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U.S. Teenage Pregnancies, Births and Abortions, 2010: National and State Trends by Age, Race and Ethnicity

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Introduction

This report contains the most recent and comprehensive statistics available—for 2010—on the incidence of teenage pregnancy, birth and abortion for the United States as a whole and for individual states. At the national level, we show trends since 1972. For states, we present trends since 1988. The report concludes with a discussion of the methodology and sources used to obtain the estimates. Our previously published statistics for national- and state-level estimates through 2008 were published in two separate reports.^{1,2}

Counts of pregnancies include births, abortions, miscarriage and stillbirths. The National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) provides annual counts of teen *births* in the United States, as reported in the National Vital Statistics System (via birth certificates).³ The estimates we present for 2010 are part of the Guttmacher Institute’s ongoing surveillance of teen *pregnancy* in the United States. Our national- and state-level teen pregnancy report is generally updated every two years and contains the only available estimates of teen pregnancy for all 50 states using counts of abortions from the Guttmacher Institute’s periodic national census of abortion providers. This census is widely recognized as the most accurate count of abortions performed annually in the United States.⁴ Through a collaborative agreement with NCHS, we also provide abortion data for the calculation of teen pregnancy rates at the national level for use in NCHS vital statistics reports.

A demographic rate is defined as the number of events (in this case, pregnancies, births or abortions) divided by the number of individuals who could experience the event—the “population.” The pregnancy rate is composed of the rates of pregnancy outcomes (births, abortions and miscarriages) and is not synonymous with the birthrate. Trends in rates of births, abortions and pregnancies can move in different directions and may be affected by different social and economic factors.

Unless otherwise indicated, in this report, the words “teenagers” and “teens” refer to women aged 15–19. The report also includes numbers, and in some cases rates, shown separately for women aged 14 and younger, 15–17-year-olds, 18–19-year-olds and all women younger than 20. We also present statistics by race and ethnicity when the data are sufficient to provide these estimates.

Key Findings

National levels and trends (Tables 1.1, 2.1-2.6)

- In 2010, roughly 625,000 women younger than 20 became pregnant. Some 614,000 pregnancies were among teenagers (women aged 15–19), and another 11,000 were among those aged 14 and younger.
- The **pregnancy rate** among teenagers was 57.4 pregnancies per 1,000 women; this means that about 6% of teens became pregnant in 2010.

- While 18–19-year-olds made up 41% of all 15–19-year-old women in 2010, they accounted for 69% of all teen pregnancies. The pregnancy rate among 18–19-year-olds was 96.2, while the rate among 15–17-year-olds was 30.1.
- In 2010, the U.S. teenage pregnancy rate reached its lowest point in more than 30 years (57.4), down 51% from its peak in 1990 (116.9). Between 2008 and 2010 alone, the rate dropped 15%, from 67.8.
- The pregnancy rate among sexually experienced teenagers (those who had ever had intercourse) was 126.6 pregnancies per 1,000 women aged 15–19), reflecting the fact that the overall teenage pregnancy rate includes a substantial proportion of young women who have never had sex. The pregnancy rate among sexually experienced teenagers has fallen 43% since 1990, when it was 223.1.
- The teenage **birthrate** in 2010 was 34.4 births per 1,000 women. This was 44% lower than the peak rate of 61.8, reached in 1991.
- The 2010 teenage **abortion rate** was 14.7 abortions per 1,000 women. This figure is the lowest since abortion was legalized and 66% lower than its peak in 1988 (43.5).
- The long-term declines in teenage birth and abortion rates were interrupted by increases in 2006. By 2008, the declines had resumed, and they accelerated between 2008 and 2010.
- From 1986 to 2010, the proportion of teenage pregnancies ending in abortion (i.e., the abortion ratio) declined by one-third, from 46% to 30%.

National levels by race and ethnicity (Table 1.1)

- Among non-Hispanic white teenagers, the pregnancy rate declined 56% between 1990 and 2010 (from 86.6 per 1,000 to 37.8).
- The pregnancy rate among black women aged 15–19 fell 56% between 1990 and 2010 (from 223.8 per 1,000 to 99.5), but remains more than twice the non-Hispanic white rate.
- Among Hispanic teenagers (of any race), the pregnancy rate fell 51% between its peak in 1992 and 2010 (from 169.7 per 1,000 to 83.5); this, too, is more than twice the rate for non-Hispanic white teenagers. In just two years, from 2008 to 2010, the teen pregnancy rate for Hispanic teens fell 23 rate points, from 106.6.
- Wide differences in birth and abortion rates also persist across racial and ethnic groups. The birthrate in 2010 for non-Hispanic white teenagers (23.6) was about half the rate for black teenagers (51.4) and less than half the rate for Hispanic teenagers (55.6). The abortion rate among black teenagers (34.5) was more than three times the rate for non-Hispanic whites (8.5), while the rate among Hispanic teenagers (15.3) was almost twice that rate.

*State levels in 2010 (Tables 3.1–3.3, 3.6)**

- In 2010, New Mexico had the highest teenage pregnancy rate (80 pregnancies per 1,000 women); the next highest rates were in Mississippi (76), Texas (73), Arkansas (73), Louisiana (69) and Oklahoma (69). The lowest rates were in New Hampshire (28), Vermont (32), Minnesota (36), Massachusetts (37) and Maine (37).
- In 2010, teenage birthrate was highest in Mississippi (55 per 1,000 in 2010), and the next highest rates were in New Mexico (53), Arkansas (53), Texas (52) and Oklahoma (50). The lowest rates were in New Hampshire (16), Massachusetts (17), Vermont (18), Connecticut (19) and New Jersey (20).
- Teenage abortion rates in 2010 were highest in New York (32 abortions per 1,000 women), Delaware (28), New Jersey (24), Hawaii (23) and Maryland (22). The lowest rates were found in South Dakota (4) Utah (4), Kansas (5), Nebraska (5), Kentucky (6) and North Dakota (6).
- More than half of teenage pregnancies (excluding miscarriages and stillbirths) ended in abortion in three states: New York (58%), New Jersey (55%) and Connecticut (52%).
- In ascending order, the states with the lowest proportions of teenage pregnancies ending in abortion (15% or less) were South Dakota, Kansas, Kentucky, Oklahoma, Utah, Arkansas, Mississippi, Nebraska and Texas.
- In general, states with the largest numbers of teenagers also had the greatest numbers of teenage pregnancies in 2010. California recorded the highest number of pregnancies among women aged 15–19 (80,970), followed by Texas, New York, Florida and Illinois (25,350–66,760 each). The states with the smallest numbers of teenage pregnancies (fewer than 1,600 each) were, in ascending order, Vermont, North Dakota, Wyoming, New Hampshire, South Dakota and Maine.

State trends (Table 3.3)

- Between 1988 and 2000, and again between 2000 and 2005, teenage pregnancy rates declined in every state. However, between 2005 and 2008, the rate decreased in 19 states, stayed the same in 5 and increased in 26 states. Between 2008 and 2010, the teenage pregnancy rate declined in all 50 states.
- Arizona experienced the largest decrease in the teen pregnancy rate between 2008 and 2010, dropping from 82 to 60 pregnancies per 1,000 women aged 15–19, a 27% decline. Rates in Nevada, Delaware and Georgia also dropped substantially during that period—16, 14 and 14 rate points, respectively. West Virginia experienced the smallest decrease in its pregnancy rate, at only one rate point. Decreases for other states ranged from five to 13 rate points.

*These observations exclude the District of Columbia, which is more comparable to a city than a state.

- In 2008–2010, birthrates among teenagers decreased most in Arizona (12 rate points) and Nevada (10 rate points). Only one state, North Dakota, experienced an increase in teen birthrates during this period (from 28 to 29 births per 1,000 women aged 15–19).
- Between 2008 and 2010, abortion rates among teens decreased by two rate points or more in 35 states, and the six states that experienced declines of 5–6 rate points or more were Arizona, California, Connecticut, Illinois, New Jersey and New York. Abortion rates among teens increased in only two states—West Virginia and Alaska—with an increase of one and two rate points, respectively.

State levels by race and ethnicity (Tables 3.4–3.6)

- Many states did not have, or could not provide, data on the race or ethnicity of teenagers obtaining abortions. In others, race or ethnicity of the woman was missing for 20% or more of the abortions. Therefore, estimates of pregnancy rates among non-Hispanic white teenagers are available for 28 states, rates among black teenagers are available for 32 states and rates among Hispanic teenagers are available for 26 states.
- Among states with data available, pregnancy rates for non-Hispanic white teenagers were highest in Southern states: West Virginia (64 pregnancies per 1,000 women aged 15–19), Arkansas (63), Kentucky (59), Oklahoma (59), Mississippi (56), Louisiana (51), South Carolina (51), Tennessee (51) and Alabama (49). The lowest rates were found in Minnesota (24), Wisconsin (26), New York (32), Vermont (32) and Colorado (33).
- Pregnancy rates among black teenagers were highest in New York, and next highest in Delaware, Michigan, Iowa, Ohio, Wisconsin and Arkansas (101–114 per 1,000 women aged 15–19). The lowest rate was in Maine, with the next lowest rates appearing in Vermont, Idaho, Arizona, Oregon and Utah (38–63 per 1,000).
- Pregnancy rates among Hispanic teens were highest among states with data in Georgia (113 pregnancies per 1,000 women aged 15–19), Alabama (107), New York (101), and North Carolina (100). In contrast, pregnancy rates among Hispanic teenagers were low in Vermont and West Virginia (29 and 48, respectively).

Discussion

This report documents the long-term decline in rates of pregnancies, births and abortions among teenagers at both the national and state levels. Teen pregnancies have declined dramatically in the United States since their peak in the early 1990s, as have the births and abortions that result. In 2010, the teen pregnancy rate reached its lowest level in nearly 40 years,[†] with especially large declines from 2008 to 2010.

There was a substantial drop in the teen pregnancy rate for both 15–17- and 18–19-year-olds between 2008 and 2010, yet pregnancies among 18–19-year-olds made up the majority of all teen pregnancies (69%). During this same time period, increasing proportions of women aged

[†]And possibly ever; data reach back only to 1972.

18–19 reported having ever had sex,[‡] yet fewer of them were getting pregnant. Changes in contraceptive use are likely driving this trend. There is evidence that contraceptive practices are improving among older teens: A recent study found that the proportion of 18–19-year-old women reporting use of long-acting reversible contraceptive methods tripled between 2007 and 2009,⁵ and promotion and acceptance of these methods for teens and young adult women has increased.^{6,7} Contraceptive use may also be associated with the large decline in the pregnancy rate among sexually experienced teens.

This report demonstrates that, in fact, fewer teens are becoming pregnant than at any time since tracking of this data began—reflecting our finding that both birthrates and abortion rates among teens have steadily declined. We document that teen birthrates are continuing to decline and are reaching historic lows, a pattern also documented in recently released statistics from NCHS.⁸ But, it is important to recognize that declines in the rate of teen births do not necessarily result in lower pregnancy rates. In theory, if abortion rates increase, the pregnancy rate could remain constant even while birthrates are falling. In other words, teens who become pregnant could be increasingly likely to have an abortion, rather than a birth.

