

FACTS AT A GLANCE

A fact sheet reporting national, state-level, and city-level trends in teen childbearing

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TEEN BIRTH RATE. Continuing a 14-year decline, the U.S. teen birth rate reached an all-time low in 2005, according to preliminary data for 2005 from the National Center for Health Statistics. The 2005 rate of 40.4 births per 1,000 females aged 15-19 was 2% lower than in 2004 (41.1). Among teens aged 15-17, the birth rate declined 3% between 2004 (22.1) and 2005 (21.4). However, among teens aged 18-19, the birth rate declined by less than 1% between those years. The overall 2005 teen birth rate was 35% lower than the 1991 peak rate of 61.8 and 15% lower than the 2000 rate of 47.7. Nevertheless, the U.S. rate remains higher than that of any other developed nation.

Teen Birth Rate (Births per 1,000 Females Aged 15-19, 15-17, and 18-19)

| Ages: | 1960 | 1970 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 |
|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 15-19 | 89.1 | 68.3 | 53.0 | 51.0 | 59.9 | 56.0 | 47.7 | 41.6 | 41.1 | 40.4 |
| 15-17 | 43.9 | 38.8 | 32.5 | 31.0 | 37.5 | 35.5 | 26.9 | 22.4 | 22.1 | 21.4 |
| 18-19 | 166.7 | 114.7 | 82.1 | 79.6 | 88.6 | 87.7 | 78.1 | 70.7 | 70.0 | 69.9 |

NUMBER OF BIRTHS TO TEENS. The number of births to teen females has declined by 12% since 2000, according to preliminary data for 2005 from the National Center for Health Statistics. In 2005, 421,124 births occurred to young women under the age of 20, nearly 1,000 fewer than in 2004 but only 117 fewer than in 2003 because the number of teen births rose slightly between 2003 and 2004. The decline in the *number of teen births* is smaller than the decline in the *teen birth rate* because of an increase in the number of teen females, particularly Hispanic teen females.

Number of Births to Females Under Age 20

| Ages: | 1960 | 1970 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 |
|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Under 15 | 6,780 | 11,752 | 10,169 | 10,220 | 11,657 | 12,242 | 8,519 | 6,661 | 6,781 | 6,717 |
| 15-17 | 182,408 | 223,590 | 198,222 | 167,789 | 183,327 | 192,508 | 157,209 | 134,384 | 133,980 | 133,138 |
| 18-19 | 404,558 | 421,118 | 353,939 | 299,696 | 338,499 | 307,365 | 311,781 | 280,196 | 281,282 | 281,269 |
| Under 20 | 593,746 | 656,460 | 562,330 | 477,705 | 533,591 | 512,115 | 477,509 | 421,241 | 422,043 | 421,124 |

BIRTH RATES BY MARITAL STATUS. Preliminary data for 2005 from the National Center for Health Statistics show that 83% of teen births occurred outside of marriage. In contrast, 37% of births to women of all ages that year were nonmarital. The nonmarital teen birth rate remained stable between 2003 and 2004 (34.8 vs. 34.7 births per 1,000 females aged 15-19), though it has declined by 11% since the 2000 rate of 39.0 and by 24% since its peak in 1994 (45.8). The nonmarital birth rate for women aged 15-44 increased by 5% between 2000 and 2004 and the teen marital birth rate increased by 4% between 2000 and 2004.

Marital and Nonmarital Birth Rates (Births per 1,000 Females)

| Marital Status and Age: | 1960 | 1970 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2003 | 2004 | |
|-------------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Marital, ages 15-19 | | 530.6 | 443.7 | 350.0 | 357.4 | 420.2 | 357.4 | 287.8 | 298.1 | 297.9 |
| Nonmarital, ages 15-19 | | 15.3 | 22.4 | 27.5 | 31.4 | 42.5 | 43.8 | 39.0 | 34.8 | 34.7 |
| Nonmarital, ages 20-24 | | 39.7 | 38.4 | 39.7 | 46.5 | 65.1 | 68.7 | 72.2 | 71.2 | 72.5 |
| Nonmarital, ages 15-44 | | 21.6 | 26.4 | 28.4 | 32.8 | 43.8 | 44.3 | 44.1 | 44.9 | 46.1 |

BIRTH RATES BY RACE/ETHNICITY. According to preliminary data for 2005 from the National Center for Health Statistics, birth rates are at an all-time low for white, black, and Hispanic teens, marking more than a decade of steady decline. Between 2004 and 2005, the birth rate for black teens declined by 3% — from 63.1 in 2004 to 60.9 in 2005. The birth rates for white and Hispanic teens also continued to decline — from 26.7 in 2004 to 26.0 in 2005 for white teens and from 82.6 in 2004 to 81.5 in 2005 for Hispanic teens. The birth rate for white and black teens has declined by more than 20% since 2000 and by 40% or more since 1991. However, the birth rate for Hispanic teens has declined by only 6% since 2000 and 22% since 1991.

