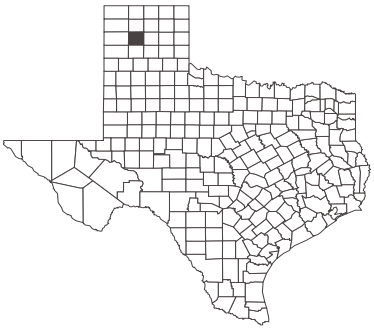
Selected Health Facts 2006

Potter County



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 121,375
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 31
Population Per Square Mile: 133.5
Area In Square Miles: 909.2

Ethnicity	Total	County Percent	State Percent
Anglo	63,167	52.0%	48.2%
Hispanic	41,399	34.1%	36.1%
Black	12,080	10.0%	11.7%
Other	4,729	3.9%	4.0%

Age	Females	Males	Total	County Percent	State Percent
00 - 04	5,400	5,598	10,998	9.1%	8.0%
05 - 14	8,767	8,935	17,702	14.6%	14.5%
15 - 44	25,528	28,696	54,224	44.7%	45.0%
45 - 64	12,569	12,742	25,311	20.9%	22.8%
65+	7,789	5,351	13,140	10.8%	9.8%
Total	60,053	61,322	121,375	100.0%	100.0%
County	49.5%	50.5%			
State	50.0%	50.0%			

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	960	159,889
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	21,834	2,548,310
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	34,901	4,313,318
Medicaid Covered Births	2,087	223,128
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	93.1%	56.6%
Unemployment Rate	4.2%	4.9%
Per Capita Personal Income	$27,635	$35,162

	County	State
Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	1,083	304,217

	Number	Percent County	Percent State
Without Health Insurance			
0 - 64 Years	23,259	23.0%	27.6%
0 - 17 Years	5,290	15.4%	20.3%
Persons Living Below Poverty			
All Ages	27,347	24.2%	16.9%
0 - 17 Years	11,683	33.9%	23.8%

Natality

	Births[1]	Percent County	Percent State
Total Live Births	2,251		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	153	6.8%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	1,016	45.1%	39.6%
Low Birth Weight[1]	245	10.9%	8.5%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester[3]	1,320	60.1%	60.5%
		Rate	
Fertility Rate[1]		88.2	77.6

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate[2] County	Rate[2] State
Tuberculosis	4	3.4	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	7	5.8	4.5
Gonorrhea	521	429.2	128.8
Chlamydia	883	727.5	320.4
AIDS	8	6.9	12.4
Pertussis	8	6.6	4.1
Varicella (Chickenpox)	119	98.0	50.1

Mortality[5]

	Deaths[1]	Rate[4] County	Rate[4] State
Deaths from All Causes	1,174	1,041.6	805.1
Heart Disease	272	237.3	203.6
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	78	67.1	50.2
All Cancer	244	225.3	176.7
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	79	73.5	49.5
Female Breast Cancer	24	38.8	22.8
Colorectal Cancer	22	20.7	17.1
Male Prostrate Cancer	5	---	22.6
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	89	82.7	40.9
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	12	---	15.7

	Deaths[1]	Rate[4] County	Rate[4] State
Accidents	64	54.1	40.7
Motor Vehicle Accidents	29	24.6	16.2
Diabetes	55	51.2	26.5
Alzheimer's	34	30.2	27.6
Influenza and Pneumonia	19	---	18.0
Assault (Homicide)	5	---	6.0
Suicide	16	---	10.2
Septicemia	14	---	13.8
Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	16	---	11.0
Infant Deaths	14	---	6.2
Fetal Deaths[1]	8	---	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.**