

Adolescent Sexual & Reproductive Health in the City of Alexandria

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Presentation Outline

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Key Definitions

- Pregnancy rates vs. Number of Pregnancies
 - Rates have a numerator & a denominator
 - Control for population differences
 - Number is a count of how many events or people
- Pregnancy rate: Number of pregnancies per 1,000 females
- Live birth rate: Number of live births per 1,000 females

- Number of pregnancies:
 - # of live births
 - + # of pregnancy terminations
 - + # of natural fetal death
 - = # of pregnancies
- Teen: Person 10 to 19 years of age
- Statistical significance: calculated difference between two rates or numbers that is not likely due to chance alone

Alexandria Teen Pregnancy Rates & Outcomes

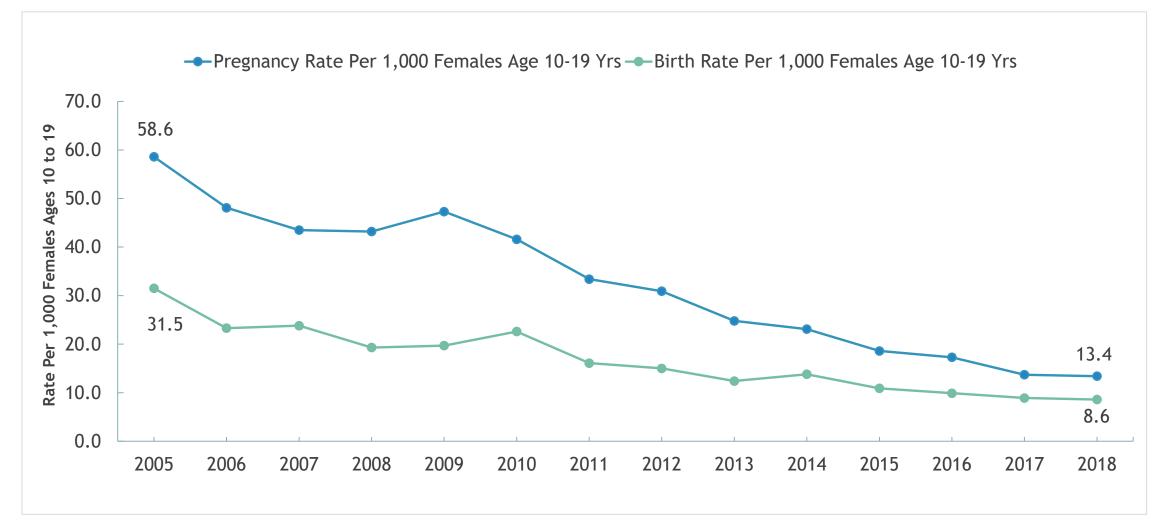
TRENDS OVER TIME

Alexandria's 2018 Teen Pregnancy Number & Rate

- In 2018, there were 80 teen pregnancies in Alexandria
 - 2018 Pregnancy Rate:
 - 13.4 pregnancies per 1,000 females ages 10 to 19
 - 2017 Pregnancy Rate:
 - 13.7 pregnancies per 1,000 females ages 10 to 19
- From 2017 to 2018 Alexandria's teen pregnancy rate declined 2.2%
 - This difference is *not* statistically significant