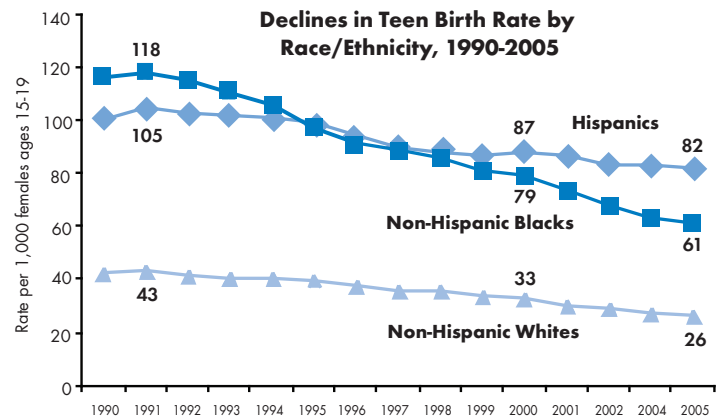


TABLE 1: NUMBER OF BIRTHS TO MOTHERS UNDER AGE 20 BY AGE AND BY RACE/ETHNICITY, PERCENTAGE OF BIRTHS TO MOTHERS UNDER AGE 20 THAT ARE NONMARITAL, PERCENTAGE OF REPEAT BIRTHS (SECOND OR HIGHER ORDER BIRTHS), AND PERCENTAGE OF ALL BIRTHS IN A STATE TO MOTHERS UNDER AGE 20, BY STATE, 2004

| STATE | Number of Births to Mothers Aged: | | | | Number of Births to Mothers Under Age 20*: | | | Of All Births to Mothers Under Age 20, % Nonmarital | % of Teen Births that are Repeat Births | Of All Births in State, % to Mothers Under Age 20 |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|---------|---------|----------------|--|---------|----------|---|---|---|
| | Under 15 | 15-17 | 18-19 | Total Under 20 | White Non-Hispanic | Black | Hispanic | | | |
| ALABAMA | 162 | 2,682 | 5,444 | 8,288 | 4,111 | 3,577 | 550 | 75% | 19% | 14% |
| ALASKA | 9 | 285 | 788 | 1,082 | 385 | 29 | 111 | 78% | 18% | 10% |
| ARIZONA | 189 | 4,246 | 7,492 | 11,927 | 2,853 | 443 | 7,265 | 84% | 22% | 13% |
| ARKANSAS | 110 | 1,732 | 3,984 | 5,826 | 3,536 | 1,669 | 533 | 76% | 21% | 15% |
| CALIFORNIA | 695 | 16,266 | 33,485 | 50,446 | 7,730 | 4,223 | 35,843 | 79% | 19% | 9% |
| COLORADO | 100 | 2,358 | 4,417 | 6,875 | 2,468 | 446 | 3,810 | 76% | 20% | 10% |
| CONNECTICUT | 39 | 917 | 1,950 | 2,906 | 933 | 656 | 1,270 | 91% | 16% | 7% |
| DELAWARE | 19 | 412 | 769 | 1,200 | 456 | 510 | 208 | 91% | 19% | 11% |
| DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA | 23 | 327 | 536 | 886 | 7 | 758 | 107 | 97% | 22% | 11% |
| FLORIDA | 405 | 7,442 | 15,965 | 23,812 | 9,016 | 7,969 | 6,531 | 86% | 19% | 11% |
| GEORGIA | 317 | 5,417 | 10,774 | 16,508 | 6,562 | 7,076 | 2,625 | 80% | 22% | 12% |
| HAWAII | 17 | 441 | 1,007 | 1,465 | 224 | 33 | 337 | 83% | 16% | 8% |
| IDAHO | 14 | 520 | 1,530 | 2,064 | 1,454 | 6 | 523 | 64% | 18% | 9% |
| ILLINOIS | 296 | 5,973 | 11,547 | 17,816 | 5,732 | 6,375 | 5,568 | 88% | 20% | 10% |
| INDIANA | 117 | 2,749 | 6,729 | 9,595 | 6,605 | 1,889 | 989 | 87% | 19% | 11% |
| IOWA | 25 | 896 | 2,342 | 3,263 | 2,472 | 285 | 413 | 87% | 17% | 8% |
| KANSAS | 47 | 1,197 | 2,816 | 4,060 | 2,534 | 509 | 864 | 82% | 20% | 10% |
| KENTUCKY | 100 | 1,934 | 4,768 | 6,802 | 5,602 | 859 | 303 | 74% | 19% | 12% |
| LOUISIANA | 187 | 2,990 | 6,463 | 9,640 | 3,641 | 5,620 | 246 | 88% | 22% | 15% |
| MAINE | 1 | 287 | 822 | 1,110 | 1,048 | 12 | 19 | 88% | 12% | 8% |
| MARYLAND | 129 | 2,112 | 4,133 | 6,374 | 2,141 | 3,355 | 805 | 91% | 18% | 9% |
| MASSACHUSETTS | 42 | 1,453 | 3,106 | 4,601 | 2,210 | 669 | 1,528 | 93% | 14% | 6% |
| MICHIGAN | 211 | 3,835 | 8,408 | 12,454 | 6,675 | 4,156 | 1,126 | 88% | 19% | 10% |
| MINNESOTA | 70 | 1,479 | 3,437 | 4,986 | 2,688 | 726 | 782 | 89% | 17% | 7% |
| MISSISSIPPI | 177 | 2,127 | 4,416 | 6,720 | 2,661 | 3,800 | 171 | 85% | 22% | 16% |
| MISSOURI | 144 | 2,626 | 6,128 | 8,898 | 5,981 | 2,267 | 530 | 84% | 19% | 11% |
| MONTANA | 4 | 348 | 870 | 1,222 | 770 | 4 | 66 | 83% | 19% | 11% |
| NEBRASKA | 24 | 670 | 1,595 | 2,289 | 1,301 | 315 | 474 | 85% | 19% | 9% |
| NEVADA | 68 | 1,268 | 2,526 | 3,862 | 1,251 | 446 | 1,905 | 80% | 21% | 11% |
| NEW HAMPSHIRE | 1 | 222 | 624 | 847 | 729 | 17 | 51 | 92% | 12% | 6% |
| NEW JERSEY | 94 | 2,218 | 4,709 | 7,021 | 1,488 | 2,249 | 3,182 | 89% | 18% | 6% |
| NEW MEXICO | 62 | 1,643 | 2,758 | 4,463 | 782 | 55 | 3,002 | 85% | 21% | 16% |
| NEW YORK | 272 | 5,430 | 11,621 | 17,323 | 5,304 | 4,933 | 6,673 | 89% | 16% | 7% |
| NORTH CAROLINA | 285 | 4,427 | 9,140 | 13,852 | 6,073 | 4,943 | 2,372 | 81% | 20% | 12% |
| NORTH DAKOTA | 10 | 143 | 479 | 632 | 363 | 10 | 23 | 87% | 15% | 8% |
| OHIO | 244 | 4,577 | 10,714 | 15,535 | 10,003 | 4,472 | 844 | 90% | 19% | 10% |
| OKLAHOMA | 104 | 2,147 | 4,712 | 6,963 | 3,973 | 888 | 1,045 | 77% | 21% | 14% |
| OREGON | 55 | 1,181 | 2,818 | 4,054 | 2,455 | 154 | 1,234 | 81% | 19% | 9% |
| PENNSYLVANIA | 199 | 4,208 | 8,583 | 12,990 | 6,667 | 3,749 | 2,172 | 91% | 19% | 9% |
| RHODE ISLAND | 23 | 360 | 790 | 1,173 | 396 | 145 | 425 | 91% | 19% | 9% |
| SOUTH CAROLINA | 123 | 2,496 | 4,974 | 7,593 | 3,283 | 3,575 | 657 | 84% | 20% | 13% |
| SOUTH DAKOTA | 12 | 298 | 823 | 1,133 | 623 | 25 | 72 | 88% | 18% | 10% |
| TENNESSEE | 184 | 3,076 | 7,011 | 10,271 | 6,185 | 3,134 | 869 | 80% | 21% | 13% |
| TEXAS | 972 | 18,268 | 33,121 | 52,361 | 12,412 | 7,478 | 31,944 | 76% | 24% | 14% |
| UTAH | 29 | 858 | 2,349 | 3,236 | 2,034 | 47 | 980 | 68% | 18% | 6% |
| VERMONT | 3 | 109 | 354 | 466 | 448 | 4 | 9 | 89% | 12% | 7% |
| VIRGINIA | 147 | 2,633 | 6,143 | 8,923 | 4,203 | 3,429 | 1,184 | 83% | 18% | 9% |
| WASHINGTON | 95 | 2,007 | 4,726 | 6,828 | 3,670 | 391 | 2,092 | 81% | 17% | 8% |
| WEST VIRGINIA | 28 | 715 | 1,756 | 2,499 | 2,348 | 128 | 15 | 77% | 18% | 12% |
| WISCONSIN | 91 | 1,763 | 4,231 | 6,085 | 3,181 | 1,506 | 913 | 86% | 19% | 9% |
| WYOMING | 7 | 212 | 599 | 818 | 605 | 5 | 140 | 75% | 14% | 12% |
| U.S. TOTAL in 1991 | 12,014 | 188,226 | 331,351 | 531,591 | 249,352 | 154,682 | 107,135 | 69% | 25% | 13% |
| U.S. TOTAL in 2000 | 8,519 | 157,209 | 311,781 | 477,509 | 205,896 | 119,755 | 132,107 | 79% | 21% | 12% |
| U.S. TOTAL in 2004 | 6,781 | 133,980 | 281,282 | 422,043 | 170,272 | 100,019 | 135,400 | 83% | 18% | 10% |
| U.S. TOTAL in 2005 | 6,717 | 133,138 | 281,269 | 421,124 | 166,606 | 99,453 | 139,013 | 83% | 19% | 10% |