From 2008 to 2010, pregnancy rates dropped dramatically not only among teens but also among young women aged 20–24: The pregnancy rate decreased by 15% among teenagers aged 15–19 and by 12% among 20–24-year-olds. In both 2009 and 2010, the birth and abortion rates among teenagers and young adult women reached historic lows. Recent data on births from the National Center for Health Statistics show continued declines in birthrates among teens and among women in their twenties in 2011 and 2012, even while the birthrate has increased among women aged 30–44.⁸ Abortion data are not yet available for these most recent years, so we are not yet able to calculate teen pregnancy rates, but increases in abortion are not expected, particularly given that the overall abortion rate among all U.S. women aged 15–44 in 2011 was the lowest in 40 years.⁹

Even with the recent reductions in rates of teenage pregnancies, births and abortions, the data presented here indicate that there are still large and long-standing disparities in rates by race and ethnicity. These disparities mirror those found among unintended pregnancy rates among all U.S. women of reproductive age, which are several times higher among women of color than among white women.¹⁰ Still, the gap in racial disparities has narrowed. Hispanic teens make up an increasing proportion of all teens, so with the historically elevated pregnancy rates among this group, we might have expected to see a trend toward higher, not lower, overall teen pregnancy rates. Instead, the overall decline in pregnancy rates for all teens was largely driven by the dramatic declines among Hispanics and blacks.

Teen pregnancy rates in all 50 states have steadily declined over the past 20 years, and the dramatic decline from 2008 to 2010 in national rates of pregnancies, births and abortions reflects a decline in each of the 50 states. Yet even with long-term and ongoing declines, substantial disparities between states remain in these rates and in the patterns of pregnancy outcomes. A number of factors likely contribute to differences between states, including differences in the demographic characteristics of their populations, the availability of comprehensive sex

[‡]In 2006–2008, 61% of women aged 18–19 reported having ever had sex, compared with 67% in 2008–2010 (tabulations from the 2006–2010 National Survey of Family Growth).

education, knowledge about and availability of contraceptive services, and cultural attitudes toward sexual behavior and childbearing.

It is unlikely that state-level policies alone have led to the declines seen across all states. Indeed, adolescent pregnancy rates have been declining in a number of Western European countries, as well (though trend data for pregnancies, rather than births, are hard to find).¹¹ In many settings, simultaneous declines in pregnancy rates among adolescents and young adults, which reflect later initiation of childbearing among women, suggest that similar causal factors may have influenced both age-groups. Some research suggests that fertility behaviors are affected by economic conditions, especially for teens, and that the recession beginning in 2008 may have played a role in the more recent decline.¹²

Trends in teenage and young adult pregnancy, birth and abortion will need to be closely monitored over the coming years to determine how the reproductive behaviors of young women and young men in the United States may be changing. Further research will be needed to understand the behavioral, social and economic factors that are affecting these trends. Specifically, research will need to address not just why fewer teens and young adult women are having births, but also why fewer are becoming pregnant.

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Table 1.1 Rates of pregnancy, birth and abortion,* and abortion ratios,† among women aged 15–19, by race or ethnicity, according to year, 1986–2010

Race/ethnicity and measure	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
TOTAL																									
Pregnancy rate																									
All	106.7	106.6	111.4	114.9	116.9	115.3	111.0	108.0	104.6	99.6	95.6	91.4	88.7	85.7	83.4	78.7	74.4	71.8	70.1	68.3	70.1	69.8	67.8	63.4	57.4
Sexually experienced‡	210.5	206.5	211.4	218.6	223.1	220.6	213.0	207.8	201.8	192.6	187.5	181.6	178.9	175.2	173.0	165.8	158.9	156.7	156.5	155.9	163.8	163.1	158.5	139.8	126.6
Birthrate	50.2	50.6	53.0	57.3	60.3	61.8	60.3	59.0	58.2	56.0	53.5	51.3	50.3	48.8	47.6	45.0	42.6	41.1	40.5	39.7	41.1	41.5	40.2	37.9	34.4
Abortion rate	42.3	41.8	43.5	42.0	40.5	37.4	35.2	33.9	31.6	29.4	28.6	27.1	25.8	24.7	23.9	22.5	21.1	20.4	19.5	18.7	18.9	18.2	17.8	16.3	14.7
Abortion ratio	45.7	45.2	45.1	42.3	40.2	37.7	36.9	36.5	35.2	34.5	34.8	34.6	33.9	33.6	33.4	33.3	33.1	33.2	32.5	32.0	31.5	30.6	30.6	30.0	30.0
WHITE																									
All																									
Pregnancy rate	90.0	89.6	93.0	95.8	98.8	96.6	92.3	90.0	87.8	84.9	81.4	77.9	75.9	73.4	71.3	67.7	64.4	62.3	60.7	59.1	60.6	60.9	58.8	55.5	49.8
Birthrate	42.3	42.5	44.4	47.9	51.2	52.6	51.4	50.6	50.5	49.5	47.5	45.5	44.9	44.0	43.1	41.0	39.2	38.0	37.4	36.7	37.9	38.4	37.3	35.3	32.0
Abortion rate	35.6	35.1	36.1	34.8	33.9	30.4	27.9	26.6	24.7	23.2	22.2	21.1	20.0	18.7	17.8	16.8	15.7	15.2	14.4	13.7	13.7	13.5	12.8	11.9	10.4
Abortion ratio	45.7	45.2	44.9	42.1	39.8	36.6	35.2	34.4	32.8	31.9	31.9	31.7	30.8	29.8	29.3	29.0	28.6	28.5	27.8	27.1	26.5	25.9	25.5	25.3	24.5
Non-Hispanic§																									
Pregnancy rate	u	u	u	u	86.6	83.6	77.8	75.3	72.5	69.7	66.4	63.6	60.9	58.0	55.4	51.7	48.3	46.5	44.5	43.4	44.2	44.5	43.4	41.7	37.8
Birthrate	u	u	u	39.9	42.1	43.4	41.7	40.7	40.4	39.3	37.6	36.0	35.3	34.1	32.6	30.3	28.6	27.4	26.7	26.0	26.7	27.2	26.7	25.7	23.6
Abortion rate	u	u	u	u	32.9	28.7	25.3	24.0	21.8	20.5	19.3	18.6	16.9	15.5	14.8	13.9	12.7	12.3	11.4	11.1	11.0	10.8	10.4	9.8	8.5
Abortion ratio	u	u	u	u	43.9	39.8	37.7	37.1	35.1	34.3	33.9	34.0	32.4	31.3	31.2	31.5	30.8	31.1	29.9	29.9	29.2	28.4	27.9	27.7	26.6
NONWHITE																									
All																									
Pregnancy rate	180.7	180.1	189.1	193.4	189.4	188.5	183.5	177.6	169.0	155.1	148.9	141.6	136.2	130.8	127.7	118.7	110.1	105.1	102.3	99.3	101.3	98.6	96.3	88.0	80.9
Birthrate	84.8	85.5	89.2	95.9	96.3	97.8	94.6	91.2	87.5	80.5	75.9	72.6	70.2	66.1	64.2	59.4	54.8	52.0	51.2	49.9	51.4	51.3	49.5	46.1	41.6
Abortion rate	71.8	70.4	74.5	71.3	67.0	64.7	63.6	62.0	58.2	53.2	52.5	49.4	47.3	46.8	46.1	43.1	40.3	38.8	37.1	35.8	36.0	33.7	33.6	29.7	28.2
Abortion ratio	45.8	45.2	45.5	42.6	41.0	39.8	40.2	40.5	39.9	39.8	40.9	40.5	40.3	41.4	41.8	42.1	42.4	42.7	42.0	41.8	41.2	39.6	40.4	39.1	40.4
Black																									
Pregnancy rate	u	u	u	u	223.8	222.3	216.6	209.9	198.7	181.4	175.1	168.1	162.0	156.1	152.9	141.2	131.6	125.3	122.5	118.9	121.6	119.1	117.0	110.2	99.5
Birthrate	95.8	97.6	102.7	111.5	112.9	114.8	111.3	107.3	102.9	94.4	89.6	86.3	83.5	79.1	77.2	71.3	65.7	62.5	61.7	60.1	62.2	62.0	60.1	56.4	51.4
Abortion rate	u	u	u	u	80.3	76.9	75.5	73.8	68.3	61.9	61.4	58.7	56.2	55.7	54.8	50.6	47.9	45.7	44.1	42.5	42.7	40.6	40.8	38.6	34.5
Abortion ratio	u	u	u	u	41.6	40.1	40.4	40.7	39.9	39.6	40.7	40.5	40.2	41.3	41.5	41.5	42.1	42.3	41.7	41.4	40.7	39.5	40.4	40.6	40.2
HISPANIC																									
Pregnancy rate	u	u	u	u	162.2	169.1	169.7	165.8	164.4	158.5	152.8	143.5	142.5	139.4	137.1	132.1	126.5	122.3	121.9	116.9	118.1	114.6	106.6	96.1	83.5
Birthrate	u	u	u	100.8	99.5	104.6	103.3	101.8	101.3	99.3	94.6	89.6	87.9	86.8	86.6	84.4	80.6	78.4	78.1	76.5	77.4	75.3	70.3	63.6	55.6
Abortion rate	u	u	u	u	38.9	39.6	41.6	39.7	39.0	35.8	35.7	32.7	33.7	32.1	30.2	28.0	27.0	25.7	25.7	22.9	22.9	22.1	20.1	18.0	15.3
Abortion ratio	u	u	u	u	28.1	27.5	28.7	28.0	27.8	26.5	27.4	26.8	27.7	27.0	25.8	24.9	25.1	24.7	24.7	23.0	22.9	22.7	22.2	22.0	21.6

*All rates are the number of events per 1,000 women aged 15–19; pregnancy rate includes the estimated number of pregnancies ending in miscarriage or stillbirth. †The number of abortions per 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth; denominator excludes miscarriages and stillbirths. ‡The pregnancy rate among all 15–19-year-olds who have ever had sex (see text). §Pregnancy rates, birthrates and abortion ratios of non-Hispanic whites follow the NCHS methodology of including all white births of unknown Hispanic ethnicity with non-Hispanic births (<1% of all birth certificates).

Notes: In this and subsequent tables, data are tabulated according to the woman's age at the pregnancy outcome and, for births, according to the mother's race or ethnicity (not the child's). u=unavailable.

