		County	State
Total Live Births	889		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	66	7.4 %	5.7 %
Unmarried Mothers	235	26.5 %	30.6 %
Low Birth Weight ¹	67	7.5 %	7.4 %
Late or No Prenatal Care ¹	154	17.3 %	21.2 %
Fertility Rate ³	County: 93.1	State: 76.6	

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	RATE ³	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	4	----	7.2
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	0	----	1.9
Gonorrhea	15	----	157.8
Chlamydia	89	198.4	329.7
AIDS	0	----	13.4
Hepatitis A	3	----	9.3
Varicella (chickenpox)	19	----	33.6

Mortality²

	Deaths ¹	RATE ³	
		County	State
Deaths From All Causes	311	834.6	890.0
Cardiovascular Disease	121	337.4	351.3
Heart Disease	94	261.0	263.1
Stroke	20	----	66.7
All Cancer	74	194.2	196.2
Lung Cancer	14	----	56.1
Female Breast Cancer	10	----	25.3
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	8	----	44.7

	Deaths ¹	RATE ³	
		County	State
Diabetes	21	52.3	31.1
Unintentional Injury (Accidents)	15	----	38.7
Motor Vehicle Injury	4	----	18.5
Homicide	1	----	6.2
Suicide	4	----	10.4
Work-related Injury	1	----	3.1
Infant Deaths	4	----	5.7
Fetal Deaths ¹	7	----	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	32	31,769
Ratio of Population per Direct Care Physician.	1,402	656
Ratio of Population per General/Family Practice.	4,486	3,789
Ratio of Population (Females 15-44) per ob/gyn.	3,185	2,298
Registered Nurses	162	131,205
Ratio of Population per Registered Nurse.	277	159
Dentists	9	7,417
Ratio of Population per Dentist.	4,984	2,811

Health Facilities

	County	State
Acute Care Hospitals	1	475
Licensed Beds.	93	71,905
Staffed Beds.	81	56,688
Disproportionate share hospital payments.	\$ 1,774,785	\$ 828,002,930
Nursing Homes	3	1,160
Licensed Beds.	268	127,494

All of Val Verde 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 Val Verde County

Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program¹

Mammograms performed. 0

Children's Health Services

Children's health services available to county residents No

Children with Special Health Care Needs¹

Eligible children. 110
 Children served. 35
 Amount paid. \$ 25,956

Emergency Medical Services

Emergency vehicles permitted. 0
 EMS personnel certified. 66

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. 40

Immunization Division

Vaccine doses administered (less than age 20). 25,520

Kidney Health Care¹

ESRD patients receiving life-sustaining treatments. 93
 Estimated cost of treatments \$ 44,355

Milk and Dairy Products Division

Establishments regulated. 0

Oral Health Services¹

Children receiving dental care in the fee for service program 14

Primary Care Office¹

Reported clients served. 2,394

Radiation Control Program

Health-related permit locations 18
 Certified mammography locations. 1

Texas Health Steps (EPSDT)¹

Clients receiving one or more dental services 2,936

Tuberculosis Elimination Division¹

Persons evaluated for TB disease after contact with a TB case 60

Women's Health Services

Prenatal and postpartum care services available to county residents No

Women, Infants, and Children's Nutrition¹

Clients receiving benefits. 4,513

Zoonosis Control

Number of animals diagnosed positive for rabies. 2

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*.