



What is the cost of Kids Having Kids?

St. Joseph County Human Services
Commission/Teen Pregnancy Prevention
Taskforce



Just the FACTS for St. Joseph County

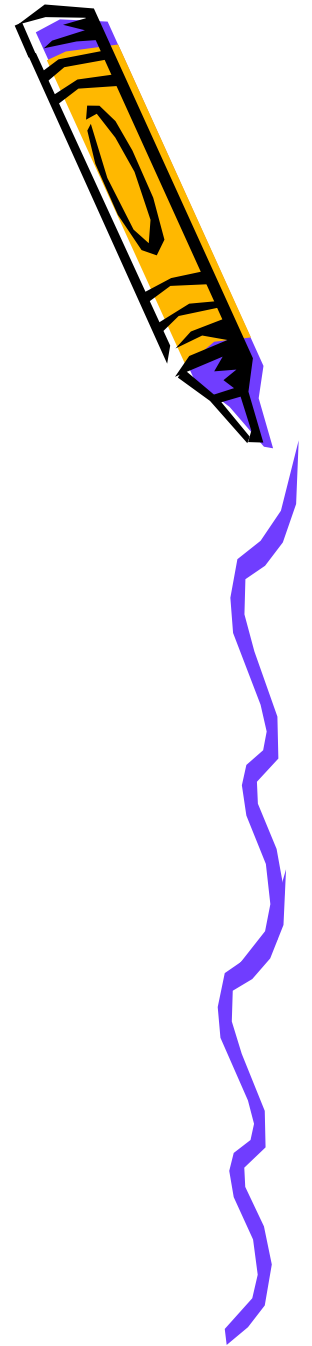
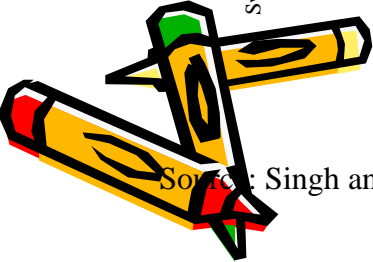
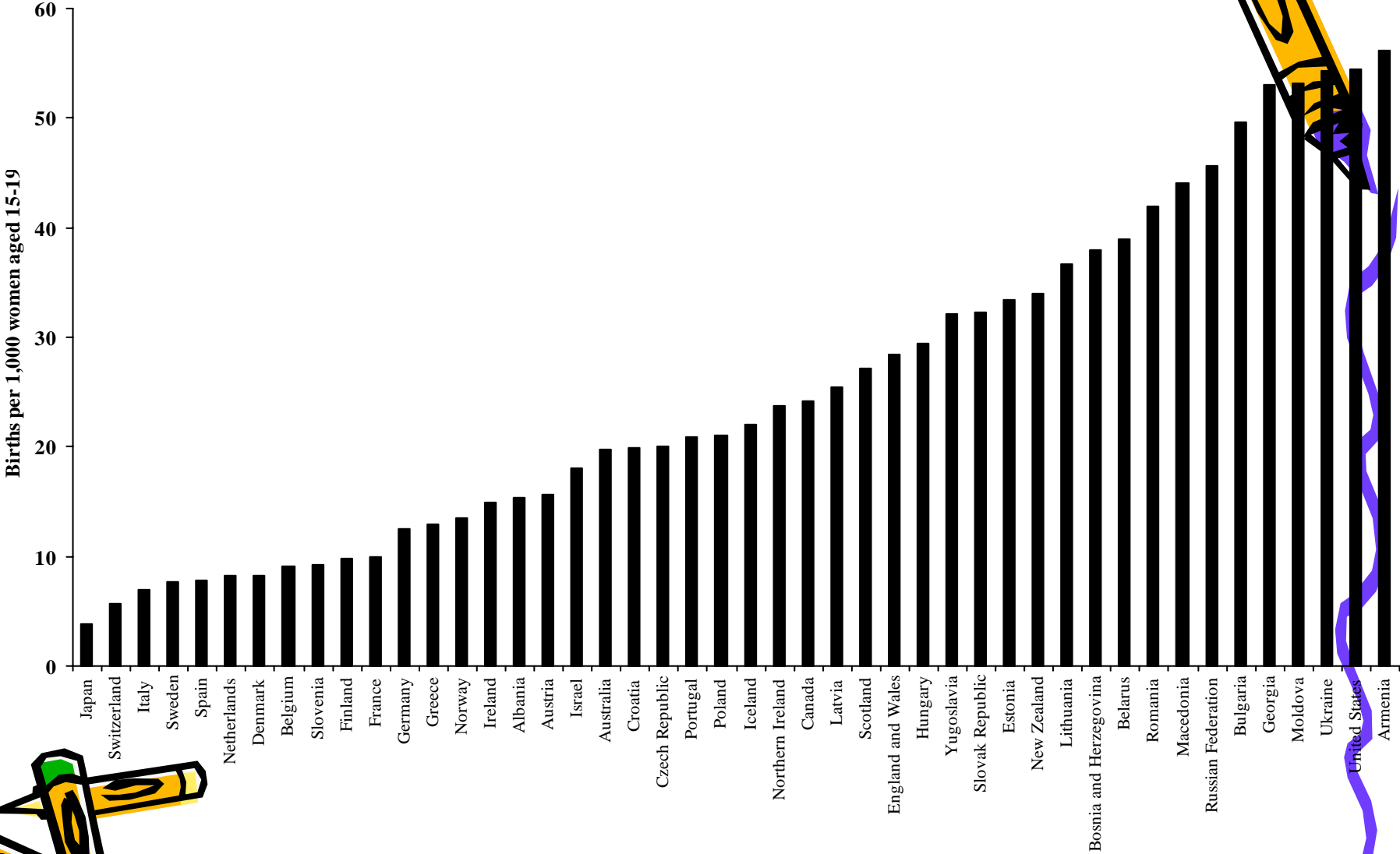