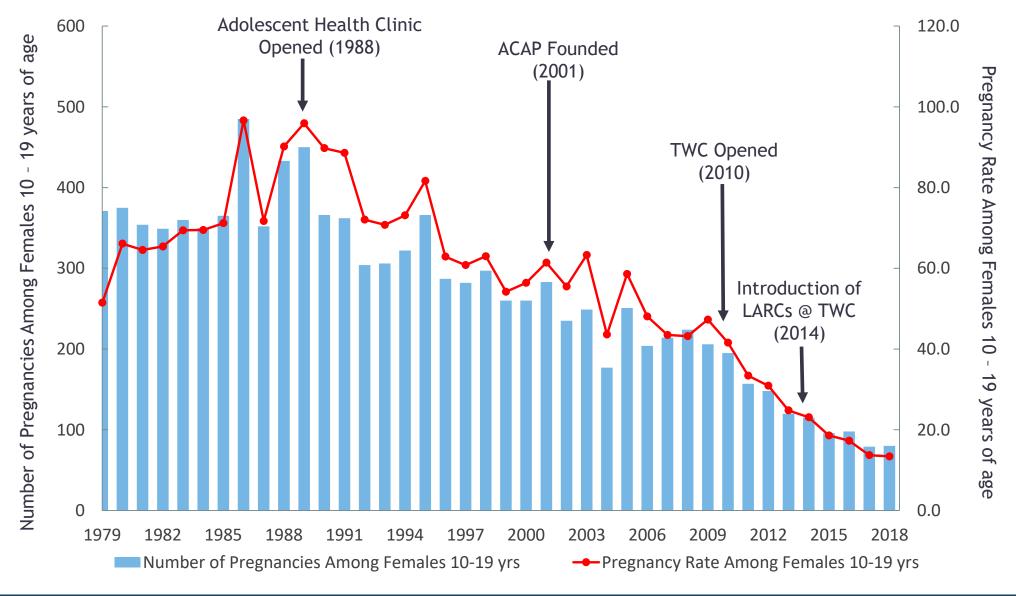


Alexandria's Teen Pregnancy Rate & Live Birth Rate from 2005 to 2018





Teen Pregnancy in Alexandria from 1979 to 2018





Alexandria Teen Pregnancy Rates & Outcomes

DISPARITIES BY RACE & HISPANIC ETHNICITY



Teen Pregnancy in Alexandria by Race & Hispanic Ethnicity

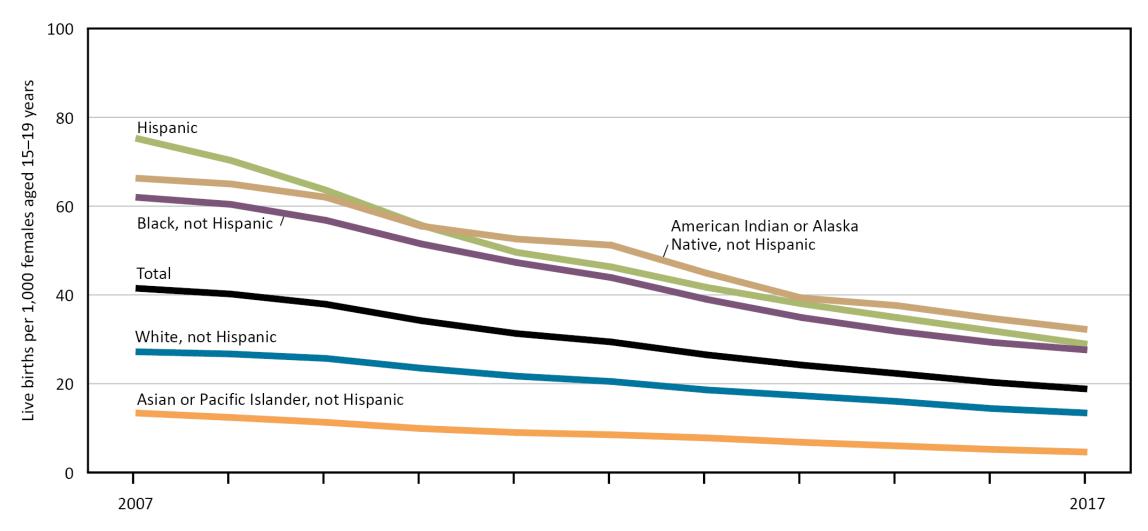
- Of the 80 teen pregnancies that occurred in Alexandria in 2018,
 - 55% were among Hispanic teens
 - 28% were among Black teens
 - 15% were among white teens

Alexandria Teen Live Births by Race & Hispanic Ethnicity

- Of the 51 live births among Alexandria teens 15 to 19 years of age in 2018,
 - 69% were among Hispanic teens
 - 20% were among Black teens
 - 18% were among white teens



Live Birth Rate Among U.S. Teens Age 15 to 19 Years by Race & Ethnicity from 2007 to 2017





Alexandria Teen Pregnancy Rate & Outcomes

TRENDS AND BENCHMARKS BY AGE



Number of Alexandria Teens who Experienced Pregnancy by Age

- Of the 80 teen pregnancies in Alexandria in 2018:
 - 15 (19%) were among teens 15 to 17 years of age
 - 65 (81%) were among teens 18 to 19 years of age

