

Larimer County Department of Health and Environment LARC Data
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In Larimer County, the anonymous donor funds for Long Acting Reversible Contraceptives have allowed our clinics to provide long-acting contraceptives (IUDs) to women who request them, and who are medically eligible. Before the donor funds were available, it was cost-prohibitive for our clinics to purchase these highly effective methods, and fewer women could use them.

The 3 year average number of women served in Larimer County Department of Health and Environment's Title X program per year between 2011 through 2013 was 3,458. From the most recent program information summarized for our Title X program for the years 2011 through 2013, LCDHE clinics provided 1405 intra-uterine devices (IUDs) to a portion of these women. Even with reduced prices offered to public health agencies, these highly effective methods would have cost us \$426,862. Without the special grant funding, we would not have been able to provide them to our clients, most of whom are at "zero pay" on the sliding scale based on income.

The teen birth rate (ages 15-17) for the years **2006-2008** (three year average) was **14.3** live births per 1,000 females in that age group. The teen birth rate (ages 15-17) for the years **2011-2013** (three year average) was **9.3** live births per 1,000 females in that age group. This represents a **35% drop** in younger teen pregnancies in Larimer County during the LARC grant funding. See below annual rates for Colorado and Larimer County.

Teen Fertility Rates (Age 15-17)

	Colorado		Larimer County	
	Rate	# of Births	Rate	# of Births
2005	24.1	2,281	17.1	92
2006	24.2	2,312	16.4	88
2007	22.7	2,200	13.0	71
2008	22.2	2,142	13.4	71
2009	20.1	1,971	13.8	72
2010	17.5	1,688	12.4	66
2011	14.0	1,362	9.9	53
2012	11.9	1,157	8.8	47
2013	13.5	1,119	9.1	49

Other data consider the statistics for the 15-19 year age group which may be somewhat biased in a college town like Fort Collins, since they are not necessarily typical 18-19 year olds. The data for Larimer County for that age group is:

2006-2008 (three year average) was 21.0 live births per 1,000 females age 15 -19.

2011-2013 (three year average) was 16.7 live births per 1,000 females age 15-19.

This represents a **20.5% drop** in teen pregnancies in the 15-19 age group in Larimer County.