

# **Potter County**

# **ADOLESCENT HEALTH**

A baby is born to a teen mom in Potter County every **two days** 

### **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.

### Number of Teen Births, 2018

#### **Number of Births in Potter County**

Births to 15-17 year olds: **51** 

Births to 18-19 year olds: **107** 

Total Teen Births in Potter County, 2018:

158

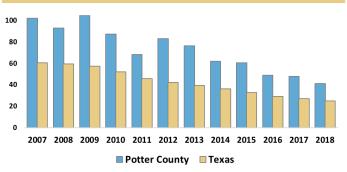
## 10-14 1.3% 15-17 31.9% 18-19 66.9%

19%

of teen births in Potter County are repeat births

### Teen Birth Rate, 2018

### Potter 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 Potter County teen birth rate was still 65% higher than the Texas average in 2018.

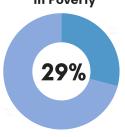
| Area      | 2018 Rate           |
|-----------|---------------------|
| Potter Co | unty: <b>41.3</b> * |
| Texas:    | 25.0*               |
| US:       | 17.4                |

Between 2009 - 2018 the Potter County teen birth rate declined

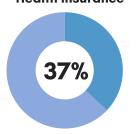
61%

## **Community Well-Being**

Potter County
Children Living
in Poverty



Potter 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, Potter County

| Count of   | Increase/  | County,       |
|------------|------------|---------------|
| new cases, | decrease   | above/below   |
| 2018       | from 2009* | TX rate, 2018 |
|            |            |               |

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

HIV - - - +3% +110% Gonorrhea 312 +46% +241%

<sup>\*</sup> Preliminary estimated 2018 rate