



### Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 274,881      Population Per Square Mile: 259.4  
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 17      Area In Square Miles: 1,059.7

Ethnicity	Total	County		State		Age	Females	Males	Total	County		State	
		Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent		
Anglo	141,379	51.4%	47.4%	00 - 04	12,955	13,496	26,451	9.6%	8.0%				
Hispanic	56,140	20.4%	36.8%	05 - 14	19,438	20,292	39,730	14.5%	14.3%				
Black	62,970	22.9%	11.6%	15 - 44	63,029	68,171	131,200	47.7%	44.8%				
Other	14,392	5.2%	4.1%	45 - 64	27,979	26,438	54,417	19.8%	23.0%				
				65+	13,289	9,794	23,083	8.4%	9.8%				
				Total	136,690	138,191	274,881	100.0%	100.0%				
Anglo	[Bar]			County	49.7%	50.3%							
Hispanic	[Bar]			State	49.9%	50.1%							
Black	[Bar]												
Other	[Bar]												

### Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	1,241	135,947	Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	1,850	312,114
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	25,271	2,328,702	Without Health Insurance		
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	43,634	4,438,080	0 - 64 Years	51,812	20.4%
Medicaid Covered Births	1,927	228,202	0 - 17 Years	11,339	12.5%
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	33.1%	56.2%	Persons Living Below Poverty		
Unemployment Rate	4.5%	4.4%	All Ages	36,167	13.6%
Per Capita Personal Income	\$34,414	\$37,083	0 - 17 Years	16,654	19.6%

### Nativity

	Births <sup>1</sup>	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	6,194		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	205	3.3%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	1,981	32.0%	40.9%
Low Birth Weight <sup>1</sup>	531	8.6%	8.4%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester <sup>3</sup>	4,540	75.2%	62.1%
Fertility Rate <sup>1</sup>		98.3	78.3

### Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate <sup>2</sup>	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	10	3.6	6.3
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	7	2.5	4.9
Gonorrhea	872	317.2	132.9
Chlamydia	2,931	1,066.3	354.7
AIDS	5	1.8	12.0
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	5	1.8	4.4
Varicella (Chickenpox)	48	17.5	42.1

### Mortality<sup>5</sup>

	Deaths <sup>1</sup>	Rate <sup>4</sup>			Deaths <sup>1</sup>	Rate <sup>4</sup>	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	1,836	893.9	805.1	Accidents	104	42.0	42.2
Heart Disease	469	238.0	202.7	Motor Vehicle Accidents	44	17.3	15.8
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	90	45.2	49.8	Diabetes	66	33.2	25.5
All Cancer	413	206.1	173.7	Alzheimer's	49	25.6	26.6
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	119	60.2	48.2	Influenza and Pneumonia	29	15.1	17.1
Female Breast Cancer	23	20.0	23.0	Assault (Homicide)	20	---	6.1
Colon, Rectum and Anus	36	18.4	16.9	Suicide	27	10.9	10.5
Male Prostrate Cancer	27	36.0	21.9	Septicemia	29	14.4	14.5
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	95	50.4	42.5	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	32	15.0	11.5
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	27	13.3	17.0	Infant Deaths	58	9.4	6.2
				Fetal Deaths <sup>1</sup>	34	5.5	5.4

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Disease rates are per 100,000 population. Use caution interpreting rates based on small numbers of cases.

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

<sup>4</sup> 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 "---".

<sup>5</sup> Current mortality rates by cause are not comparable with data reported prior to 1999. **Refer to the Data Sources Document for more detail.**