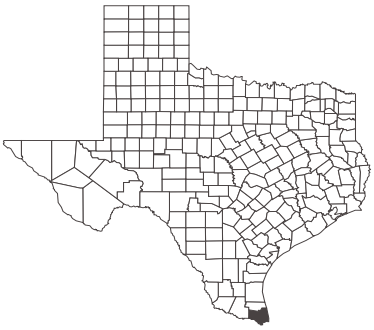
# Selected Health Facts 2006

# Cameron County



## Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 389,571

Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 12

Population Per Square Mile: 430.1

Area In Square Miles: 905.8

| Ethnicity | Total | County Percent | State Percent |
|---|---|---|---|
| Anglo | 48,715 | 12.5% | 48.2% |
| Hispanic | 336,733 | 86.4% | 36.1% |
| Black | 1,110 | 0.3% | 11.7% |
| Other | 3,013 | 0.8% | 4.0% |

| Age | Females | Males | Total | County Percent | State Percent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 00 - 04 | 20,755 | 21,546 | 42,301 | 10.9% | 8.0% |
| 05 - 14 | 30,921 | 32,160 | 63,081 | 16.2% | 14.5% |
| 15 - 44 | 85,722 | 81,117 | 166,839 | 42.8% | 45.0% |
| 45 - 64 | 39,369 | 34,371 | 73,740 | 18.9% | 22.8% |
| 65+ | 24,555 | 19,055 | 43,610 | 11.2% | 9.8% |
| Total | 201,322 | 188,249 | 389,571 | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| **County** | 51.7% | 48.3% | | | |
| **State** | 50.0% | 50.0% | | | |

## Socioeconomic Indicators

| | County | State |
|---|---|---|
| Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients | 10,737 | 159,889 |
| Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants | 104,196 | 2,548,310 |
| Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients | 133,769 | 4,313,318 |
| Medicaid Covered Births | 6,316 | 223,128 |
| Medicaid Births as % of Total Births | 73.4% | 56.6% |
| Unemployment Rate | 6.6% | 4.9% |
| Per Capita Personal Income | $18,624 | $35,162 |

| | County | State |
|---|---|---|
| Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment | 8,044 | 304,217 |

| | Number | Percent County | Percent State |
|---|---|---|---|
| Without Health Insurance | | | |
| 0 - 64 Years | 122,087 | 35.2% | 27.6% |
| 0 - 17 Years | 24,343 | 18.8% | 20.3% |
| Persons Living Below Poverty | | | |
| All Ages | 136,113 | 35.6% | 16.9% |
| 0 - 17 Years | 60,949 | 46.8% | 23.8% |

## Natality

| | Births[1] | Percent County | Percent State |
|---|---|---|---|
| Total Live Births | 8,645 | | |
| Adolescent Mothers (<18) | 543 | 6.3% | 4.9% |
| Unmarried Mothers | 3,622 | 41.9% | 39.6% |
| Low Birth Weight[1] | 704 | 8.1% | 8.5% |
| Prenatal Care in First Trimester[3] | 4,884 | 57.8% | 60.5% |
| | | **Rate** | |
| Fertility Rate[1] | | 100.8 | 77.6 |

## Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

| | Cases | Rate[2] County | Rate[2] State |
|---|---|---|---|
| Tuberculosis | 64 | 16.4 | 6.7 |
| Sexually Transmitted Diseases | | | |
| Primary and Secondary Syphilis | 6 | 1.5 | 4.5 |
| Gonorrhea | 97 | 24.9 | 128.8 |
| Chlamydia | 994 | 255.2 | 320.4 |
| AIDS | 25 | 6.4 | 12.4 |
| Pertussis | 10 | 2.6 | 4.1 |
| Varicella (Chickenpox) | 202 | 51.9 | 50.1 |

## Mortality[5]

| | Deaths[1] | Rate[4] County | Rate[4] State |
|---|---|---|---|
| Deaths from All Causes | 2,032 | 595.9 | 805.1 |
| Heart Disease | 532 | 158.9 | 203.6 |
| Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke) | 118 | 35.2 | 50.2 |
| All Cancer | 435 | 127.8 | 176.7 |
| Respiratory/Lung Cancer | 90 | 26.4 | 49.5 |
| Female Breast Cancer | 27 | 14.3 | 22.8 |
| Colorectal Cancer | 47 | 13.7 | 17.1 |
| Male Prostrate Cancer | 18 | --- | 22.6 |
| Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease | 63 | 19.0 | 40.9 |
| Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis | 46 | 13.8 | 15.7 |

| | Deaths[1] | Rate[4] County | Rate[4] State |
|---|---|---|---|
| Accidents | 69 | 19.0 | 40.7 |
| Motor Vehicle Accidents | 29 | 7.4 | 16.2 |
| Diabetes | 99 | 28.7 | 26.5 |
| Alzheimer's | 35 | 10.9 | 27.6 |
| Influenza and Pneumonia | 44 | 13.4 | 18.0 |
| Assault (Homicide) | 14 | --- | 6.0 |
| Suicide | 17 | --- | 10.2 |
| Septicemia | 39 | 11.6 | 13.8 |
| Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis | 59 | 17.5 | 11.0 |
| Infant Deaths | 45 | 5.2 | 6.2 |
| Fetal Deaths[1] | 42 | 4.8 | 5.5 |

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.**