Table 2.1 Among women aged 15–19, rates of pregnancy, birth and abortion;* numbers of pregnancies, births, abortion and miscarriages; and population, 1972–2010

Year	Pregnancy rate	Birthrate	Abortion rate	Total pregnancies	Births	Abortions	Estimated miscarriages†	Population (in 1000s)
1972	95.1	61.7	19.1	949,630	616,280	191,000	142,350	9,988
1973	96.1	59.3	22.8	980,000	604,096	231,900	144,100	10,193
1974	98.8	57.5	27.0	1,022,210	595,449	279,700	147,060	10,350
1975	101.1	55.6	31.2	1,058,150	582,238	326,780	149,130	10,466
1976	101.1	52.8	34.3	1,069,440	558,744	362,680	148,020	10,582
1977	104.6	52.8	37.5	1,107,290	559,154	396,630	151,500	10,581
1978	105.4	51.5	39.7	1,112,760	543,407	418,790	150,560	10,555
1979	109.4	52.3	42.4	1,148,430	549,472	444,600	154,350	10,497
1980	111.0	53.2	42.8	1,151,850	552,161	444,780	154,910	10,381
1981	109.9	52.2	42.9	1,109,540	527,392	433,330	148,810	10,096
1982	109.8	52.4	42.7	1,077,120	513,758	418,740	144,620	9,809
1983	109.3	51.4	43.2	1,039,600	489,286	411,330	138,990	9,515
1984	107.9	50.6	42.9	1,002,370	469,682	398,870	133,830	9,287
1985	109.0	51.0	43.5	1,000,110	467,485	399,200	133,420	9,174
1986	106.7	50.2	42.3	982,450	461,905	389,240	131,310	9,206
1987	106.6	50.6	41.8	974,580	462,312	381,640	130,630	9,139
1988	111.4	53.0	43.5	1,006,010	478,353	392,720	134,940	9,029
1989	114.9	57.3	42.0	1,015,790	506,503	370,900	138,390	8,840
1990	116.9	60.3	40.5	1,012,260	521,826	350,970	139,460	8,656
1991	115.3	61.8	37.4	969,280	519,577	314,350	135,350	8,407
1992	111.0	60.3	35.2	931,400	505,415	295,360	130,620	8,389
1993	108.0	59.0	33.9	917,800	501,093	287,710	128,990	8,496
1994	104.6	58.2	31.6	908,910	505,488	274,840	128,580	8,689
1995	99.6	56.0	29.4	889,080	499,873	262,930	126,270	8,929
1996	95.6	53.5	28.6	878,990	491,577	262,810	124,600	9,193
1997	91.4	51.3	27.1	861,070	483,220	255,640	122,210	9,425
1998	88.7	50.3	25.8	855,420	484,895	248,680	121,850	9,641
1999	85.7	48.8	24.7	836,290	476,050	240,940	119,300	9,762
2000	83.4	47.6	23.9	821,810	468,990	235,470	117,350	9,855
2001	78.7	45.0	22.5	780,200	445,944	222,790	111,470	9,909
2002	74.4	42.6	21.1	742,430	425,493	210,770	106,170	9,982
2003	71.8	41.1	20.4	723,980	414,580	205,900	103,500	10,087
2004	70.1	40.5	19.5	718,040	415,262	199,750	103,030	10,243
2005	68.3	39.7	18.7	712,610	414,593	195,550	102,470	10,435
2006	70.1	41.1	18.9	742,990	435,436	200,420	107,130	10,597
2007	69.8	41.5	18.2	749,180	444,899	195,730	108,550	10,731
2008	67.8	40.2	17.8	733,010	434,758	192,090	106,160	10,805
2009	63.4	37.9	16.3	684,900	409,802	175,580	99,520	10,805
2010	57.4	34.4	14.7	614,410	367,678	157,450	89,280	10,702

*All rates are the number of events per 1,000 women aged 15–19; pregnancy rate includes estimated number of pregnancies ending in miscarriage or stillbirth. †Includes stillbirths.

Table 2.2 Among women aged 15–17, rates of pregnancy, birth and abortion;* numbers of pregnancies, births, abortions and miscarriages; and population, 1972–2010

Year	Pregnancy rate	Birthrate	Abortion rate	Total pregnancies	Births	Abortions	Estimated miscarriages†	Population (in 1000s)
1972	62.4	39.0	14.2	378,720	236,641	86,140	55,940	6,071
1973	64.9	38.5	16.9	401,130	238,403	104,590	58,140	6,185
1974	66.4	37.3	19.7	416,700	234,177	123,350	59,170	6,276
1975	68.0	36.1	22.3	427,300	227,270	140,520	59,510	6,288
1976	67.5	34.1	24.2	426,560	215,493	152,700	58,370	6,319
1977	69.5	33.9	26.2	438,720	213,788	165,610	59,320	6,310
1978	68.3	32.2	26.9	429,390	202,661	169,270	57,460	6,286
1979	70.4	32.3	28.8	436,590	200,137	178,570	57,880	6,200
1980	72.5	32.7	30.2	439,550	198,222	183,350	57,980	6,063
1981	71.5	32.0	30.1	418,400	187,397	175,930	55,070	5,848
1982	71.7	32.2	30.0	402,640	181,162	168,410	53,070	5,618
1983	72.0	31.8	30.7	390,290	172,673	166,440	51,180	5,424
1984	70.2	31.0	29.9	377,080	166,744	160,900	49,440	5,373
1985	70.9	31.0	30.6	383,540	167,789	165,630	50,120	5,409
1986	69.6	30.5	29.9	384,050	168,572	165,240	50,240	5,520
1987	70.5	31.7	29.6	384,340	172,591	161,120	50,630	5,450
1988	73.5	33.6	30.2	386,110	176,624	158,330	51,160	5,251
1989	74.4	36.4	28.0	370,290	181,044	139,130	50,120	4,974
1990	74.2	37.5	26.6	362,800	183,327	129,820	49,650	4,889
1991	72.9	38.6	24.2	355,730	188,226	118,050	49,450	4,882
1992	70.3	37.6	22.9	350,900	187,549	114,400	48,950	4,993
1993	69.4	37.5	22.2	352,900	190,535	112,960	49,400	5,086
1994	67.7	37.2	21.0	355,510	195,169	110,280	50,060	5,249
1995	64.1	35.5	19.5	347,580	192,508	105,970	49,100	5,424
1996	60.4	33.3	18.6	337,060	185,721	103,810	47,530	5,582
1997	56.6	31.4	17.2	324,490	180,154	98,460	45,880	5,732
1998	53.9	29.9	16.4	312,170	173,231	94,810	44,130	5,790
1999	50.5	28.2	15.2	293,570	163,588	88,420	41,560	5,811
2000	48.1	26.8	14.5	281,900	157,209	84,770	39,920	5,862
2001	44.2	24.5	13.4	261,880	145,324	79,540	37,020	5,928
2002	41.7	23.1	12.7	250,570	138,731	76,450	35,390	6,008
2003	40.2	22.2	12.4	243,810	134,384	75,050	34,380	6,060
2004	38.9	21.8	11.6	239,320	133,980	71,400	33,940	6,146
2005	37.6	21.1	11.2	237,630	133,191	70,730	33,710	6,319
2006	38.3	21.6	11.2	246,250	138,943	72,290	35,020	6,434
2007	37.9	21.7	10.8	245,610	140,566	69,930	35,110	6,484
2008	36.8	21.1	10.4	236,220	135,664	66,750	33,810	6,417
2009	33.9	19.6	9.5	215,080	124,247	59,980	30,850	6,344
2010	30.1	17.4	8.4	189,000	109,173	52,720	27,110	6,281

*All rates are the number of events per 1,000 women aged 15–17; pregnancy rate includes estimated number of pregnancies ending in miscarriage or stillbirth. †Includes stillbirths.

Table 2.3 Among women aged 18–19, rates of pregnancy, birth and abortion;* numbers of pregnancies, births, abortions and miscarriages; and population, 1972–2010

Year	Pregnancy rate	Birthrate	Abortion rate	Total pregnancies	Births	Abortions	Estimated miscarriages†	Population (in 1000s)
1972	145.8	96.9	26.8	570,910	379,639	104,860	86,410	3,917
1973	144.4	91.2	31.8	578,870	365,693	127,310	85,870	4,008
1974	148.6	88.7	38.4	605,510	361,272	156,350	87,890	4,074
1975	151.0	85.0	44.6	630,850	354,968	186,260	89,620	4,178
1976	150.8	80.5	49.3	642,880	343,251	209,980	89,650	4,263
1977	156.5	80.9	54.1	668,570	345,366	231,020	92,180	4,271
1978	160.1	79.8	58.4	683,370	340,746	249,520	93,100	4,269
1979	165.7	81.3	61.9	711,840	349,335	266,030	96,470	4,297
1980	164.9	81.9	60.5	712,300	353,939	261,430	96,930	4,319
1981	162.7	80.0	60.6	691,140	339,995	257,400	93,740	4,248
1982	160.9	79.4	59.7	674,480	332,596	250,330	91,550	4,191
1983	158.7	77.4	59.8	649,310	316,613	244,890	87,810	4,092
1984	159.8	77.4	60.8	625,290	302,938	237,970	84,390	3,914
1985	163.8	79.6	62.0	616,570	299,696	233,570	83,300	3,765
1986	162.3	79.6	60.8	598,400	293,333	224,000	81,070	3,686
1987	160.0	78.5	59.8	590,240	289,721	220,520	80,000	3,689
1988	164.1	79.9	62.0	619,900	301,729	234,390	83,780	3,778
1989	167.0	84.2	60.0	645,500	325,459	231,770	88,270	3,865
1990	172.4	89.9	58.7	649,460	338,499	221,150	89,810	3,766
1991	174.0	94.0	55.7	613,550	331,351	196,300	85,900	3,526
1992	171.0	93.6	53.3	580,500	317,866	180,960	81,670	3,395
1993	165.6	91.1	51.2	564,900	310,558	174,750	79,590	3,410
1994	160.8	90.2	47.8	553,400	310,319	164,560	78,520	3,440
1995	154.5	87.7	44.8	541,500	307,365	156,960	77,170	3,505
1996	150.1	84.7	44.0	541,930	305,856	159,000	77,070	3,611
1997	145.3	82.1	42.6	536,580	303,066	157,180	76,330	3,693
1998	141.1	80.9	40.0	543,250	311,664	153,870	77,720	3,851
1999	137.4	79.1	38.6	542,720	312,462	152,520	77,740	3,951
2000	135.2	78.1	37.7	539,910	311,781	150,700	77,430	3,993
2001	130.2	75.5	36.0	518,320	300,620	143,250	74,450	3,981
2002	123.8	72.2	33.8	491,860	286,762	134,320	70,780	3,974
2003	119.3	69.6	32.5	480,170	280,196	130,850	69,120	4,026
2004	116.9	68.7	31.3	478,720	281,282	128,350	69,090	4,096
2005	115.4	68.4	30.3	474,980	281,402	124,820	68,760	4,116
2006	119.3	71.2	30.8	496,730	296,493	128,130	72,110	4,163
2007	118.6	71.7	29.6	503,580	304,333	125,800	73,450	4,247
2008	113.2	68.2	28.6	496,780	299,094	125,340	72,350	4,389
2009	105.3	64.0	25.9	469,830	285,555	115,600	68,670	4,461
2010	96.2	58.5	23.7	425,410	258,505	104,730	62,170	4,421

*All rates are the number of events per 1,000 women aged 18–19; pregnancy rate includes estimated number of pregnancies ending in miscarriage or stillbirth. †Includes stillbirths.