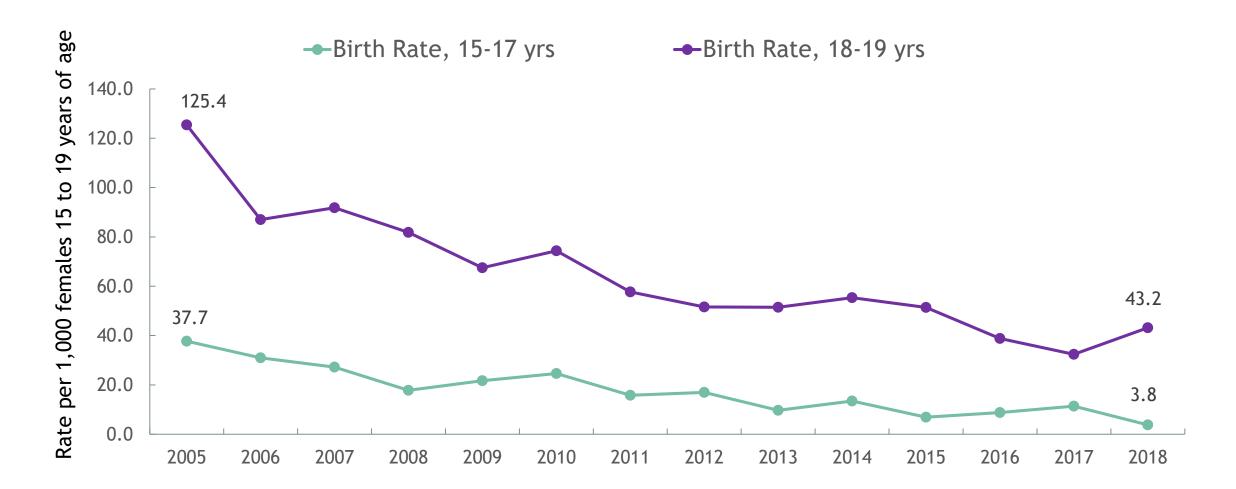


Pregnancy Rate Among Alexandria Teens by Age Group from 2005 to 2018



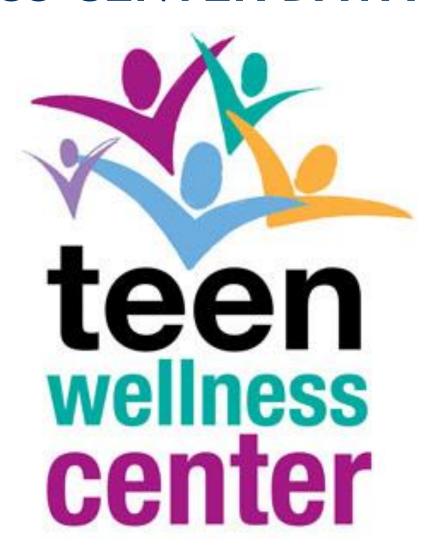


Birth Rate Among Alexandria Teens by Age Group from 2005 to 2018





TEEN WELLNESS CENTER DATA



Demographics of Patients seen at the TWC in 2018

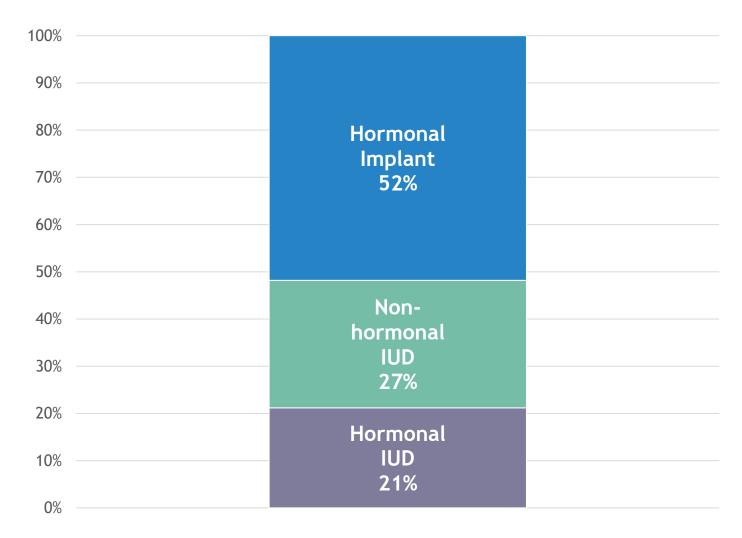
- 1,843 patients were seen at the Teen Wellness Center (TWC) in 2018
 - 40% identified as Hispanic
 - 35% identified as Black
 - 16% identified as white, non-Hispanic
 - 9% identified as other

Patients & Visits by Sub Program at the TWC in 2018

Sub Program	Number of Patients	Percent of Total Patients	Number of Visits
Family Planning	649	35%	1,672
Sexually Transmitted Infections	168	9%	254

