



2012

Bexar County Teen Pregnancy Report

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Teen Pregnancy is a Result of Many Factors



...More than 500 factors affect one or more of the eight important measures of teen sexual behavior and outcomes.

- 1. Age at which sex is initiated**
- 2. Frequency of sex**
- 3. Number of partners**
- 4. Use of condoms**
- 5. Use of other contraceptive methods**
- 6. Pregnancy**
- 7. Childbearing**
- 8. Sexually Transmitted Diseases**

Teen Pregnancy Has Far Reaching Effects



- **Mom** is more likely to
 - » **drop out of school**
 - » **be poor**
 - » **be a single parent**



- **Dad** is more likely to
 - » **get less education**
 - » **earn less**
 - » **be less involved in their child's life**



- **Baby** is more likely to
 - » **die within the first year**
 - » **Score lower on Math and Reading**
 - » **become a teen parent**

San Antonio's Vision

SA2020

A community goal was made for a reduction in the teen birth rate for Bexar County by 15% by 2020



Bexar County Teen Births



In 2012, there were **2,755** births to females ages 19 and younger.

2000: 3,818 births

2005: 3,641 births

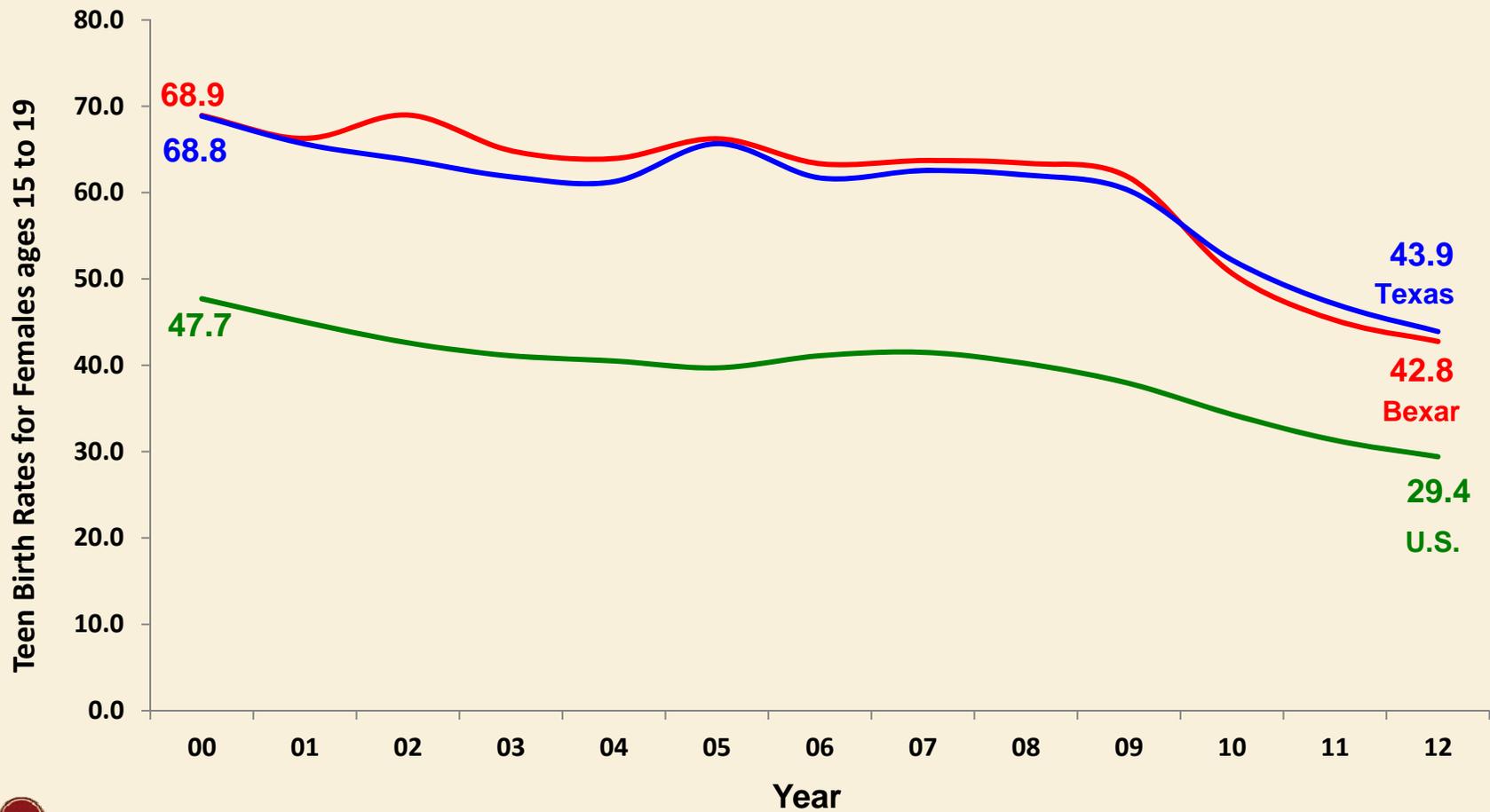
2010: 3,298 births



Source: San Antonio Metro Health 2012 – preliminary data



Bexar County Teen Birth Rate Declined by 38% since 2000



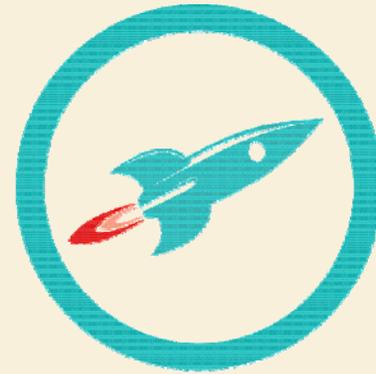
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Making Progress

SA2020

Goal was met!



But, more work needs to be done...

Our 2012 Bexar County teen birth rate for females ages 15 to 19 was still **46%** higher than the National teen birth rate.