Table 2.4 Among women aged 14 or younger, rates of pregnancy, birth and abortion;* numbers of pregnancies, births, abortions and miscarriages; and population, 1972–2010

Year	Pregnancy rate	Birthrate	Abortion rate	Total pregnancies	Births	Abortions	Estimated miscarriages†	Population (in 1000s)‡
1972	u	5.8	u	u	12,082	u	u	2,093
1973	13.5	6.1	5.6	28,230	12,861	11,630	3,740	2,094
1974	14.3	6.0	6.4	29,800	12,529	13,420	3,850	2,086
1975	15.1	6.0	7.2	31,950	12,642	15,260	4,050	2,118
1976	15.2	5.7	7.6	31,710	11,928	15,820	3,960	2,080
1977	15.1	5.6	7.6	30,970	11,455	15,650	3,860	2,048
1978	14.6	5.3	7.5	29,550	10,772	15,110	3,670	2,020
1979	15.8	5.5	8.3	30,680	10,699	16,220	3,760	1,944
1980	15.9	5.5	8.4	29,080	10,169	15,340	3,570	1,834
1981	15.8	5.4	8.5	28,320	9,632	15,240	3,450	1,787
1982	15.9	5.6	8.3	27,770	9,773	14,590	3,410	1,748
1983	16.7	5.5	9.2	29,690	9,752	16,350	3,590	1,781
1984	16.8	5.5	9.3	30,570	9,965	16,920	3,690	1,819
1985	16.7	5.5	9.2	30,930	10,220	16,970	3,740	1,853
1986	17.3	6.0	9.2	29,470	10,176	15,690	3,600	1,706
1987	17.4	6.4	8.8	28,070	10,311	14,270	3,490	1,613
1988	17.6	6.7	8.7	27,720	10,588	13,650	3,480	1,573
1989	17.3	7.1	7.9	27,810	11,486	12,750	3,570	1,608
1990	17.5	7.3	7.9	27,830	11,657	12,580	3,590	1,588
1991	16.7	7.2	7.3	27,910	12,014	12,270	3,630	1,670
1992	17.0	7.2	7.6	28,780	12,220	12,830	3,730	1,694
1993	16.4	7.2	7.1	28,710	12,554	12,410	3,750	1,756
1994	15.5	7.0	6.5	28,770	12,901	12,080	3,790	1,855
1995	14.3	6.6	5.8	26,600	12,242	10,830	3,530	1,860
1996	13.0	5.8	5.4	24,780	11,148	10,360	3,270	1,910
1997	11.9	5.3	5.0	22,750	10,121	9,640	2,990	1,919
1998	11.5	5.0	5.0	21,650	9,462	9,360	2,830	1,890
1999	10.5	4.6	4.5	20,450	9,054	8,720	2,680	1,957
2000	10.0	4.3	4.3	19,640	8,519	8,560	2,560	1,972
2001	9.2	3.9	4.1	18,190	7,781	8,050	2,360	1,980
2002	8.5	3.6	3.8	17,190	7,315	7,640	2,230	2,015
2003	7.9	3.2	3.7	16,300	6,661	7,550	2,090	2,058
2004	7.4	3.2	3.3	15,890	6,781	7,050	2,060	2,147
2005	7.3	3.2	3.2	15,540	6,722	6,800	2,020	2,123
2006	7.0	3.0	3.1	14,790	6,396	6,460	1,930	2,103
2007	6.9	3.0	3.0	14,360	6,195	6,290	1,870	2,074
2008	6.6	2.8	2.9	13,520	5,764	6,010	1,750	2,046
2009	5.9	2.5	2.7	12,060	5,029	5,480	1,550	2,040
2010	5.4	2.2	2.5	10,900	4,497	5,000	1,400	2,022

*All rates are calculated as the number of events experienced by women aged 14 and younger divided by the female population aged 14. The denominator is limited to 14-year-olds because the majority of all pregnancies among women aged 14 and younger occur among 14-year-olds (see Methodology). The pregnancy rate includes the estimated number of pregnancies ending in miscarriage or stillbirth. †Includes stillbirths. ‡Women aged 14. Note: u=unavailable.

Table 2.5 Among women younger than 20, rates of pregnancy, birth and abortion;* numbers of pregnancies, births, abortion and miscarriages; and population, 1972–2010

Year	Pregnancy rate	Birthrate	Abortion rate	Total pregnancies	Births	Abortions	Estimated miscarriages†	Population (in 1000s)‡
1972	u	62.9	u	u	628,362	u	u	9,988
1973	98.9	60.5	23.9	1,008,230	616,957	243,530	147,750	10,193
1974	101.6	58.7	28.3	1,052,010	607,978	293,120	150,910	10,350
1975	104.2	56.8	32.7	1,090,100	594,880	342,040	153,180	10,466
1976	104.1	53.9	35.8	1,101,150	570,672	378,500	151,980	10,582
1977	107.6	53.9	39.0	1,138,260	570,609	412,280	155,360	10,581
1978	108.2	52.5	41.1	1,142,310	554,179	433,900	154,230	10,555
1979	112.3	53.4	43.9	1,179,110	560,171	460,820	158,110	10,497
1980	113.8	54.2	44.3	1,180,930	562,330	460,120	158,480	10,381
1981	112.7	53.2	44.4	1,137,860	537,024	448,570	152,260	10,096
1982	112.6	53.4	44.2	1,104,890	523,531	433,330	148,030	9,809
1983	112.4	52.4	44.9	1,069,290	499,038	427,680	142,580	9,515
1984	111.2	51.6	44.8	1,032,940	479,647	415,790	137,520	9,287
1985	112.4	52.1	45.4	1,031,040	477,705	416,170	137,160	9,174
1986	109.9	51.3	44.0	1,011,920	472,081	404,930	134,910	9,206
1987	109.7	51.7	43.3	1,002,650	472,623	395,910	134,120	9,139
1988	114.5	54.2	45.0	1,033,730	488,941	406,370	138,420	9,029
1989	118.1	58.6	43.4	1,043,600	517,989	383,650	141,960	8,840
1990	120.2	61.6	42.0	1,040,090	533,483	363,550	143,050	8,656
1991	118.6	63.2	38.8	997,190	531,591	326,620	138,980	8,407
1992	114.5	61.7	36.7	960,180	517,635	308,190	134,350	8,389
1993	111.4	60.5	35.3	946,510	513,647	300,120	132,740	8,496
1994	107.9	59.7	33.0	937,680	518,389	286,920	132,370	8,689
1995	102.5	57.4	30.7	915,680	512,115	273,760	129,800	8,929
1996	98.3	54.7	29.7	903,770	502,725	273,170	127,870	9,193
1997	93.8	52.3	28.1	883,820	493,341	265,280	125,200	9,425
1998	91.0	51.3	26.8	877,070	494,357	258,040	124,680	9,641
1999	87.8	49.7	25.6	856,750	485,104	249,660	121,990	9,762
2000	85.4	48.5	24.8	841,450	477,509	244,030	119,910	9,855
2001	80.6	45.8	23.3	798,390	453,725	230,840	113,830	9,909
2002	76.1	43.4	21.9	759,620	432,808	218,410	108,400	9,982
2003	73.4	41.8	21.2	740,280	421,241	213,450	105,590	10,087
2004	71.7	41.2	20.2	733,930	422,043	206,800	105,090	10,243
2005	69.8	40.4	19.4	728,170	421,315	202,350	104,500	10,435
2006	71.5	41.7	19.5	757,760	441,832	206,880	109,050	10,597
2007	71.1	42.0	18.8	763,530	451,094	202,020	110,420	10,731
2008	69.1	40.8	18.3	746,530	440,522	198,100	107,910	10,805
2009	64.5	38.4	16.8	696,960	414,831	181,060	101,070	10,805
2010	58.4	34.8	15.2	625,310	372,175	162,450	90,680	10,702

*All rates are calculated as the number of events experienced by women younger than 20, divided by the female population aged 15–19. The denominator is limited to 15–19-year-olds because 97–98% of all pregnancies among women younger than 20 occurred among 15–19-year-olds. The pregnancy rate includes estimated number of pregnancies ending in miscarriage or stillbirth. †Includes stillbirths. ‡Women aged 15–19. Note: u=unavailable.

Table 2.6 Among women aged 20–24, rates of pregnancy, birth and abortion;* numbers of pregnancies, births, abortions and miscarriages; and population, 1972–2010

Year	Pregnancy rate	Birthrate	Abortion rate	Total pregnancies	Births	Abortions	Estimated miscarriage†	Population (in 1000s)
1972	u	130.2	u	u	1,174,183	u	u	9,021
1973	172.4	119.7	26.2	1,586,000	1,101,113	240,610	244,280	9,198
1974	174.7	117.7	30.4	1,644,920	1,108,051	286,600	250,270	9,415
1975	173.3	113.0	34.3	1,677,220	1,093,676	331,640	251,900	9,677
1976	175.9	110.3	39.6	1,741,430	1,091,602	392,280	257,550	9,901
1977	184.2	112.9	44.3	1,870,410	1,146,491	449,660	274,260	10,152
1978	183.7	109.9	47.2	1,905,780	1,139,524	489,410	276,850	10,373
1979	190.2	112.8	49.9	2,004,670	1,188,663	525,710	290,300	10,541
1980	194.3	114.8	51.4	2,075,790	1,226,200	549,410	300,180	10,683
1981	191.1	112.2	51.4	2,064,830	1,212,000	554,940	297,890	10,805
1982	190.1	111.6	51.1	2,054,020	1,205,979	551,680	296,360	10,805
1983	185.4	107.8	50.9	1,995,270	1,160,274	548,130	286,870	10,762
1984	184.9	106.8	51.6	1,976,120	1,141,578	551,110	283,430	10,687
1985	187.1	108.3	52.0	1,972,410	1,141,320	548,020	283,070	10,541
1986	185.9	107.4	51.8	1,907,060	1,102,119	531,380	273,560	10,258
1987	186.7	107.9	52.0	1,861,150	1,075,856	518,290	267,000	9,971
1988	191.2	110.2	53.6	1,852,520	1,067,472	519,600	265,450	9,689
1989	195.7	113.8	53.8	1,853,480	1,077,598	509,420	266,460	9,473
1990	202.0	116.4	56.7	1,898,200	1,093,730	532,480	271,990	9,396
1991	200.4	115.3	56.4	1,894,240	1,089,692	533,280	271,270	9,451
1992	197.9	113.7	55.9	1,863,730	1,070,490	526,490	266,750	9,417
1993	194.0	111.3	54.9	1,809,330	1,038,127	512,340	258,860	9,328
1994	188.1	109.2	51.9	1,724,700	1,001,418	475,450	247,830	9,168
1995	182.9	107.5	49.1	1,643,520	965,547	440,780	237,190	8,986
1996	183.5	107.8	49.3	1,609,600	945,210	432,130	232,260	8,770
1997	181.6	107.3	48.1	1,594,850	942,048	422,170	230,630	8,781
1998	181.8	108.4	47.0	1,617,980	965,122	418,030	234,830	8,901
1999	180.6	107.9	46.4	1,643,120	981,929	422,550	238,640	9,099
2000	181.2	108.9	45.9	1,693,940	1,017,806	429,610	246,520	9,350
2001	175.6	105.6	44.4	1,698,880	1,021,627	429,930	247,320	9,677
2002	170.6	103.1	42.7	1,691,900	1,022,106	423,060	246,730	9,916
2003	168.3	102.3	41.4	1,698,470	1,032,305	417,910	248,250	10,094
2004	165.6	101.5	39.8	1,687,400	1,034,454	405,510	247,440	10,191
2005	164.7	101.8	38.7	1,683,910	1,040,388	395,860	247,660	10,223
2006	170.4	105.5	39.8	1,744,440	1,080,437	407,190	256,810	10,239
2007	168.7	105.4	38.4	1,733,070	1,082,354	394,770	255,950	10,270
2008	164.3	101.8	38.4	1,698,980	1,052,184	396,690	250,110	10,340
2009	155.0	96.2	36.0	1,620,900	1,005,982	376,110	238,810	10,459
2010	145.0	89.5	34.1	1,540,560	951,688	362,300	226,570	10,628

*All rates are the number of events per 1,000 women aged 20–24; pregnancy rate includes estimated number of pregnancies ending in miscarriage or stillbirth. †Includes stillbirths. Note: u=unavailable.

