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Advancing informed sexual health decisions

Cameron County Adolescent Health

A baby is born to a teen mom in Cameron County every **17 hours.**

Disparities >>

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

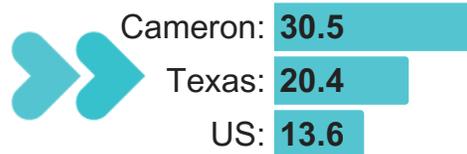
Teen Birth Rate

	Cameron	Texas
Hispanic	28.5	28.7
Black	--	22.4
White	60.4	11.1
Asian	--	1.6

In 2022, 87% of teen births in Cameron County were to Hispanic teens.

CAMERON COUNTY TEEN BIRTHS, 2022

Teen Birth Rate per 1,000



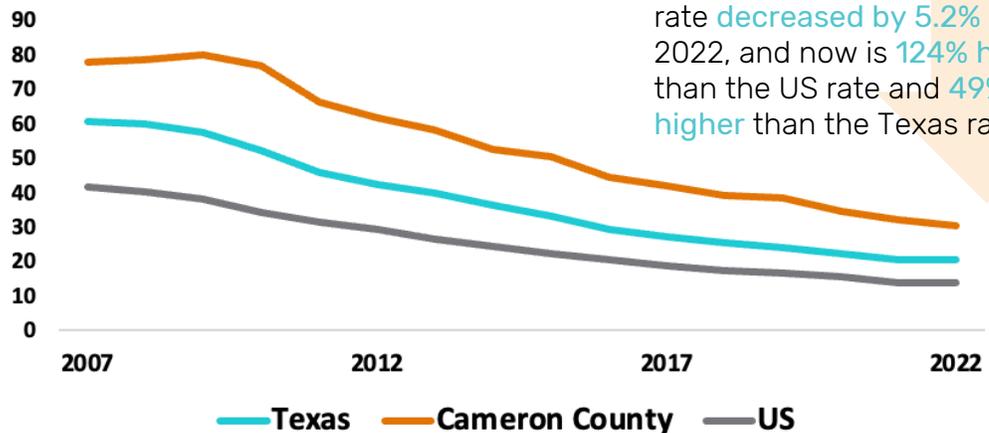
Teen Birth Count

Births to 10-14 year olds:	<10
Births to 15-17 year olds:	197
Births to 18-19 year olds:	330

21% of teen births in Cameron County are repeat births.

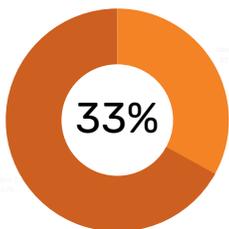
Total Teen Births (15-19) in Cameron County, 2022: 527

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

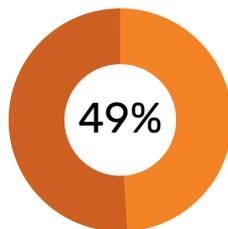


Non-Health Social Factors

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



Of Cameron County children live in poverty



Of young adults (age 19-26) in Cameron County don't have health insurance

Sexually Transmitted Infections

Though teen birth rates have declined in recent years, STIs are increasing among Texas youth. Some increase may be due to better screening, but data suggests actual rates are on the rise. A majority of new STI cases in Texas occur in youth aged 15-24.

2021 Reported STI Cases & Rates, Youth 15-24, Cameron

	Count of new cases, 2021	Change from 2020	% of Cameron cases occurring in youth
Chlamydia	1,710	+64%	71%
Gonorrhea	261	+78%	55%
Syphilis	62	+82%	32%
HIV	<10	+167%	20%