* Race/ethnicity totals add to less than state totals due to births to other racial/ethnic groups.

Source/Notes: Birth data are taken from 2004 Natality Detail File CD Series 21, No. 17H(a), National Center for Health Statistics.

U.S. totals for 2005 are from Hamilton, Martin, & Ventura. 2006. Births: Preliminary Data for 2005, National Vital Statistics Reports, Vol.55.

TABLE 2: BIRTH RATES FOR FEMALES 15-19 IN SELECTED YEARS, PERCENTAGE OF TEEN BIRTHS THAT WERE LOW BIRTH-WEIGHT, TOTAL COSTS TO TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATED WITH TEEN CHILDBEARING, PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS WHO ABSTAIN FROM SEX, AND PERCENTAGE OF SEXUALLY ACTIVE STUDENTS WHO USED A CONDOM THE LAST TIME THEY HAD SEX

| STATE | Birth Rates (Births per 1,000) to Females Aged 15-19* | | | | | | | | | Birth Rates 2004 | | Of All Births to Teens, % Low Birthweight,** | Total Cost to Taxpayers Associated with Teen Childbearing, in Millions, 2004 | % of Students in Grades 9-12 Who Abstain from Sex,† | % of Sexually Active Students in Grades 9-12 Who Used a Condom at Last Sex,† |
|----------------|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------|------------|--|--|---|--|
| | 1970 | 1980 | 1986 | 1990 | 1991 | 1995 | 2000 | 2003 | 2004 | Ages 15-17 | Ages 18-19 | | | | |
| | ALABAMA | 89 | 68 | 62 | 71 | 74 | 69 | 61 | 52 | 52 | 29 | | | | |
| ALASKA | 87 | 64 | 53 | 65 | 66 | 55 | 49 | 39 | 39 | 17 | 72 | 7% | \$30 | N/A | N/A |
| ARIZONA | 77 | 66 | 67 | 76 | 80 | 74 | 68 | 61 | 60 | 36 | 98 | 8% | \$252 | 57% | 55% |
| ARKANSAS | 91 | 75 | 71 | 80 | 80 | 72 | 66 | 59 | 60 | 31 | 104 | 12% | \$112 | 46% | 57% |
| CALIFORNIA | 65 | 53 | 53 | 71 | 74 | 67 | 47 | 40 | 40 | 21 | 68 | 8% | \$896 | N/A | N/A |
| COLORADO | 64 | 50 | 47 | 55 | 58 | 52 | 51 | 44 | 44 | 25 | 73 | 11% | \$167 | 61% | 69% |
| CONNECTICUT | 43 | 31 | 31 | 39 | 40 | 39 | 31 | 25 | 24 | 13 | 42 | 10% | \$98 | 54% | N/A |
| DELAWARE | 72 | 51 | 50 | 55 | 60 | 55 | 48 | 45 | 44 | 26 | 70 | 11% | \$28 | 45% | 64% |
| FLORIDA | 85 | 59 | 69 | 69 | 68 | 60 | 51 | 43 | 42 | 22 | 74 | 10% | \$481 | 50% | 67% |
| GEORGIA | 98 | 72 | 58 | 76 | 76 | 70 | 63 | 54 | 53 | 29 | 91 | 12% | \$344 | N/A | N/A |
| HAWAII | 60 | 51 | 47 | 61 | 59 | 49 | 46 | 37 | 36 | 19 | 62 | 10% | \$22 | 64% | 48% |
| IDAHO | 65 | 60 | 45 | 51 | 54 | 49 | 43 | 39 | 39 | 17 | 71 | 8% | \$39 | 62% | N/A |
| ILLINOIS | 66 | 56 | 50 | 63 | 65 | 58 | 48 | 40 | 40 | 23 | 67 | 11% | \$467 | N/A | N/A |
| INDIANA | 73 | 58 | 50 | 59 | 60 | 57 | 49 | 44 | 44 | 21 | 78 | 10% | \$195 | 56% | 63% |
| IOWA | 52 | 43 | 33 | 41 | 43 | 38 | 34 | 32 | 32 | 15 | 55 | 8% | \$82 | 57% | 62% |
| KANSAS | 61 | 57 | 51 | 56 | 55 | 52 | 46 | 41 | 41 | 21 | 69 | 9% | \$91 | 55% | 68% |
| KENTUCKY | 86 | 72 | 61 | 68 | 69 | 62 | 55 | 50 | 49 | 24 | 87 | 10% | \$148 | 54% | 65% |
| LOUISIANA | 85 | 76 | 68 | 74 | 76 | 70 | 62 | 56 | 56 | 30 | 93 | 14% | \$165 | N/A | N/A |
| MAINE | 65 | 47 | 42 | 43 | 44 | 34 | 29 | 25 | 24 | 11 | 44 | 8% | \$16 | 55% | 59% |