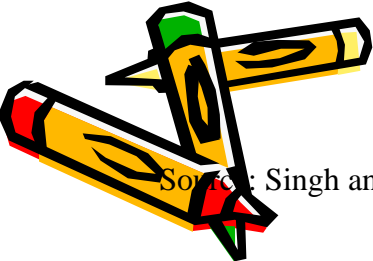
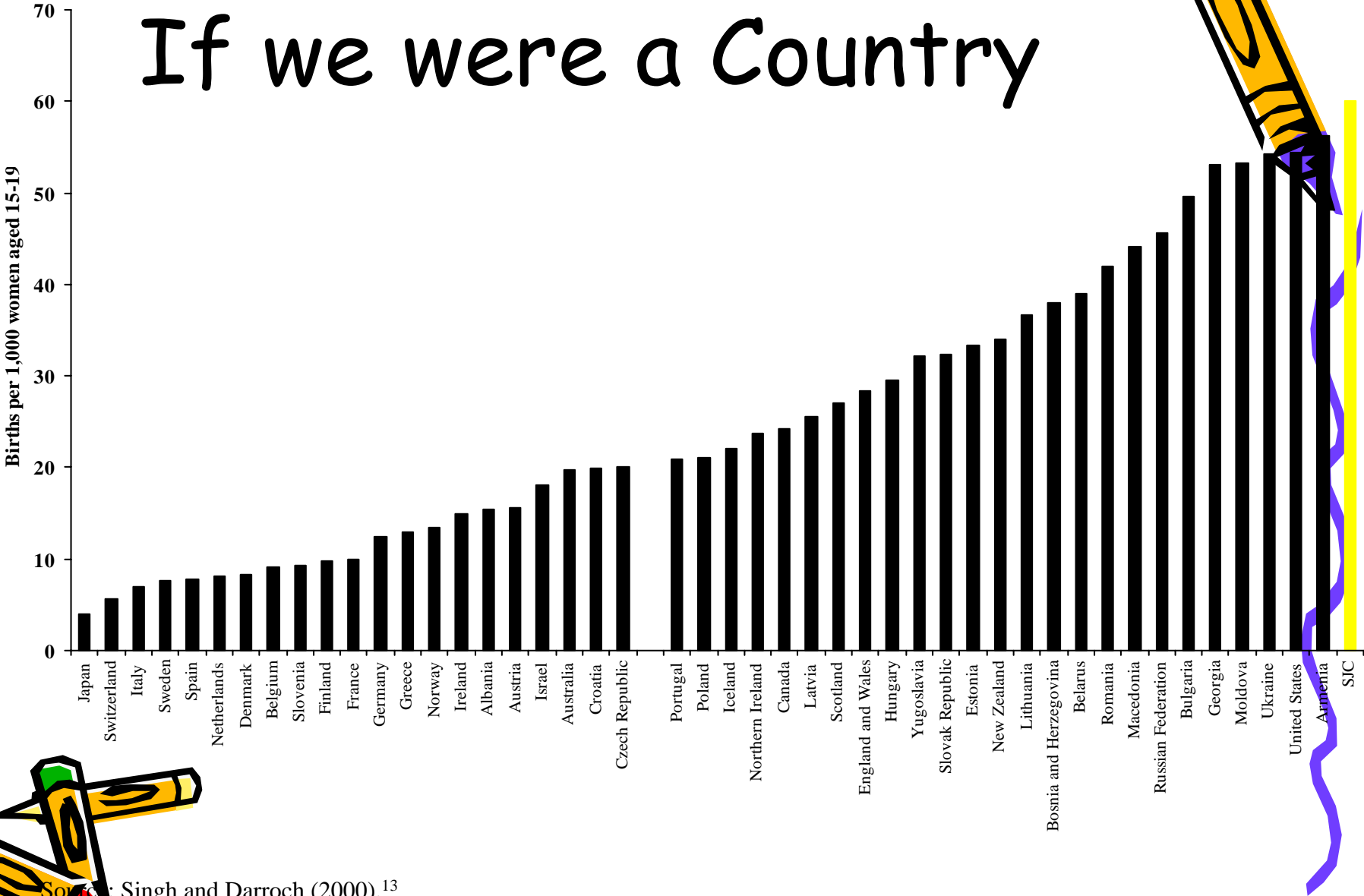
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James Tarver, Contraceptive Technology



Source: Singh and Darroch (2000).¹³

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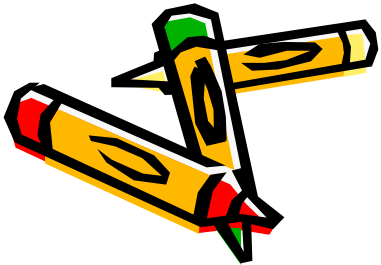
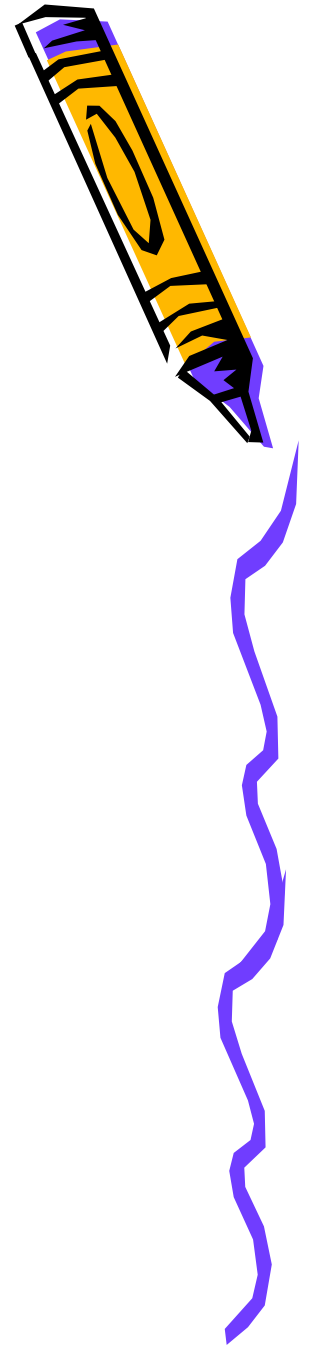
If we were a State, where would we rank?

- Number 33 of 51 states,
- Behind NH, VT, MS, MN, NC, CT, NJ, MN, NY, PN, WI, WA, IA, RI, UT, SD, MT, MI, NE, OR, MD, VA, AK, ID, HI, WY, OH, KS, CA, IL, MO, IN, FL.



In 2004, where did we rank among counties in Michigan?

