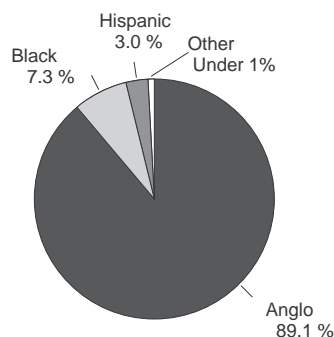


Demography

Estimated Population: 50,197
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 59

Population Per Square Mile: 56.1
Area in Square Miles: 894.3



POPULATION INFORMATION

Age	Females	Males	Total	County Percent	State Percent
00 - 04	1,557	1,621	3,178	6.3 %	8.0 %
05 - 14	3,510	3,867	7,377	14.7 %	14.7 %
15 - 44	10,091	10,062	20,153	40.1 %	45.1 %
45 - 64	6,571	6,551	13,122	26.1 %	22.4 %
65 +	3,591	2,776	6,367	12.7 %	9.8 %
Total	25,320	24,877	50,197	100.0 %	100.0 %
County	50.4 %	49.6 %			
State	50.0 %	50.0 %			

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	157	205,820
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	5,350	2,513,734
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	8,617	3,973,500
Medicaid Covered Births	141	213,668
Medicaid Births as Percent Total Births	21.2 %	55.6 %
Unemployment Rate	6.6 %	5.4 %
Per Capita Personal Income	\$ 28,319	\$ 33,253

	County	State
Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	944	326,621
	Percent	
	County	State
Without Health Insurance		
0 - 64 Years	8,763	19.5 %
0 - 17 Years	1,815	14.2 %
Persons Living Below Poverty		
All ages	5,779	11.5 %
0 - 17 Years	2,082	16.5 %

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	Births	PERCENT	
		County	State
Total Live Births	633		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	21	3.3 %	4.9 %
Unmarried Mothers	198	31.3 %	37.8 %
Low Birth Weight	43	6.8 %	8.3 %
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ²	496	80.1 %	63.7 %
Fertility Rate	County: 62.7	State: 76.7	

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	RATE ³	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	0	---	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	0	---	3.8
Gonorrhea	10	19.9	113.8
Chlamydia	60	119.5	313.3
AIDS	0	---	13.2
Pertussis	0	---	9.7
Varicella (chickenpox)	4	8.0	36.4

Mortality⁴

	Deaths	RATE ⁵	
		County	State
Deaths From All Causes	507	1,027.2	829.0
Cardiovascular Disease	159	330.3	290.7
Heart Disease	131	270.6	219.3
Stroke	24	50.9	52.1
All Cancer	113	212.2	179.4
Respiratory / Lung Cancer	44	81.9	50.9
Female Breast Cancer	10	---	23.3
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	33	68.6	44.1
Diabetes	23	46.9	29.7
Unintentional Injury (Accidents)	37	77.2	39.8
Motor Vehicle Injury	12	---	16.4
Homicide	2	---	6.4
Suicide	7	---	10.8
Alzheimer's	15	---	27.0
Influenza and Pneumonia	17	---	20.4
Infant Deaths	3	4.7	6.5
Fetal Deaths	3	4.7	5.5

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

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

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

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

⁴ 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 "----".

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

Refer to the Data Sources Document for more detail.