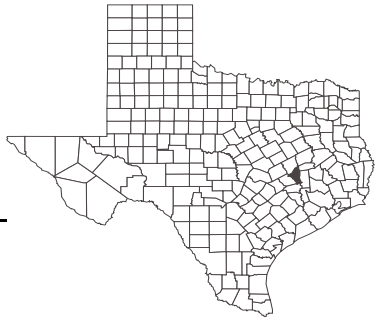
Health Facts Profile 2008

Brazos County



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 174,284
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 23
Population Per Square Mile: 297.5
Area In Square Miles: 585.8

Ethnicity	Total	County Percent	State Percent
Anglo	107,232	61.5%	46.6%
Hispanic	38,351	22.0%	37.5%
Black	19,817	11.4%	11.6%
Other	8,884	5.1%	4.3%

Relative % distribution

Anglo	61.5%
Hispanic	22.0%
Black	11.4%
Other	5.1%

Age	Females	Males	Total	County Percent	State Percent
00 - 04	5,687	5,923	11,610	6.7%	7.9%
05 - 14	9,567	10,073	19,640	11.3%	14.2%
15 - 44	47,619	53,348	100,967	57.9%	44.7%
45 - 64	15,272	14,727	29,999	17.2%	23.3%
65+	6,908	5,160	12,068	6.9%	9.9%
Total	85,053	89,231	174,284	100.0%	100.0%
County	48.8%	51.2%			
State	49.9%	50.1%			

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Average Monthly TANF Recipients (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families)	365	117,689
Average Monthly SNAP Participants (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)	13,505	2,366,546
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	24,740	4,508,948
Medicaid Covered Births	1,299	224,937
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	47.6%	55.3%
Unemployment Rate	4.0%	4.9%
Per Capita Personal Income	$27,495	$37,809

	County	State
Average Monthly CHIP Enrollment (Children's Health Insurance Program)	1,610	389,062

	Number	Percent County	Percent State
Without Health Insurance			
0 - 64 Years	30,759	20.7%	25.7%
0 - 17 Years	5,531	14.6%	16.9%
Persons Living Below Poverty			
All Ages	40,607	25.2%	15.8%
0 - 17 Years	8,177	21.6%	22.5%

Natality

	Births[1]	Percent County	Percent State
Total Live Births	2,620		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	114	4.4%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	989	37.7%	41.9%
Low Birth Weight[1]	189	7.2%	8.4%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester[3]	1,514	70.1%	58.4%
		Rate	
Fertility Rate[1]		55.0	76.8

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate[2] County	Rate[2] State
Tuberculosis	6	3.5	6.2
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	8	4.6	5.8
Gonorrhea	353	202.5	129.8
Chlamydia	759	435.5	405.8
AIDS	7	4.0	11.9
Pertussis (Whopping Cough)	7	4.0	8.4
Varicella (Chickenpox)	26	14.9	32.2

Mortality[5]

	Deaths[1]	Rate[4] County	Rate[4] State
Deaths from All Causes	839	784.9	808.8
Heart Disease	192	182.6	194.3
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	58	56.9	49.4
All Cancer	174	165.5	172.4
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	61	60.6	47.0
Female Breast Cancer	10	---	22.3
Colon, Rectum and Anus	19	---	16.4
Male Prostrate Cancer	7	---	20.8
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	49	50.5	45.8
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	21	20.3	17.9

	Deaths[1]	Rate[4] County	Rate[4] State
Accidents	45	30.7	41.4
Motor Vehicle Accidents	11	---	15.3
Diabetes	21	19.4	25.4
Alzheimer's	29	29.8	28.7
Influenza and Pneumonia	22	21.2	18.3
Assault (Homicide)	5	---	5.9
Suicide	11	---	11.0
Septicemia	14	---	14.8
Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	15	---	11.7
Infant Deaths	16	---	6.1
Fetal Deaths[1]	13	---	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.**