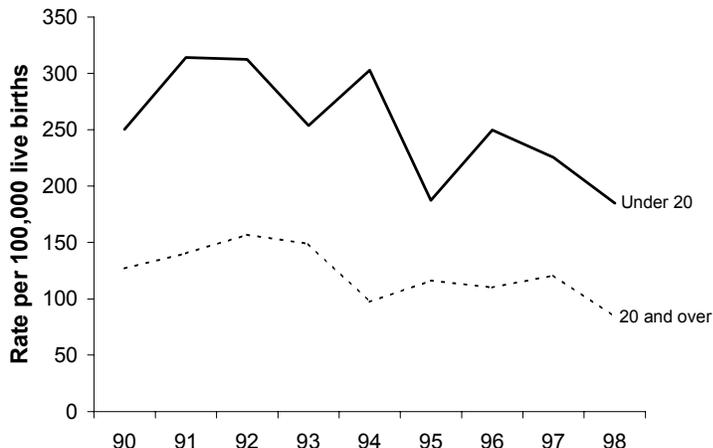


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**SIDS Rates by Maternal Age Group  
Tennessee, 1990-1998**

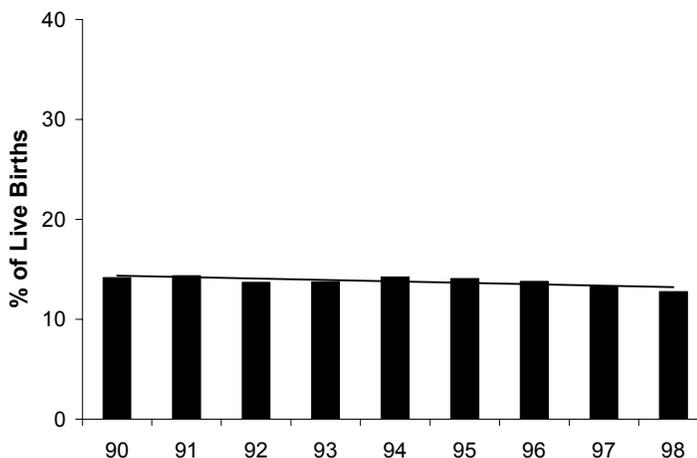


***Teenage Mothers***

Compared to women who were 20 or older, SIDS was three times more likely among infants born to teenage mothers.

- Teenage mothers in Tennessee were twice as likely to have inadequate prenatal care.
- In a King County, Washington study, despite knowledge of sleep position advice, teenagers were over 10 times more likely to place their infants prone than were older mothers.<sup>3</sup>

**Trend in Births to Women <20 Years of Age  
Tennessee, 1990-1998**



The percentage of births to teenage women has remained at about 14% since 1990.