





Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 49,037 Population Per Square Mile: 48.7
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 62 Area In Square Miles: 1,007.7

Ethnicity	Total	County	State	Age	Females	Males	Total	County	State
		Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent
Anglo	29,602	60.4%	47.4%	00 - 04	1,766	1,857	3,623	7.4%	8.0%
Hispanic	10,942	22.3%	36.8%	05 - 14	3,454	3,764	7,218	14.7%	14.3%
Black	7,906	16.1%	11.6%	15 - 44	9,503	10,427	19,930	40.6%	44.8%
Other	587	1.2%	4.1%	45 - 64	5,865	5,793	11,658	23.8%	23.0%
				65+	3,777	2,831	6,608	13.5%	9.8%
				Total	24,365	24,672	49,037	100.0%	100.0%
Anglo									
Hispanic									
Black									
Other									
				County	49.7%	50.3%			
				State	49.9%	50.1%			

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	226	135,947	Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	448	312,114
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	5,875	2,328,702			
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	11,198	4,438,080	Without Health Insurance		
Medicaid Covered Births	498	228,202	0 - 64 Years	11,203	27.0%
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	62.8%	56.2%	0 - 17 Years	2,234	17.9%
Unemployment Rate	5.0%	4.4%	Persons Living Below Poverty		
Per Capita Personal Income	\$25,228	\$37,083	All Ages	8,820	18.5%
			0 - 17 Years	3,520	28.2%

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	Births ¹	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	750		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	43	5.7%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	324	43.2%	40.9%
Low Birth Weight ¹	55	7.3%	8.4%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	346	48.1%	62.1%
		Rate	
Fertility Rate ¹		78.9	78.3

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	0	---	6.3
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	1	2.0	4.9
Gonorrhea	70	142.7	132.9
Chlamydia	209	426.2	354.7
AIDS	2	4.1	12.0
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	0	---	4.4
Varicella (Chickenpox)	5	10.2	42.1

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	477	900.4	805.1	Accidents	22	44.0	42.2
Heart Disease	101	190.7	202.7	Motor Vehicle Accidents	10	---	15.8
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	36	67.7	49.8	Diabetes	12	---	25.5
All Cancer	107	201.3	173.7	Alzheimer's	28	52.2	26.6
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	33	61.7	48.2	Influenza and Pneumonia	8	---	17.1
Female Breast Cancer	5	---	23.0	Assault (Homicide)	1	---	6.1
Colon, Rectum and Anus	8	---	16.9	Suicide	10	---	10.5
Male Prostrate Cancer	6	---	21.9	Septicemia	6	---	14.5
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	31	58.0	42.5	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	7	---	11.5
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	9	---	17.0	Infant Deaths	2	---	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.**