

## Healthy People 2010 Operational Definition

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### **25-9. Reduce congenital syphilis.**

<b>National Data Sources</b>	STD Surveillance System (STDSS), CDC, NCHHSTP; National Vital Statistics System - Natality (NVSS-N), CDC, NCHS.
<b>State Data Sources</b>	State and local Health Department STD Control Programs; State and Local Vital Statistics.
<b>Healthy People 2000 Objective</b>	19.4 (Sexually Transmitted Diseases).
<b>Changes since the 2000 Publication</b>	Revised baseline (See comments).
<b>Measure</b>	Rate per 100,000 live births.
<b>Baseline (Year)</b>	28 (1997)
<b>Target</b>	1
<b>Target-Setting Method</b>	Better than the best racial/ethnic subgroup, and consistent with the National Plan to Eliminate Syphilis from the United States.  For a discussion of target-setting methods, see Part A, section 4.
<b>Numerator</b>	Number of new reported cases of congenital syphilis in the past 12 months.
<b>Denominator</b>	Number of live births.
<b>Population Targeted</b>	U.S. resident population.
<b>Questions Used To Obtain the National Baseline Data</b>	CDC Congenital Syphilis (CS) Case Investigation and Report, Form 73.126.
<b>Expected Periodicity</b>	Annual.
<b>Comments</b>	The baseline was revised to from 27 to 28 new cases of congenital syphilis. The target, 1 new case, did not change.  Less than 5 percent of cases have missing race/ethnicity data and were excluded from the baseline estimate.

This objective tracks the same measure as Healthy People 2000 objective 19.4

See Part C for a description of NVSS-N and Appendix A for focus area contact information.