

# Native American Teen Pregnancy in New Mexico

## New Mexico 2001 Data

- There were 18 Native American pregnancies to teens under the age of 15
- There were 659 Native American pregnancies to teens 15-19 years.
- There were 14 Native American births to teens under the age of 15
- There were 571 births to teens 15-19 years.
- The birth rate (per 1000 teen girls for 15-19 year old Native American girls is 58%, as compared to 66% for teens as a whole in NM.

## Apache Specific Data (aggregate data for the 3 year period of 1997-99)

- There were 124 births to females under age 20

## Navajo Specific Data (aggregate data for the 3 year period of 1997-99)

- There were 1,201 births to females under age 20. This was a 6% decrease compared to 1994-96

## Pueblo Specific Data (aggregate data for the 3 year period of 1997-99)

- There were 481 births to teens under age 20.

Data Source for the above: *New Mexico Tribal Report 2002*, Office of New Mexico Vital Records and Health Statistics, Public Health Division, Department of Health

## 1999 New Mexico Birth Rates (per 1000 females 15-19 year old)

Non-Hispanic White	38/1000
Hispanic	92/1000
African American	50/1000
Native American	70/1000 (US Native American rate = 68) (21% were subsequent teen births)

- Between 1991-99, Native American teen birth rates declined by 20% in the US and by 24% in New Mexico
- In 2000, 86% of Native American teen births in the US were non-marital, 93% were non-marital in New Mexico

Data in this section came from the national Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy web site: [www.teenpregnancy.org](http://www.teenpregnancy.org)

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# Parental Support of Adolescents

## Summary

Most New Mexico adolescents felt that they had a parent or other adult at home who believed in them. All groups presented had similar rates of parental support.

## Parental Support of Adolescents by Race/Ethnicity



## New Mexico, 2001

<i>Youth Resiliency</i>	
<b>Parental Support</b>	<b>2001 Percent</b>
Male	87
Female	87
White	90
Hispanic	88
Native American	83

## Definition

Percentage of respondents who reported having a parent or other adult at home who believes in them

## Limitations

Survey is a sample of adolescents in high school

*Source:* New Mexico Youth Risk and Resiliency Survey, State Department of Education and Department of Health