Teen Pregnancy Rates, by State, in 2010

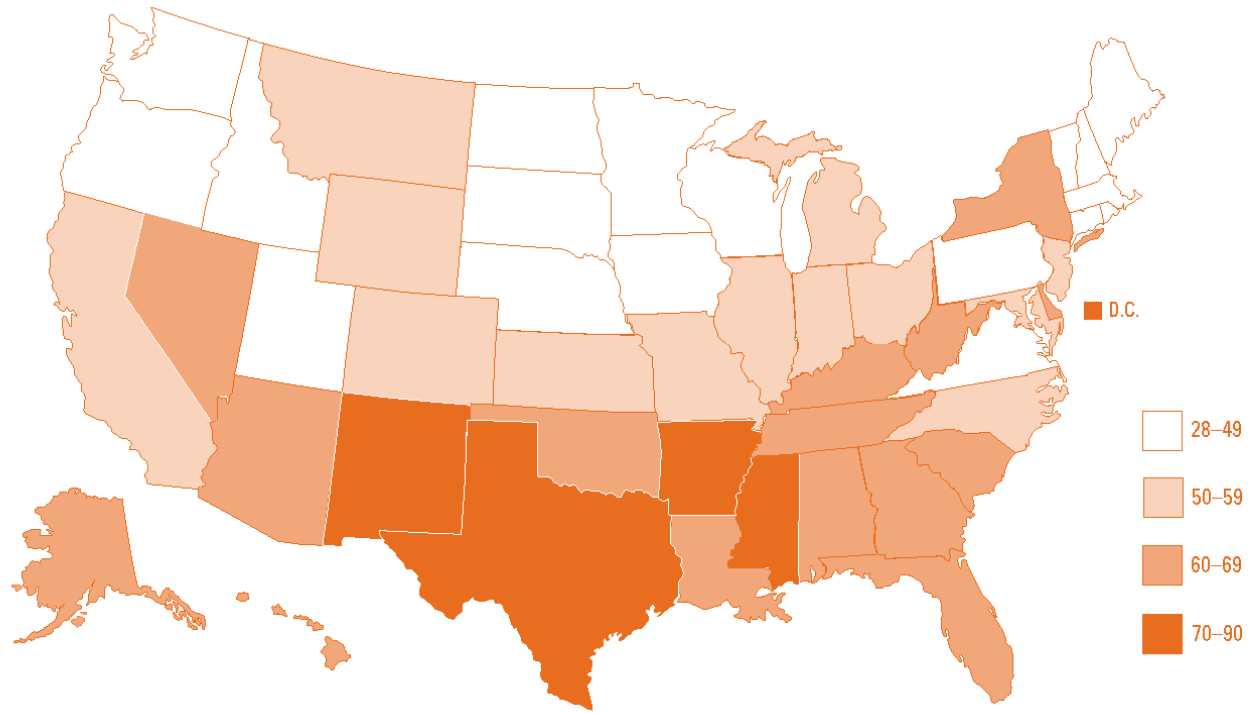


Table 3.1 State rankings by rates of pregnancy, birth and abortion* among women aged 15–19; state rates by age-group; and state abortion ratios, 2010

State	Pregnancy rate				Birthrate				Abortion rate				Abortion ratio†
	Rank	15–19	15–17	18–19	Rank	15–19	15–17	18–19	Rank	15–19	15–17	18–19	
Total	na	57	30	96	na	34	17	58	na	15	8	24	30
Alabama	15	62	34	101	9	44	23	72	34	9	6	13	17
Alaska	12	64	29	120	18	38	16	73	10	17	9	29	30
Arizona	18	60	32	101	12	42	22	70	33	9	4	15	18
Arkansas	4	73	35	125	3	53	25	92	36	9	5	13	14
California‡	21	59	32	99	29	32	16	54	8	19	11	32	38
Colorado	27	54	29	90	24	33	18	57	21	12	7	20	27
Connecticut	39	44	23	77	47	19	8	35	6	20	12	32	52
Delaware	8	67	39	102	31	31	16	49	2	28	18	39	47
District of Columbia	na	90	79	97	na	45	36	52	na	32	33	31	41
Florida‡	19	60	31	101	28	32	16	55	9	19	11	31	38
Georgia	11	64	34	108	13	42	21	71	19	13	8	21	24
Hawaii	10	65	31	117	27	33	13	63	4	23	14	38	42
Idaho	36	47	22	84	26	33	15	59	43	7	4	12	17
Illinois	23	57	32	95	25	33	17	57	13	15	10	24	32
Indiana	29	53	26	90	19	38	19	64	42	7	4	12	16
Iowa	41	44	22	74	34	29	13	49	35	9	5	14	23
Kansas	28	53	26	92	14	39	19	68	47	5	3	9	12
Kentucky	16	62	31	107	7	46	22	81	46	6	4	9	12
Louisiana	5	69	36	115	6	48	24	81	25	10	7	15	18
Maine	46	37	15	68	45	22	8	41	26	10	4	18	31
Maryland§	22	57	29	100	38	27	14	48	5	22	12	38	45
Massachusetts	47	37	19	59	49	17	9	27	16	14	7	24	46
Michigan	31	52	26	89	32	30	14	53	17	14	8	23	32
Minnesota	48	36	16	64	43	23	10	41	40	8	4	13	25
Mississippi	2	76	42	123	1	55	31	89	32	9	5	15	14
Missouri	25	54	25	95	20	37	17	65	37	9	4	15	19
Montana	30	53	21	98	21	35	13	67	27	10	5	16	21
Nebraska	42	43	21	74	30	31	15	54	48	5	3	8	14
Nevada	7	68	35	121	16	39	19	70	7	20	11	34	34
New Hampshire§	50	28	12	51	50	16	6	29	38	8	4	15	35
New Jersey	32	51	26	92	46	20	10	38	3	24	13	42	55
New Mexico	1	80	46	129	2	53	30	86	14	15	9	23	22
New York	14	63	36	100	42	23	11	39	1	32	20	49	58
North Carolina	20	59	31	98	17	38	20	64	22	12	7	19	24
North Dakota	43	42	20	67	33	29	13	47	45	6	4	9	18
Ohio	26	54	26	94	23	34	16	61	24	12	6	19	25
Oklahoma	6	69	36	114	5	50	26	84	41	8	4	12	13
Oregon	37	47	23	80	35	28	13	49	23	12	7	19	29
Pennsylvania	34	49	26	79	39	27	14	44	15	15	8	24	35
Rhode Island	40	44	25	64	44	22	14	32	11	16	8	24	41
South Carolina	9	65	36	103	11	43	22	69	20	13	8	19	23
South Dakota	38	47	21	82	22	35	16	62	49	4	2	7	11
Tennessee	17	62	30	107	10	43	20	76	30	9	5	15	18
Texas	3	73	40	122	4	52	29	87	28	9	5	17	15
Utah	45	38	19	63	36	28	14	47	50	4	2	7	13
Vermont	49	32	14	53	48	18	8	31	29	9	4	15	34
Virginia	35	48	22	84	37	27	13	48	18	14	7	24	33
Washington	33	49	26	83	40	27	13	47	12	16	9	25	37
West Virginia	13	64	32	106	8	45	21	76	31	9	6	14	17
Wisconsin	44	39	18	69	41	26	12	47	44	7	4	11	21
Wyoming§	24	56	25	97	15	39	17	69	39	8	5	12	17

*All rates are the number of events per 1,000 women aged 15–19; pregnancy rate includes estimated number of pregnancies ending in miscarriage or stillbirth. †Abortions per 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth. ‡Abortion estimates are based on the number of abortions among all women in the state and the proportion of abortions obtained by women of the same age nationally. §Abortion estimates are based on the number of abortions among all women in the state and the proportion of abortions obtained by women of the same age in neighboring states.

Notes: Even though abortions have been tabulated according to state of residence where possible, in states with parental notification or consent requirements for minors, the pregnancy and abortion rates may be too low because minors have traveled to other states for abortion services, and the rates in neighboring states may be too high.

Table 3.2 Number of pregnancies, births, abortions and miscarriages among women younger than 20 in each state, by age-group, 2010

