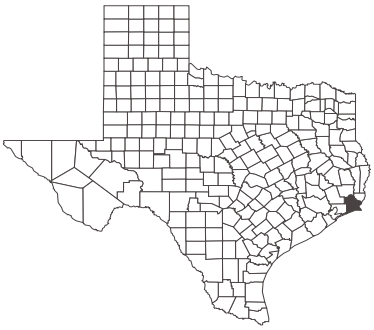
Selected Health Facts 2006

Jefferson County



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 245,922
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 19
Population Per Square Mile: 272.2
Area In Square Miles: 903.6

Ethnicity	Total	County Percent	State Percent
Anglo	114,260	46.5%	48.2%
Hispanic	35,274	14.3%	36.1%
Black	85,336	34.7%	11.7%
Other	11,052	4.5%	4.0%

Age	Females	Males	Total	County Percent	State Percent
00 - 04	8,338	8,649	16,987	6.9%	8.0%
05 - 14	16,539	16,910	33,449	13.6%	14.5%
15 - 44	48,756	57,849	106,605	43.3%	45.0%
45 - 64	29,142	28,548	57,690	23.5%	22.8%
65+	18,328	12,863	31,191	12.7%	9.8%
Total	121,103	124,819	245,922	100.0%	100.0%
County	49.2%	50.8%			
State	50.0%	50.0%			

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	1,492	159,889
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	34,363	2,548,310
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	51,692	4,313,318
Medicaid Covered Births	1,948	223,128
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	58.9%	56.6%
Unemployment Rate	6.1%	4.9%
Per Capita Personal Income	$32,381	$35,162

	County	State
Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	2,747	304,217

	Number	Percent County	Percent State
Without Health Insurance			
0 - 64 Years	47,274	24.1%	27.6%
0 - 17 Years	8,427	14.4%	20.3%
Persons Living Below Poverty			
All Ages	46,353	20.4%	16.9%
0 - 17 Years	18,072	30.3%	23.8%

Natality

	Births[1]	Percent County	Percent State
Total Live Births	3,556		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	160	4.5%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	1,706	48.0%	39.6%
Low Birth Weight[1]	356	10.0%	8.5%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester[3]	2,333	68.3%	60.5%
		Rate	
Fertility Rate[1]		72.9	77.6

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate[2] County	Rate[2] State
Tuberculosis	8	3.3	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	4	1.6	4.5
Gonorrhea	325	132.2	128.8
Chlamydia	470	191.1	320.4
AIDS	11	4.6	12.4
Pertussis	0	---	4.1
Varicella (Chickenpox)	0	---	50.1

Mortality[5]

	Deaths[1]	Rate[4] County	Rate[4] State
Deaths from All Causes	2,501	981.1	805.1
Heart Disease	634	246.9	203.6
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	156	60.7	50.2
All Cancer	573	226.0	176.7
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	166	65.1	49.5
Female Breast Cancer	35	24.4	22.8
Colorectal Cancer	50	19.4	17.1
Male Prostrate Cancer	32	32.6	22.6
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	97	38.0	40.9
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	51	19.7	15.7

	Deaths[1]	Rate[4] County	Rate[4] State
Accidents	150	59.8	40.7
Motor Vehicle Accidents	59	23.2	16.2
Diabetes	88	34.5	26.5
Alzheimer's	117	44.4	27.6
Influenza and Pneumonia	45	17.8	18.0
Assault (Homicide)	19	---	6.0
Suicide	38	15.5	10.2
Septicemia	38	14.9	13.8
Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	24	9.7	11.0
Infant Deaths	27	7.6	6.2
Fetal Deaths[1]	22	6.1	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 Disease rates are per 100,000 population. Use caution interpreting rates based on small numbers of cases.

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

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.**