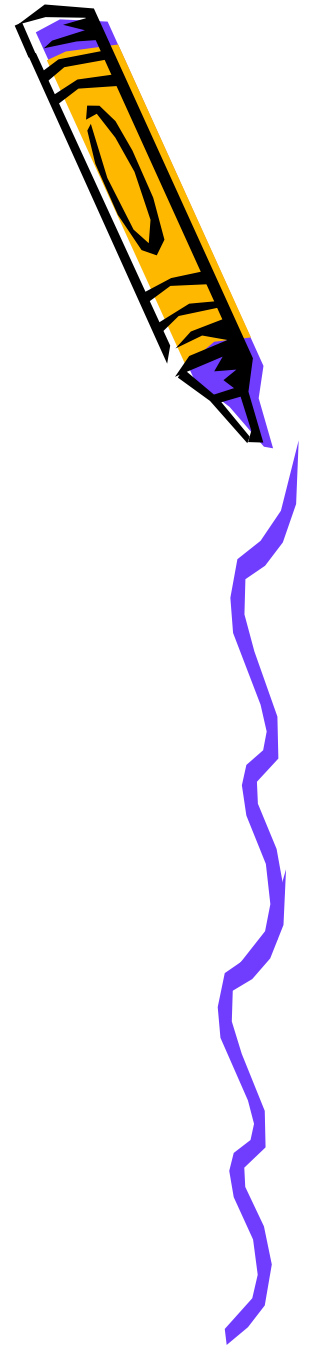
- We were last place at 82



Where do we stand in 2005 with Teen Pregnancy Rates?

- #1 Detroit (city) - 110.8
- #2 Kalkaska - 86.2
- #3 Baraga - 81.1
- #4 St. Joseph - 78.9
- #4 Lake - 78.9
- #6 Calhoun - 77.9

State Average 52.2



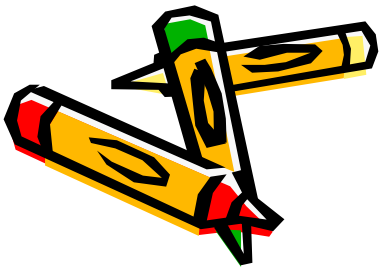
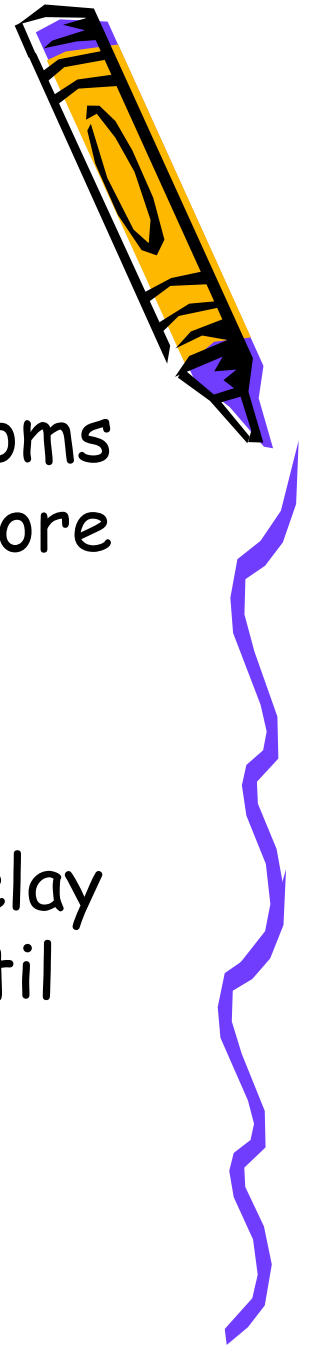
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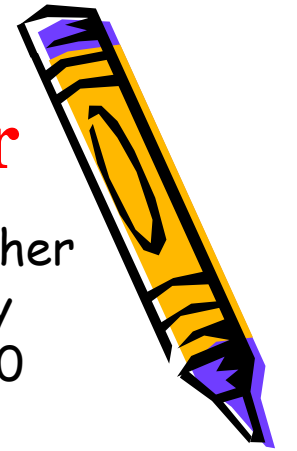
- Over 775,000 teen pregnancies occurred in 2005
- More than 100 teens become pregnant every hour.
- 60 % are to girls 18-19
- Children of teen mothers are more likely to be born prematurely and at low birthweight
- Usually without insurance
- An additional drain on the healthcare & welfare system



So, what's the big deal?

- Daughters of teen moms are 83% more likely to become mothers themselves before they turn 18
- Sons of teen moms are 2.7 times more likely to land in prison than the children of mothers who delay childbearing until their early 20's

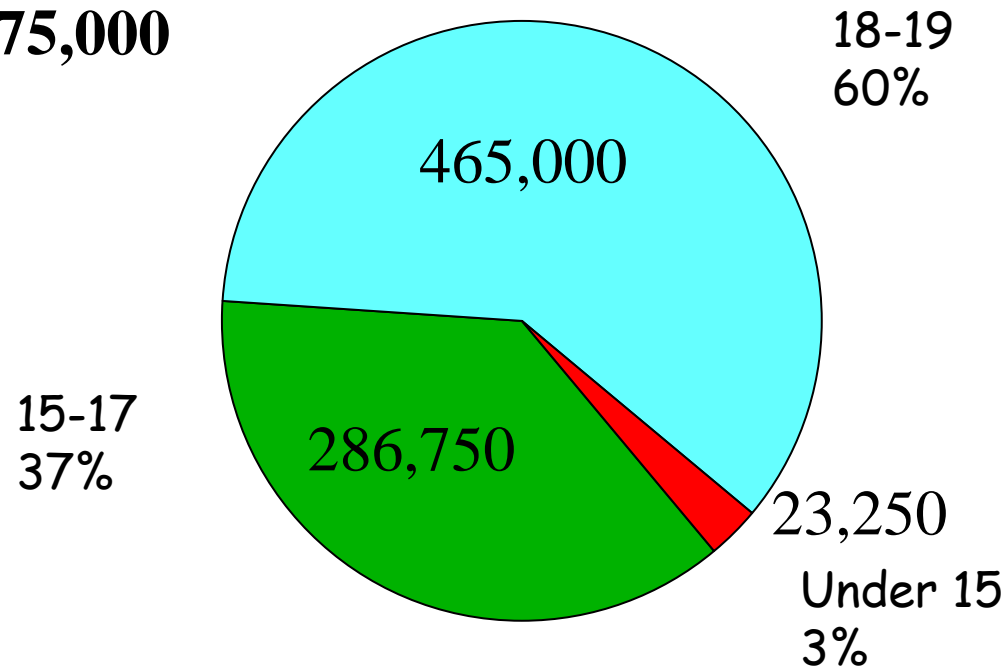




100 U.S. teen girls get pregnant each hour

Over 750,000 teen pregnancies occurred in 2005. To put it another way, roughly 100 U.S. teens become pregnant each hour. Forty percent of these pregnancies were to girls under age 18, and 60 percent were to girls aged 18-19.

