Teen Pregnancy is a complex issue that requires a community-wide solution.

Teen mothers are less likely to complete the education necessary to qualify for a well-paying job.

**OKLAHOMA**

Ranks 2nd highest (worst) in the nation for birth rates to teen females aged 15-19.

In the U.S., 30% of teen girls who have dropped out of high school cite pregnancy or parenthood as a key reason.

In the U.S., 18% of high school students have had sex with four or more people during their life.

Among high school students who had sex during the 3 months before the survey, 58% used a condom during last sexual intercourse.

50% of high school students have had sex.

Each year, teen childbearing costs the U.S. more than $9 billion.

In Oklahoma, teen childbearing costs an estimated $169 million to taxpayers.

**BIRTH RATE** for females aged 15-19 by state: United States 2012

Birth Rate
- 10.0 - 20.0
- 20.1 - 30.0
- 30.1 - 40.0
- 40.1 - 50.0

U.S. Average 29.4

Oklahoma 47.3

Birth Rate= the number of live births per 1,000 females aged 15-19

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