






## ADOLESCENT SEXUAL HEALTH PROMOTION AT A GLANCE

The following is an overview of the state of adolescent sexual health promotion efforts in Nevada 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

Nevada mandates that each school district's board of trustees "establish a course or unit of a course of" factual instruction concerning AIDS and instruction on the human reproductive system, related communicable diseases, and sexual responsibility. Such classes cannot be a requirement for graduation. Furthermore, each board of trustees must appoint an advisory committee consisting of five parents with children in the school district and four representatives from medicine, counseling, religion, students, or teaching. The parent or guardian of each student to whom a course is offered must first be furnished written notice that the course will be offered. Upon receipt of the written consent of the parent or guardian, the student may attend the course ("opt-in"). For more information, see [Nevada Revised Statutes § 389.065](#).

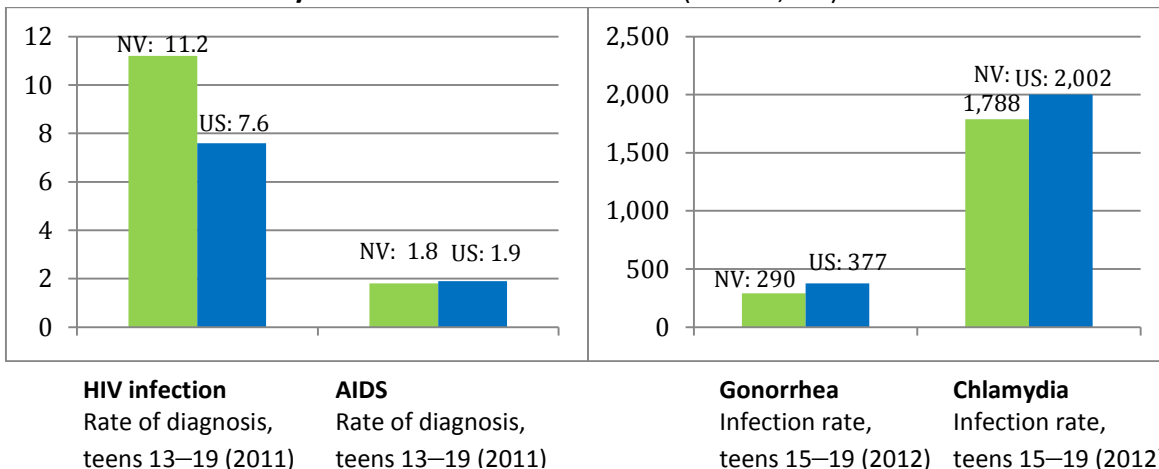
### REPORTED BEHAVIORS OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN NEVADA

-  Among Nevada high school students in 2013, 41% of females and 47% of males **reported ever having had sexual intercourse**, lower than the reported national average of 46% of females and 48% of males.
-  Among Nevada high school students in 2013, 29% of females and 30% of males **reported being currently sexually active** (having had sexual intercourse in the three months prior), lower than the reported national average of 35% of females and 33% of males.
-  Among Nevada high school students in 2013, 12% of females and 9% of males **reported experiencing physical dating violence one or more times** during the 12 months before the survey, higher for males than the reported national average of 13% of females and 7% of males.

### NEVADA TEEN PREGNANCY, BIRTH, AND ABORTION RATES

-  In 2010, Nevada's **teen pregnancy rate was higher than the national average**, with 68 pregnancies per 1,000 teens ages 15–19, compared to 57 per 1,000 nationwide.
-  In 2012, Nevada's **teen birth rate was higher than the national average**, with 33 births per 1,000 teens ages 15–19, compared to 29 per 1,000 nationwide.
-  In 2010, Nevada's **teen abortion rate was higher than the national average**, with 20 abortions per 1,000 teens ages 15–19, compared to 15 per 1,000 nationwide.

**NEVADA’S YOUNG PEOPLE: HIV/AIDS AND OTHER STD RATES (PER 100,000)**

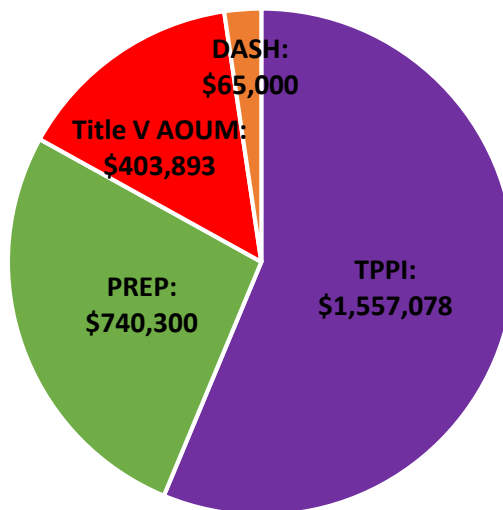


**FY 2012 FEDERAL FUNDING IN NEVADA: TOTAL \$2,766,271**

**Title V AOUM Program (Title V) \$403,893**

Nevada 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 Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health administers the Title V AOUM program in collaboration with three local sub-grantees in Carson City, Douglas, Elko, Lyon, and Washoe counties: Carson City Health and Human Services, Family Resource Center of Northeastern Nevada–Elko, and Quest Counseling and Consulting–Reno. The funded programs serve young people ages 9–12, with priority enrollment given to youth in foster care. In addition, there is a statewide radio and TV campaign funded by the Title V AOUM program, in partnership with the Nevada Broadcasters Association, to produce TV and radio spots in English and Spanish promoting abstinence from sexual activity and encouraging parent-child communication. The funding match is made with in-kind funds from the Nevada Broadcasters Association.



**Teen Pregnancy Prevention Initiative (TPPI) \$1,557,078**

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 Nevada: The Center for Health Disparities Research at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, which provides programming to African-American youth ages 14–18 in Clark County; and the Southern Nevada Health District, which partners with other government agencies to provide programming to high-risk youth ages 13–18 in the Clark County Juvenile Detention Center, Clark County Probation, and Division of Family Services Foster Care Program.

**Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP) \$740,300**

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.

Nevada PREP sub-grants to three entities: Huntridge Teen Clinic, Planned Parenthood Mar Monte, and the Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountains. The programs take place in community-based settings in Clark and Washoe counties and serve females ages 13–18, with priority enrollment given to youth in foster care. There is also one PREIS grantee in Nevada, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northern Nevada, which serves youth ages 13–18, focusing on low-income youth who are already involved in the Big Brothers Big Sisters mentoring program.

**Division of Adolescent and School Health (DASH) \$65,000**

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 Nevada Department of Health and Human Services receives DASH funding 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 Nevada State Profile at [siecus.org/Nevada2013](http://siecus.org/Nevada2013).