| MARYLAND | 68 | 43 | 46 | 53 | 54 | 47 | 41 | 33 | 32 | 18 | 55 | 11% | \$195 | N/A | N/A |
| MASSACHUSETTS | 38 | 28 | 29 | 35 | 38 | 33 | 26 | 23 | 22 | 12 | 38 | 10% | \$109 | 55% | 65% |
| MICHIGAN | 66 | 45 | 44 | 59 | 59 | 49 | 40 | 34 | 34 | 18 | 59 | 11% | \$302 | 58% | 62% |
| MINNESOTA | 42 | 35 | 30 | 36 | 37 | 33 | 30 | 27 | 27 | 14 | 46 | 8% | \$142 | N/A | N/A |
| MISSISSIPPI | 102 | 84 | 72 | 81 | 85 | 79 | 70 | 63 | 62 | 34 | 103 | 14% | \$135 | N/A | N/A |
| MISSOURI | 71 | 58 | 53 | 63 | 64 | 55 | 49 | 43 | 43 | 22 | 75 | 10% | \$186 | 53% | 67% |
| MONTANA | 58 | 49 | 42 | 48 | 47 | 42 | 37 | 35 | 36 | 18 | 61 | 9% | \$18 | 56% | 61% |
| NEBRASKA | 52 | 45 | 37 | 42 | 42 | 38 | 38 | 36 | 36 | 18 | 61 | 9% | \$50 | 59% | 62% |
| NEVADA | 90 | 59 | 56 | 73 | 75 | 73 | 63 | 53 | 51 | 28 | 88 | 9% | \$67 | 56% | 62% |
| NEW HAMPSHIRE | 55 | 34 | 31 | 33 | 33 | 30 | 23 | 18 | 18 | 8 | 34 | 9% | \$18 | 57% | 65% |
| NEW JERSEY | 48 | 35 | 34 | 41 | 41 | 38 | 32 | 26 | 24 | 13 | 43 | 9% | \$167 | 56% | 71% |
| NEW MEXICO | 77 | 72 | 70 | 78 | 80 | 74 | 66 | 63 | 61 | 38 | 94 | 9% | \$86 | N/A | 57% |
| NEW YORK | 49 | 35 | 36 | 44 | 46 | 42 | 33 | 28 | 27 | 14 | 46 | 10% | \$421 | 58% | 71% |
| NORTH CAROLINA | 86 | 58 | 56 | 68 | 70 | 63 | 59 | 49 | 49 | 26 | 85 | 11% | \$312 | 49% | 63% |
| NORTH DAKOTA | 43 | 42 | 35 | 35 | 36 | 33 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 11 | 48 | 6% | \$13 | 59% | 63% |
| OHIO | 63 | 53 | 49 | 58 | 61 | 53 | 46 | 39 | 39 | 19 | 67 | 11% | \$352 | 52% | 62% |
| OKLAHOMA | 81 | 75 | 65 | 67 | 72 | 64 | 60 | 56 | 56 | 30 | 92 | 9% | \$149 | 51% | 62% |
| OREGON | 56 | 51 | 43 | 55 | 55 | 50 | 43 | 34 | 33 | 16 | 59 | 6% | \$91 | N/A | N/A |
| PENNSYLVANIA | 52 | 41 | 40 | 45 | 47 | 41 | 34 | 31 | 31 | 17 | 52 | 11% | \$389 | N/A | N/A |
| RHODE ISLAND | 45 | 33 | 35 | 44 | 45 | 40 | 34 | 31 | 33 | 17 | 57 | 11% | \$35 | 53% | 66% |
| SOUTH CAROLINA | 89 | 65 | 61 | 71 | 73 | 63 | 58 | 52 | 52 | 29 | 88 | 12% | \$156 | 48% | 67% |
| SOUTH DAKOTA | 50 | 53 | 43 | 47 | 48 | 41 | 38 | 35 | 39 | 17 | 69 | 8% | \$20 | 56% | 57% |
| TENNESSEE | 87 | 64 | 60 | 72 | 75 | 67 | 60 | 54 | 52 | 27 | 90 | 11% | \$181 | 45% | 58% |
| TEXAS | 84 | 74 | 70 | 75 | 78 | 76 | 69 | 63 | 63 | 37 | 101 | 10% | \$1,002 | 48% | 61% |
| UTAH | 54 | 65 | 49 | 49 | 48 | 41 | 38 | 35 | 34 | 16 | 60 | 9% | \$63 | N/A | N/A |
| VERMONT | 53 | 40 | 34 | 34 | 39 | 28 | 23 | 19 | 21 | 8 | 40 | 10% | \$12 | N/A | 65% |
| VIRGINIA | 72 | 48 | 45 | 53 | 53 | 48 | 41 | 36 | 35 | 18 | 62 | 11% | \$177 | N/A | N/A |
| WASHINGTON | 58 | 47 | 44 | 53 | 54 | 48 | 39 | 32 | 31 | 16 | 54 | 8% | \$115 | N/A | N/A |
| WEST VIRGINIA | 72 | 68 | 53 | 57 | 58 | 53 | 47 | 45 | 44 | 21 | 76 | 11% | \$38 | 48% | 61% |
| WISCONSIN | 44 | 40 | 38 | 43 | 44 | 38 | 35 | 31 | 30 | 15 | 52 | 10% | \$156 | 60% | 65% |
| WYOMING | 69 | 79 | 50 | 56 | 54 | 48 | 42 | 41 | 43 | 19 | 74 | 11% | \$15 | 53% | 65% |
| U.S. TOTAL | 66 | 53 | 50 | 60 | 62 | 56 | 48 | 42 | 41 | 22 | 70 | 10% | \$9,009 | 53% | 63% |

