



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 637,358
 Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 9
 Population Per Square Mile: 717.3
 Area In Square Miles: 888.5

Ethnicity	Total	County		State		Age	Females	Males	Total	County		State	
		Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent		
Anglo	456,843	71.7%	46.6%	00 - 04	22,818	23,671	46,489	7.3%	7.9%				
Hispanic	100,492	15.8%	37.5%	05 - 14	41,826	43,833	85,659	13.4%	14.2%				
Black	44,358	7.0%	11.6%	15 - 44	161,979	158,169	320,148	50.2%	44.7%				
Other	35,665	5.6%	4.3%	45 - 64	76,623	73,677	150,300	23.6%	23.3%				
Relative % distribution				65+	19,301	15,461	34,762	5.5%	9.9%				
Anglo	[Bar]			Total	322,547	314,811	637,358	100.0%	100.0%				
Hispanic	[Bar]			County	50.6%	49.4%							
Black	[Bar]			State	49.9%	50.1%							
Other	[Bar]												

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF Recipients (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families)	299	117,689	Average Monthly CHIP Enrollment (Children's Health Insurance Program)	5,319	389,062
Average Monthly SNAP Participants (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)	15,220	2,366,546			
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	42,217	4,508,948	Without Health Insurance		
Medicaid Covered Births	2,600	224,937	0 - 64 Years	101,792	17.2%
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	27.7%	55.3%	0 - 17 Years	18,545	10.6%
Unemployment Rate	4.5%	4.9%	Persons Living Below Poverty		
Per Capita Personal Income	\$39,572	\$37,809	All Ages	40,919	6.5%
			0 - 17 Years	12,429	7.2%

Natality

	Births ¹	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	9,422		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	218	2.3%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	2,223	23.6%	41.9%
Low Birth Weight ¹	693	7.4%	8.4%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	6,027	64.9%	58.4%
Fertility Rate ¹		58.2	76.8

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	25	3.9	6.2
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	3	0.5	5.8
Gonorrhea	328	51.5	129.8
Chlamydia	1,243	195.0	405.8
AIDS	34	5.3	11.9
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	347	54.4	8.4
Varicella (Chickenpox)	410	64.3	32.2

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	2,548	814.1	808.8	Accidents	139	30.0	41.4
Heart Disease	531	178.9	194.3	Motor Vehicle Accidents	44	7.0	15.3
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	120	44.3	49.4	Diabetes	71	22.7	25.4
All Cancer	613	182.8	172.4	Alzheimer's	70	30.1	28.7
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	140	42.9	47.0	Influenza and Pneumonia	95	37.6	18.3
Female Breast Cancer	50	23.9	22.3	Assault (Homicide)	12	---	5.9
Colon, Rectum and Anus	57	16.7	16.4	Suicide	61	9.0	11.0
Male Prostrate Cancer	27	25.6	20.8	Septicemia	26	8.9	14.8
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	176	67.0	45.8	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	27	6.2	11.7
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	43	16.0	17.9	Infant Deaths	41	4.4	6.1
				Fetal Deaths ¹	41	4.3	5.6

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.