Teen Pregnancy and our Future



In 2017,
125 Kindergarten
classes will be filled with
children of teen parents

2012 Costs of Teen Childbearing

\$59.6 Million in Bexar County taxpayer money

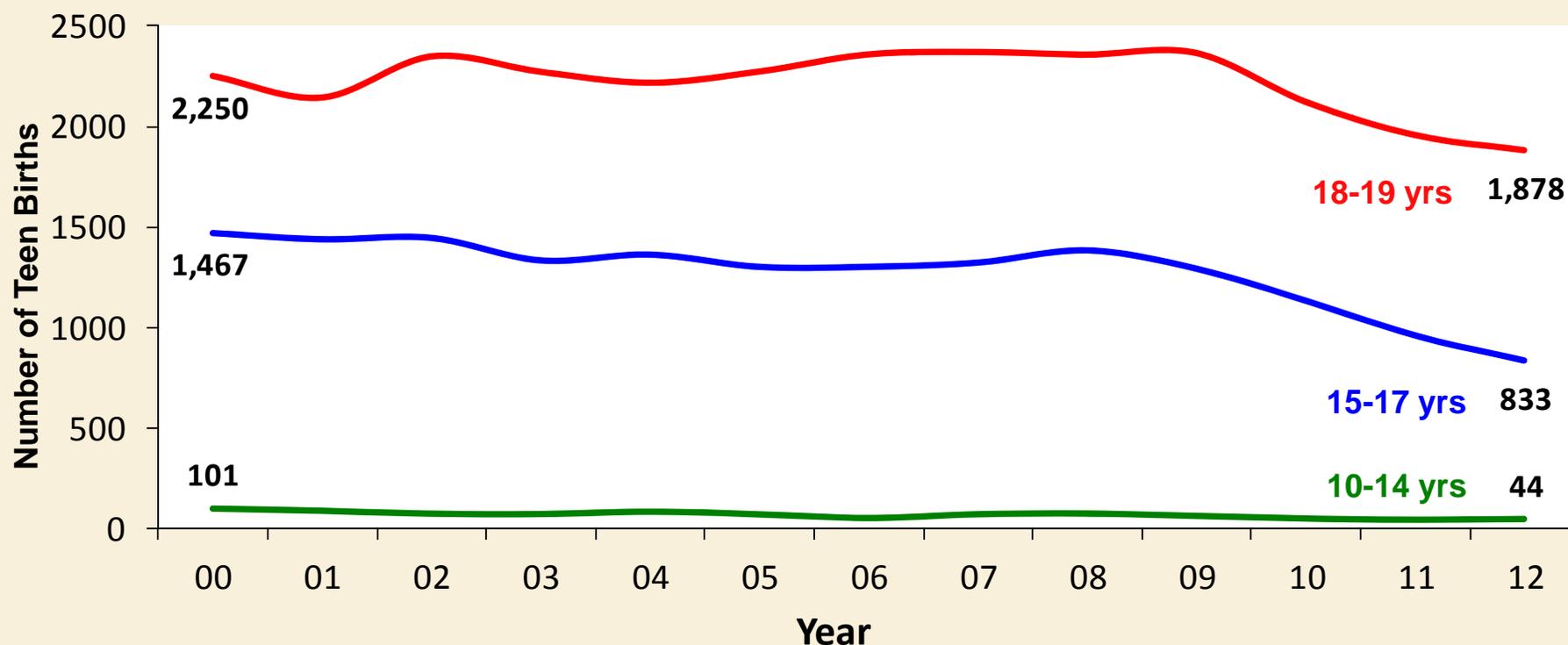
Costs include health care, child welfare, incarceration, lost revenue



Source: The National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy, 2008 Cost Calculator. Based on 2012 preliminary data.
Bexar County Dollar Bill – produced by Project WORTH with permission from the National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy

