



ADOLESCENT SEXUAL HEALTH PROMOTION AT A GLANCE


The following is an overview of the state of adolescent sexual health promotion efforts in Illinois in Fiscal Year (FY) 2012 including sexuality education state laws and policy, sexual health data, and federal funding.

STATE LEVEL SEXUALITY EDUCATION LAW AND POLICY OVERVIEW

Any school teaching sexuality education must emphasize that: “abstinence is the expected norm in that abstinence from sexual intercourse is the only protection that is 100% effective against unwanted teenage pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases, and acquired immune deficiency syndrome when transmitted sexually.” State law mandates schools teach “honor and respect for monogamous heterosexual marriage.” All courses that discuss sexual intercourse are to address “the hazards of sexual intercourse...the latest medical information citing the failure and success rates of condoms.” Course material must also include information regarding responsible parenting, the availability of confidential adoption services, and the procedure for anonymously relinquishing a newborn infant to law enforcement agencies or hospitals. Illinois law also provides guidelines for family life education courses. For more information, see [105 Illinois Compiled Statutes §§ 110/2 and 110/3, 5/27-9.1-9.2, and 27-11](#); and [325 Illinois Compiled Statutes § 2/](#).

REPORTED SEXUAL ACTIVITY OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN ILLINOIS

 Among Illinois high school students in 2011, 45% of females and 44% of males reported **ever having had sexual intercourse, lower than the reported national average** of 46% of females and 49% of males.

 Among Illinois high school students in 2011, 35% of females and 30% of males reported being currently sexually active (having had sexual intercourse in the three months prior), **higher for females than the reported national average** of 34% of females and 33% of males.

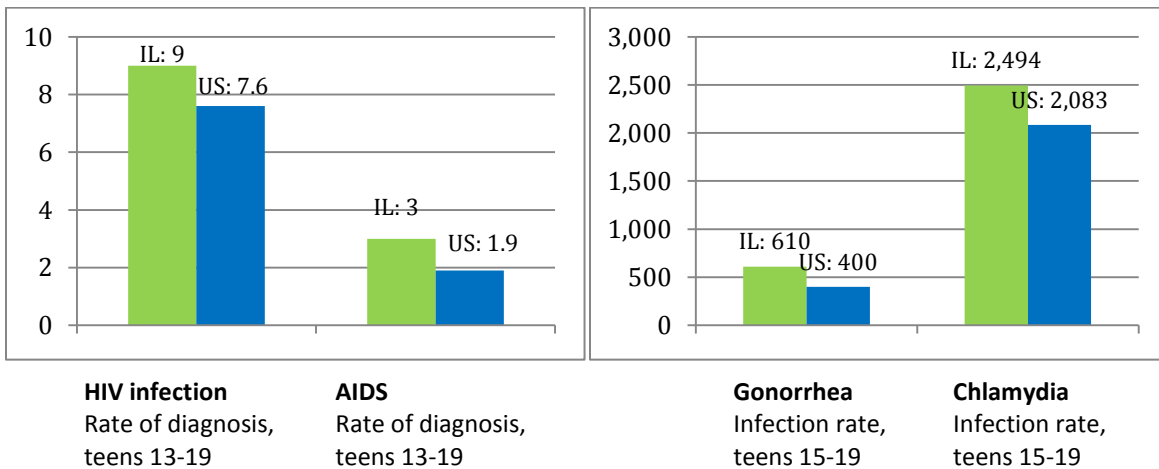
ILLINOIS TEEN PREGNANCY, BIRTH & ABORTION RATES

 Illinois’ teen **pregnancy rate is the same as the national average**, with 68 pregnant teens per 1,000.

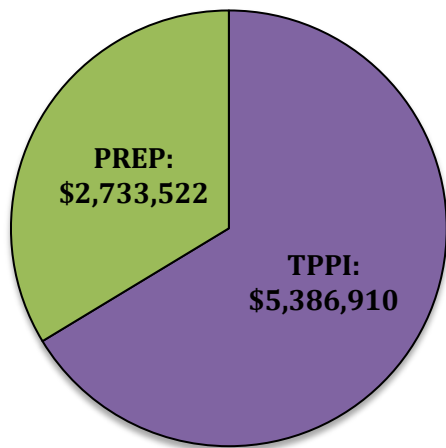
 Illinois’ teen **birth rate is lower than the national average**, with 30 teens per 1,000 giving birth compared to 31 teens per 1,000 nationwide in 2011.

 Illinois’ teen **abortion rate is higher than the national average**, with 20 teens per 1,000 having an abortion compared to 18 teens per 1,000 nationwide in 2008.

ILLINOIS'S YOUNG PEOPLE: HIV/AIDS & OTHER STD RATES IN 2011 (PER 100,000)



FY 2012 FEDERAL FUNDING IN ILLINOIS: TOTAL \$8,120,432



Teen Pregnancy Prevention Initiative (TPPI) \$5,386,910

Funds for local entities to implement evidence-based programs (Tier 1) or innovative strategies (Tier 2) to prevent teen pregnancy.

There are two Tier 1 grantees in Illinois, the Chicago Public Schools (CPS) and the Children’s Home & Aid Society of Illinois. CPS’ sub-grant supports its “Chicago Teen Pregnancy Prevention Initiative,” which provides programming to students in ninth grade. The overall goal of the program, implemented in 40 target schools, is to reduce teen pregnancy by improving the life skills, healthy behaviors, and community engagement of Chicago’s youth. The Children’s Home & Aid Society of Illinois’ program is primarily designed for African-American youth in fourth through sixth grade in three elementary schools on Chicago’s south side.

Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP) \$2,733,522

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

The Illinois Department of Human Services sub-grants PREP funds to providers who are required to “implement at least one evidence-based teen pregnancy prevention curriculum, work with a coalition, and deliver supplemental activities.” The programs targets youth ages 11–18 living in geographical areas with a demonstrated need, requiring at least 50% or more of the youth population to be African American and/or Latino. There is one PREIS grantee in Illinois, Demoiselle 2 Femme, NFP, an abstinence-only-until-marriage proponent that previously received funding from the federal Adolescent Family Life Act grant program and the Illinois Title V abstinence-only-until-marriage fund.

For further background on the federal programs, information on the grantees and the programs they are implementing, as well as citations, please see the FY 2012 Illinois State Profile available at

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