*Twenty-two states experienced no change in the teen birth rate between 2003 and 2004, 22 states experienced a decrease, and 6 states experienced an increase.

**Low birthweight is defined as weight of less than 2,500 grams (about 5.5 pounds).

† These data are based only on teens attending school.

Sources/Notes: Birth rates for 1970, 1980, and 1990-2003 are published by the National Center for Health Statistics, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. References for specific reports cited are available upon request. The 1986 birth rates were calculated by Child Trends. Denominators use the latest revised data from the U.S. Bureau of the Census, Population Estimates Branch. These revisions affect birth rates in some states. Population denominators for less populated states are small and therefore some instability in rates can occur.

Information on birthweight: 2004 Natality Detail File CD Series 21, No. 17H(a), National Center for Health Statistics. Information on costs associated with teen childbearing: Hoffman, S (2006). Beyond the Numbers: The Public Costs of Teen Childbearing. Washington, DC: National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy. Information on abstinence and condom use: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Surveillance Summaries, June 9, 2006. MMWR 2004:55 (No. SS-5).

TABLE 3. NUMBER OF BIRTHS TO TEENAGE MOTHERS IN LARGE CITIES* BY AGE AND BY RACE/ETHNICITY, NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF BIRTHS TO UNMARRIED MOTHERS UNDER AGE 20, PERCENTAGE OF BIRTHS TO MOTHERS 15-19 THAT ARE REPEAT BIRTHS (SECOND OR HIGHER ORDER BIRTHS), AND PERCENTAGE OF ALL BIRTHS IN CITY TO MOTHERS UNDER AGE 20, 1991, & 2004

