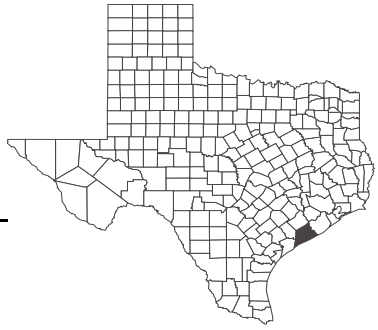
Selected Health Facts 2007

Matagorda County



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 36,923
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 79
Population Per Square Mile: 33.1
Area In Square Miles: 1,114.5

Ethnicity	Total	County Percent	State Percent
Anglo	17,814	48.2%	47.4%
Hispanic	13,234	35.8%	36.8%
Black	4,569	12.4%	11.6%
Other	1,306	3.5%	4.1%

Age	Females	Males	Total	County Percent	State Percent
00 - 04	1,377	1,431	2,808	7.6%	8.0%
05 - 14	2,597	2,749	5,346	14.5%	14.3%
15 - 44	7,245	7,410	14,655	39.7%	44.8%
45 - 64	4,606	4,747	9,353	25.3%	23.0%
65+	2,659	2,102	4,761	12.9%	9.8%
Total	18,484	18,439	36,923	100.0%	100.0%
County	50.1%	49.9%			
State	49.9%	50.1%			

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	148	135,947
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	4,767	2,328,702
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	8,958	4,438,080
Medicaid Covered Births	380	228,202
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	71.8%	56.2%
Unemployment Rate	6.0%	4.4%
Per Capita Personal Income	$26,027	$37,083

	County	State
Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	591	312,114

	Number	Percent County	Percent State
Without Health Insurance			
0 - 64 Years	8,648	27.1%	26.8%
0 - 17 Years	1,633	16.5%	18.9%
Persons Living Below Poverty			
All Ages	8,188	22.5%	16.3%
0 - 17 Years	2,997	30.3%	23.1%

Natality

	Births[1]	Percent County	Percent State
Total Live Births	533		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	27	5.1%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	264	49.5%	40.9%
Low Birth Weight[1]	43	8.1%	8.4%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester[3]	300	57.7%	62.1%
		Rate	
Fertility Rate[1]		73.6	78.3

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate[2] County	Rate[2] State
Tuberculosis	2	5.4	6.3
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	1	2.7	4.9
Gonorrhea	25	67.7	132.9
Chlamydia	65	176.0	354.7
AIDS	2	5.4	12.0
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	0	---	4.4
Varicella (Chickenpox)	4	10.8	42.1

Mortality[5]

	Deaths[1]	Rate[4] County	Rate[4] State
Deaths from All Causes	368	976.8	805.1
Heart Disease	86	228.0	202.7
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	23	63.2	49.8
All Cancer	86	223.5	173.7
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	30	77.2	48.2
Female Breast Cancer	4	---	23.0
Colon, Rectum and Anus	8	---	16.9
Male Prostrate Cancer	4	---	21.9
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	17	---	42.5
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	11	---	17.0

	Deaths[1]	Rate[4] County	Rate[4] State
Accidents	18	---	42.2
Motor Vehicle Accidents	6	---	15.8
Diabetes	13	---	25.5
Alzheimer's	9	---	26.6
Influenza and Pneumonia	6	---	17.1
Assault (Homicide)	4	---	6.1
Suicide	4	---	10.5
Septicemia	6	---	14.5
Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	7	---	11.5
Infant Deaths	0	---	6.2
Fetal Deaths[1]	3	---	5.4

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.**