



Trends in Teen Birth Rates for Selected Communities, 2010

Rates are per 1,000 women, ages 15-19. Cities in which the teen birth rate increased between 2009 and 2010 are shaded.

| 2010 Rank by Birth Rate | City | Birth Rate 2010 | Number of Births 2010 | Birth Rate 2009 | Number of Births 2009 | % Change in Rate, 2009-2010 |
|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| | State Total | 17.1 | 3,907 | 19.5 | 4,583 | -12% |
| 1 | Holyoke | 83.6 | 126 | 96.9 | 146 | -14% |
| 2 | Lawrence | 56.8 | 193 | 70.4 | 239 | -19% |
| 3 | Springfield | 54.3 | 371 | 64.1 | 438 | -15% |
| 4 | Chelsea | 51.8 | 62 | 63.5 | 76 | -18% |
| 5 | Southbridge | 49.0 | 28 | 54.3 | 31 | -10% |
| 6 | New Bedford | 47.4 | 144 | 57.0 | 173 | -17% |
| 7 | Lynn | 46.2 | 149 | 53.4 | 172 | -13% |
| 8 | Lowell | 44.7 | 184 | 51.0 | 210 | -12% |
| 9 | Fall River | 44.6 | 124 | 46.4 | 129 | -4% |
| 10 | Brockton | 35.5 | 119 | 40.8 | 137 | -13% |
| 11 | Pittsfield | 34.4 | 46 | 52.3 | 70 | -34% |
| 12 | Fitchburg | 32.6 | 58 | 36.0 | 64 | -9% |
| 13 | Worcester | 31.6 | 244 | 28.3 | 219 | +12% |
| 14 | Haverhill | 31.3 | 56 | 39.1 | 70 | -20% |
| 15 | Taunton | 28.1 | 49 | 40.1 | 70 | -30% |
| 16 | Chicopee | 27.6 | 52 | 38.3 | 72 | -28% |
| 17 | Leominster | 26.0 | 34 | 31.3 | 41 | -17% |
| 18 | Revere | 25.8 | 37 | 39.1 | 56 | -34% |
| 19 | Everett | 24.3 | 32 | 28.1 | 37 | -14% |
| 20 | Framingham | 22.1 | 52 | 21.3 | 50 | +4% |
| 21 | Attleboro | 21.6 | 29 | 29.0 | 39 | -26% |
| 22 | Boston | 19.4 | 503 | 20.0 | 521 | -3% |
| 23 | Salem | 18.5 | 29 | 12.7 | 20 | +46% |
| 24 | Somerville | 17.5 | 30 | 23.4 | 40 | -25% |
| 25 | Quincy | 15.6 | 31 | 11.6 | 23 | +34% |

*Selected communities include the 25 Massachusetts cities and towns with the greatest number of teen births.

* Rates were calculated using 2010 Census data. Rates for 2009 were re-calculated by DPH using 2010 Census data as well.

Source:

Massachusetts Births 2010. (2013, March). Boston: Division of Research and Epidemiology, Bureau of Health Information, Statistics, Research and Evaluation, Massachusetts Department of Public Health.