Key Information about New Jersey

STATISTICS

- Number of Teen Pregnancies in 2010: **14,630**
- Teen Pregnancy Rate: ranks **#19** out of 50 states (1 is best, 50 is worst)
- Change in Teen Pregnancy Rate (1988-2010): **54%**, which ranks **#12** in the rate of decline (vs. 48% nationally)

- Number of Teen Births in 2012: **4,772**
- Teen Birth Rate in 2012: ranks **#5** out of 50
- Change in Teen Birth Rate (1991-2012): **60%**, which ranks **#4** in the rate of decline (vs. 52% nationally)

- Number of Unintended Pregnancies in 2008 to women ages 15-44: **106,000**
- Percent of all pregnancies that are unintended: **54%**, which ranks **#35** (median = 51%)

Cost of Teen Childbearing

- In 2010, the public cost of teen childbearing in New Jersey was **$208 million** (national costs at least $9.4 billion)
- Between 1991 and 2010, there were **161,817** births to teens, costing taxpayers **$6.4 billion** over this period
- Because of the **51%** reduction in the teen childbearing rate between 1991 and 2010, taxpayers saved **$339 million** in 2010

Cost of Unintended Pregnancy

- In 2008, the public costs for births resulting from unintended pregnancies in New Jersey was **$314 million**, which ranks **#38** (national cost = at least $12.5 billion)

Medicaid

- In 2010, **28%** of births in New Jersey were Medicaid-funded
- New Jersey does not have a Medicaid family planning expansion
FEDERAL TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION GRANTS

Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP): $1,316,840

Grantee: New Jersey Department of Health & Senior Services

The New Jersey PREP state grant program is implemented by the New Jersey Department of Health with the help of seven local sub-grantees. Evidence-based programs serve youth living in the state’s 30 municipalities with the highest teen birth rates.

State Abstinence Education Grant: $848,924

Grantee: New Jersey Department of Health & Senior Services

The New Jersey Title V State Abstinence Education Grant is administered by the New Jersey Department of Health in collaboration with four local entities. The funded programs serve youth ages 10–14 living in the state’s 30 municipalities with the highest teen birth rates.

Office of Adolescent Health Tier 1:

South Jersey Healthcare  
Vineland, NJ  
Program model: Children’s Aid Society - Carerra Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Program  
$1,000,000  
South Jersey Healthcare will partner with local schools and community agencies to implement the Cumberland County Partnership for Healthy Teens. The project will replicate the Children’s Aid Society - Carerra Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Program in two communities in southern New Jersey. The project will target 120 students in the 6th through 10th grades, with an emphasis on Hispanic immigrant teens. The goal of the project is to reduce the teen pregnancy rate in the communities served.

The Regional Perinatal Consortium of Monmouth and Ocean Counties  
Lakewood, NJ  
Program models: Teen Outreach Program™ and ¡Cuídate!  
$481,326  
The Regional Perinatal Consortium of Monmouth and Ocean Counties (RPCMOC) serves suburban and rural youth under the age of 19 in Monmouth and Ocean Counties. RPCMOC will implement the Teen Outreach Program™ (TOP) with African-American youth in Neptune and Asbury Park school districts and ¡Cuídate! with Latino youth in Lakewood. Approximately 200 youth annually in years 2-5 will be reached with TOP. Approximately 30 students per year will be reached with ¡Cuídate! in years 2-5. A total of 960 youth will be served.

Office of Adolescent Health Tier 2:

Princeton Center for Leadership Training (PCLT)  
Princeton, NJ
Program model or strategy: *Teen Prevention Education Program* (Teen PEP)  
$965,522

PCLT will implement and test *Teen PEP* in 16 North Carolina high schools in rural and high-poverty communities in the counties of Columbus, Greene, Forsyth, Lenoir, and Rockingham. *Teen PEP* is a school-based comprehensive sexual health program that trains peer educators in grades 11 and 12 during the school day to deliver programs to freshman students. The intervention addresses postponing sexual involvement; preventing unintended pregnancy, HIV/AIDS, and sexually transmitted infections; and reducing the impact of alcohol and drugs on sexual decision-making. All participants are exposed to a school-wide campaign developed by the peer educators to reinforce workshop messages.

**Pregnancy Assistance Fund**

New Jersey Department of Children and Families, Division of Family and Community Partnership  
Trenton, NJ

Program Categories: High schools and Community Service Centers, Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Prevention, and Public Awareness and Education  
$1,400,000  
Funded 2013 – 2016

**TITLE X FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES IN NEW JERSEY**

- Title X–supported centers provided contraceptive care to 122,660 women in New Jersey in 2010.
- In 2010, contraceptive services provided at Title X–supported centers in New Jersey helped women avoid 30,700 unintended pregnancies, which would have resulted in 15,200 births and 10,500 abortions.
- In the absence of these services, the number of abortions in New Jersey would be 18% higher.
- In the absence of these services, the number of teen pregnancies in New Jersey would be 30% higher.
- By helping women avoid unintended pregnancies and the births that would follow, the services provided at Title X-supported centers in New Jersey saved $199.4 million in public funds in 2010.

**About the National Campaign:** The National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy is a nonprofit, nonpartisan initiative supported almost entirely by private donations. The National Campaign seeks to improve the lives and future prospects of children and families and, in particular, to help ensure that children are born into stable, two-parent families who are committed to and ready for the demanding task of raising the next generation. Our specific strategy is to prevent teen pregnancy and unplanned pregnancy among single, young adults. We support a combination of responsible values and behavior by both men and women and responsible policies in both the public and private sectors. If we are successful, child and family well-being will improve. There will be less poverty, more opportunities for young men and
women to complete their education or achieve other life goals, fewer abortions, and a stronger nation.

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