

Data Brief #46 - State Disparities in Teenage Birth Rates in the United States

Birth rates for teenagers 15-19 years: United States and each state, preliminary 2008 and United States and each state and race and Hispanic origin of mother, final 2007

State	All races		Percent change 2007 to 2008	Non- Hispanic white/1	Non- Hispanic black/1	Hispanic
	Preliminary, 2008	Final, 2007				
United States	41.5	42.5	-2.4	27.2	64.2	81.8
Alabama	52.9	54.1	†	42.6	66.4	188.3
Alaska	46.9	44.7	†	28.2	51.2	61.3
Arizona	56.2	61.2	-8.2	30.1	60.0	102.2
Arkansas	61.8	61.7	†	51.8	83.2	113.6
California	38.4	39.7	-3.3	15.8	43.7	66.4
Colorado	42.5	43.4	†	22.9	57.6	101.0
Connecticut	22.9	23.1	†	9.7	43.6	76.9
Delaware	40.4	40.6	†	23.7	64.2	122.8
District of Columbia	50.9	49.9	†	4.3	64.8	115.5
Florida	42.8	45.5	-5.9	30.8	67.9	62.1
Georgia	52.0	54.9	-5.3	38.5	66.7	139.6
Hawaii	42.1	41.3	†	31.6	17.4	97.2
Idaho	41.2	41.4	†	32.9	*	104.3
Illinois	38.1	40.0	-4.8	20.6	77.9	75.3
Indiana	43.7	45.2	-3.3	37.7	76.9	101.4
Iowa	33.9	33.2	†	27.3	88.4	104.8
Kansas	45.6	43.7	4.3	33.3	71.1	109.3
Kentucky	55.6	55.1	†	51.5	72.4	133.0
Louisiana	54.1	55.9	-3.2	40.3	77.5	75.0
Maine	26.1	26.9	†	26.1	53.8	31.3
Maryland	32.8	34.4	-4.7	19.4	51.8	95.2
Massachusetts	20.1	22.1	-9.0	13.7	39.4	71.2
Michigan	33.2	34.2	-2.9	24.5	64.0	77.7
Minnesota	27.2	28.6	-4.9	17.9	80.9	108.7
Mississippi	65.7	71.9	-8.6	54.8	89.5	114.4
Missouri	45.5	45.7	†	37.9	77.2	92.9
Montana	40.7	36.8	10.6	29.3	*	37.7
Nebraska	36.5	36.1	†	23.3	93.0	116.9
Nevada	53.5	55.3	†	31.3	67.8	94.8
New Hampshire	19.8	20.0	†	19.0	*	49.1
New Jersey	24.5	25.2	†	8.5	50.2	65.7
New Mexico	64.1	66.1	†	36.4	46.4	85.6
New York	25.5	25.8	†	14.1	38.4	55.3
North Carolina	49.4	49.9	†	33.1	65.1	149.3
North Dakota	28.6	29.3	†	20.3	*	79.8
Ohio	41.0	41.3	†	32.9	78.6	87.6
Oklahoma	61.6	61.5	†	49.9	72.2	110.2
Oregon	37.2	35.9	†	27.0	45.1	93.4
Pennsylvania	31.5	31.5	†	20.3	69.9	100.4
Rhode Island	28.5	30.0	†	16.6	63.1	82.0
South Carolina	53.0	53.6	†	38.4	69.8	158.5
South Dakota	40.0	42.2	†	26.5	*	114.3
Tennessee	55.6	56.2	†	45.2	77.7	174.8
Texas	63.4	64.2	-1.2	33.8	67.2	99.0
Utah	35.1	36.1	†	24.9	59.5	114.2
Vermont	21.3	22.0	†	22.3	*	*
Virginia	33.5	35.1	-4.6	24.0	53.6	90.7
Washington	34.6	34.8	†	24.5	44.8	99.4
West Virginia	48.8	47.4	†	47.8	49.4	43.7
Wisconsin	31.3	32.2	†	19.6	95.1	99.3
Wyoming	49.2	51.9	†	43.0	*	107.6

* Figure does not meet standards of reliability or precision; based on fewer than 20 births in the numerator.

† Difference is not statistically different (see reference 4).

¹ Births with origin of mother not stated are included with non-Hispanic births.