

Indicator 9. Pregnancy, Abortion, and Births

Number of estimated pregnancies, abortions, and births per 1,000 teenage women, by age: 1980 to 1991

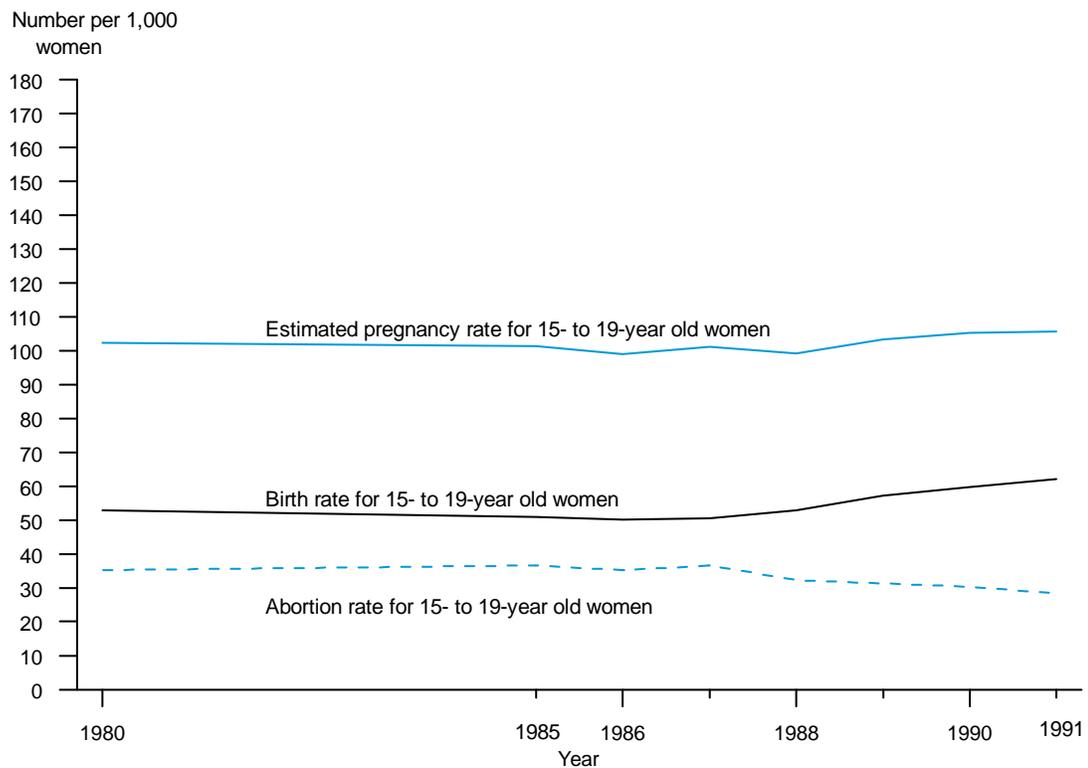
Year	Estimated pregnancy rate ¹		Abortion rate		Birth rate	
	10 to 14 years old	15 to 19 years old	10 to 14 years old	15 to 19 years old	10 to 14 years old	15 to 19 years old
1980	2.8	102.3	1.3	35.2	1.1	53.0
1985	3.3	101.4	1.7	36.6	1.2	51.0
1986	3.4	99.0	1.7	35.2	1.3	50.2
1987	3.4	101.1	1.7	36.7	1.3	50.6
1988	2.9	99.3	1.2	32.4	1.3	53.0
1989	3.0	103.3	1.2	31.4	1.4	57.3
1990	2.9	105.2	1.1	30.3	1.4	59.9
1991	2.9	105.7	1.1	28.3	1.4	62.1

¹ Pregnancies are estimated as the sum of births, abortions, and miscarriages. Miscarriages are estimated as the sum of 20 percent of all births and 10 percent of all abortions (see S. Henshaw, A. Kenney, D. Somberg and J. VanVort, *U.S. Teenage Pregnancy Statistics*, The Alan Guttmacher Institute, 1992).

SOURCES: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, *Health, United States, 1993*. U.S. Bureau of the Census Current Population Report: *U.S. Population Estimates, by Age, Sex, Race, and Hispanic Origin: 1980 to 1991, 1993*.

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Both pregnancy rates and birth rates for older teenagers (15 to 19 years old) rose between 1980 and 1991. The proportion of these pregnancies ending in abortions remained stable through the mid-80's, and then fell. About 28 percent of 15- to 19-year-old pregnancies resulted in abortion in 1991.