State	Pregnancies*,†				Births				Abortions*				Miscarriages*,‡			
	<15	15-19	15-17	18-19	<15	15-19	15-17	18-19	<15	15-19	15-17	18-19	<15	15-19	15-17	18-19
Total	10,890	614,410	189,000	425,410	4,497	367,678	109,173	258,505	5,000	157,450	52,720	104,730	1,400	89,280	27,110	62,170
Alabama	230	10,460	3,260	7,190	110	7,343	2,224	5,119	90	1,500	540	960	30	1,620	500	1,120
Alaska	10	1,600	450	1,150	5	956	251	705	§	410	130	280	§	230	60	170
Arizona	200	13,470	4,170	9,300	108	9,389	2,934	6,455	60	2,010	590	1,420	30	2,080	650	1,430
Arkansas	130	7,220	2,060	5,160	76	5,229	1,435	3,794	30	860	300	560	20	1,130	320	810
California**	1,450	80,970	25,680	55,300	433	43,149	13,314	29,835	840	26,540	8,820	17,720	170	11,280	3,540	7,740
Colorado	140	8,790	2,840	5,950	57	5,474	1,717	3,757	60	2,020	710	1,310	20	1,300	410	880
Connecticut	100	5,400	1,720	3,680	20	2,274	622	1,652	70	2,430	880	1,550	10	700	210	480
Delaware	50	2,130	700	1,430	16	974	285	689	20	880	330	550	10	280	90	190
District of Columbia	50	1,880	670	1,210	16	951	303	648	20	670	280	390	10	260	90	170
Florida**	700	35,610	10,680	24,940	249	19,127	5,393	13,734	370	11,510	3,820	7,690	90	4,980	1,460	3,520
Georgia	460	22,240	6,910	15,320	184	14,378	4,330	10,048	220	4,530	1,560	2,970	60	3,330	1,020	2,310
Hawaii	30	2,680	780	1,900	10	1,347	324	1,023	20	970	360	610	§	370	100	270
Idaho	30	2,660	730	1,930	13	1,863	504	1,359	10	390	120	270	§	410	110	300
Illinois	500	25,350	8,530	16,820	190	14,798	4,645	10,153	250	6,910	2,690	4,210	60	3,650	1,200	2,450
Indiana	170	12,240	3,540	8,710	91	8,665	2,484	6,181	60	1,680	510	1,170	20	1,900	550	1,350
Iowa	70	4,640	1,300	3,330	32	3,017	800	2,217	30	920	310	610	10	700	190	500
Kansas	60	5,220	1,520	3,700	36	3,865	1,113	2,752	20	530	170	360	10	830	240	590
Kentucky	120	8,990	2,570	6,420	69	6,684	1,847	4,837	30	880	320	560	20	1,420	400	1,020
Louisiana	250	11,060	3,310	7,740	121	7,689	2,189	5,500	90	1,660	620	1,040	30	1,700	500	1,200
Maine	20	1,560	370	1,190	6	917	208	709	10	420	110	310	§	230	50	170
Maryland††	240	11,320	3,420	7,900	80	5,396	1,602	3,794	130	4,400	1,360	3,040	30	1,520	460	1,060
Massachusetts	120	8,310	2,350	5,960	40	3,909	1,137	2,772	60	3,290	890	2,400	10	1,110	320	790
Michigan	300	18,580	5,400	13,190	112	10,835	2,968	7,867	150	5,080	1,670	3,400	40	2,670	760	1,910
Minnesota	110	6,340	1,740	4,600	46	4,035	1,071	2,964	50	1,360	410	950	10	940	260	690
Mississippi	180	8,390	2,700	5,690	111	6,077	1,959	4,118	40	1,000	320	680	30	1,320	420	890
Missouri	140	11,160	3,020	8,140	75	7,669	2,048	5,621	40	1,780	510	1,270	20	1,710	460	1,250
Montana	30	1,690	400	1,290	12	1,128	245	883	10	310	100	210	§	260	60	200
Nebraska	40	2,710	790	1,930	18	1,958	544	1,414	10	330	120	210	10	420	120	300
Nevada	110	6,020	1,880	4,150	49	3,421	1,023	2,398	50	1,740	590	1,150	10	860	260	590
New Hampshire††	10	1,290	310	980	3	722	164	558	10	380	100	280	§	180	40	140
New Jersey	310	14,630	4,740	9,890	76	5,793	1,732	4,061	200	6,980	2,420	4,560	30	1,860	590	1,270
New Mexico	90	5,830	1,990	3,840	46	3,872	1,290	2,582	40	1,070	400	680	10	880	300	580
New York	970	41,590	13,750	27,840	185	15,126	4,338	10,788	680	21,310	7,770	13,540	100	5,160	1,640	3,510
North Carolina	340	19,000	5,830	13,170	163	12,309	3,704	8,605	130	3,840	1,260	2,580	50	2,850	870	1,980
North Dakota	10	950	250	700	7	659	165	494	10	150	50	100	§	150	40	110
Ohio	410	21,600	6,260	15,340	171	13,752	3,811	9,941	190	4,630	1,530	3,110	50	3,210	920	2,300
Oklahoma	160	8,860	2,640	6,220	101	6,496	1,918	4,578	30	970	310	660	20	1,400	410	980
Oregon	70	5,800	1,680	4,120	27	3,496	963	2,533	30	1,450	480	980	10	840	240	600
Pennsylvania	420	21,470	6,480	14,990	153	11,959	3,574	8,385	220	6,470	2,000	4,480	50	3,040	910	2,120
Rhode Island	30	1,750	520	1,230	6	891	284	607	20	620	170	450	§	240	70	170
South Carolina	180	10,490	3,260	7,230	107	6,849	2,017	4,832	50	2,060	760	1,300	30	1,580	480	1,100
South Dakota	20	1,300	350	950	10	975	260	715	10	120	30	80	§	210	60	150
Tennessee	230	13,280	3,770	9,510	118	9,254	2,536	6,718	80	1,980	660	1,320	30	2,050	570	1,480
Texas	1,050	66,760	22,030	44,730	705	47,751	16,027	31,724	180	8,600	2,540	6,060	160	10,410	3,460	6,950
Utah	50	4,140	1,200	2,950	27	3,049	879	2,170	20	440	130	310	10	650	190	470
Vermont	10	710	170	540	2	401	91	310	10	210	50	150	§	100	20	80
Virginia	170	12,890	3,460	9,430	71	7,374	1,956	5,418	80	3,680	1,010	2,660	20	1,840	490	1,350
Washington	150	11,040	3,430	7,610	54	6,002	1,725	4,277	80	3,490	1,230	2,260	20	1,550	470	1,080
West Virginia	50	3,710	1,040	2,670	21	2,608	694	1,914	30	530	190	340	10	570	160	420
Wisconsin	130	7,580	2,100	5,480	57	5,100	1,345	3,755	60	1,330	440	890	20	1,150	310	840
Wyoming††	10	1,030	270	760	2	723	181	542	§	140	50	100	§	160	40	120

*Rounded to the nearest 10. †Includes estimated number of pregnancies ending in miscarriage or stillbirth. ‡Estimated as 20% of births plus 10% of abortions; includes stillbirths. §<5 abortions or miscarriages/stillbirths. **Estimates based on the number of abortions to all women in the state and the proportion of abortions obtained by women of the same age nationally. ††Abortion estimates are based on the number of abortions among all women in the state and the proportion of abortions obtained by women of the same age in neighboring states.

Note: Even though abortions have been tabulated according to state of residence where possible, in states with parental notification or consent requirements for minors, the number of pregnancies may be too low because minors have traveled to other states for abortion services, and numbers in neighboring states may be too high.

Table 3.3 State-specific rates of pregnancy, birth and abortion* among women aged 15–19, by year

State	Pregnancy rate							Birthrate							Abortion rate						
	1988	1992	1996	2000	2005	2008	2010	1988	1992	1996	2000	2005	2008	2010	1988	1992	1996	2000	2005	2008	2010
Total	111	111	96	83	68	68	57	53	60	53	48	40	40	34	43	35	29	24	19	18	15
Alabama	110	116	103	90	71	73	62	63	72	67	61	48	51	44	32 †	27	20	15	12	11	9
Alaska	111	111	82	74	65	69	64	57	65	51	49	40	44	38	38 †	30 †	19	14 ‡	16	15	17
Arizona	127	131	115	104	90	82	60	69	80	72	67	59	54	42	40	32	26	21	18	15	9
Arkansas	115	115	106	93	79	82	73	70	75	74	66	59	60	53	27	23	16	12	8	10	9
California	154	157	122	96	75	72	59	58	73	61	47	39	38	32	76 †	63 †	45 †	36 ‡	26 ‡	24 ‡	19 ‡
Colorado	102	111	92	82	68	66	54	49	58	51	51	42	40	33	39	37	29	19	16	16	12
Connecticut	107	95	84	70	57	55	44	36	39	37	31	23	23	19	58	44	37	30	26	26	20
Delaware	117	119	89	92	75	81	67	53	59	54	48	40	38	31	49 †	44	23	31	25	32	28
District of Columbia	209	254	199	122	110	112	90	74	107	79	53	42	51	45	110	115	49	52	54	46	32
Florida	133	125	111	98	77	73	60	63	65	57	51	42	40	32	52 †	42 †	39 †	34 †	24 ‡	22 ‡	19 ‡
Georgia	122	126	107	95	79	78	64	69	74	67	62	52	50	42	37	34	24	18	15	16	13
Hawaii	134	140	103	93	72	76	65	49	54	49	46	37	39	33	68	68	40	34	25	27	23
Idaho	73	77	69	62	53	57	47	45	52	47	43	36	40	33	17	14	12	10	9	8	7
Illinois	112	111	103	87	67	68	57	54	63	55	48	39	39	33	43 †	32	33	27	19	20	15
Indiana	89	94	87	72	61	59	53	52	59	55	49	42	41	38	25	22	19	12	9	8	7
Iowa	69	66	57	54	49	51	44	33	41	37	34	31	33	29	27 †	16 †	12 †	12	10	10	9
Kansas	88	90	78	69	59	63	53	49	56	49	46	40	44	39	27	21	17	12	9	9	5
Kentucky	96	99	88	75	64	71	62	60	65	61	55	48	53	46	22	19	13	8	6	7	6
Louisiana	107	108	97	87	67	80	69	68	76	67	62	47	54	48	23	15	15	11	9 †	14 †	10
Maine	82	70	58	51	43	43	37	41	40	32	29	24	25	22	30	20	18	15	12	12	10
Maryland	129	118	105	91	66	63	57	51	51	46	41	32	33	27	61	52	44	38	25 †	22 †	22 †
Massachusetts	97	86	76	59	45	42	37	32	38	31	26	20	20	17	53	38	36	26	19	17	14
Michigan	111	108	87	75	60	58	52	47	57	46	40	32	32	30	49	37	29	24	19	18	14
Minnesota	69	64	56	50	42	42	36	31	36	32	30	26	26	23	29	19	16	13	10	10	8
Mississippi	106	121	106	102	82	90	76	73	84	74	70	58	64	55	16	19	16	16	11	12	9
Missouri	99	100	85	74	62	65	54	55	63	53	49	42	44	37	30	22	19	14	11	11	9
Montana	74	81	66	60	56	59	53	39	46	39	37	35	39	35	24	23	17	14	13	11	10
Nebraska	75	71	62	59	48	50	43	37	41	39	38	33	36	31	27	20	14	12	8	7	5
Nevada	142	143	140	115	93	84	68	65	71	69	62	52	49	39	59	53	51	37	28	23	20
New Hampshire	87	62	56	47	33	33	28	33	31	28	23	18	19	16	43 †	22 †	20 †	17 †	11 †	9 †	8 †
New Jersey	112	96	96	91	71	62	51	39	39	35	32	24	24	20	60	45	49	48	38	30	24
New Mexico	124	128	109	103	93	93	80	72	80	70	66	61	61	53	35	30	22	22	17	17	15
New York	116	118	103	90	75	71	63	40	45	40	33	26	26	23	61	59	50	46	40	37	32
North Carolina	122	120	103	95	73	72	59	61	69	62	59	47	47	38	45	34	25	22	15	14	12
North Dakota	57	59	49	41	41	42	42	31	37	32	27	27	28	29	18	13	10	8	7	8	6
Ohio	96	93	81	74	61	62	54	52	58	50	46	38	39	34	31	21	18	17	14	14	12
Oklahoma	105	100	90	85	74	80	69	62	70	63	60	53	58	50	27 †	14 †	13 †	12	10	9	8
Oregon	105	99	89	78	57	60	47	48	53	50	43	33	36	28	43	32	26	25	16	16	12
Pennsylvania	87	84	68	60	51	56	49	41	45	38	34	29	30	27	34	27	20	17	14	18	15
Rhode Island	86	93	79	65	55	53	44	38	46	39	34	28	28	22	36	35	30	23	20	18	16
South Carolina	114	109	94	88	75	76	65	65	70	60	58	49	51	43	33	23	19	17	16	14	13
South Dakota	69	74	60	53	50	53	47	44	48	40	38	37	39	35	15	14	10	7	6	5	4
Tennessee	110	111	97	88	77	76	62	64	71	64	59	53	52	43	31	24	18	16	12	12	9
Texas	117	122	113	101	87	85	73	69	78	73	69	61	61	52	31	26	23	17	13	11	9
Utah	69	65	58	52	43	48	38	44	46	41	38	31	35	28	15	9	7	6	6	6	4
Vermont	81	71	59	43	38	38	32	33	36	30	23	17	20	18	37	26	22	14	15	13	9
Virginia	106	101	87	72	59	56	48	46	52	45	41	33	33	27	46	35	29	21	17	15	14
Washington	109	107	87	75	59	60	49	47	51	46	39	31	33	27	47	42	29	26	20	19	16
West Virginia	78	85	73	66	60	65	64	50	56	51	46	42	47	45	17 †	16	12	10	8	8	9
Wisconsin	74	73	61	55	46	45	39	38	42	37	35	30	30	26	26	21	15	12	9	8	7
Wyoming	82	81	75	77	64	68	56	48	50	45	42	43	47	39	23	19	20	25 §	12 †	10 †	8 †

*All rates are the number of events per 1,000 women aged 15–19; pregnancy rate includes estimated number of pregnancies ending in miscarriage or stillbirth. †Estimate based on the number of abortions among all women in the state and the proportion of abortions obtained by women of the same age in neighboring or similar states. ‡Estimate based on the number of abortions among all women in the state and the proportion of abortions obtained by women of the same age nationally. §Estimate obtained by applying the average of the proportions of abortions obtained by 15–19-year-old women in Wyoming in 1992, 1996 and 1999 to the number of abortions among all women in the state in 2000. The number of Wyoming residents having abortions in Colorado may have been overestimated in 2000.

