

Prenatal Care

Percentage (%) of recent mothers in Illinois who reported they have heard or read about folic acid preventing birth defects

Survey Question 25: Have you ever heard or read that taking a vitamin with folic acid can help prevent some birth defects? Response: Yes

| | Percentage ¹ | 95% CI ² | | Respondents ³ | Estimated Population Affected ⁴ |
|-----|-------------------------|---------------------|------|--------------------------|--|
| No | 23.1 | 20.7 | 25.8 | 1,374 | 33,713 |
| Yes | 76.9 | 74.2 | 79.3 | 1,374 | 112,070 |

Reported sources of folic acid information among recent mothers who reported hearing or reading about folic acid

Survey Question 26: Have you ever heard about folic acid from any of the following? Response: Yes

| | Percentage ¹ | 95% CI ² | | Respondents ³ | Estimated Population Affected ⁴ |
|--|-------------------------|---------------------|------|--------------------------|--|
| Doctor, nurse, or other health care worker | 84.1 | 81.5 | 86.3 | 1,073 | 94,741 |
| Family or friends | 39.4 | 36.2 | 42.6 | 421 | 44,358 |
| Magazine or newspaper article | 31.4 | 28.4 | 34.6 | 1,073 | 35,434 |
| Book | 28.5 | 25.6 | 31.5 | 1,073 | 32,080 |
| Radio or television | 11.9 | 9.8 | 14.2 | 1,073 | 13,357 |

¹Percentage = Weighted percentage

²CI = confidence interval

-- Indicates denominator <30 respondents

³Respondents = The total number who responded to the survey question

⁴Estimated Population Affected = Estimated number of Illinois mothers/infants with characteristic or condition