Triumphs and Challenges:
Quick Facts on the Status of Strengths and Needs of Girls in Marin County: 2014

Some Demographics of Girls in Alameda County

- According to the UC Berkeley California Child Welfare Indicators Project, in 2013 it was projected that there were 29,250 girls under the age of 20 in Marin County (2014). Of those girls, 569 were projected to be black, 18,212 white, 6,905 Latina, 1,630 Asian/Pacific Islander, 45 Native American, and 1,891 multi-raced (2014). The same year there was projected to be a total of 31,288 boys under the age of 20. Of those boys 746 were projected to be black, 19,331 white, 7,600 Latino, 1,553 Asian/Pacific Islander, 64 Native American, and 1,993 multi-raced (2014).
- According to the University of California at Berkeley Child Welfare Indicators Project, as of January 2014 42 females and 41 males in Marin County were in Foster care for 12 or more months (2014).
- According to www.kidsdata.org, in 2012 9.1% of children living in Marin County were in poverty (2014).

Incidents of Child Abuse

- According to the UC Berkeley California Child Welfare Indicators Project, from January to December 2013 there were 91 child maltreatment substantiations, allegations, and entries for girls in Marin County (2014). During the same time period there were 99 child maltreatment substantiations, allegations, and entries for boys in Marin County (2014). These numbers do not include incidents of child abuse that were not reported.

Mental Health

- According to www.kidsdata.org, from 2008-2010, 28.2% of 7th grade girls, 29.5% of 9th grade girls, 32.5% of 11th grade girls, and 36.4% of non-traditionally educated girls reported having depression-related feelings.
- During the same time period 22.6% of 7th grade boys, 20.2% of 9th grade boys, 20.9% of 11th grade boys, and 33.2% of non-traditionally educated girls reported having depression-related feelings.
- In 2011 there were two youth suicides in Marin county: one was male and one was female (www.kidsdata.org).

Alcohol and Drug Use

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(www.kidsdata.org, 2014)
Teen Birth Rate
- According to www.kidsdata.org, there were 11.8 per 1,000 births to teen mothers in 2011 (2014)

Teen Dating Violence, Sexual Assault
- According to www.kidsdata.org, from 2008-2010 3.1% of 7th grade, 3.4% of 9th grade, 4.3% of 11th grade, and 6.4% of non-traditionally educated Marin County girls reported experiencing teen dating violence in the past year (2014)
- The same year, 4.3% of 7th grade, 6.5% of 9th grade, 3.8% of 11th grade, and and 14.4% of non-traditionally educated Marin County boys reported experiencing teen dating violence (2014)

Sexually Transmitted Disease Rate
- According to the California Department of Public Health, or CDPH, in 2012 there were 87 cases of Chlamydia among Marin County girls under age 19 and 24 cases of Chlamydia among Marin County boys in the same age group (CDPH, 2013)
- The same year, there were 8 cases of Gonorrhea among Marin County girls under age 19 and three cases among Marin County boys in the same age group (CDPH, 2013)
- In 2012 there were zero cases of P&S Syphilis or Early Latent Syphilis among boys or girls under age 19 in Marin County (CDPH, 2013)

Safety at School
The following table is an adaptation of data collected by www.kidsdata.org about the perceptions of Marin County’s girls’ and boys’ perceptions of safety at school:

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- According to www.kidsdata.org, from 2008-2010 40.9% of 7th grade, 34.3% of 9th grad, 26% of 11th grade, and 32.5% of non-traditionally educated girls in Marin County experienced bullying (2014)
- During the same time period, 47% of 7th grade, 35.9% of 9th grade, 27.1% of 11th grade, and 39.9% of non-traditionally educated boys in Marin County experienced bullying (2014)

Physical Fitness/Body Image
- According to www.kidsdata.org, in 2013 43.6% of 5th grade, 52.7% of 7th grade, and 50.6% of 9th grade girls in Marin County met all physical fitness standards (2014)
- The same year, 35.2% of 5th grade, 45.5% of 7th grade, and 46.2% of 9th grade boys in Marin County met all physical fitness standards (2014)
Girls in the Juvenile Justice System

- According to www.kidsdata.org, in 2012 2.5% of the girl population in Marin County was arrested with felony charges. For boys the rate was 15.6% (2014)

- According to the County of Marin County Self-Assessment (2009), The average age of youth coming into contact with the probation department is 15.1. Of those youth, 25% are female and 75% of the youth are males (p. 12)

Graduation Rates/Truancy

- According to www.kidsdata.org, in 2012 92.4% of senior girls and 88.1% of senior boys in Marin County graduated from high school

- According to www.kidsdata.org, from 2008-2010 3.2% of 7th grade, 11.4% of 9th grade, 25.2% of 11th grade, and 58.5% of non-traditionally educated girls in Marin County self-reported being truant (2014)

- During the same time period, 6.2% of 7th grade, 10.2% of 9th grade, 20.3% of 11th grade, and 53.4% of non-traditionally educated boys in Marin County self-reported being truant (2014)
References