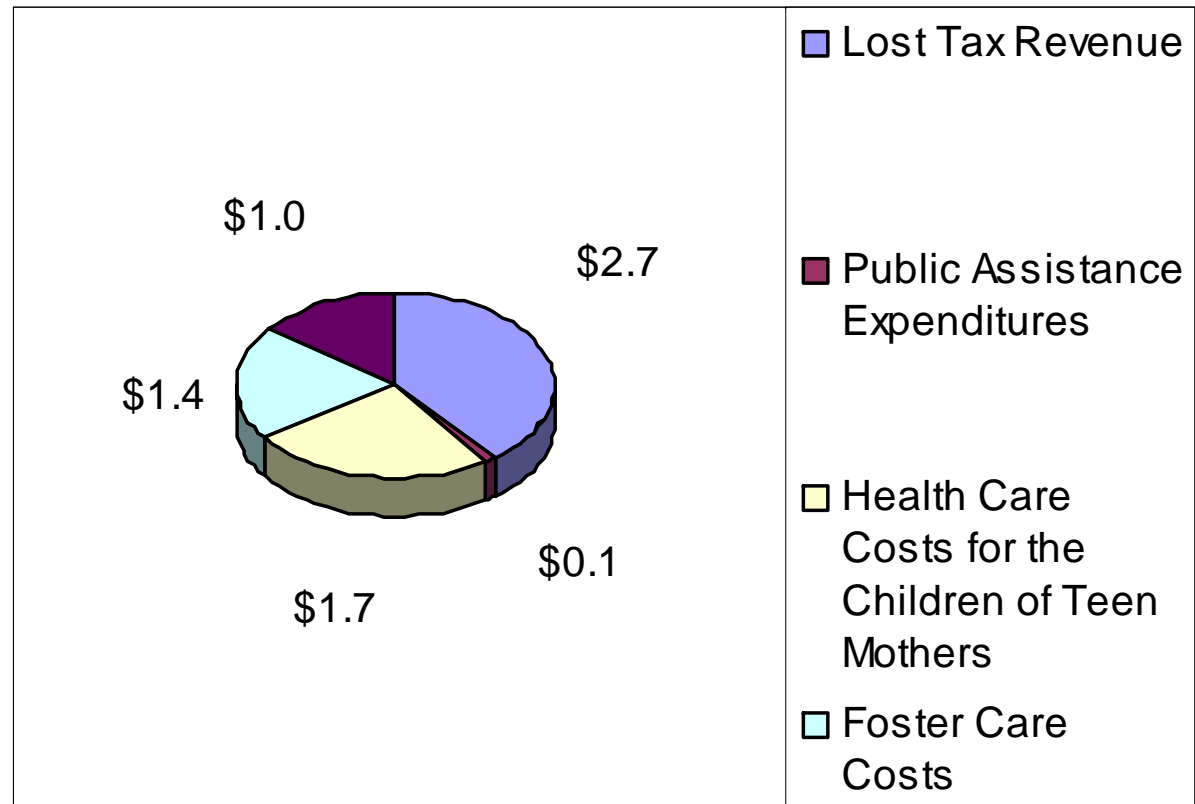
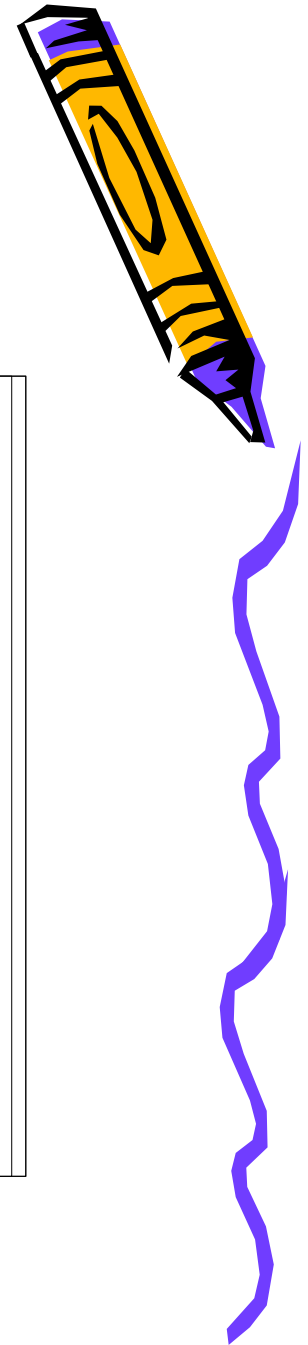
Total: 775,000



The Alan Guttmacher Institute. (1999). *Special report: U.S. teenage pregnancy statistics with comparative statistics for women aged 20-24*. New York: Author.



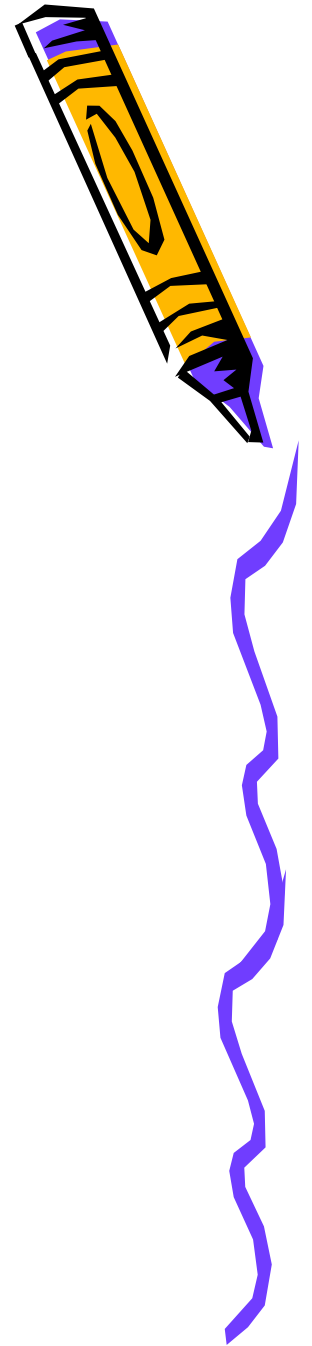
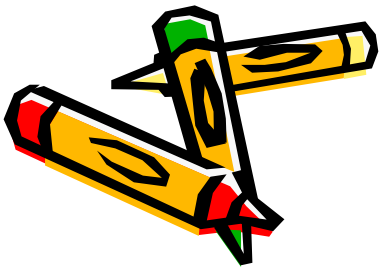
Teen Childbearing costs federal, state, and local taxpayers at least \$9.1 BILLION annually



