

Bell County ADOLESCENT HEALTH

A baby is born to a teen mom in Bell County every **21 hours**

IN TEXAS...

63% of 12th grade students have had sex.

Just 16% of school districts teach medically accurate sex education.

Teens under 18 who already have a baby can't consent to their own contraception under state law.

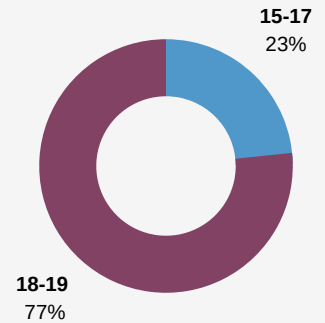
Number of Teen Births, 2016

Number of Births in Bell County

| | |
|----------------------------|-----|
| Births to 10-14 year olds: | N/A |
| Births to 15-17 year olds: | 99 |
| Births to 18-19 year olds: | 325 |

Total Teen Births in Bell County, 2016: 424

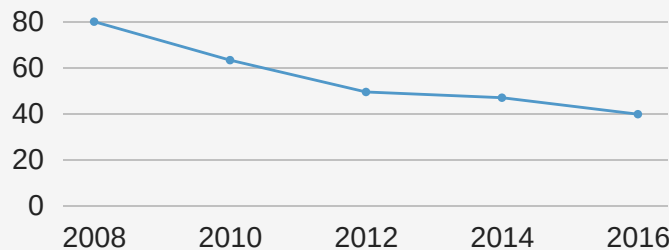
Age of Mother



18% of teen births in Bell County are repeat births

Teen Birth Rate, 2016

Bell County births per 1,000 girls aged 15-19



Many young women in Texas struggle to access the resources needed to make informed decisions about their health, futures and families. However, like the rest of the nation, teen birth rates in Bell County have declined dramatically in the last decade.

| Area | 2016 Rate |
|--------------|-----------|
| Bell County: | 39.5* |
| Texas: | 29.3* |
| US: | 20.3 |

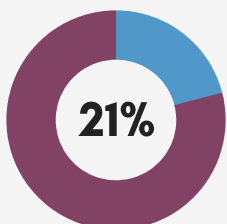
Between 2007 - 2016 the Bell County teen birth rate declined

52%

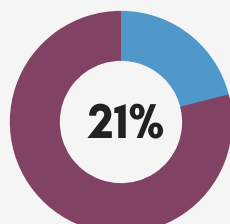
* Preliminary estimated 2016 rate

Community Well-Being

Bell County Children Living in Poverty



Bell County Young Adults Without Health Insurance



Sexually Transmitted Infections

Though teen pregnancy rates are declining, the count and rate of sexually transmitted infections are increasing among Texas youth.

Count of New Cases, Youth 15-24, Bell County

| | 2007 | 2016 | Change |
|-----------|-------|-------|--------|
| HIV | 7 | 12 | + 71% |
| Chlamydia | 2,088 | 2,600 | + 25% |
| Gonorrhea | 560 | 849 | + 52% |

Data sources available at www.txcampaign.org