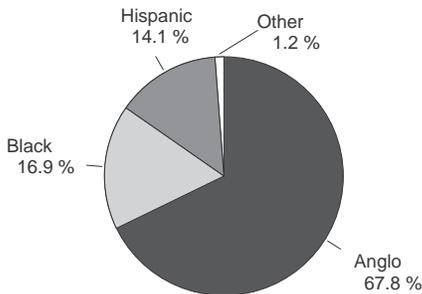


Demography

Estimated Population: 61,585
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 53

Population Per Square Mile: 65.0
Area in Square Miles: 946.8



POPULATION INFORMATION

Age	Females	Males	Total	County Percent	State Percent
00 - 04	2,046	2,115	4,161	6.8 %	8.0 %
05 - 14	3,895	4,059	7,954	12.9 %	14.7 %
15 - 44	14,677	14,030	28,707	46.6 %	45.1 %
45 - 64	6,730	6,507	13,237	21.5 %	22.4 %
65 +	4,357	3,169	7,526	12.2 %	9.8 %
Total	31,705	29,880	61,585	100.0 %	100.0 %
County	51.5 %	48.5 %			
State	50.0 %	50.0 %			

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	623	205,820
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	8,116	2,513,734
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	12,774	3,973,500
Medicaid Covered Births	683	213,668
Medicaid Births as Percent Total Births	70.4 %	55.6 %
Unemployment Rate	5.2 %	5.4 %
Per Capita Personal Income	\$ 22,688	\$ 33,253

	County	State
Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	527	326,621
	Percent	
	County	State
Without Health Insurance		
0 - 64 Years	13,389	26.8 %
0 - 17 Years	2,247	15.4 %
Persons Living Below Poverty		
All ages	11,568	20.7 %
0 - 17 Years	3,389	24.0 %

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	Births	PERCENT	
		County	State
Total Live Births	952		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	53	5.6 %	4.9 %
Unmarried Mothers	413	43.4 %	37.8 %
Low Birth Weight	62	6.5 %	8.3 %
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ²	592	64.3 %	63.7 %
Fertility Rate	County: 64.9	State: 76.7	

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	RATE ³	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	1	1.6	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	1	1.6	3.8
Gonorrhea	69	112.0	113.8
Chlamydia	228	370.2	313.3
AIDS	3	4.9	13.2
Pertussis	5	8.1	9.7
Varicella (chickenpox)	3	4.9	36.4

Mortality⁴

	Deaths	RATE ⁵	
		County	State
Deaths From All Causes	566	940.0	829.0
Cardiovascular Disease	202	332.3	290.7
Heart Disease	152	249.9	219.3
Stroke	35	57.4	52.1
All Cancer	112	187.6	179.4
Respiratory / Lung Cancer	43	71.4	50.9
Female Breast Cancer	6	---	23.3
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	36	58.7	44.1
Diabetes	28	47.0	29.7
Unintentional Injury (Accidents)	30	52.6	39.8
Motor Vehicle Injury	15	---	16.4
Homicide	6	---	6.4
Suicide	3	---	10.8
Alzheimer's	9	---	27.0
Influenza and Pneumonia	14	---	20.4
Infant Deaths	4	4.2	6.5
Fetal Deaths	5	5.2	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.