| CITY | Number of Births to Mothers Aged: | | | | Number of Births to Mothers Under Age 20: | | | Number of Births to Unmarried Mothers Under Age 20 | Of All Births to Mothers Under Age 20, % Nonmarital | Of All Teen Births in City, % that are Repeat Births | Of All Births in City, % to Mothers Under Age 20 | |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------|-------|----------------|---|-------|----------|--|---|--|--|------|
| | Under 15 | 15-17 | 18-19 | Total Under 20 | Non-Hispanic White | Black | Hispanic | | | | 1991 | 2004 |
| Albuquerque, NM | 15 | 408 | 674 | 1,097 | 165 | 19 | 844 | 964 | 88% | 22% | 11% | 13% |
| Anaheim, CA | 11 | 214 | 385 | 610 | 51 | 15 | 527 | 469 | 77% | 20% | 12% | 10% |
| Anchorage, AK | 4 | 105 | 285 | 394 | 123 | 23 | 58 | 297 | 75% | 17% | 10% | 9% |
| Arlington, TX | 13 | 224 | 416 | 653 | 203 | 131 | 301 | 531 | 81% | 25% | 10% | 11% |
| Atlanta, GA | 37 | 374 | 647 | 1,058 | 25 | 806 | 217 | 959 | 91% | 24% | 21% | 12% |
| Austin, TX | 29 | 496 | 872 | 1,397 | 148 | 173 | 1,065 | 1,045 | 75% | 24% | 15% | 11% |
| Baltimore, MD | 63 | 641 | 1,006 | 1,710 | 201 | 1,443 | 61 | 1,665 | 97% | 22% | 21% | 18% |
| Billings, MT | 0 | 31 | 133 | 164 | 110 | 0 | 26 | 140 | 85% | 18% | N/A | 10% |
| Birmingham, AL | 19 | 241 | 410 | 670 | 59 | 562 | 47 | 616 | 92% | 18% | 21% | 16% |
| Boise City, ID | 0 | 43 | 178 | 221 | 181 | 1 | 33 | 156 | 71% | 12% | 11% | 7% |
| Boston, MA | 5 | 202 | 374 | 581 | 107 | 260 | 199 | 558 | 96% | 13% | 11% | 7% |
| Bridgeport, CT | 4 | 108 | 194 | 306 | 35 | 106 | 156 | 284 | 93% | 18% | 18% | 13% |
| Buffalo, NY | 13 | 213 | 394 | 620 | 163 | 354 | 95 | 594 | 96% | 20% | 17% | 16% |
| Burlington, VT | 0 | 14 | 20 | 34 | 30 | 2 | 1 | 28 | 82% | 15% | N/A | 8% |
| Charleston, WV | 1 | 29 | 56 | 86 | 61 | 23 | 0 | 78 | 91% | 20% | N/A | 12% |
| Charlotte, NC | 29 | 353 | 652 | 1,034 | 160 | 564 | 272 | 927 | 90% | 21% | 14% | 10% |
| Chicago, IL | 150 | 2,371 | 3,845 | 6,366 | 271 | 3,494 | 2,548 | 5,789 | 91% | 23% | 19% | 14% |
| Cincinnati, OH | 22 | 299 | 534 | 855 | 173 | 635 | 31 | 821 | 96% | 28% | 21% | 16% |
| Cleveland, OH | 31 | 450 | 808 | 1,289 | 242 | 900 | 132 | 1,237 | 96% | 21% | 20% | 19% |
| Colorado Springs, CO | 6 | 187 | 452 | 645 | 281 | 92 | 250 | 486 | 75% | 19% | 12% | 10% |
| Columbia, SC | 7 | 114 | 234 | 355 | 43 | 275 | 30 | 327 | 92% | 15% | 18% | 12% |
| Columbus, OH | 24 | 420 | 900 | 1,344 | 558 | 624 | 111 | 1,226 | 91% | 23% | 21% | 11% |
| Dallas, TX | 82 | 1,408 | 2,252 | 3,742 | 222 | 1,132 | 2,357 | 3,119 | 83% | 27% | 18% | 15% |
| Denver, CO | 29 | 554 | 877 | 1,460 | 214 | 169 | 1,056 | 1,092 | 75% | 22% | 16% | 12% |
| Des Moines, IA | 4 | 124 | 248 | 376 | 224 | 67 | 66 | 327 | 87% | 23% | 14% | 11% |
| Detroit, MI | 83 | 912 | 1,443 | 2,438 | 150 | 2,042 | 220 | 2,244 | 92% | 22% | 24% | 18% |
| El Paso, TX | 16 | 752 | 1,257 | 2,025 | 94 | 26 | 1,900 | 1,455 | 72% | 22% | 16% | 15% |
| Fargo, ND | 0 | 6 | 46 | 52 | 35 | 2 | 1 | 45 | 87% | 21% | N/A | 4% |
| Fort Worth, TX | 47 | 661 | 1,059 | 1,767 | 298 | 456 | 987 | 1,479 | 84% | 27% | 17% | 15% |
| Fresno, CA | 27 | 514 | 939 | 1,480 | 169 | 144 | 993 | 1,215 | 82% | 24% | 17% | 15% |
| Honolulu, HI | 2 | 76 | 183 | 261 | 31 | 7 | 48 | 214 | 82% | 11% | 7% | 6% |
| Houston, TX | 132 | 2,095 | 3,610 | 5,837 | 402 | 1,551 | 3,820 | 4,534 | 78% | 24% | 16% | 13% |
| Indianapolis, IN | 34 | 530 | 1,281 | 1,845 | 799 | 762 | 270 | 1,699 | 92% | 21% | 16% | 13% |
| Jackson, MS | 21 | 182 | 350 | 553 | 27 | 517 | 8 | 538 | 97% | 24% | 19% | 19% |
| Jacksonville, FL | 27 | 444 | 997 | 1,468 | 506 | 833 | 102 | 1,295 | 88% | 22% | 16% | 12% |
| Kansas City, MO | 19 | 303 | 592 | 914 | 232 | 487 | 185 | 850 | 93% | 23% | 21% | 13% |
| Las Vegas, NV | 43 | 698 | 1,369 | 2,110 | 537 | 302 | 1,119 | 1,745 | 83% | 21% | 14% | 11% |
