Selected Health Facts 2007

Ward County

Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 10,180
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 165
Population Per Square Mile: 12.2
Area In Square Miles: 835.5

Ethnicity	Total	County Percent	State Percent
Anglo	5,021	49.3%	47.4%
Hispanic	4,583	45.0%	36.8%
Black	487	4.8%	11.6%
Other	89	0.9%	4.1%

Age	Females	Males	Total	County Percent	State Percent
00 - 04	386	411	797	7.8%	8.0%
05 - 14	640	703	1,343	13.2%	14.3%
15 - 44	1,862	2,023	3,885	38.2%	44.8%
45 - 64	1,310	1,250	2,560	25.1%	23.0%
65+	887	708	1,595	15.7%	9.8%
Total	5,085	5,095	10,180	100.0%	100.0%
County	50.0%	50.0%			
State	49.9%	50.1%			

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	99	135,947
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	1,457	2,328,702
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	2,605	4,438,080
Medicaid Covered Births	128	228,202
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	80.5%	56.2%
Unemployment Rate	3.8%	4.4%
Per Capita Personal Income	$30,025	$37,083

	County	State
Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	138	312,114

	Number	Percent County	Percent State
Without Health Insurance			
0 - 64 Years	2,012	23.1%	26.8%
0 - 17 Years	388	14.4%	18.9%
Persons Living Below Poverty			
All Ages	1,539	15.6%	16.3%
0 - 17 Years	582	22.6%	23.1%

Natality

	Births[1]	Percent County	Percent State
Total Live Births	169		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	19	11.2%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	84	49.7%	40.9%
Low Birth Weight[1]	18	10.7%	8.4%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester[3]	132	85.7%	62.1%
		Rate	
Fertility Rate[1]		90.8	78.3

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate[2] County	Rate[2] State
Tuberculosis	2	19.6	6.3
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	0	---	4.9
Gonorrhea	5	49.1	132.9
Chlamydia	29	284.9	354.7
AIDS	0	---	12.0
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	1	9.8	4.4
Varicella (Chickenpox)	3	29.5	42.1

Mortality[5]

	Deaths[1]	Rate[4] County	Rate[4] State
Deaths from All Causes	116	968.7	805.1
Heart Disease	33	261.5	202.7
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	7	---	49.8
All Cancer	25	200.5	173.7
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	9	---	48.2
Female Breast Cancer	3	---	23.0
Colon, Rectum and Anus	4	---	16.9
Male Prostrate Cancer	1	---	21.9
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	13	---	42.5
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	4	---	17.0

	Deaths[1]	Rate[4] County	Rate[4] State
Accidents	8	---	42.2
Motor Vehicle Accidents	6	---	15.8
Diabetes	2	---	25.5
Alzheimer's	3	---	26.6
Influenza and Pneumonia	2	---	17.1
Assault (Homicide)	0	---	6.1
Suicide	0	---	10.5
Septicemia	2	---	14.5
Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	3	---	11.5
Infant Deaths	0	---	6.2
Fetal Deaths[1]	0	---	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.**