

SNAPSHOTS OF HAWAI'I'S TEENS (AGES 12-17)

THERE ARE ABOUT 99,000 TEENS AGES 12 TO 17 IN HAWAI'I¹

ECONOMIC SECURITY

31% OF TEENS LIVE IN



A FAMILY HEADED BY A SINGLE PARENT²

- **30%** OF TEENS LIVE BELOW 200% OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL³
- **44%** OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS RECEIVE FREE OR REDUCED-COST LUNCHES⁴
- **11%** OF TEENS AGES 16-19 ARE NOT IN SCHOOL AND NOT WORKING⁵

HEALTH & SAFETY



AROUND **500** GIRLS A YEAR UNDER AGE 18 BECOME PREGNANT⁶

- **5%** OF TEENS ARE WITHOUT HEALTH INSURANCE⁷
- AROUND **350** TEENS A YEAR ARE CONFIRMED ABUSED AND OR NEGLECTED⁸
- **24** TEENS AGES 15-19 DIED FROM HOMICIDE, SUICIDE, OR ACCIDENT IN 2011⁹
- **29%** OF HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS HAVE HAD AT LEAST ONE DRINK OF ALCOHOL ON ONE OR MORE OF THE PAST 30 DAYS¹⁰

EDUCATION



62% OF HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS REPORTED THAT THEY DEFINITELY WILL COMPLETE A POST-HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM¹¹

- **28%** OF PUBLIC SCHOOL EIGHTH GRADERS DO NOT MEET DOE STANDARDS IN READING¹²
- **40%** OF PUBLIC SCHOOL EIGHTH GRADERS DO NOT MEET DOE STANDARDS IN MATH¹³
- **8%** OF PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE ABSENT ON AN AVERAGE DAY¹⁴
- **95%** OF PUBLIC SCHOOL SENIORS GRADUATE WITH A DIPLOMA¹⁵

REFERENCES

- ¹ U.S. Census Bureau. 2012. Annual Estimates of the Resident Population by Single Year of Age and Sex for the United States and States: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2011
- ² Steven Ruggles, J. Trent Alexander, Katie Genadek, Ronald Goeken, Matthew B. Schroeder, and Matthew Sobek. 2012. Integrated Public Use Microdata Series: Version American Community Survey 2011 Sample. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota
- ³ Steven Ruggles, J. Trent Alexander, Katie Genadek, Ronald Goeken, Matthew B. Schroeder, and Matthew Sobek. 2012. Integrated Public Use Microdata Series: Version American Community Survey 2011 Sample. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota
- ⁴ Hawai'i State Department of Education, Systems Accountability Office. 2013. School Status and Improvement Report, School Year 2011-2012. Public charter schools and public special schools were excluded and school level rates were used as a proxy for high school grades in multi-level schools
- ⁵ U.S. Census Bureau. 2012. 2011 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates, Table B14005: Sex by School Enrollment by Educational Attainment by Employment Status for the Population 16 To 19 Years
- ⁶ Hawai'i Department of Health, Office of Health Status Monitoring. 2013. 2011 Vital Statistics, Special request
- ⁷ Steven Ruggles, J. Trent Alexander, Katie Genadek, Ronald Goeken, Matthew B. Schroeder, and Matthew Sobek. 2012. Integrated Public Use Microdata Series: Version American Community Survey 2011 Sample. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota
- ⁸ Hawai'i Department of Human Services, Management Services Office. 2012. A Statistical Report on Child Abuse and Neglect in Hawai'i: 2011
- ⁹ Hawai'i Department of Health, Office of Health Status Monitoring. 2013. 2011 Vital Statistics, Special request
- ¹⁰ Hawai'i Department of Education, Hawai'i Department of Health, and University of Hawai'i's Curriculum Research & Development Group. 2013. Hawai'i Health Data Warehouse, Survey Results 2011, Hawai'i Youth Risk Behaviors: Hawai'i School Health Survey
- ¹¹ Hawai'i Department of Education, Hawai'i Department of Health, and University of Hawai'i's Curriculum Research & Development Group. 2013. Hawai'i Health Data Warehouse, Survey Results 2011, Hawai'i Youth Risk Behaviors: Hawai'i School Health Survey
- ¹² Hawai'i State Department of Education, Systems Accountability Office. 2013. Interactive Web Portal for Educational Accountability Information, Hawai'i State Assessment Proficiency, School Year 2011-2012
- ¹³ Hawai'i State Department of Education, Systems Accountability Office. 2013. Interactive Web Portal for Educational Accountability Information, Hawai'i State Assessment Proficiency, School Year 2011-2012
- ¹⁴ Hawai'i State Department of Education, Systems Accountability Office. 2013. School Status and Improvement Report, School Year 2011-2012. Public charter schools and public special schools were excluded and school level rates were used as a proxy for high school grades in multi-level schools
- ¹⁵ Hawai'i State Department of Education, Systems Accountability Office. 2013. School Status and Improvement Report, School Year 2011-2012. Public charter schools were excluded

SUGGESTED CITATION

He, S.J., Stern, I.R., Nakamura, L. (2013). Snapshots of Hawai'i's Teens. Honolulu: University of Hawai'i, Center on the Family.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:

Center on the Family, CTAHR, University of Hawai'i-Mānoa, 2515 Campus Road, Miller 103, Honolulu, HI 96822, (808) 956-4132

Hawai'i KIDS COUNT is funded by the Annie E. Casey Foundation. We thank them for their support, and we acknowledge that the findings and conclusions presented in this report are those of the authors alone and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the Foundation.