



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 74,912
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 49
Population Per Square Mile: 84.3
Area In Square Miles: 888.4

Ethnicity	Total	County		State		Age	Females	Males	Total	County		State	
		Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent		
Anglo	45,285	60.5%	45.8%	00 - 04	2,530	2,628	5,158	6.9%	7.9%				
Hispanic	23,141	30.9%	38.2%	05 - 14	5,084	5,477	10,561	14.1%	14.1%				
Black	5,768	7.7%	11.5%	15 - 44	14,605	16,487	31,092	41.5%	44.6%				
Other	718	1.0%	4.4%	45 - 64	9,964	10,796	20,760	27.7%	23.5%				
Relative % distribution				65+	3,983	3,358	7,341	9.8%	10.0%				
Anglo	60.5%			Total	36,166	38,746	74,912	100.0%	100.0%				
Hispanic	30.9%			County	48.3%	51.7%							
Black	7.7%			State	49.8%	50.2%							
Other	1.0%												

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF Recipients (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families)	13	104,696	Average Monthly CHIP Enrollment (Children's Health Insurance Program)	1,306	466,242
Average Monthly SNAP Participants (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)	8,418	2,819,469			
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	13,812	4,760,721			
Medicaid Covered Births	Not Available	Not Available			
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	Not Available	Not Available			
Unemployment Rate	7.8%	7.6%			
Per Capita Personal Income	\$27,083	\$38,609			

Natality

	Births ¹	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	914		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	47	5.1%	4.7%
Unmarried Mothers	426	46.6%	42.6%
Low Birth Weight ¹	75	8.2%	8.5%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	558	62.4%	58.6%
Fertility Rate ¹		62.6	75.1

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	0	---	5.9
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	1	1.3	6.6
Gonorrhea	44	58.7	116.1
Chlamydia	188	251.0	419.0
AIDS	3	3.8	9.2
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	21	28.0	13.5
Varicella (Chickenpox)	16	21.4	17.9

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	558	899.4	781.2	Accidents	42	63.1	40.0
Heart Disease	130	215.9	186.7	Motor Vehicle Accidents	14	---	14.0
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	30	49.0	45.8	Diabetes	13	---	23.1
All Cancer	133	196.4	167.6	Alzheimer's	19	---	26.9
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	35	53.9	45.7	Influenza and Pneumonia	7	---	16.7
Female Breast Cancer	6	---	21.6	Assault (Homicide)	3	---	5.9
Colon, Rectum and Anus	11	---	15.9	Suicide	18	---	11.4
Male Prostrate Cancer	5	---	19.9	Septicemia	6	---	15.0
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	35	60.7	43.4	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	5	---	11.6
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	11	---	18.2	Infant Deaths	7	---	6.0
				Fetal Deaths ¹	6	---	5.2

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.