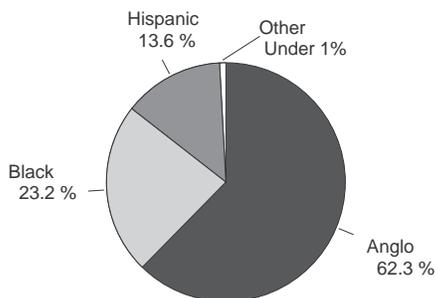


### Demography

Estimated Population: 55,965  
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 55

Population Per Square Mile: 52.3  
Area in Square Miles: 1,070.8



### POPULATION INFORMATION

Age	Females	Males	Total	County Percent	State Percent
00 - 04	1,592	1,657	3,249	5.8 %	8.0 %
05 - 14	2,888	3,171	6,059	10.8 %	14.7 %
15 - 44	8,062	18,571	26,633	47.6 %	45.1 %
45 - 64	5,593	7,722	13,315	23.8 %	22.4 %
65 +	3,815	2,894	6,709	12.0 %	9.8 %
Total	21,950	34,015	55,965	100.0 %	100.0 %
County	39.2 %	60.8 %			
State	50.0 %	50.0 %			

### Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	379	205,820
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	5,843	2,513,734
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	9,864	3,973,500
Medicaid Covered Births	449	213,668
Medicaid Births as Percent Total Births	66.9 %	55.6 %
Unemployment Rate	6.3 %	5.4 %
Per Capita Personal Income	\$ 20,377	\$ 33,253

	County	State
Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	697	326,621
	Percent	
	Number	Percent
Without Health Insurance		
0 - 64 Years	7,725	21.6 %
0 - 17 Years	1,476	13.2 %
Persons Living Below Poverty		
All ages	9,112	22.0 %
0 - 17 Years	3,107	27.8 %

### Nativity<sup>1</sup>

	Births	PERCENT	
		County	State
Total Live Births	670		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	40	6.0 %	4.9 %
Unmarried Mothers	288	43.0 %	37.8 %
Low Birth Weight	63	9.4 %	8.3 %
Prenatal Care in First Trimester <sup>2</sup>	453	68.5 %	63.7 %
Fertility Rate	County: 83.1	State: 76.7	

### Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	RATE <sup>3</sup>	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	2	4.7	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	4	7.1	3.8
Gonorrhea	59	105.4	113.8
Chlamydia	138	246.6	313.3
AIDS	3	7.1	13.2
Pertussis	1	1.8	9.7
Varicella (chickenpox)	7	12.5	36.4

### Mortality<sup>4</sup>

	Deaths	RATE <sup>5</sup>	
		County	State
Deaths From All Causes	550	989.1	829.0
Cardiovascular Disease	173	312.8	290.7
Heart Disease	123	221.4	219.3
Stroke	34	61.6	52.1
All Cancer	139	249.7	179.4
Respiratory / Lung Cancer	49	88.0	50.9
Female Breast Cancer	5	---	23.3
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	29	55.5	44.1
Diabetes	15	---	29.7
Unintentional Injury (Accidents)	40	69.2	39.8
Motor Vehicle Injury	22	38.7	16.4
Homicide	1	---	6.4
Suicide	7	---	10.8
Alzheimer's	28	50.6	27.0
Influenza and Pneumonia	13	---	20.4
Infant Deaths	6	9.0	6.5
Fetal Deaths	2	3.0	5.5

<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

Fetal deaths are those occurring after 20 weeks gestation and prior to birth. Fertility rates are per 1,000 women ages 15 - 44.

<sup>2</sup> Due to a revised birth certificate in 2005, onset of prenatal care is not comparable to values published in prior years.

<sup>3</sup> Disease rates are per 100,000 population. Use caution interpreting rates based on small numbers of cases.

<sup>4</sup> Infant death rates are per 1,000 live births. Fetal death rates are per 1,000 live births plus fetal deaths. All other death rates were age-adjusted to the 2000 standard per 100,000 population. No age-adjusted rates were calculated if based on 20 or fewer deaths. Infant and fetal death rates were not calculated if 20 or fewer births or births plus fetal deaths occurred. Missing rates are indicated by "----".

<sup>5</sup> Current mortality rates by cause are not comparable with data reported prior to 1999.

Refer to the Data Sources Document for more detail.