



# RDMC DATA SHEET

SARG Data Category: 1. CONSEQUENCES  
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Title: Teenage Pregnancy and Teen Births

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### Indicator:

The reported rate of births to teenage mothers age 15 to 17 and 18 to 19, per 1,000 females; and the percentage of repeat births to teenage mothers; both Leon County and statewide comparisons.

### Commentary:

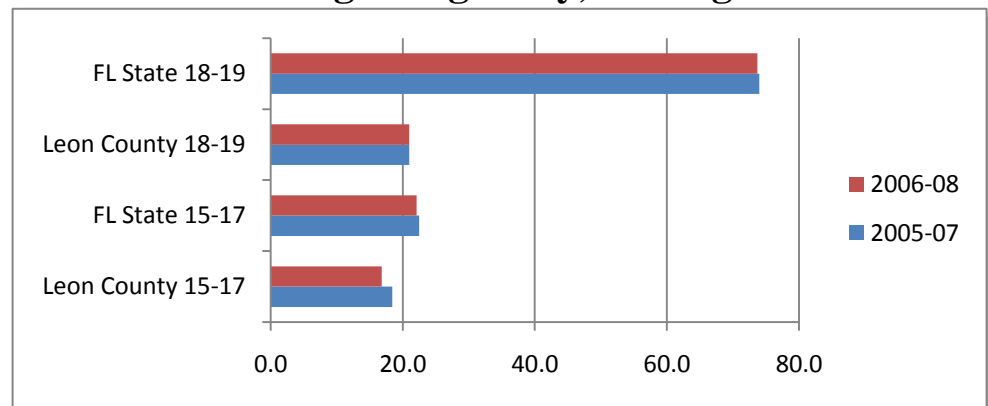
Florida youth age 18 to 19 appear to have had an alarming number of births at about 74 per 1,000 Florida females over years 2005-08, about 3.5 times the Leon County rate of 21 births per 1,000. Leon County also had lower rates of births to teen mothers age 15-17 as compared to statewide averages but the differences are not as extreme. Also the changes between 2005-07 and 2006-08 in Chart 1 are negligible. The percentage of repeat births, however, indicates a different scenario. The Leon County percentage of repeat births to young women age 18 and 19 has been higher than the statewide average for both 3 year periods. Moreover, the latter period 2006-08 in percentage of repeat births in both age groups seems to indicate a marked increasing trend.

### Source(s):

FloridaCHARTS Reports and FloridaCHARTS *School-aged Child and Adolescent Profile*, <http://www.floridacharts.com/charts/>

*Note: Florida Community Health Assessment Resource Tool Set (CHARTS) School-aged Child and Adolescent Profile is currently available for Leon County for years 2007 and 2008.*

### Chart 1: Teenage Pregnancy, Average 3-Year Rates



### Chart 2: Percentage of Repeat Births, 3-Year Rates