| Lexington-Fayette, KY | 5 | 115 | 222 | 342 | 194 | 94 | 49 | 289 | 85% | 15% | 14% | 9% |
| Little Rock, AR | 16 | 110 | 276 | 402 | 72 | 285 | 41 | 372 | 93% | 22% | 19% | 13% |
| Long Beach, CA | 15 | 301 | 577 | 893 | 59 | 152 | 600 | 750 | 84% | 18% | 13% | 11% |
| Los Angeles, CA | 108 | 2,148 | 4,061 | 6,317 | 176 | 745 | 5,295 | 5,247 | 83% | 20% | 13% | 10% |
| Manchester, NH | 0 | 35 | 91 | 126 | 100 | 5 | 20 | 114 | 90% | 13% | N/A | 8% |
| Memphis, TN | 75 | 679 | 1,232 | 1,986 | 153 | 1,641 | 178 | 1,887 | 95% | 25% | 21% | 19% |
| Mesa, AZ | 13 | 268 | 562 | 843 | 289 | 33 | 474 | 692 | 82% | 21% | 12% | 10% |
| Miami, FL | 29 | 647 | 1,277 | 1,953 | 149 | 935 | 850 | 1,730 | 89% | 17% | 15% | 10% |
| Milwaukee, WI | 56 | 651 | 1,160 | 1,867 | 231 | 1,165 | 379 | 1,746 | 94% | 25% | 21% | 17% |
| Minneapolis, MN | 16 | 221 | 425 | 662 | 79 | 294 | 161 | 602 | 91% | 22% | 14% | 10% |
| Nashville-Davidson, TN | 11 | 315 | 644 | 970 | 347 | 422 | 191 | 827 | 85% | 23% | 16% | 11% |
| New Orleans, LA | 24 | 417 | 734 | 1,175 | 28 | 1,129 | 14 | 1,145 | 97% | 23% | 20% | 17% |
| New York, NY | 149 | 2,818 | 5,693 | 8,660 | 616 | 2,981 | 4,795 | 7,679 | 89% | 15% | 23% | 7% |
| Newark, NJ | 10 | 213 | 407 | 630 | 22 | 374 | 232 | 596 | 95% | 21% | 14% | 13% |
| Oakland, CA | 14 | 198 | 360 | 572 | 34 | 224 | 273 | 481 | 84% | 16% | 15% | 10% |
| Oklahoma City, OK | 27 | 437 | 758 | 1,222 | 465 | 300 | 366 | 1,028 | 84% | 24% | 19% | 14% |
| Omaha, NE | 13 | 240 | 501 | 754 | 282 | 263 | 180 | 662 | 88% | 19% | 13% | 11% |
| Philadelphia, PA | 71 | 1,328 | 2,016 | 3,415 | 412 | 2,096 | 724 | 3,266 | 96% | 22% | 18% | 16% |
| Phoenix, AZ | 84 | 1,530 | 2,431 | 4,045 | 562 | 216 | 2,998 | 3,468 | 86% | 24% | 16% | 15% |
| Pittsburgh, PA | 15 | 166 | 282 | 463 | 110 | 326 | 7 | 450 | 97% | 22% | 16% | 13% |
| Portland, ME | 0 | 14 | 36 | 50 | 40 | 4 | 3 | 45 | 90% | 10% | N/A | 6% |
| Portland, OR | 14 | 179 | 412 | 605 | 263 | 105 | 185 | 519 | 86% | 20% | 12% | 7% |
| Providence, RI | 13 | 154 | 309 | 476 | 51 | 81 | 273 | 431 | 91% | 23% | 16% | 16% |
| Sacramento, CA | 24 | 387 | 896 | 1,307 | 271 | 271 | 551 | 1,043 | 80% | 19% | 14% | 11% |
| Salt Lake City, UT | 8 | 148 | 282 | 438 | 174 | 10 | 225 | 340 | 78% | 20% | 12% | 7% |
| San Antonio, TX | 82 | 1,326 | 2,145 | 3,553 | 318 | 224 | 2,984 | 2,819 | 79% | 26% | 17% | 15% |
| San Diego, CA | 19 | 481 | 953 | 1,453 | 149 | 155 | 999 | 1,128 | 78% | 18% | 11% | 8% |
| San Francisco, CA | 4 | 94 | 213 | 311 | 19 | 75 | 179 | 259 | 83% | 14% | 8% | 4% |
| San Jose, CA | 14 | 326 | 672 | 1,012 | 74 | 24 | 840 | 811 | 80% | 18% | 11% | 7% |
| Santa Ana, CA | 18 | 322 | 653 | 993 | 20 | 2 | 956 | 737 | 74% | 21% | 14% | 12% |
| Seattle, WA | 5 | 80 | 162 | 247 | 49 | 66 | 67 | 215 | 87% | 18% | 8% | 4% |
| Sioux Falls, SD | 3 | 49 | 146 | 198 | 145 | 14 | 21 | 175 | 88% | 17% | N/A | 10% |
| St. Louis, MO | 29 | 332 | 564 | 925 | 111 | 786 | 21 | 897 | 97% | 27% | 23% | 18% |
| St. Paul, MN | 12 | 214 | 371 | 597 | 114 | 166 | 111 | 551 | 92% | 20% | 13% | 12% |
| Tampa, FL | 23 | 384 | 771 | 1,178 | 256 | 510 | 394 | 1,047 | 89% | 20% | 18% | 12% |
| Toledo, OH | 16 | 249 | 478 | 743 | 311 | 337 | 80 | 706 | 95% | 21% | 19% | 15% |
| Tucson, AZ | 19 | 534 | 1,011 | 1,564 | 354 | 58 | 1,063 | 1,328 | 85% | 22% | 16% | 13% |
| Tulsa, OK | 20 | 305 | 583 | 908 | 355 | 238 | 227 | 758 | 83% | 25% | 16% | 14% |
| Virginia Beach, VA | 4 | 134 | 378 | 516 | 276 | 189 | 35 | 390 | 76% | 15% | 9% | 8% |
| Washington, DC | 23 | 327 | 536 | 886 | 7 | 758 | 107 | 858 | 97% | 22% | 17% | 11% |
| Wichita, KS | 11 | 263 | 523 | 797 | 387 | 192 | 185 | 666 | 84% | 23% | 14% | 12% |
| Wilmington, DE | 2 | 95 | 115 | 212 | 11 | 153 | 43 | 199 | 94% | 20% | N/A | 17% |