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Leading cause of hospitalizations for Children Ages 1-19

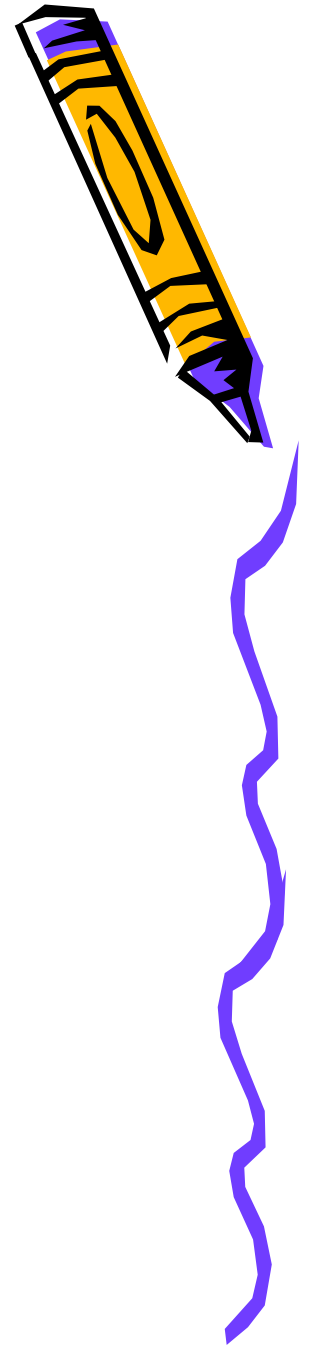
- Teens delivering - 132
- Injury & Poisoning - 44
- Appendicitis - 25
- Pneumonia - 19
- Asthma - 18



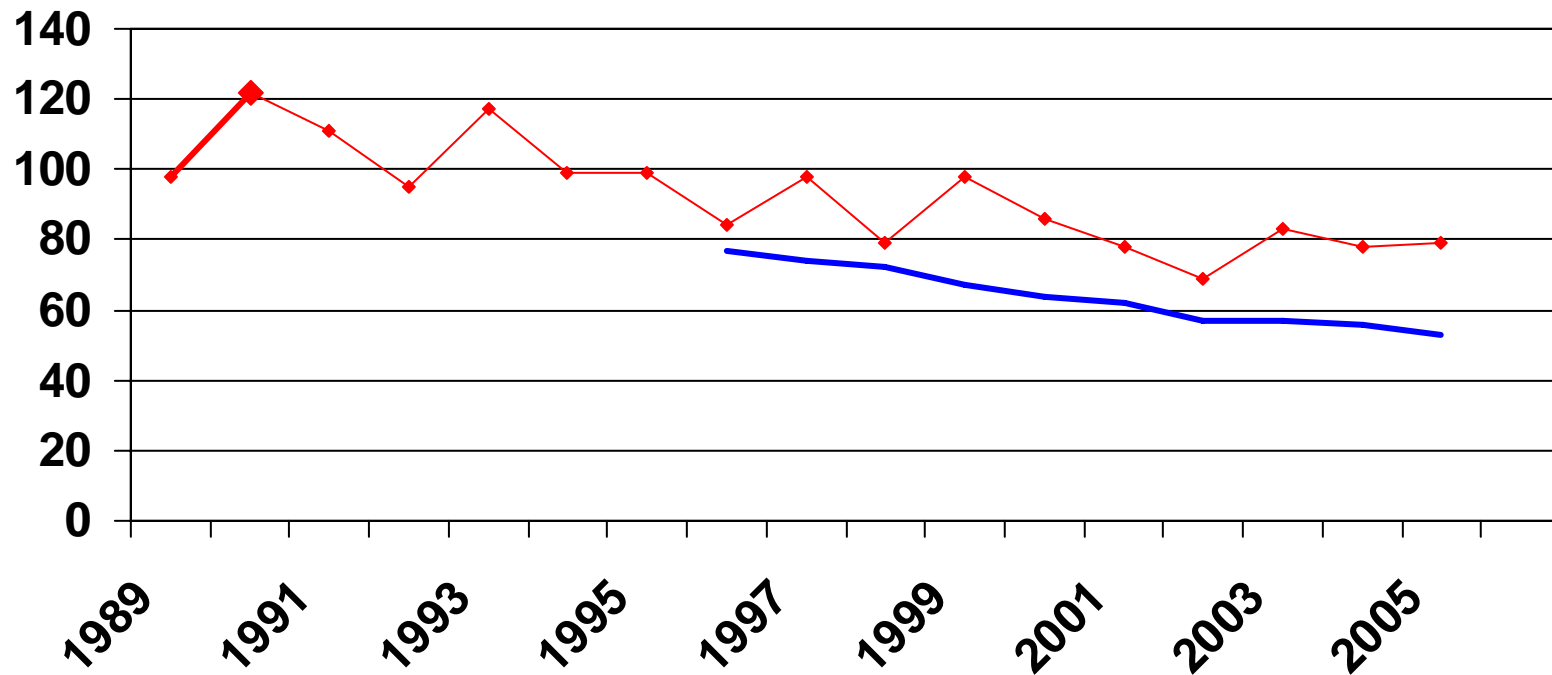
Is this a matter of race in SJC?

- White teen moms - 117
- Black teen moms - 5
- American Indian teen moms - 3
- Asian/Pacific Islander - 2

2005 data

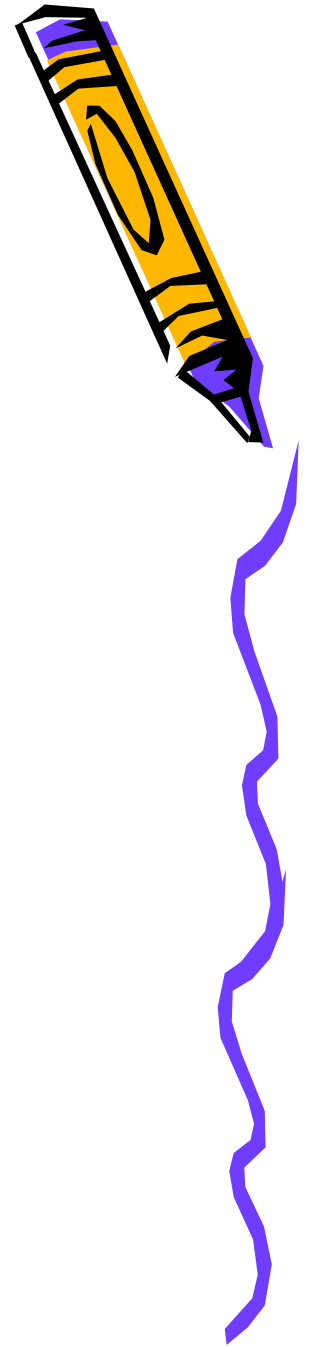
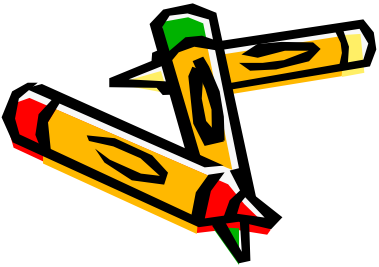


