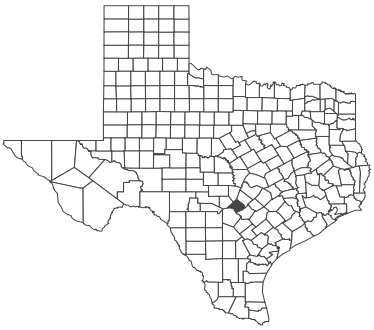
Selected Health Facts 2006

Comal County



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 102,032

Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 38

Population Per Square Mile: 181.7

Area In Square Miles: 561.5

Ethnicity	Total	County Percent	State Percent
Anglo	76,843	75.3%	48.2%
Hispanic	23,251	22.8%	36.1%
Black	950	0.9%	11.7%
Other	988	1.0%	4.0%

Age	Females	Males	Total	County Percent	State Percent
00 - 04	2,973	3,113	6,086	6.0%	8.0%
05 - 14	6,264	6,519	12,783	12.5%	14.5%
15 - 44	19,161	19,340	38,501	37.7%	45.0%
45 - 64	15,228	14,979	30,207	29.6%	22.8%
65+	7,845	6,610	14,455	14.2%	9.8%
Total	51,471	50,561	102,032	100.0%	100.0%
County	50.4%	49.6%			
State	50.0%	50.0%			

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	135	159,889
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	6,020	2,548,310
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	11,240	4,313,318
Medicaid Covered Births	442	223,128
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	37.2%	56.6%
Unemployment Rate	4.1%	4.9%
Per Capita Personal Income	$34,906	$35,162

	County	State
Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	888	304,217

	Number	Percent County	Percent State
Without Health Insurance			
0 - 64 Years	20,518	22.6%	27.6%
0 - 17 Years	5,009	19.4%	20.3%
Persons Living Below Poverty			
All Ages	10,659	10.7%	16.9%
0 - 17 Years	3,425	14.8%	23.8%

Natality

	Births[1]	Percent County	Percent State
Total Live Births	1,218		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	56	4.6%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	389	31.9%	39.6%
Low Birth Weight[1]	77	6.3%	8.5%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester[3]	770	63.0%	60.5%
		Rate	
Fertility Rate[1]		63.6	77.6

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate[2] County	Rate[2] State
Tuberculosis	1	1.0	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	2	2.0	4.5
Gonorrhea	26	25.5	128.8
Chlamydia	182	178.4	320.4
AIDS	2	2.0	12.4
Pertussis	8	7.8	4.1
Varicella (Chickenpox)	79	77.4	50.1

Mortality[5]

	Deaths[1]	Rate[4] County	Rate[4] State
Deaths from All Causes	759	698.1	805.1
Heart Disease	176	161.8	203.6
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	47	44.8	50.2
All Cancer	184	160.0	176.7
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	56	47.8	49.5
Female Breast Cancer	14	---	22.8
Colorectal Cancer	16	---	17.1
Male Prostrate Cancer	10	---	22.6
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	40	35.6	40.9
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	13	---	15.7

	Deaths[1]	Rate[4] County	Rate[4] State
Accidents	43	40.6	40.7
Motor Vehicle Accidents	9	---	16.2
Diabetes	25	22.1	26.5
Alzheimer's	38	37.0	27.6
Influenza and Pneumonia	6	---	18.0
Assault (Homicide)	2	---	6.0
Suicide	21	22.8	10.2
Septicemia	9	---	13.8
Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	8	---	11.0
Infant Deaths	3	---	6.2
Fetal Deaths[1]	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.**