

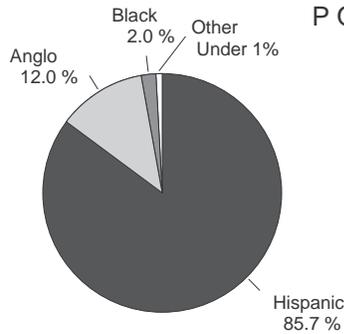


Selected Facts for Willacy County - 2000



Demography

Census Population: 20,082 Population Per Square Mile: 33.7
 Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 116 Area in Square Miles: 596.7



POPULATION INFORMATION

Age	Females	Males	Total	Percent
0 - 4	775	870	1,645	8.2 %
5 - 14	1,768	1,822	3,590	17.9 %
15 - 44	4,049	4,804	8,853	44.1 %
45 - 64	1,890	1,776	3,666	18.3 %
65 +	1,304	1,024	2,328	11.6 %
Total	9,786	10,296	20,082	100.0 %
County	48.7 %	51.3 %		
State	50.4 %	49.6 %		

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Unemployment Rate	15.5 %	4.2 %
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	1,700	341,691
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	5,666	1,372,616
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Eligibles	7,638	2,710,892
Per Capita Personal Income	\$ 13,551	\$ 27,752

	Number	PERCENT	
		County	State
Persons Living Below Poverty			
All ages	6,300	33.2 %	15.4 %
Less than 18 years	2,643	42.0 %	20.2 %
18 years and over	3,646	28.8 %	13.3 %
Persons Without Health Insurance			
Less than 65 years	6,190	34.8 %	25.7 %
Less than 19 years	2,218	31.7 %	24.6 %
19 to 64 years	3,972	36.8 %	26.3 %

Nativity

	Births ¹	PERCENT	
		County	State
Total Live Births	406		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	35	8.6 %	5.7 %
Unmarried Mothers	96	23.6 %	30.6 %
Low Birth Weight ¹	28	6.9 %	7.4 %
Late or No Prenatal Care ¹	148	37.1 %	21.2 %
Fertility Rate ³	County: 100.3	State: 76.6	

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	RATE ³	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	1	----	7.2
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	0	----	1.9
Gonorrhea	12	----	157.8
Chlamydia	71	353.6	329.7
AIDS	1	----	13.4
Hepatitis A	0	----	9.3
Varicella (chickenpox)	2	----	33.6

Mortality²

	Deaths ¹	RATE ³	
		County	State
Deaths From All Causes	101	597.9	890.0
Cardiovascular Disease	36	219.1	351.3
Heart Disease	30	180.7	263.1
Stroke	6	----	66.7
All Cancer	22	127.6	196.2
Lung Cancer	7	----	56.1
Female Breast Cancer	2	----	25.3
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	5	----	44.7

	Deaths ¹	RATE ³	
		County	State
Diabetes	8	----	31.1
Unintentional Injury (Accidents)	3	----	38.7
Motor Vehicle Injury	0	----	18.5
Homicide	0	----	6.2
Suicide	1	----	10.4
Work-related Injury	1	----	3.1
Infant Deaths	2	----	5.7
Fetal Deaths ¹	0	----	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

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Health Professionals

	County	State
Direct Patient Care Physicians	9	31,769
Ratio of Population per Direct Care Physician.	2,231	656
Ratio of Population per General/Family Practice.	3,347	3,789
Ratio of Population (Females 15-44) per ob/gyn.	0	2,298
Registered Nurses	25	131,205
Ratio of Population per Registered Nurse.	803	159
Dentists	2	7,417
Ratio of Population per Dentist.	10,041	2,811

Health Facilities

	County	State
Acute Care Hospitals.	0	475
Licensed Beds.	0	71,905
Staffed Beds.	0	56,688
Disproportionate share hospital payments.	\$ 0	\$ 828,002,930
Nursing Homes	1	1,160
Licensed Beds.	120	127,494

All of Willacy 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 Willacy County

Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program¹

Mammograms performed. 116

Children's Health Services

Children's health services available to county residents No

Children with Special Health Care Needs¹

Eligible children. 33
 Children served. 16
 Amount paid. \$ 17,794

Emergency Medical Services

Emergency vehicles permitted. 4
 EMS personnel certified. 39

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. 88

Immunization Division

Vaccine doses administered (less than age 20). 8,774

Kidney Health Care¹

ESRD patients receiving life-sustaining treatments. 23
 Estimated cost of treatments \$ 41,765

Milk and Dairy Products Division

Establishments regulated. 0

Oral Health Services¹

Children receiving dental care in the fee for service program 4

Primary Care Office¹

Reported clients served. 0

Radiation Control Program

Health-related permit locations 7
 Certified mammography locations. 0

Texas Health Steps (EPSDT)¹

Clients receiving one or more dental services 2,335

Tuberculosis Elimination Division¹

Persons evaluated for TB disease after contact with a TB case 30

Women's Health Services

Prenatal and postpartum care services available to county residents No

Women, Infants, and Children's Nutrition¹

Clients receiving benefits. 2,566

Zoonosis Control

Number of animals diagnosed positive for rabies. 0

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*.