SJC Teen Pregnancy Rate (per 1,000 teen girls)



Abortion Rates (per 1,000 births)

- Michigan - 12.5
- SJC - 8



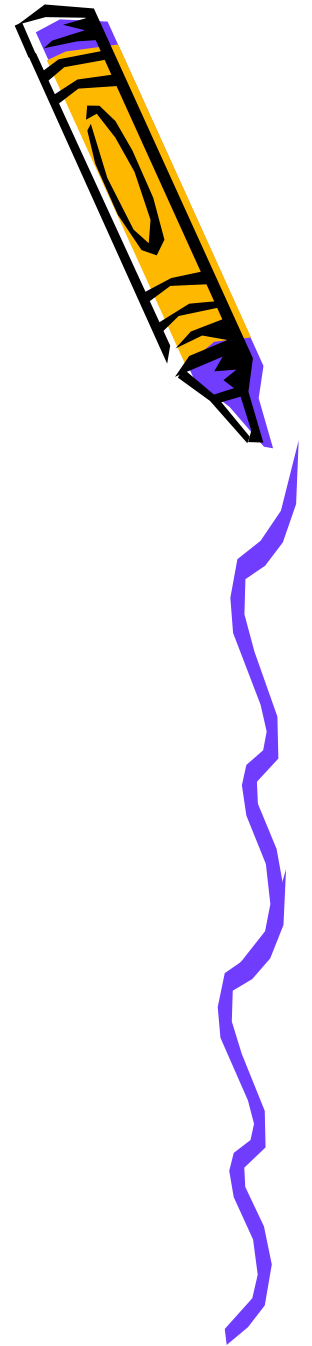
What percent of teen mothers get their high school diploma?

by age 30?

Only 32%

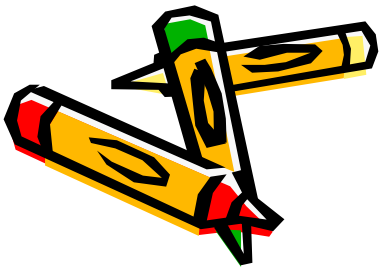
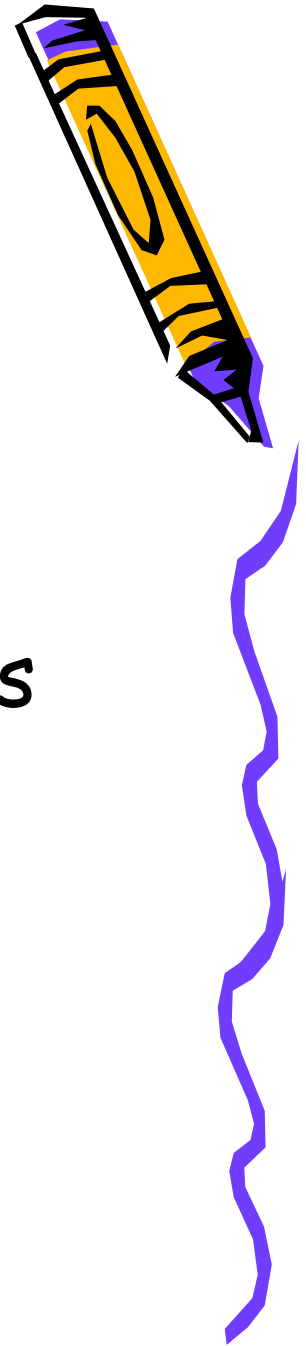


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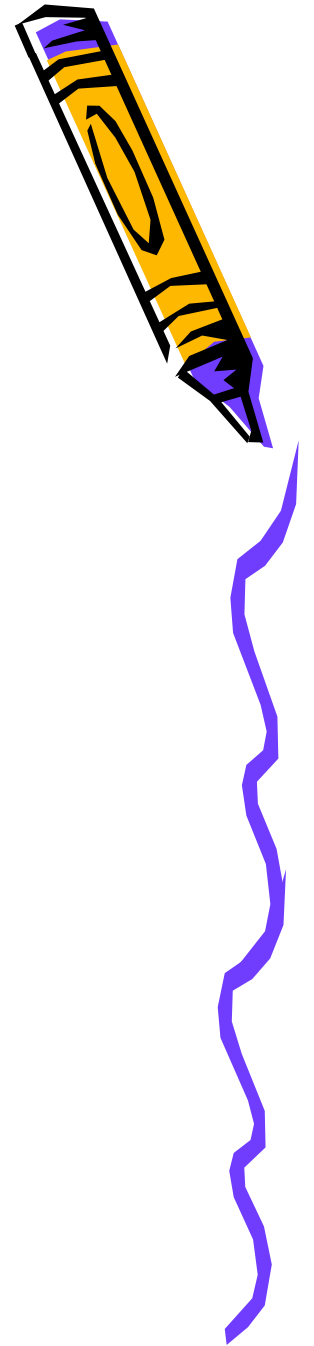
What percent of teen moms will place the baby for adoption?

- 3%
- That means that 97% of teen moms will parent their child.



