






ADOLESCENT SEXUAL HEALTH PROMOTION AT A GLANCE

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

[Wyoming](#) does not require sexuality, HIV/AIDS, or sexually transmitted disease (STD) prevention education, nor does it limit what can be taught if such education is offered. Schools are required to provide health education programs, and developmentally appropriate sexuality education concepts and benchmarks are included in the [Wyoming Health Education Content and Performance Standards](#). In addition, the Wyoming Department of Education created the [HIV/AIDS Model Policy for Wyoming Public Schools](#), which recommends standards for HIV/AIDS prevention education. Parents or guardians may remove their children from school-based sexuality education and/or HIV/STD-education classes (“opt-out”).

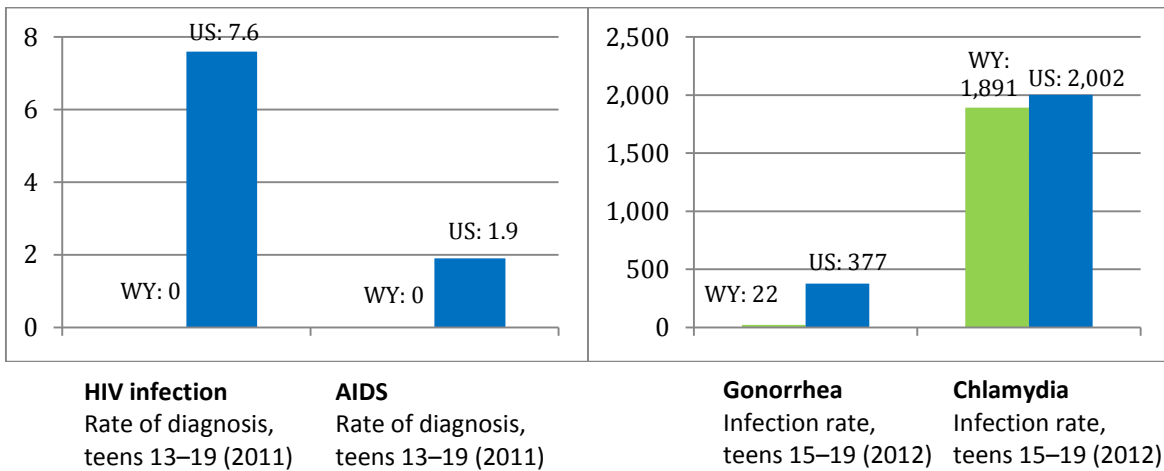
REPORTED BEHAVIORS OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN WYOMING

-  Among Wyoming high school students in 2013, 45% of females and 49% of males **reported ever having had sexual intercourse**, higher for males than the reported national average of 46% of females and 48% of males.
-  Among Wyoming high school students in 2013, 36% of females and 34% of males **reported being currently sexually active** (having had sexual intercourse in the three months prior), higher than the reported national average of 35% of females and 33% of males.
-  Among Wyoming high school students in 2013, 13% of females and 7% of males **reported experiencing physical dating violence one or more times** during the 12 months before the survey, similar to the reported national average of 13% of females and 7% of males.

WYOMING TEEN PREGNANCY, BIRTH, AND ABORTION RATES

-  In 2010, Wyoming’s teen **pregnancy rate was lower than the national average**, with 56 pregnancies per 1,000 teens ages 15–19, compared to 57 per 1,000 nationwide.
-  In 2012, Wyoming’s teen **birth rate was higher than the national average**, with 35 births per 1,000 teens ages 15–19, compared to 29 per 1,000 nationwide.
-  In 2010, Wyoming’s teen **abortion rate was lower than the national average**, with 8 abortions per 1,000 teens ages 15–19, compared to 15 per 1,000 nationwide.

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

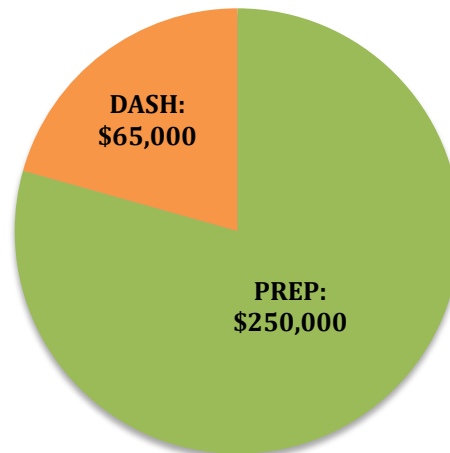


FY 2013 FEDERAL FUNDING IN WYOMING: TOTAL \$315,000

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 Wyoming Department of Education receives DASH funds to collect and report the Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance and the School Health Profiles.



Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP) \$250,000

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 Wyoming Department of Health received \$250,000 in federal PREP funds.

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 Wyoming State Profile at siecus.org/Wyoming2013.