



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 988,312
 Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 5
 Population Per Square Mile: 999.0
 Area In Square Miles: 989.3

Ethnicity	Total	County		State		Age	Females	Males	Total	County		State	
		Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent		
Anglo	486,654	49.2%	46.6%	00 - 04	36,532	37,937	74,469	7.5%	7.9%				
Hispanic	349,084	35.3%	37.5%	05 - 14	59,880	63,042	122,922	12.4%	14.2%				
Black	90,981	9.2%	11.6%	15 - 44	233,534	271,794	505,328	51.1%	44.7%				
Other	61,593	6.2%	4.3%	45 - 64	108,468	110,679	219,147	22.2%	23.3%				
Relative % distribution				65+	37,425	29,021	66,446	6.7%	9.9%				
Anglo	[Bar chart: 49.2%]			Total	475,839	512,473	988,312	100.0%	100.0%				
Hispanic	[Bar chart: 35.3%]			County	48.1%	51.9%							
Black	[Bar chart: 9.2%]			State	49.9%	50.1%							
Other	[Bar chart: 6.2%]												

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF Recipients (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families)	2,279	117,689	Average Monthly CHIP Enrollment (Children's Health Insurance Program)	10,281	389,062
Average Monthly SNAP Participants (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)	69,443	2,366,546			
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	144,497	4,508,948	Without Health Insurance		
Medicaid Covered Births	9,503	224,937	0 - 64 Years	201,033	22.0%
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	56.5%	55.3%	0 - 17 Years	39,763	15.8%
Unemployment Rate	4.3%	4.9%	Persons Living Below Poverty		
Per Capita Personal Income	\$40,143	\$37,809	All Ages	141,162	14.4%
			0 - 17 Years	45,477	18.2%

Natality

	Births ¹	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	16,585		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	613	3.7%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	6,419	38.7%	41.9%
Low Birth Weight ¹	1,235	7.4%	8.4%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	9,813	59.7%	58.4%
Fertility Rate ¹		71.0	76.8

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	44	4.5	6.2
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	91	9.2	5.8
Gonorrhea	1,849	187.1	129.8
Chlamydia	5,748	581.6	405.8
AIDS	159	16.1	11.9
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	91	9.2	8.4
Varicella (Chickenpox)	255	25.8	32.2

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	4,519	733.4	808.8	Accidents	341	41.4	41.4
Heart Disease	917	154.6	194.3	Motor Vehicle Accidents	115	11.8	15.3
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	257	46.6	49.4	Diabetes	119	19.2	25.4
All Cancer	1,008	161.0	172.4	Alzheimer's	128	25.8	28.7
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	255	42.6	47.0	Influenza and Pneumonia	68	12.7	18.3
Female Breast Cancer	81	22.2	22.3	Assault (Homicide)	27	2.5	5.9
Colon, Rectum and Anus	89	14.7	16.4	Suicide	108	10.7	11.0
Male Prostrate Cancer	40	17.4	20.8	Septicemia	53	8.9	14.8
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	196	36.5	45.8	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	89	11.5	11.7
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	69	11.5	17.9	Infant Deaths	94	5.7	6.1
				Fetal Deaths ¹	71	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.**