

Healthy People 2010 Operational Definition

1-3. Increase the proportion of persons appropriately counseled about health behaviors.

1-3f. Unintended pregnancy (females aged 15 to 44 years).

National Data Source	National Survey of Family Growth (NSFG), CDC, NCHS.
State Data Source	Not identified.
Healthy People 2000 Objective	Adapted from 14.12 (Maternal and Infant Health).
Changes since the 2000 Publication	None.
Measure	Percent
Baseline (Year)	19 (1995)
Target	50
Target-Setting Method	Better than the best racial/ethnic subgroup. For a discussion of target-setting methods, see Part A, section 4.
Numerator	Number of women aged 15 to 44 years with a physician visit in the past 12 months who received counseling on either birth control or getting sterilized.
Denominator	Number of women aged 15 to 44 years with a physician visit in the past 12 months.
Population Targeted	U.S. civilian, noninstitutionalized population.
Questions Used to Obtain the National Baseline Data	From the 1995 National Survey of Family Growth: ➤ <i>In the past 12 months, that is since (month/year), have you received any of the following birth control services from a doctor or other health care provider?</i> <i>Counseling about birth control or a prescription for a method?</i> <i>Counseling about getting sterilized?</i>

Expected Periodicity	Periodic.
Comments	<p>The numerator and denominator are limited to females who were not pregnant, were not seeking to become pregnant, and were not sterile at the time of the survey.</p> <p>Women were considered to have received counseling if they responded “yes” to either receiving counseling about birth control or getting sterilized.</p> <p>This objective is a modification of Healthy People 2000 objective 14.12, which tracked the proportion of clinicians who counseled 81 to 100 percent of their patients about family planning; it was tracked using the Primary Care Providers Surveys, OPHS, ODPHP and the Prevention in Primary Care Study, American College of Preventive Medicine.</p> <p>For some measures, data do not meet the criteria for statistical reliability, data quality, or confidentiality and have been suppressed. Information on suppression of data for the major Healthy People 2010 data systems has been published in a <i>Healthy People Statistical Note</i>.¹</p> <p>See Part C for a description of NSFG and Appendix A for focus area contact information.</p>

References

1. Klein, R.J.; Proctor, S.E.; Boudreault, M.A.; Turczyn, K.M. Healthy People 2010 Criteria for Data Suppression. *Statistical Notes* No. 24. Hyattsville, MD: National Center for Health Statistics. 2002.