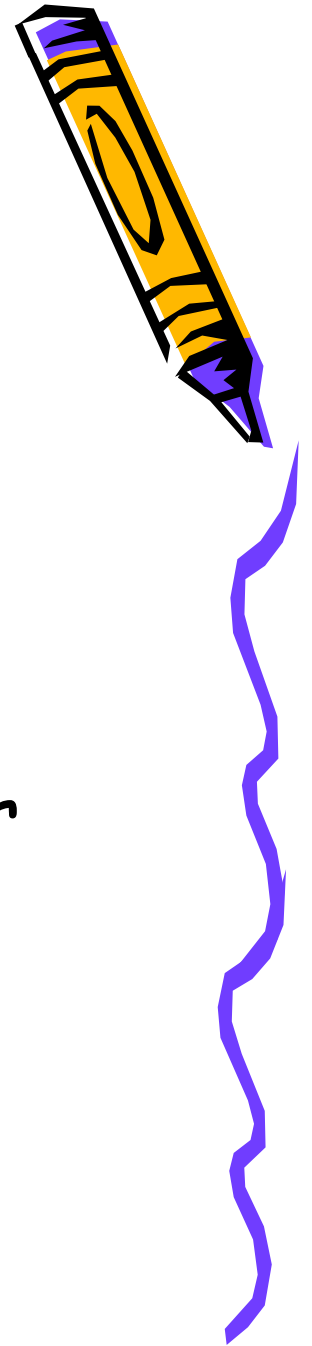
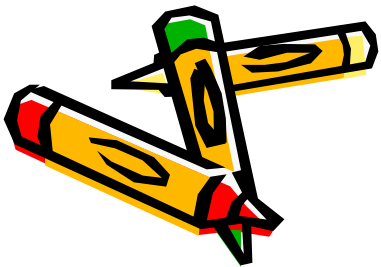
What percent of teen
moms will go to college?

only 1 in 10



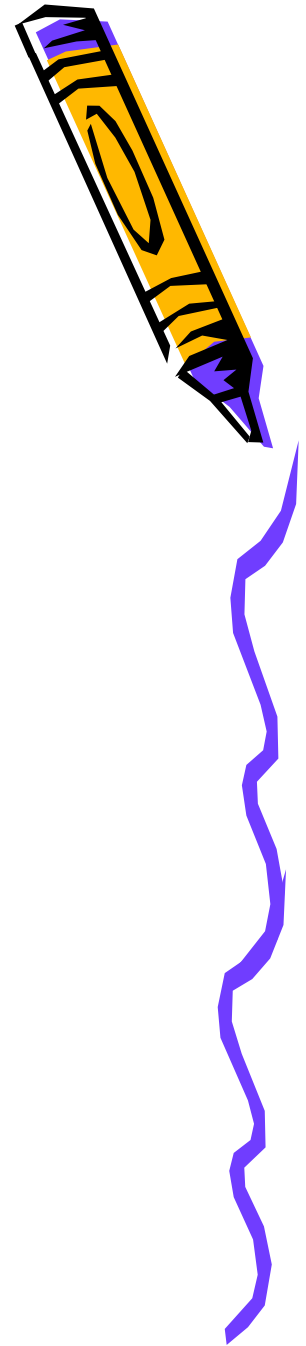
What percent of these children will remain in poverty?

- 78%
- Compared to what?
- 9% of children born to women over 20 who are married and graduated from high school



What percent of deliveries
in SJC are to unmarried
moms of any age?

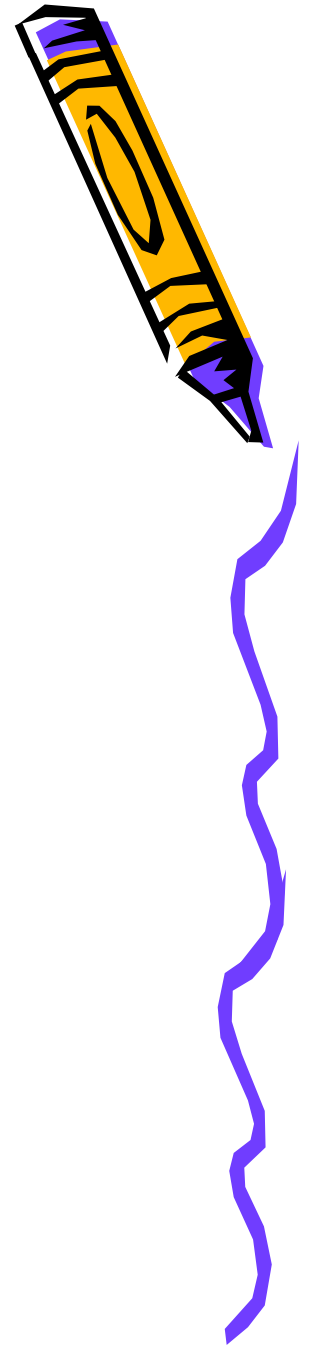
38%



What percent smoked
while pregnant?

