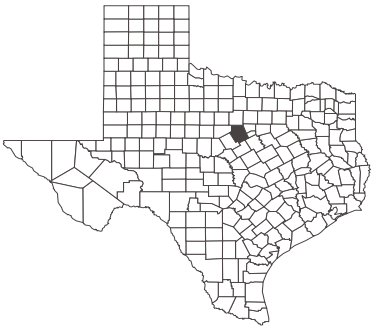
Selected Health Facts 2006

Erath County



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 34,308
Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 84
Population Per Square Mile: 31.6
Area In Square Miles: 1,086.3

Ethnicity	Total	County Percent	State Percent
Anglo	27,191	79.3%	48.2%
Hispanic	6,503	19.0%	36.1%
Black	316	0.9%	11.7%
Other	298	0.9%	4.0%

Age	Females	Males	Total	County Percent	State Percent
00 - 04	1,121	1,181	2,302	6.7%	8.0%
05 - 14	2,158	2,247	4,405	12.8%	14.5%
15 - 44	7,908	8,355	16,263	47.4%	45.0%
45 - 64	3,569	3,644	7,213	21.0%	22.8%
65+	2,362	1,763	4,125	12.0%	9.8%
Total	17,118	17,190	34,308	100.0%	100.0%
County	49.9%	50.1%			
State	50.0%	50.0%			

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	126	159,889
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	2,611	2,548,310
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	5,593	4,313,318
Medicaid Covered Births	314	223,128
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	61.9%	56.6%
Unemployment Rate	4.0%	4.9%
Per Capita Personal Income	$25,526	$35,162

	County	State
Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	440	304,217

	Number	Percent County	Percent State
Without Health Insurance			
0 - 64 Years	9,875	33.0%	27.6%
0 - 17 Years	1,761	21.4%	20.3%
Persons Living Below Poverty			
All Ages	5,724	17.8%	16.9%
0 - 17 Years	1,629	21.1%	23.8%

Natality

	Births[1]	Percent County	Percent State
Total Live Births	529		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	26	4.9%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	164	31.0%	39.6%
Low Birth Weight[1]	38	7.2%	8.5%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester[3]	315	62.7%	60.5%
		Rate	
Fertility Rate[1]		66.9	77.6

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate[2] County	Rate[2] State
Tuberculosis	1	2.9	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	0	---	4.5
Gonorrhea	22	64.1	128.8
Chlamydia	97	282.7	320.4
AIDS	0	---	12.4
Pertussis	0	---	4.1
Varicella (Chickenpox)	48	139.9	50.1

Mortality[5]

	Deaths[1]	Rate[4] County	Rate[4] State
Deaths from All Causes	323	936.8	805.1
Heart Disease	96	276.1	203.6
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	18	---	50.2
All Cancer	65	198.1	176.7
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	20	---	49.5
Female Breast Cancer	0	---	22.8
Colorectal Cancer	6	---	17.1
Male Prostrate Cancer	2	---	22.6
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	22	65.5	40.9
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	4	---	15.7

	Deaths[1]	Rate[4] County	Rate[4] State
Accidents	22	65.4	40.7
Motor Vehicle Accidents	12	---	16.2
Diabetes	3	---	26.5
Alzheimer's	13	---	27.6
Influenza and Pneumonia	6	---	18.0
Assault (Homicide)	0	---	6.0
Suicide	4	---	10.2
Septicemia	4	---	13.8
Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	1	---	11.0
Infant Deaths	4	---	6.2
Fetal Deaths[1]	3	---	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.**