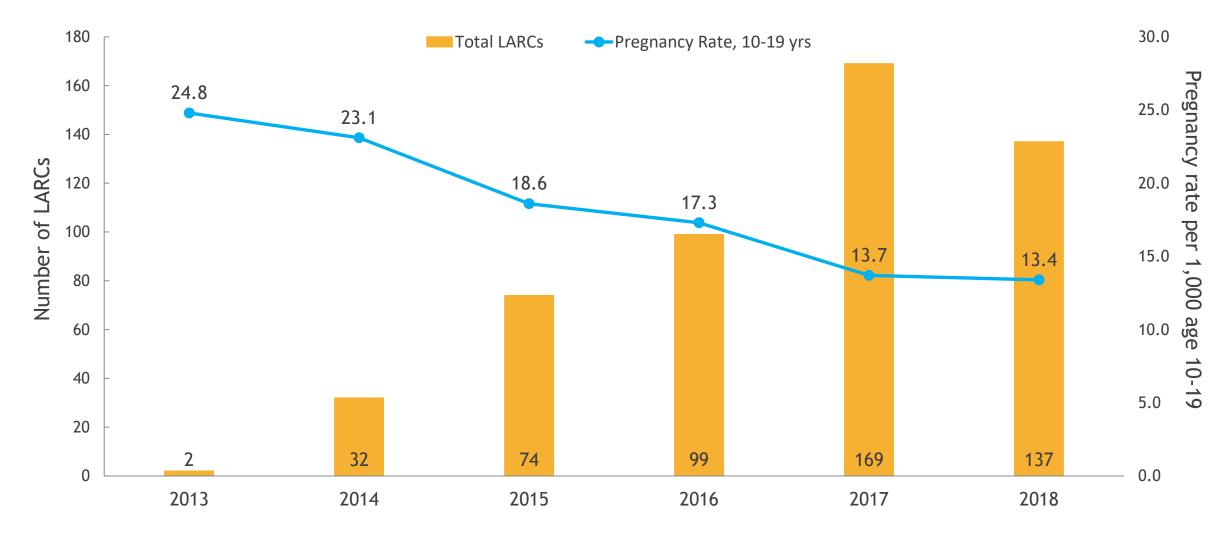


Long Acting Reversible Contraception (LARC) Options at the TWC





Utilization of LARCs at the TWC from 2013 to 2018





NEXT STEPS, KEY TAKEAWAYS, CONCLUSION



Youth Behavioral Risk Survey (YRBS) Data

- YRBS data was collected in 2019
 - Analysis is pending
- From the 2017 YRBS data we know:
 - Students are less sexually active
 - Most students who have sex are using condoms
 - Female and LBGTQ students experience, in greater numbers, factors that may impede optimal sexual and reproductive health.
- AHD will include information about mental health and LBGTQ experiences in future presentations.

Key Takeaways from this Year's Data

- Alexandria's teen pregnancy rate declined by 2.2% from 2017 to 2018
 - This change is not statistically significant
- Alexandria's pregnancy rates among teens ages 15 to 17 and 18 to 19 remain below the Health People 2020 benchmarks
- Disparities across race & ethnicity persist
 - Higher pregnancy rates for teens who identify as Black
 - Higher pregnancy rates for teens who identify as Hispanic
- AHD works to meet teens where they are through the TWC, Rainbow Tuesday, and Public Health Field Nursing programs

Next Steps

- Alexandria Health Department will continue to:
 - Strive for health equity
 - Provide patient-centered & evidence based care that focuses on and supports teen's long-term life goals, and emphasize abstinence as the only method guaranteed to prevent pregnancy and STIs.
 - Support pregnant and parenting teens through our WIC and Field Nursing programs.
 - Collaborate with ACPS, SAPCA, and others to develop programs based on the 2019 YRBS data

Data Sources

- Virginia Health Statistics, Statistical Reports and Tables; VDH Division of Health Statistics, December 2019. Available at: http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/healthstats/stats.htm.
- Additional VDH pregnancy and raw birth data provided by VDH Division of Health Statistics.
- Teen Wellness Center Data obtained from clinical administrative records.
- NOTES: Some states reported multiple-race data. The multiple-race data for these states were bridged to the four single-race categories for comparability across the trend. See data table for Figure 5.
- SOURCE: NCHS, National Vital Statistics System (NVSS), Natality. Excel and PowerPoint: https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/hus/contents2018.htm#Figure_005. Accessed September 10, 2020 at: https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/hus/2018/fig05.pdf

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QUESTIONS?