68% of teen births were to females ages 18 to 19

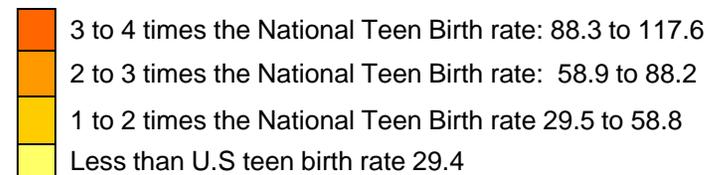
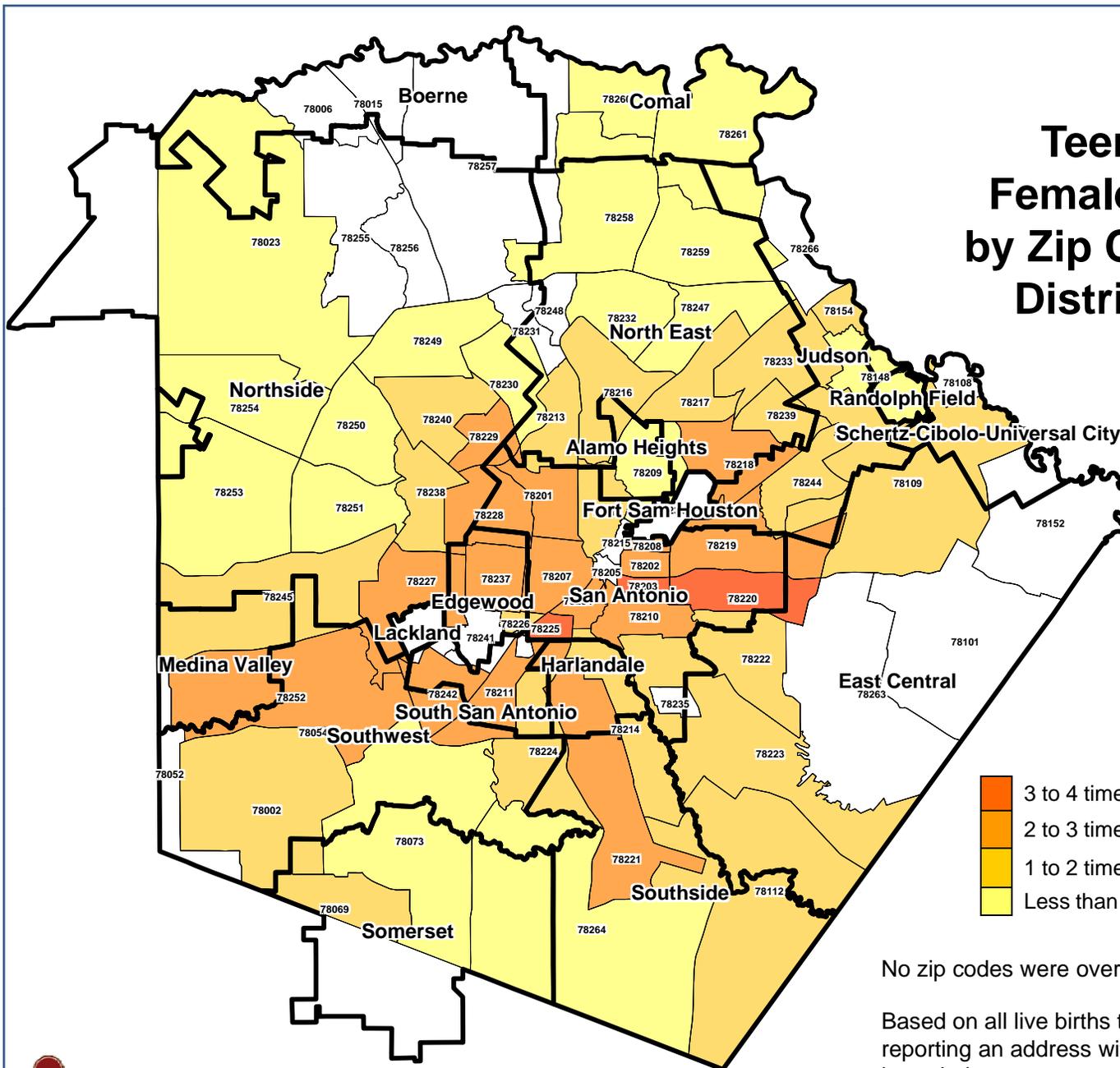
2000 – 2012 Bexar County Teen Births by Female Age Groups



Source: San Antonio Metro Health 2012 Births – preliminary data



2012 Teen Birth Rates Females ages 15 to 19 by Zip Code and School District boundaries



No zip codes were over 4x National teen birth rate.

Based on all live births to females ages 15 to 19 reporting an address within school district boundaries

<5 births not included



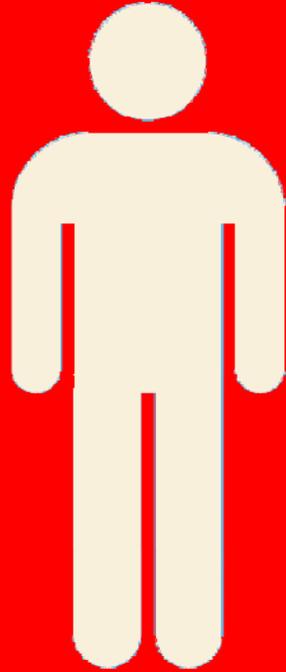
Bexar County 2012: Age of Fathers of Babies Born to Mothers 19 and Under