Notes: Even though abortions have been tabulated according to state of residence where possible, in states with parental notification or consent requirements for minors, the pregnancy and abortion rates may be too low because minors have traveled to other states for abortion services, and the rates in neighboring states may be too high.

Table 3.4 State-specific rates of pregnancy, birth and abortion* among women aged 15–19, by race and ethnicity, 2010

State	Pregnancy rate			Birthrate			Abortion rate		
	Non-Hispanic white†	Black	Hispanic	Non-Hispanic white†	Black	Hispanic	Non-Hispanic white	Black	Hispanic
Total	38	100	84	24	51	56	9	34	15
Alabama	49	82	107	36	55	85	6	15	4
Alaska	43 ‡	80	u	22	40	38	14 ‡	29	u
Arizona	47	60	82	24	40	60	17	12	9
Arkansas	63	101	85	47	70	65	6	16	6
California	u	u	u	14	35	48	u	u	u
Colorado	33	68	94	19	42	66	8	16	13
Connecticut	u	u	u	8	32	52	u	u	u
Delaware	45	111	84	21	45	55	18	51	16
District of Columbia	u	u	u	2	65	69	u	u	u
Florida	u	u	u	25	52	33	u	u	u
Georgia	41	89	113	30	53	74	4	23	22
Hawaii	u	u	u	29	28	62	u	u	u
Idaho	40	48	86	27	34	65	7	6	7
Illinois	u	u	u	19	61	51	u	u	u
Indiana	45	90	80	33	59	60	6	17	7
Iowa	u	109	u	24	67	70	u	26	u
Kansas	42	89	99	31	63	79	4	12	4
Kentucky	59	84	97	45	57	74	5	14	8
Louisiana	51	94	u	36	64	62	7	16	u
Maine	37	38	u	22	19	18	10	14	u
Maryland	u	u	u	16	41	53	u	u	u
Massachusetts	u	u	u	11	32	49	u	u	u
Michigan	38 ‡	110	u	21	61	53	10 ‡	33	u
Minnesota	24	85	87	15	52	64	5	21	9
Mississippi	56	97	74	44	68	57	3	14	6
Missouri	44	99	70	32	61	56	6	23	3
Montana	46	§	67	29	§	47	10	§	9
Nebraska	u	u	u	21	67	79	u	u	u
Nevada	u	u	u	25	52	56	u	u	u
New Hampshire	u	u	u	16	20	26	u	u	u
New Jersey	u	u	u	8	41	43	u	u	u
New Mexico	u	u	u	29	42	66	u	u	u
New York	32	114	101	14	33	42	14	68	47
North Carolina	40	87	100	28	51	70	6	23	14
North Dakota	u	§	u	21	§	69	u	§	u
Ohio	42	106	79	28	63	57	8	28	10
Oklahoma	59	88	97	43	61	75	7	13	7
Oregon	39	62	82	22	33	59	12	21	10
Pennsylvania	u	u	u	18	63	66	u	u	u
Rhode Island	u	87	u	14	44	51	u	30	u
South Carolina	51	90	87	33	58	63	10	19	11
South Dakota	u	u	u	23	17	87	u	u	u
Tennessee	51	95	95	37	60	75	6	21	5
Texas	45	82	98	31	54	74	8	15	9
Utah	u	63	u	20	46	66	u	7	u
Vermont	32	40	29	19	19	10	9	16	16
Virginia	35	78	68	21	42	43	9	25	14
Washington	u	u	u	20	37	60	u	u	u
West Virginia	64	79	48	46	42	30	8	27	11
Wisconsin	26	105	82	17	71	58	5	18	11
Wyoming	u	§	u	34	§	65	u	§	u

*All rates are the number of events per 1,000 women aged 15–19; pregnancy rate includes estimated number of pregnancies ending in miscarriage or stillbirth. †Includes white births with ethnicity unknown. ‡Pregnancy and abortion rates include abortions obtained by Hispanic women; in these states, no more than 15% of births to white women aged 15–19 were to Hispanics. Population in denominator is all white teenagers, regardless of Hispanic ethnicity. §Rate not calculated because population base of women aged 15–19 was less than 500.

Notes: In states with parental notification or consent requirements for minors, pregnancy and abortion rates may be too low because minors have traveled to other states for abortion services, and rates in neighboring states may be too high. u=unavailable.

Table 3.5 Number of pregnancies, births, abortions and miscarriages among women aged 15–19 in each state, by race and ethnicity, 2010

State	Pregnancies*,†			Births			Abortions*			Miscarriages*,‡		
	Non-Hispanic white§	Black	Hispanic	Non-Hispanic white§	Black	Hispanic	Non-Hispanic white	Black	Hispanic	Non-Hispanic white	Black	Hispanic
Total	232,110	184,040	183,140	145,280	94,950	121,798	52,530	63,730	33,620	34,310	25,360	27,720
Alabama	5,060	4,620	700	3,658	3,080	555	610	840	30	790	700	110
Alaska	680 **	110	u	376 **	53	66	210 **	40	u	100 **	10	u
Arizona	4,820	860	7,360	2,440	567	5,411	1,720	170	790	660	130	1,160
Arkansas	4,320	2,090	670	3,209	1,445	516	430	330	50	680	320	110
California	u	u	u	6,151	4,122	31,580	u	u	u	u	u	u
Colorado	3,380	690	4,180	2,015	429	2,951	880	160	580	490	100	650
Connecticut	u	u	u	631	595	1,104	u	u	u	u	u	u
Delaware	850	1,020	260	395	417	171	340	470	50	110	130	40
District of Columbia	u	u	u	11	854	125	u	u	u	u	u	u
Florida	u	u	u	7,137	7,256	5,098	u	u	u	u	u	u
Georgia	7,020	11,950	3,610	5,202	7,100	2,369	700	3,120	700	1,110	1,730	540
Hawaii	u	u	u	235	35	336	u	u	u	u	u	u
Idaho	1,800	40	720	1,226	28	549	300	††	60	280	10	120
Illinois	u	u	u	4,796	5,511	4,466	u	u	u	u	u	u
Indiana	8,280	2,590	1,310	5,950	1,703	994	1,040	500	110	1,290	390	210
Iowa	u	570	u	2,131	347	489	u	140	u	u	80	u
Kansas	3,060	770	1,290	2,255	541	1,030	320	110	50	480	120	210
Kentucky	7,160	1,320	450	5,442	897	344	580	220	40	1,150	200	70
Louisiana	4,330	6,120	u	3,055	4,160	394	600	1,020	u	670	930	u
Maine	1,450	40	u	856	20	16	390	10	u	210	10	u
Maryland	u	u	u	1,608	2,969	892	u	u	u	u	u	u
Massachusetts	u	u	u	1,713	805	1,517	u	u	u	u	u	u
Michigan	10,370 **	7,800	u	6,306 **	4,341	1,081	2,550 **	2,360	u	1,520 **	1,100	u
Minnesota	3,390	1,220	930	2,124	734	681	760	300	100	500	180	150
Mississippi	3,090	4,950	200	2,408	3,460	153	180	730	20	500	760	30
Missouri	7,030	3,360	640	5,030	2,089	512	900	780	30	1,100	500	110
Montana	1,240	20	90	789	12	65	270	††	10	180	††	10
Nebraska	u	u	u	1,031	291	587	u	u	u	u	u	u
Nevada	u	u	u	966	563	1,770	u	u	u	u	u	u
New Hampshire	u	u	u	653	19	49	u	u	u	u	u	u
New Jersey	u	u	u	1,195	2,301	2,579	u	u	u	u	u	u
New Mexico	u	u	u	624	106	2,657	u	u	u	u	u	u
New York	11,110	17,060	14,300	4,845	4,921	5,910	4,820	10,140	6,550	1,450	2,000	1,840
North Carolina	7,560	8,010	2,970	5,209	4,709	2,099	1,190	2,140	410	1,160	1,160	460
North Dakota	u	u	u	417	29	44	u	u	u	u	u	u
Ohio	13,170	7,260	1,240	8,671	4,276	889	2,510	1,930	160	1,990	1,050	190
Oklahoma	4,870	1,280	1,380	3,537	897	1,062	570	190	100	760	200	220
Oregon	3,550	270	1,690	1,995	140	1,213	1,050	90	210	500	40	260
Pennsylvania	u	u	u	5,939	4,424	2,257	u	u	u	u	u	u
Rhode Island	u	370	u	393	190	352	u	130	u	u	50	u
South Carolina	4,680	5,190	730	3,056	3,317	522	920	1,100	90	700	770	110
South Dakota	u	u	u	507	10	86	u	u	u	u	u	u
Tennessee	7,610	4,710	990	5,542	2,981	782	880	1,030	50	1,200	700	160
Texas	15,490	10,860	40,300	10,476	7,193	30,257	2,650	2,030	3,630	2,360	1,640	6,410
Utah	u	130	u	1,738	95	1,084	u	10	u	u	20	u
Vermont	650	20	20	382	10	6	180	10	10	90	††	††
Virginia	5,710	5,380	1,610	3,427	2,918	1,029	1,450	1,710	340	830	750	240
Washington	u	u	u	3,047	486	2,091	u	u	u	u	u	u
West Virginia	3,420	230	50	2,453	121	29	430	80	10	530	30	10
Wisconsin	3,890	2,020	1,190	2,530	1,366	843	770	350	160	580	310	180
Wyoming	u	u	u	519	17	136	u	u	u	u	u	u

*Rounded to the nearest 10. †Includes estimated number of pregnancies ending in miscarriage or stillbirth. ‡Estimated as 20% of births plus 10% of abortions; includes stillbirths. §Includes white births with ethnicity unknown. **Numbers include pregnancy outcomes to white women of Hispanic ethnicity. In these states, no more than 15% of births to white women aged 15–19 were to Hispanics. ††Five or fewer abortions or miscarriages/stillbirths.

Notes: Even though abortions have been tabulated according to state of residence where possible, in states with parental notification or consent requirements for minors, the number of abortions and pregnancies may be too low because minors have traveled to other states for abortion services, and the number in neighboring states may be too high. u=unavailable.

