

Data Brief 58: U.S. Teenage Birth Rate Resumes Decline

Table. Number of births to teenagers and teenage birth rates: United States, selected years 1940-1985 and each year, 1990-2009

| Year | Number of births | | | | Birth rate per 1,000 women in specified age group | | | |
|------|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 10-14 years | 15-19 years | 15-17 years | 18-19 years | 10-14 years | 15-19 years | 15-17 years | 18-19 years |
| 2009 | 5,030 | 409,840 | 124,256 | 285,584 | 0.5 | 39.1 | 20.1 | 66.2 |
| 2008 | 5,764 | 434,758 | 135,664 | 299,094 | 0.6 | 41.5 | 21.7 | 70.6 |
| 2007 | 6,195 | 444,899 | 140,566 | 304,333 | 0.6 | 42.5 | 22.1 | 73.9 |
| 2006 | 6,396 | 435,436 | 138,943 | 296,493 | 0.6 | 41.9 | 22.0 | 73.0 |
| 2005 | 6,722 | 414,593 | 133,191 | 281,402 | 0.7 | 40.5 | 21.4 | 69.9 |
| 2004 | 6,781 | 415,262 | 133,980 | 281,282 | 0.7 | 41.1 | 22.1 | 70.0 |
| 2003 | 6,661 | 414,580 | 134,384 | 280,196 | 0.6 | 41.6 | 22.4 | 70.7 |
| 2002 | 7,315 | 425,493 | 138,731 | 286,762 | 0.7 | 43.0 | 23.2 | 72.8 |
| 2001 | 7,781 | 445,944 | 145,324 | 300,620 | 0.8 | 45.3 | 24.7 | 76.1 |
| 2000 | 8,519 | 468,990 | 157,209 | 311,781 | 0.9 | 47.7 | 26.9 | 78.1 |
| 1999 | 9,054 | 476,050 | 163,588 | 312,462 | 0.9 | 48.8 | 28.2 | 79.1 |
| 1998 | 9,462 | 484,895 | 173,231 | 311,664 | 1.0 | 50.3 | 29.9 | 80.9 |
| 1997 | 10,121 | 483,220 | 180,154 | 303,066 | 1.1 | 51.3 | 31.4 | 82.1 |
| 1996 | 11,148 | 491,577 | 185,721 | 305,856 | 1.2 | 53.5 | 33.3 | 84.7 |
| 1995 | 12,242 | 499,873 | 192,508 | 307,365 | 1.3 | 56.0 | 35.5 | 87.7 |
| 1994 | 12,901 | 505,488 | 195,169 | 310,319 | 1.4 | 58.2 | 37.2 | 90.2 |
| 1993 | 12,554 | 501,093 | 190,535 | 310,558 | 1.4 | 59.0 | 37.5 | 91.1 |
| 1992 | 12,220 | 505,415 | 187,549 | 317,866 | 1.4 | 60.3 | 37.6 | 93.6 |
| 1991 | 12,014 | 519,577 | 188,226 | 331,351 | 1.4 | 61.8 | 38.6 | 94.0 |
| 1990 | 11,657 | 521,826 | 183,327 | 338,499 | 1.4 | 59.9 | 37.5 | 88.6 |
| 1985 | 10,220 | 467,485 | 167,789 | 299,696 | 1.2 | 51.0 | 31.0 | 79.6 |
| 1980 | 10,169 | 552,161 | 198,222 | 353,939 | 1.1 | 53.0 | 32.5 | 82.1 |
| 1975 | 12,642 | 582,238 | 227,270 | 354,968 | 1.3 | 55.6 | 36.1 | 85.0 |
| 1970 | 11,752 | 644,708 | 223,590 | 421,118 | 1.2 | 68.3 | 38.8 | 114.7 |
| 1965 | 7,768 | 590,894 | 188,604 | 402,290 | 0.8 | 70.5 | 36.6 | 124.5 |
| 1960 | 6,780 | 586,966 | 182,408 | 404,558 | 0.8 | 89.1 | 43.9 | 166.7 |
| 1955 | 5,883 | 484,097 | 149,722 | 334,375 | 0.9 | 90.3 | --- | --- |
| 1950 | 5,021 | 419,535 | 126,941 | 292,594 | 1.0 | 81.6 | --- | --- |
| 1945 | 3,573 | 280,997 | --- | --- | 0.8 | 51.1 | --- | --- |
| 1940 | 3,257 | 300,747 | --- | --- | 0.7 | 54.1 | --- | --- |

---Data not available.

NOTES: Data for 2009 are preliminary. A consistent series of teen birth rates and detailed birth data for years prior to 1940 is not available.

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, Division of Vital Statistics.