*List of 80 cities includes the largest city from each state and the District of Columbia, with the exception of Wyoming where the largest city had too small a population for analysis, and 29 of the next most populous U.S. cities.

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Teen Birth Rates in 1991 and 2004, Percent Change in Teen Birth Rate, and Raw Change in Teen Birth Rate, by State, Ranked by 2004 Birth Rate (Rates per 1,000 Females Ages 15-19)

| Rank | State | 2004 | 1991 | % Change 1991-2004 | Change in birth rate 1991-2004 |
|------|----------------|------|------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 | NEW HAMPSHIRE | 18 | 33 | -44.85% | 15 |
| 2 | VERMONT | 21 | 39 | -46.41% | 18 |
| 3 | MASSACHUSETTS | 22 | 38 | -41.32% | 16 |
| 4 | NEW JERSEY | 24 | 41 | -41.22% | 17 |
| 5 | MAINE | 24 | 44 | -44.77% | 20 |
| 6 | CONNECTICUT | 24 | 40 | -39.00% | 16 |
| 7 | MINNESOTA | 27 | 37 | -27.84% | 10 |
| 8 | NEW YORK | 27 | 46 | -41.52% | 19 |
| 9 | NORTH DAKOTA | 27 | 36 | -24.44% | 9 |
| 10 | WISCONSIN | 30 | 44 | -31.36% | 14 |
| 11 | PENNSYLVANIA | 31 | 47 | -35.11% | 17 |
| 12 | WASHINGTON | 31 | 54 | -42.04% | 23 |
| 13 | IOWA | 32 | 43 | -26.51% | 11 |
| 14 | MARYLAND | 32 | 54 | -40.00% | 22 |
| 15 | RHODE ISLAND | 33 | 45 | -26.89% | 12 |
| 16 | OREGON | 33 | 55 | -39.45% | 22 |
| 17 | UTAH | 34 | 48 | -29.17% | 14 |
| 18 | MICHIGAN | 34 | 59 | -42.20% | 25 |
| 19 | VIRGINIA | 35 | 53 | -33.58% | 18 |
| 20 | MONTANA | 36 | 47 | -23.83% | 11 |
| 21 | NEBRASKA | 36 | 42 | -14.52% | 6 |
| 22 | HAWAII | 36 | 59 | -38.81% | 23 |
| 23 | OHIO | 39 | 61 | -36.89% | 23 |
| 24 | SOUTH DAKOTA | 39 | 48 | -19.79% | 10 |
| 25 | IDAHO | 39 | 54 | -28.52% | 15 |
| 26 | ALASKA | 39 | 66 | -40.91% | 27 |
| 27 | CALIFORNIA | 40 | 74 | -45.95% | 34 |
| 28 | ILLINOIS | 40 | 65 | -38.15% | 25 |
| 29 | KANSAS | 41 | 55 | -26.00% | 14 |
| 30 | FLORIDA | 42 | 68 | -37.65% | 26 |
| 31 | WYOMING | 43 | 54 | -20.93% | 11 |
| 32 | MISSOURI | 43 | 64 | -32.19% | 21 |
| 33 | DELAWARE | 44 | 60 | -27.50% | 17 |
| 34 | INDIANA | 44 | 60 | -27.50% | 17 |
| 35 | WEST VIRGINIA | 44 | 58 | -24.48% | 14 |
| 36 | COLORADO | 44 | 58 | -24.31% | 14 |
| 37 | NORTH CAROLINA | 49 | 70 | -30.29% | 21 |
| 38 | KENTUCKY | 49 | 69 | -28.70% | 20 |
| 39 | NEVADA | 51 | 75 | -31.87% | 24 |
| 40 | ALABAMA | 52 | 74 | -29.73% | 22 |
| 41 | TENNESSEE | 52 | 75 | -30.53% | 23 |
| 42 | SOUTH CAROLINA | 52 | 73 | -28.63% | 21 |
| 43 | GEORGIA | 53 | 76 | -29.74% | 23 |
| 44 | OKLAHOMA | 56 | 72 | -22.78% | 16 |
| 45 | LOUISIANA | 56 | 76 | -26.05% | 20 |
| 46 | ARIZONA | 60 | 80 | -25.00% | 20 |
| 47 | ARKANSAS | 60 | 80 | -25.00% | 20 |
| 48 | NEW MEXICO | 61 | 80 | -24.00% | 19 |
| 49 | MISSISSIPPI | 62 | 85 | -27.18% | 23 |
| 50 | TEXAS | 63 | 78 | -19.74% | 15 |