



Trends in Teen Birth Rates for Selected Communities, 2005-2006

Rates are per 1,000 women, ages 15-19.

Communities that saw an increase in the teen birth rate from 2005-2006 are shaded.

2006 Rank	Municipality	Number of Teen Births 2005	Teen Birth Rate 2005	Number of Teen Births 2006	Teen Birth Rate 2006	% Increase or Decrease in Rate, 2005-2006
	State Total	4539	21.7	4722	21.3	-2
1	Holyoke	146	96.8	143	94.8	-2
2	Springfield	435	71.6	490	80.7	+12.7
3	Lawrence	217	71.7	244	80.6	+12.4
4	Chelsea	75	75.0	79	79.0	+5.3
5	New Bedford	174	58.9	207	70.0	+18.8
6	Southbridge	36	64.5	36	64.5	0
7	Fitchburg	62	39.6	91	58.2	+47
8	Fall River	140	49.5	146	51.6	+4.2
9	Lowell	204	51.4	202	50.9	-1
10	Pittsfield	67	52.7	63	49.6	-5.9
11	Lynn	146	47.3	147	47.7	+8
12	Brockton	148	40.7	156	42.9	+5.4
13	Haverhill	59	30.9	73	38.3	+23.9
14	Revere	48	45.6	39	37.0	-18.9
15	Everett	35	33.0	37	34.9	+5.8
16	Worcester	262	37.2	242	34.4	-7.5
17	Chicopee	72	41.4	58	33.4	-19.3
18	Framingham	45	23.0	65	33.3	+44.8
19	Taunton	53	32.5	53	32.5	0
20	Leominster	22	17.5	38	30.3	+73.1
21	Boston	566	28.6	568	28.7	+3
22	Barnstable	29	21.3	29	21.3	0
23	Plymouth	26	15.6	30	17.9	+14.7
24	Somerville	37	17.1	34	15.7	-8.2
25	Cambridge	20	5.1	32	8.2	+60.8

*Communities listed above are the cities and towns with the 25 highest numbers of teen births. Community data is calculated using 2005 census data. Population changes in 2006 may impact the final rates.

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