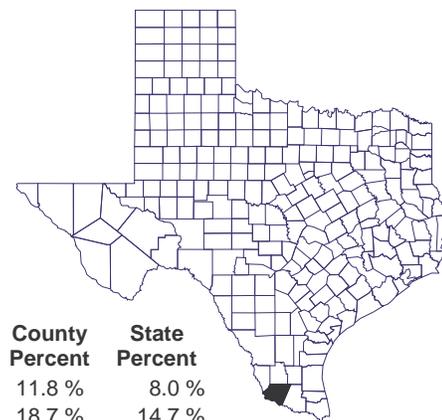


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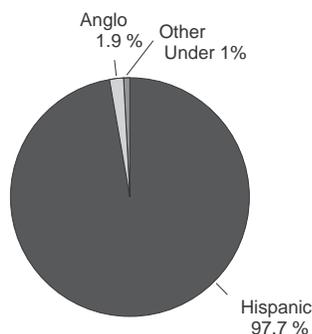
Starr County



Demography

Estimated Population: 61,193
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 54

Population Per Square Mile: 50.0
Area in Square Miles: 1,223.0



POPULATION INFORMATION

Age	Females	Males	Total	County Percent	State Percent
00 - 04	3,547	3,671	7,218	11.8 %	8.0 %
05 - 14	5,555	5,889	11,444	18.7 %	14.7 %
15 - 44	13,726	12,975	26,701	43.6 %	45.1 %
45 - 64	5,582	4,913	10,495	17.2 %	22.4 %
65 +	3,049	2,286	5,335	8.7 %	9.8 %
Total	31,459	29,734	61,193	100.0 %	100.0 %
County	51.4 %	48.6 %			
State	50.0 %	50.0 %			

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	2,063	205,820
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	21,690	2,513,734
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	31,179	3,973,500
Medicaid Covered Births	1,045	213,668
Medicaid Births as Percent Total Births	70.1 %	55.6 %
Unemployment Rate	13.0 %	5.4 %
Per Capita Personal Income	\$ 12,364	\$ 33,253

	County	State
Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	1,486	326,621
	Percent	
	Number	Percent
Without Health Insurance		
0 - 64 Years	16,017	29.0 %
0 - 17 Years	3,900	18.0 %
Persons Living Below Poverty		
All ages	27,574	45.7 %
0 - 17 Years	12,264	55.5 %

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	Births	PERCENT	
		County	State
Total Live Births	1,504		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	121	8.0 %	4.9 %
Unmarried Mothers	390	25.9 %	37.8 %
Low Birth Weight	98	6.5 %	8.3 %
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ²	921	61.6 %	63.7 %
Fertility Rate	County: 109.6	State: 76.7	

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	RATE ³	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	3	4.9	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	0	---	3.8
Gonorrhea	10	16.3	113.8
Chlamydia	125	204.3	313.3
AIDS	3	4.9	13.2
Pertussis	4	6.5	9.7
Varicella (chickenpox)	9	14.7	36.4

Mortality⁴

	Deaths	RATE ⁵	
		County	State
Deaths From All Causes	313	759.0	829.0
Cardiovascular Disease	117	305.9	290.7
Heart Disease	92	243.9	219.3
Stroke	20	---	52.1
All Cancer	54	130.9	179.4
Respiratory / Lung Cancer	11	---	50.9
Female Breast Cancer	7	---	23.3
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	11	---	44.1
Diabetes	11	---	29.7
Unintentional Injury (Accidents)	17	---	39.8
Motor Vehicle Injury	14	---	16.4
Homicide	12	---	6.4
Suicide	6	---	10.8
Alzheimer's	1	---	27.0
Influenza and Pneumonia	10	---	20.4
Infant Deaths	2	1.3	6.5
Fetal Deaths	5	3.3	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.