

State Profile

Kansas



ADOLESCENT SEXUAL HEALTH PROMOTION AT A GLANCE

The following is an overview of the state of adolescent sexual health promotion efforts in Kansas in Fiscal Year (FY) 2013, including sexuality education state laws and policy, sexual health data, and federal funding.

STATE LEVEL SEXUALITY EDUCATION LAW AND POLICY OVERVIEW

The <u>Kansas Administrative Regulations</u> require elementary and secondary students to be taught "physical education, which shall include instruction in health and human sexuality." Kansas does not require schools to follow a specific curriculum; however, in order to be accredited, schools must meet the minimum "performance and quality criteria" established by the <u>Kansas State Board of Education</u>. Kansas law does not require parental permission for students to participate in sexuality or HIV/AIDS education, nor does it say whether parents or guardians may remove their children from such classes.

REPORTED BEHAVIORS OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN KANSAS

Among Kansas high school students in 2013, 38% of females and 40% of males **reported ever having** had sexual intercourse, lower than the national average of 46% of females and 48% of males.

Among Kansas high school students in 2013, 30% of females and 27% of males **reported being currently sexually active** (having had sexual intercourse in the three months prior), lower than the national average of 35% of females and 33% of males.

Among Kansas high school students in 2013, 9% of females and 6% of males **reported experiencing physical dating violence one or more times** during the 12 months before the survey, lower than the reported national average of 13% of females and 7% of males.

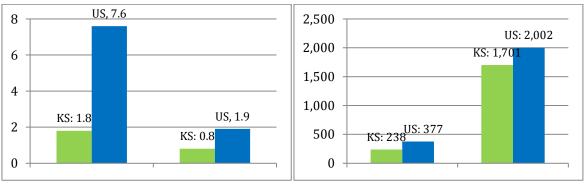
KANSAS TEEN PREGNANCY, BIRTH, AND ABORTION RATES

In 2010, Kansas's **teen pregnancy rate was lower than the national average**, with 53 pregnancies per 1,000 young women ages 15–19, compared to 57 per 1,000 nationwide.

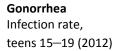
In 2012, Kansas's **teen birth rate was higher than the national average**, with 34 births per 1,000 young women ages 15–19, compared to 29 per 1,000 nationwide.

In 2010, Kansas's **teen abortion rate was lower than the national average**, with 5 abortions per 1,000 young women ages 15–19, compared to 15 per 1,000 nationwide.

KANSAS'S YOUNG PEOPLE: HIV/AIDS AND OTHER STD RATES (PER 100,000)



HIV infection Rate of diagnosis, teens 13–19 (2011) AIDS Rate of diagnosis, teens 13–19 (2011)



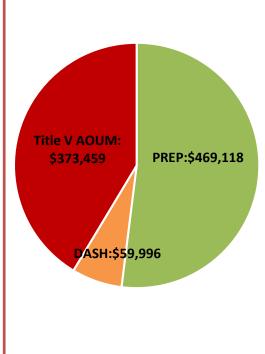
Chlamydia Infection rate, teens 15–19 (2012)

FY 2013 FEDERAL FUNDING IN KANSAS: TOTAL \$902,573

Title V AOUM Program (Title V) \$373,459

Kansas has chosen to implement abstinence-only-until-marriage (AOUM) programs through Title V, matching every \$4 federal dollars with \$3 state dollars or in-kind contributions.

The Kansas State Department of Health and Environment subgrants Title V AOUM funds to the Children's Alliance of Kansas, Inc., which provides the match through a combination of direct revenue and in-kind services. The Children's Alliance provides foster parents in 20 counties with abstinence education, mentoring, counseling, and adult supervision training in order to promote abstinence from sexual activity with the young people ages 10–19 in foster care.



Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP) \$469,118

Funds for states (PREP), local entities (PREIS), community/faithbased organizations (CPREP), and tribes (TPREP) to implement evidence-informed or innovative teen pregnancy- and HIV/STDprevention, and adulthood preparation programs for young people.

The Kansas State Department of Health and Environment provides subgrants to three local health departments: Johnson; Sedgwick; and Wyandotte counties. These three local health departments provide after -school programming to students ages 11–14 in the Blue Valley, DeSoto, Olathe, Shawnee Mission, and Spring Hill school districts.

Division of Adolescent and School Health (DASH) \$59,996

Funds state and local education agencies to help districts implement exemplary sexual health education (ESHE), increase access to key sexual health services (SHS), and establish safe and supportive environments (SSE) for students and staff; funds HIV/STD prevention efforts for young men who have sex with men (YMSM); supports state education and health agencies' surveillance efforts.

The Kansas State Department of Education is funded through DASH to collect and report the Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance and the School Health Profiles.

For further background on the federal programs, information on the grantees and the programs they are implementing, as well as citations, see the FY 2013 Kansas State Profile at <u>siecus.org/Kansas2013</u>.

