After peaking in the early 1990s, the nation’s teen pregnancy and birth rates have declined dramatically—teen pregnancy is down 55%; teen births have plummeted by 64%. Since the federal, evidence-based Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program (TPPP) was established in 2010, the teen birth rate in the U.S. has declined 35%, a drop about twice as large as the decline in any other five-year period. Despite this clear success, some in Congress want to eliminate the TPPP. Americans strongly disagree.

83% of adults overall support the TPPP (62% strongly support), which provides grants to communities for programs that are proven to help teens delay sex, improve contraceptive use, or prevent pregnancy.

Do you support or oppose federal money going to programs proven to delay sex, improve contraceptive use, and/or prevent teen pregnancy?

74% SUPPORT
22% OPPOSE
4% DON'T KNOW/REFUSED

Data on declines in teen births are from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s National Center for Health Statistics. Survey findings are drawn from two national telephone surveys conducted for The National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy by SSRS, an independent research company. Data on support for TPPP comes from a June 2015 survey among a nationally representative sample of 1,015 adults age 18 and older. Data on support for proven programs are drawn from a November 2014 nationally representative sample of 1,004 adults and older. The margin of error for both surveys is +/- 3.1% at the 95% confidence level.