Under 18

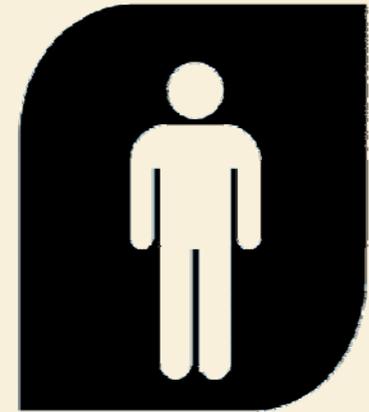


10%

18 & Over



Unknown

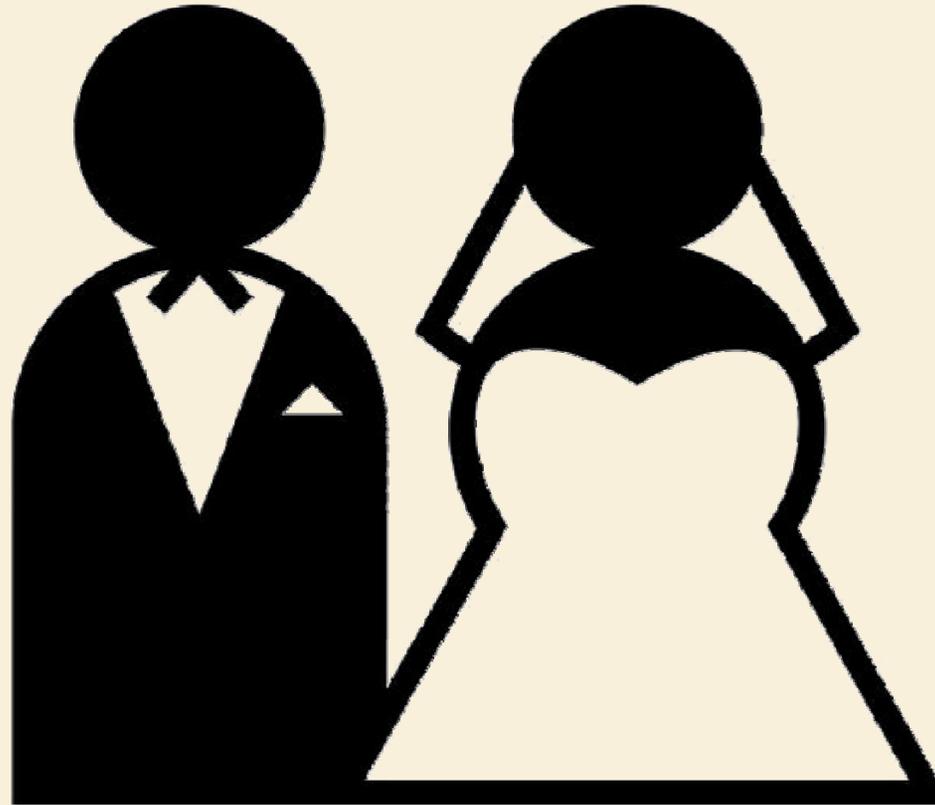


29%

61% of fathers were 18 and older

In 2012, 15% of teen mothers were married

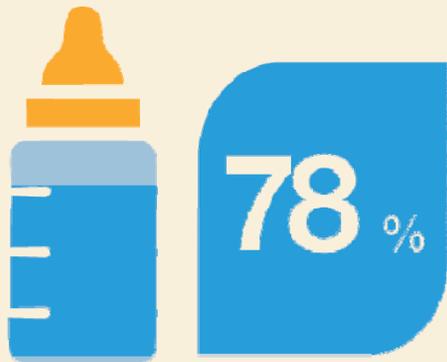
...Down from 21% in 2011



Source: San Antonio Metro Health 2012 – preliminary data.



Repeat Teen Births



ONE CHILD



MORE THAN ONE CHILD

In 2012, **610** teen mothers who gave birth already had at least one previous child

We can prevent teen pregnancies by...

Involving parents



Implementing sex-education that works



Increasing access to contraception



Having a community dialogue

The San Antonio Teen Pregnancy Prevention Collaborative

Working on effective and community-wide strategies to continue our progress.

