





Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 253,601 Population Per Square Mile: 281.9
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 18 Area In Square Miles: 899.5

| Ethnicity | Total | County | State | Age | Females | Males | Total | County | State |
|-----------|---|---------|---------|---------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | | Percent | Percent | | | | | Percent | Percent |
| Anglo | 149,141 | 58.8% | 48.2% | 00 - 04 | 9,639 | 9,989 | 19,628 | 7.7% | 8.0% |
| Hispanic | 78,740 | 31.0% | 36.1% | 05 - 14 | 15,926 | 16,708 | 32,634 | 12.9% | 14.5% |
| Black | 19,991 | 7.9% | 11.7% | 15 - 44 | 59,291 | 61,314 | 120,605 | 47.6% | 45.0% |
| Other | 5,729 | 2.3% | 4.0% | 45 - 64 | 27,538 | 25,402 | 52,940 | 20.9% | 22.8% |
| | | | | 65+ | 16,341 | 11,453 | 27,794 | 11.0% | 9.8% |
| | | | | Total | 128,735 | 124,866 | 253,601 | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| Anglo |  | | | County | 50.8% | 49.2% | | | |
| Hispanic |  | | | State | 50.0% | 50.0% | | | |
| Black |  | | | | | | | | |
| Other |  | | | | | | | | |

Socioeconomic Indicators

| | County | State | | County | State |
|--|----------|-----------|---|--------|---------|
| Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients | 1,480 | 159,889 | Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment | 2,294 | 304,217 |
| Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants | 29,871 | 2,548,310 | | | |
| Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients | 47,708 | 4,313,318 | Without Health Insurance | | |
| Medicaid Covered Births | 1,798 | 223,128 | 0 - 64 Years | 66,485 | 29.4% |
| Medicaid Births as % of Total Births | 44.9% | 56.6% | 0 - 17 Years | 13,974 | 21.3% |
| Unemployment Rate | 4.0% | 4.9% | Persons Living Below Poverty | | |
| Per Capita Personal Income | \$29,002 | \$35,162 | All Ages | 45,727 | 18.7% |
| | | | 0 - 17 Years | 14,539 | 22.9% |

Nativity

| | Births ¹ | Percent | |
|---|---------------------|---------|-------|
| | | County | State |
| Total Live Births | 4,154 | | |
| Adolescent Mothers (<18) | 259 | 6.2% | 4.9% |
| Unmarried Mothers | 1,630 | 39.2% | 39.6% |
| Low Birth Weight ¹ | 451 | 10.9% | 8.5% |
| Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³ | 2,480 | 57.7% | 60.5% |
| | | Rate | |
| Fertility Rate ¹ | | 70.1 | 77.6 |

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

| | Cases | Rate ² | |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------------------|-------|
| | | County | State |
| Tuberculosis | 8 | 3.2 | 6.7 |
| Sexually Transmitted Diseases | | | |
| Primary and Secondary Syphilis | 6 | 2.4 | 4.5 |
| Gonorrhea | 496 | 195.6 | 128.8 |
| Chlamydia | 1,434 | 565.5 | 320.4 |
| AIDS | 10 | 4.0 | 12.4 |
| Pertussis | 1 | 0.4 | 4.1 |
| Varicella (Chickenpox) | 262 | 103.3 | 50.1 |

Mortality⁵

| | Deaths ¹ | Rate ⁴ | | | Deaths ¹ | Rate ⁴ | |
|---|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|
| | | County | State | | | County | State |
| Deaths from All Causes | 2,031 | 887.3 | 805.1 | Accidents | 117 | 47.9 | 40.7 |
| Heart Disease | 443 | 194.8 | 203.6 | Motor Vehicle Accidents | 44 | 17.7 | 16.2 |
| Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke) | 112 | 49.0 | 50.2 | Diabetes | 87 | 38.6 | 26.5 |
| All Cancer | 391 | 173.2 | 176.7 | Alzheimer's | 52 | 22.7 | 27.6 |
| Respiratory/Lung Cancer | 111 | 49.4 | 49.5 | Influenza and Pneumonia | 53 | 22.9 | 18.0 |
| Female Breast Cancer | 25 | 20.3 | 22.8 | Assault (Homicide) | 20 | --- | 6.0 |
| Colorectal Cancer | 49 | 21.5 | 17.1 | Suicide | 27 | 11.1 | 10.2 |
| Male Prostrate Cancer | 26 | 29.5 | 22.6 | Septicemia | 54 | 23.6 | 13.8 |
| Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease | 154 | 68.7 | 40.9 | Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis | 36 | 15.8 | 11.0 |
| Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis | 44 | 19.3 | 15.7 | Infant Deaths | 28 | 6.7 | 6.2 |
| | | | | Fetal Deaths ¹ | 27 | 6.5 | 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.**