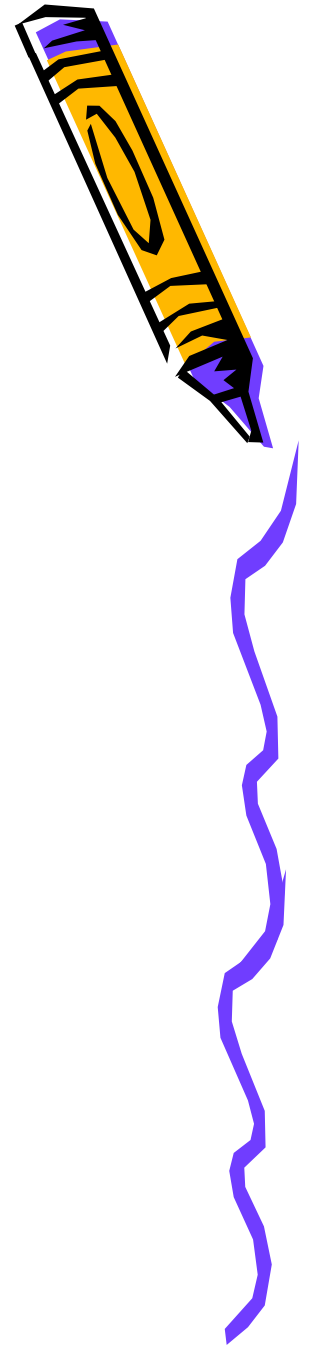
14% - MI

20% - SJC



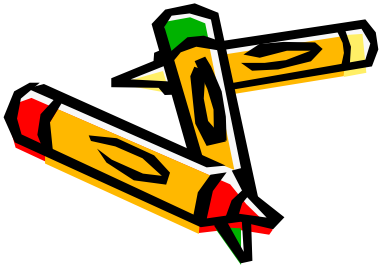
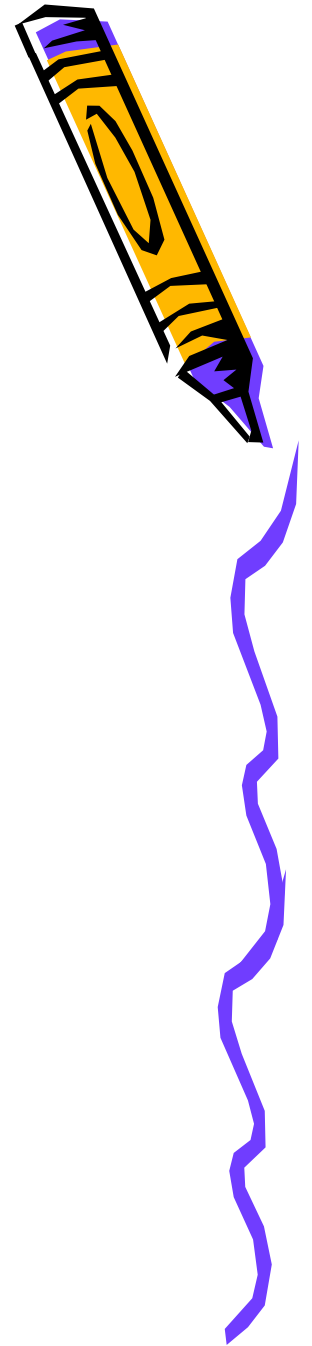
What percent of women delivering in SJC have less than 12 years of education?

- 17% - MI
- 38% - SJC



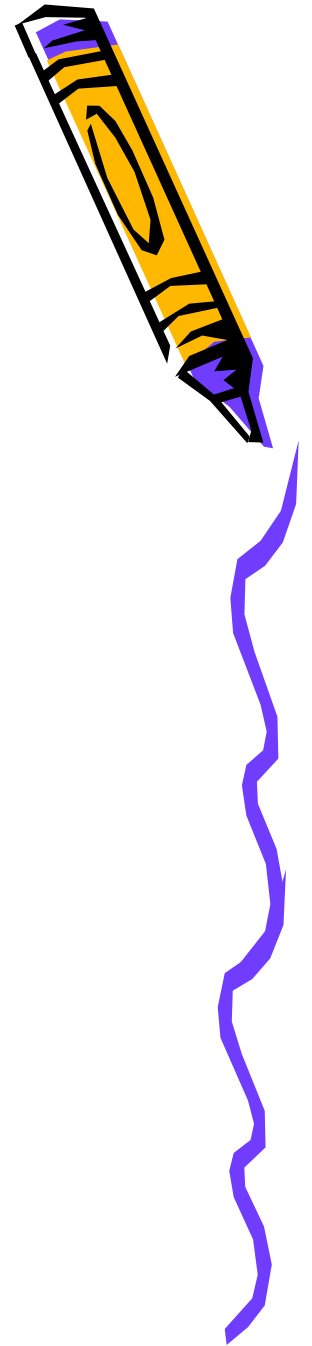
Percentage of births to Girls under 20 years old?

- 13% - SJC
- 9% - MI



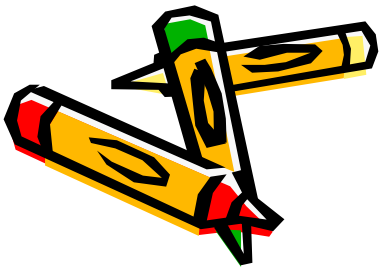
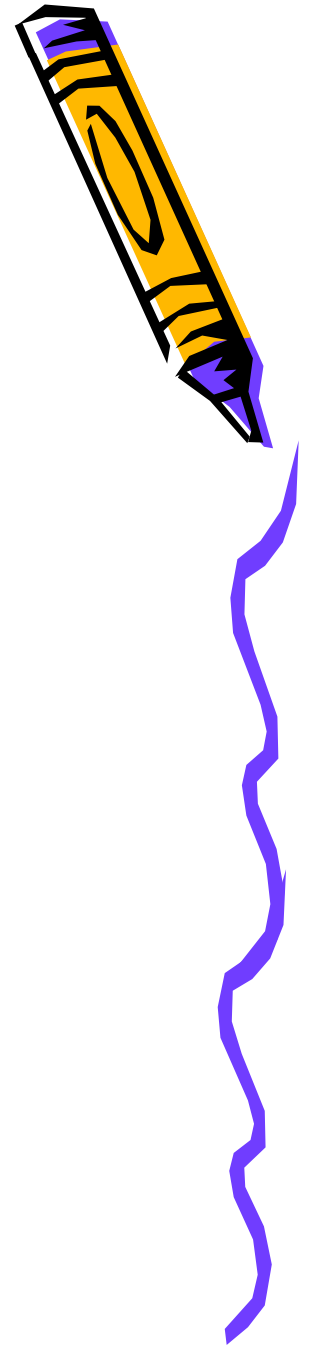
So, how much does it cost
us annually in Michigan?

- \$302 Million



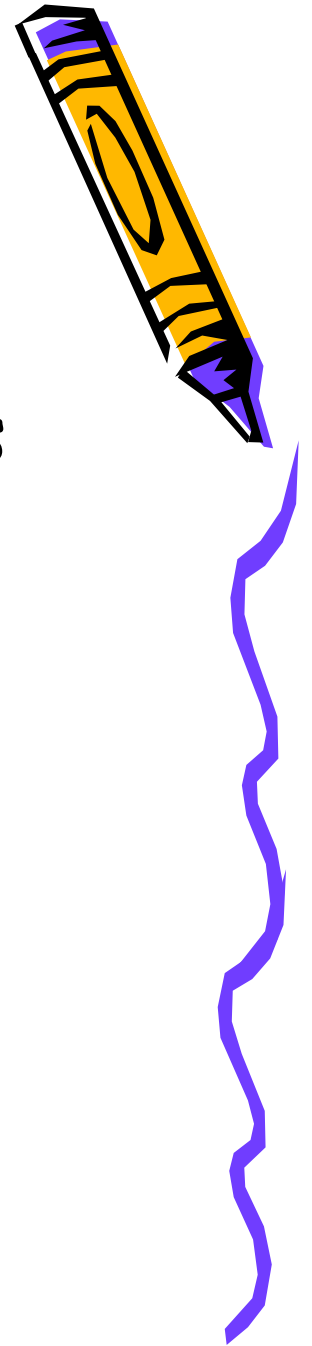
How much did we spend locally in 2005?

- 127 teen births
- \$3,133,000



What does it impact?

- Tax Base
- Economic Development
- Workforce Development
- Social Services
- School Systems
- Health Care System
- Corrections
- Justice System



What Next?

- Teen Pregnancy Prevention Task Force
- New School-linked Rural Health Clinic
- Faith Based Programs
- Health/Sexuality Education
- Abstinence
- Business Partnerships

