





Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 35,366
 Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 81
 Population Per Square Mile: 35.2
 Area In Square Miles: 1,004.7

Ethnicity	Total	County		State		Age	Females	Males	Total	County		State	
		Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent		
Anglo	14,374	40.6%	46.6%			00 - 04	1,506	1,574	3,080	8.7%	7.9%		
Hispanic	18,595	52.6%	37.5%			05 - 14	2,721	2,829	5,550	15.7%	14.2%		
Black	2,118	6.0%	11.6%			15 - 44	6,887	8,009	14,896	42.1%	44.7%		
Other	279	0.8%	4.3%			45 - 64	3,749	3,668	7,417	21.0%	23.3%		
Relative % distribution						65+	2,481	1,942	4,423	12.5%	9.9%		
Anglo				40.6%		Total	17,344	18,022	35,366	100.0%	100.0%		
Hispanic				52.6%		County	49.0%	51.0%					
Black				6.0%		State	49.9%	50.1%					
Other				0.8%									

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF Recipients (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families)	216	117,689	Average Monthly CHIP Enrollment (Children's Health Insurance Program)	652	389,062
Average Monthly SNAP Participants (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)	5,163	2,366,546			
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	9,569	4,508,948			
Medicaid Covered Births	434	224,937			
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	69.3%	55.3%			
Unemployment Rate	4.6%	4.9%			
Per Capita Personal Income	\$25,535	\$37,809			

	Number	County	State
Without Health Insurance			
0 - 64 Years	7,849	27.5%	25.7%
0 - 17 Years	2,085	20.6%	16.9%
Persons Living Below Poverty			
All Ages	6,255	19.1%	15.8%
0 - 17 Years	2,601	25.5%	22.5%

Natality

	Births ¹	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	643		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	60	9.3%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	344	53.5%	41.9%
Low Birth Weight ¹	53	8.2%	8.4%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	342	53.4%	58.4%
Fertility Rate ¹		93.4	76.8

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	0	---	6.2
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	0	---	5.8
Gonorrhea	31	87.7	129.8
Chlamydia	192	542.9	405.8
AIDS	1	3.0	11.9
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	0	---	8.4
Varicella (Chickenpox)	0	---	32.2

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	281	800.6	808.8	Accidents	11	---	41.4
Heart Disease	69	194.6	194.3	Motor Vehicle Accidents	6	---	15.3
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	14	---	49.4	Diabetes	10	---	25.4
All Cancer	65	188.7	172.4	Alzheimer's	5	---	28.7
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	14	---	47.0	Influenza and Pneumonia	11	---	18.3
Female Breast Cancer	2	---	22.3	Assault (Homicide)	0	---	5.9
Colon, Rectum and Anus	7	---	16.4	Suicide	3	---	11.0
Male Prostrate Cancer	5	---	20.8	Septicemia	4	---	14.8
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	23	65.1	45.8	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	3	---	11.7
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	11	---	17.9	Infant Deaths	1	---	6.1
				Fetal Deaths ¹	2	---	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.