Table 3.6 State-specific population estimates for women aged 15–19, by age-group and by race and ethnicity, 2010

State	Population by age			Population by race or ethnicity		
	15–19	15–17	18–19	Non-Hispanic white	Black	Hispanic
Total	10,701,783	6,281,162	4,420,621	6,162,933	1,849,051	2,192,030
Alabama	167,574	96,592	70,982	102,298	56,338	6,504
Alaska	25,001	15,374	9,627	15,970 *	1,336	1,746
Arizona	223,965	131,673	92,292	103,209	14,305	89,713
Arkansas	99,318	57,998	41,320	68,469	20,694	7,882
California	1,366,152	808,567	557,585	432,990	118,617	657,540
Colorado	163,498	97,168	66,330	103,559	10,243	44,378
Connecticut	121,406	73,772	47,634	79,491	18,839	21,326
Delaware	31,803	17,789	14,014	18,967	9,188	3,097
District of Columbia	20,948	8,474	12,474	5,646	13,063	1,817
Florida	594,945	347,102	247,843	291,284	140,342	154,585
Georgia	345,957	204,109	141,848	170,949	134,733	31,834
Hawaii	41,357	25,088	16,269	8,012	1,232	5,391
Idaho	56,253	33,306	22,947	45,401	818	8,460
Illinois	446,389	268,979	177,410	252,414	90,731	87,695
Indiana	231,053	134,208	96,845	182,097	28,799	16,486
Iowa	105,240	60,193	45,047	90,506	5,196	6,996
Kansas	98,162	57,832	40,330	73,117	8,608	13,076
Kentucky	144,248	84,205	60,043	122,188	15,741	4,640
Louisiana	160,308	92,758	67,550	85,680	65,184	6,343
Maine	42,519	25,051	17,468	39,436	1,042	872
Maryland	197,277	117,925	79,352	99,221	72,268	16,946
Massachusetts	227,358	126,518	100,840	161,808	25,050	30,779
Michigan	357,876	209,574	148,302	273,419 *	70,938	20,478
Minnesota	178,582	107,133	71,449	140,994	14,234	10,705
Mississippi	109,855	63,687	46,168	54,970	50,961	2,692
Missouri	206,046	120,088	85,958	158,138	34,116	9,225
Montana	32,080	18,959	13,121	27,133	330	1,370
Nebraska	62,733	36,669	26,064	49,065	4,332	7,451
Nevada	88,181	53,863	34,318	39,019	10,871	31,650
New Hampshire	45,629	26,606	19,023	41,800	959	1,874
New Jersey	287,616	180,253	107,363	156,337	55,990	60,446
New Mexico	72,961	43,102	29,859	21,171	2,520	40,562
New York	663,944	385,484	278,460	351,110	149,474	140,948
North Carolina	319,994	185,145	134,849	188,569	92,176	29,815
North Dakota	22,808	12,309	10,499	19,657	446	641
Ohio	400,602	236,623	163,979	310,471	68,330	15,606
Oklahoma	128,638	74,041	54,597	81,847	14,586	14,169
Oregon	123,746	72,223	51,523	90,760	4,267	20,625
Pennsylvania	440,754	250,311	190,443	327,637	70,076	34,374
Rhode Island	39,698	20,621	19,077	27,760	4,287	6,851
South Carolina	160,163	89,946	70,217	92,396	57,527	8,338
South Dakota	27,901	16,320	11,581	22,315	587	993
Tennessee	213,363	124,757	88,606	150,236	49,388	10,459
Texas	913,760	547,600	366,160	343,027	132,508	411,624
Utah	109,266	62,657	46,609	85,930	2,066	16,392
Vermont	22,246	12,133	10,113	20,530	533	604
Virginia	268,716	155,867	112,849	162,735	69,375	23,836
Washington	223,893	132,661	91,232	152,605	13,298	34,622
West Virginia	57,965	32,797	25,168	53,652	2,911	967
Wisconsin	193,589	114,436	79,153	151,647	19,265	14,529
Wyoming	18,447	10,616	7,831	15,291	333	2,078

*Population is all white teenagers, regardless of Hispanic ethnicity.

About the Tables

Pregnancies are the sum of births, abortions and miscarriages. Rates are calculated as the number of events per 1,000 women. Abortion ratios represent the number of abortions divided by the sum of abortions and births. Please note that in these tables, “age” refers to the woman’s age when the pregnancy ended. Consequently, the actual number of pregnancies that occurred among teenagers is higher than what is reported here because most of the women who conceived at age 19 had their births or abortions after they turned 20 and thus were not counted as teenagers. Likewise, please note that “year” refers to the calendar year in which the birth or abortion occurred, not when the conception occurred.

The estimates in this report may differ from those found in other sources. First, the data are not adjusted to reflect women’s age at conception or the year in which she conceived. Second, unlike other reports, which exclude miscarriages, this one includes estimated numbers and rates of pregnancies ending in miscarriage. (Pregnancy rates excluding miscarriages can be calculated from the tables by summing the rates of births and abortions.) The number of miscarriages was estimated as 20% of births plus 10% of abortions; these proportions attempt to account for miscarriages that occurred after the pregnancy had lasted long enough to be noticed by the woman (i.e., 6–7 weeks after her last menstrual period).¹ Stillbirths are a very small proportion of all pregnancies and are included in our estimates of miscarriages. In contrast, the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) estimates miscarriages from survey respondents’ reports of their pregnancies in the five years preceding the fielding of each round of the National Survey of Family Growth (NSFG).² Third, the denominator we used in calculating rates among women younger than 15 is the female population aged 14, because most pregnancies occurring among these very young teenagers are among 14-year-olds (82% in 2010). The NCHS estimates use number of women aged 10–14 for the denominator.³ We use the number of women aged 15–19 in the denominator for rates among all women younger than 20 because from 1973–2010, 98–99% of all pregnancies to women younger than 20 were among those aged 15–19. Finally, our denominators are based on population estimates that are produced by the Census Bureau, in collaboration with NCHS, for July 1 of each year and revised periodically. Hence, our rates may differ slightly from those published elsewhere, depending on which year the population estimates were made (the “vintage”) or whether the rates have been updated using the intercensal population estimates available after each national census. We update our rates when the intercensal estimates are released. For the years 1980, 1990, 2000 and 2010, NCHS uses the April 1 census counts, and we use the July 1 estimates.

National-Level Methodology

The estimates in Tables 1.1 and 2.1–2.6 are based on data from the following sources (exact sources are listed in the Data Sources section):

- Number of births—NCHS
- Number of abortions—Guttmacher Institute
- Distribution of abortions by age and race or ethnicity—U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (adjusted by the Guttmacher Institute to ensure year-to-year comparability)

- Population estimates—Population Estimates Program of the U.S. Bureau of the Census, in collaboration with NCHS

A small number of abortions performed between 1972 and 1975 were illegal. This report counts only legal abortions.

The percentage of 15–19-year-old women who were sexually experienced for the years 1982 and 1988 was obtained from Singh and Darroch.⁴ Linear interpolation was used to calculate the percentages for 1986 and 1987. For these two years only, “sexually experienced” was defined as having ever had sex after menarche. For the percentage of sexually experienced 15–19-year-olds for 1988–2002, we obtained the proportions of all 15–19-year-olds who had ever had sexual intercourse in 1988, 1995, 2002 and 2006–2008 from analyses of the NSFG. From 1988 on, “sexually experienced” is defined as having ever had sex, regardless of whether it occurred before or after menarche. Linear interpolation was used to calculate the percentages for the intervening years (1989–1994, 1996–2001 and 2003–2005). For the proportion sexually experienced in 2009 and 2010, we used data from respondents who were interviewed in the second half of the 2006–2010 NSFG interview period (from late 2008 through 2010; and applying the corresponding weights provided in the NSFG). These resulting percentages were applied to the population totals of 15–19-year-old women in each year to calculate the number who were sexually experienced.

State-Level Methodology

The estimates in Tables 3.1–3.6 are based on data from the following sources (exact sources are listed in the Data Sources section):

- Number of births—NCHS
- Total number of abortions to residents of each state—Guttmacher Institute and the CDC
- Tabulations of abortion data by age and race or ethnicity—state health departments
- Population estimates—Population Estimates Program of the U.S. Bureau of the Census, in collaboration with NCHS

The Guttmacher Abortion Provider Censuses obtain data from all known U.S. abortion providers and provide the annual numbers of abortions in each state for 1988, 1992, 1996, 2000, 2005, 2008 and 2010. Starting with the number of abortions performed in each state for women of all ages (residents and nonresidents),⁵ we reassigned abortions to the woman’s state of residence on the basis of information collected by state abortion reporting agencies. In 2010, this information was compiled by the CDC and made available in a table showing, for each state, the state of residence for each woman who had an abortion in that state.⁶ Some states, however, do not collect this information; for these states, we asked a sample of abortion facilities where the women obtaining abortions said they lived.* The CDC table suppressed any cell with fewer than 50 abortions, so we used the more complete data available from many state health department Web sites and, where necessary, contacted the states directly for this information. To estimate the number of nonresidents who had abortions in each state, we applied the percentage distribution of women having abortions, by state of residence, to our count of the total number of abortions that took place in each state.

Of the state residents having abortions, the proportions who were younger than 15, 15–17 and 18–19 were taken from the CDC Abortion Surveillance Report⁷ or from tabulations provided to us by individual states. For states with incomplete or no information on the age of women having abortions in 2010,[†] we estimated the proportion of abortions obtained by teenagers by using the national distribution or the distribution from neighboring states (see notes to tables for state-specific calculation methods). Since there is a high correlation between a state's overall abortion rate and the abortion rate among teenagers, our method gives a fair approximation of the number and rate of abortions among teenagers.

Since the CDC does not release data showing the race or ethnic distributions of teenagers having abortions by state, we contacted the state health departments for this information or, in a few states, were able to obtain it from the states' department of health Web site. The race and ethnic distributions were then applied to our estimate of the number of abortions obtained by state residents aged 15–19. We made no estimates for states that did not provide the race or ethnicity data, or for states with a large proportion of abortions with unknown race or ethnicity; we used a cut-off of 20%.

Our calculation methods assume that teenagers travel outside their home state for abortion services in the same proportions as do older women. This assumption may not be valid in states where minors travel out of state to avoid parental involvement requirements or in the states to which they travel. For a handful of states, we were able to obtain tabulations of abortions for residents only (Delaware, Idaho, Indiana, Michigan, Oklahoma and South Carolina).

Interpreting the Data

Because health department abortion statistics are incomplete or nonexistent in some states, care should be used in interpreting the teenage abortion and pregnancy data. For the states with no information on the age of women having abortions, the rate of abortion among teenagers was estimated. Similarly, error is introduced by the assumption that teenagers have abortions out of state in the same proportions as older women. Therefore, one cannot draw inferences about the effects of parental involvement requirements on the number of abortions obtained by minors.

Footnotes

*Arizona, Florida, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and West Virginia. In addition, we assumed that for California, the percentage (0.5%) and distribution of out-of-state abortions in 2010 were the same as in 1982, the last year for which this information is available, and combined this with information obtained directly from a small number of providers in 2010 on the number of abortions provided to residents of Mexico.

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