

# Cameron County ADOLESCENT HEALTH

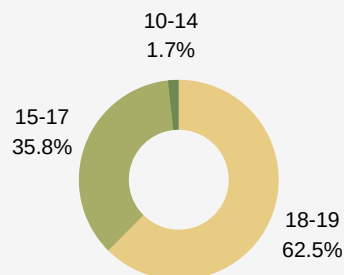
## Number of Teen Births, 2018

### Number of Births in Cameron County

Births to 10-14 year olds:	<b>12</b>
Births to 15-17 year olds:	<b>250</b>
Births to 18-19 year olds:	<b>436</b>

**Total Teen Births in Cameron County, 2018: 698**

### Age of Mother



**24%**  
of teen births in Cameron County are repeat births

A baby is born to a teen mom in Cameron County every **13 hours**

## IN TEXAS...

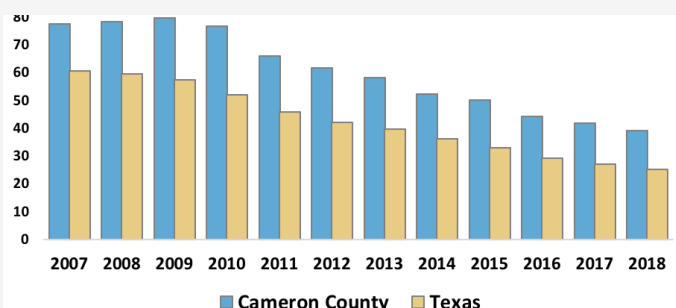
63% of 12th grade students have had sex.

Just 16% of school districts teach abstinence-plus sex education.

In 2018, Texas had the 9th highest teen birth rate and the highest rate of repeat teen births in the nation.

## Teen Birth Rate, 2018

### Cameron 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. Teen births are on the decline, but the Cameron County teen birth rate still was 57% higher than the Texas average in 2018.

Area	2018 Rate
Cameron County:	<b>39.2*</b>
Texas:	<b>25.0*</b>
US:	<b>17.4</b>

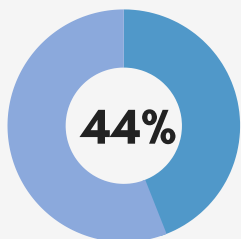
Between 2009 - 2018 the Cameron County teen birth rate declined

**51%**

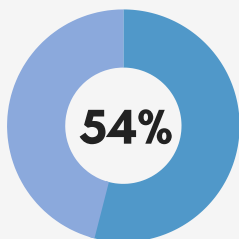
\* Preliminary estimated 2018 rate

## Community Well-Being

**Cameron County Children Living in Poverty**



**Cameron 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.

**Reported STI Cases & Rates, Youth 15-24, Cameron County**

	Count of new cases, 2018	Increase/decrease from 2009*	County, above/below TX rate, 2018
HIV	-	-	-
Chlamydia	1,465	<b>+64%</b>	-6%
Gonorrhea	174	<b>+79%</b>	-56%

\*Some increase may be due to improved screening and diagnoses.