



Demography / Population

Estimated Population:	838,926	Population Per Square Mile:	73.3
Number of counties:	18	Area In Square Miles:	11,444.6

Ethnicity	Total	Region		Age	Females	Males	Total	Region	
		Percent	State					Percent	State
Anglo	575,629	68.6%	46.6%	00 - 04	27,967	29,164	57,131	6.8%	7.9%
Hispanic	101,573	12.1%	37.5%	05 - 14	54,300	56,702	111,002	13.2%	14.2%
Black	150,841	18.0%	11.6%	15 - 44	157,736	165,147	322,883	38.5%	44.7%
Other	10,883	1.3%	4.3%	45 - 64	110,521	106,684	217,205	25.9%	23.3%
Relative % distribution				65+	74,110	56,595	130,705	15.6%	9.9%
Anglo	68.6%			Total	424,634	414,292	838,926	100.0%	100.0%
Hispanic	12.1%			Region	50.6%	49.4%			
Black	18.0%			State	49.9%	50.1%			
Other	1.3%								

Socioeconomic Indicators

	Region	State		Region	State
Average Monthly TANF Recipients (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families)	2,606	117,689	Average Monthly CHIP Enrollment (Children's Health Insurance Program)	12,840	389,062
Average Monthly SNAP Participants (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)	85,745	2,366,546			
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	173,390	4,508,948	Without Health Insurance		
Medicaid Covered Births	7,543	224,937	0 - 64 Years	165,061	24.0%
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	62.5%	55.3%	0 - 17 Years	31,252	15.4%
Unemployment Rate	4.8%	4.9%	Persons Living Below Poverty		
Per Capita Personal Income	\$33,505	\$37,809	All Ages	124,283	15.4%
			0 - 17 Years	45,158	22.2%

Natality

	Births ¹	Percent	
		Region	State
Total Live Births	11,980		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	604	5.0%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	5,347	44.6%	41.9%
Low Birth Weight ¹	1,040	8.7%	8.4%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	6,017	52.0%	58.4%
Fertility Rate ¹		75.9	76.8

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		Region	State
Tuberculosis	34	4.1	6.2
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	43	5.1	5.8
Gonorrhea	1,445	172.2	129.8
Chlamydia	3,291	392.3	405.8
AIDS	46	5.5	11.9
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	159	19.0	8.4
Varicella (Chickenpox)	220	26.2	32.2

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		Region	State			Region	State
Deaths from All Causes	8,785	879.1	808.8	Accidents	422	48.2	41.4
Heart Disease	2,305	227.4	194.3	Motor Vehicle Accidents	201	23.7	15.3
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	486	47.6	49.4	Diabetes	264	25.9	25.4
All Cancer	1,851	182.2	172.4	Alzheimer's	302	29.0	28.7
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	626	60.9	47.0	Influenza and Pneumonia	181	17.7	18.3
Female Breast Cancer	96	17.8	22.3	Assault (Homicide)	49	6.2	5.9
Colon, Rectum and Anus	151	14.8	16.4	Suicide	132	15.6	11.0
Male Prostrate Cancer	73	18.0	20.8	Septicemia	118	11.8	14.8
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	628	61.7	45.8	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	89	9.4	11.7
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	206	20.6	17.9	Infant Deaths	61	5.1	6.1
				Fetal Deaths ¹	56	4.7	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.**