

## 2007 - 2008 Teen Pregnancy Rates for Mecklenburg County (Rates per 1,000 females by age group)

		2007	2008	% Change	
		Rate	Rate		
<b>10 to 14</b>	<b>Total</b>	1.4	1.2	<b>14.3%</b>	decrease*
	<b>White</b>	0.5	0.6	<b>-20.0%</b>	increase*
	<b>Minorities</b>	2.4	1.7	<b>29.2%</b>	decrease*
<b>15 to 17</b>	<b>Total</b>	34.8	32.9	<b>5.5%</b>	decrease
	<b>White</b>	22.2	20.2	<b>9.0%</b>	decrease
	<b>Minorities</b>	48.8	45.1	<b>7.6%</b>	decrease
<b>18 to 19</b>	<b>Total</b>	104.6	101.9	<b>2.6%</b>	decrease
	<b>White</b>	77.8	67.8	<b>12.9%</b>	decrease
	<b>Minorities</b>	130.5	131.0	<b>-0.4%</b>	increase
<b>15 to 19</b>	<b>Total</b>	62.4	60.1	<b>3.7%</b>	decrease
	<b>White</b>	44.3	38.7	<b>12.6%</b>	decrease
	<b>Minorities</b>	80.8	79.4	<b>1.7%</b>	decrease
<b>10 to 19</b>	<b>Total</b>	32.9	31.5	<b>4.3%</b>	decrease
	<b>White</b>	22.9	19.4	<b>15.3%</b>	decrease
	<b>Minorities</b>	43.6	44.0	<b>-0.9%</b>	increase

**Note:** \* Rates for the 10-14 year old age group should be interpreted with caution due to small numbers (rates based on less than 20 events are unstable) and therefore the focus should be on the number of pregnancies and not the rates for this age group.

Hispanics can be any race and are included in both the White and Minority categories.

Therefore rates by race category should be interpreted with caution and a true comparison by race should include all races and ethnicity (i.e. white non-Hispanic) and Hispanics separately.

The data presented are for all Mecklenburg County pregnancies. Total pregnancies represent the sum of all induced abortions, live births, and fetal deaths 20 or more weeks gestation reported to the state. Not included are spontaneous fetal deaths (still births) and miscarriages occurring prior to 20 weeks gestation, which are not reportable to the state.

Source: NC DHHS/State Center for Health Statistics

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