



Tarrant County Adolescent Health

TARRANT COUNTY TEEN BIRTHS, 2021

Teen Birth Rate per 1,000



Tarrant: 17.1
Texas: 20.3
US: 13.9

Teen Birth Count

Births to 10-14 year olds: <10
Births to 15-17 year olds: 342
Births to 18-19 year olds: 983

14% of teen births in Tarrant County are repeat births.

Total Teen Births (15-19) in Tarrant County, 2021: 1,325

A baby is born to a teen mom in Tarrant County every **7 hours**.

Disparities >>

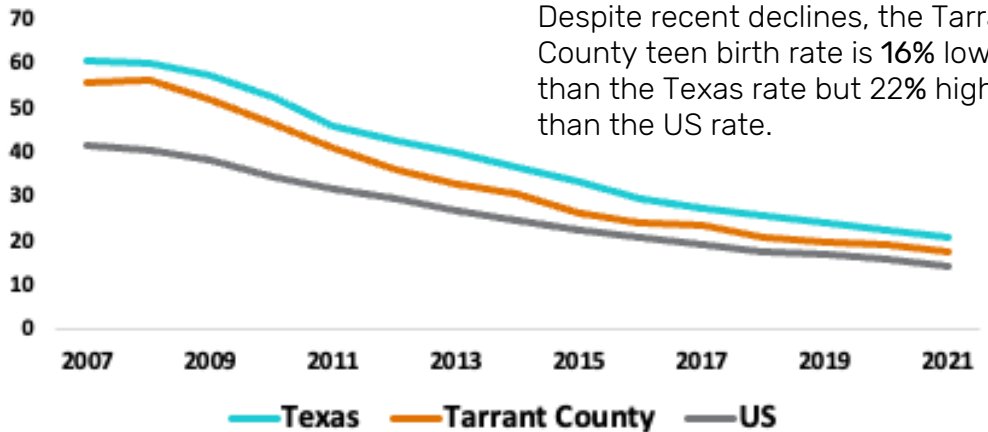
Factors such as access to health care, information, and economic opportunity can lead to disparities in teen birth rates.

Teen Birth Rate

	Tarrant	Texas
Hispanic	25.6	28.2
Black	24.9	22.3
White	7.6	11.7
Asian	--	1.5

In 2021, the Tarrant County birth rate for Hispanic teens was **3.4 times higher** than the rate for white teens.

Teen Birth Rate per 1,000 Teens Aged 15-19

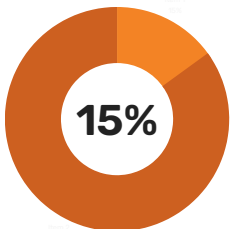


Despite recent declines, the Tarrant County teen birth rate is **16%** lower than the Texas rate but **22%** higher than the US rate.

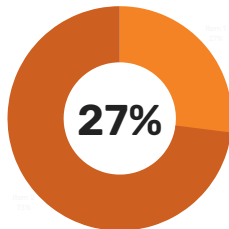
Non-Health Social Factors

Structural issues such as poverty and lack of access to health care can contribute to teen pregnancy rates.

Children Living in Poverty



Young Adults (19-26) Without Health Insurance



Sexually Transmitted Infections

Though teen pregnancy rates are declining, STIs are increasing among Texas youth. Some increase may be due to better screening, but data suggests actual rates are on the rise.

Reported STI Cases & Rates, Youth 15-24, Tarrant County

	Count of new cases, 2020	Change from 2009	County rate compared to TX
HIV	94	+36%	+21%
Chlamydia	5,274	-5%	-12%
Gonorrhea	2,066	+26%	+4%