## **TEEN STATISTICS**

During the next 12 months (based on National Averages):

- **1,221,839** Teens will Drop out or quit school (In some states, up to 75 % of all inmates in the prison system are high school drop outs)
- 1,682,867 Teens will Runaway or leave home without permission for at least overnight or longer.(71% of runaway or awol teens encounter highly dangerous situations or Circumstances during the runaway period)
  - 874,819 Teenage girls will become pregnant (30% will undergo an abortion many without the parent's knowledge or consent. For those teenage mothers that carry the baby full term, 90% of the fathers abandon the mother and child. 70% of all teenage marriages fail. Children born to Teenage Mothers are much more likely to fail at school, drop out, or end up in prison.)
- 2,994,657 Teens will get a Sexually Transmitted Disease (Over 25% of all current Sexually Transmitted Disease Cases are teens and this number is increasing.)
- **8,564,719** Teens will use Alcohol (One third of all Teens will use of alcohol during the next year. Research shows Alcohol Use significantly increases a Teens chances of being involved in violence, stealing, and truancy.)
- **5,429,600** Teens will use Drugs (The average age of first marijuana use is 14. Drug use is associated with home conflicts, school failures, serious accidents, crimes, violence, unsafe sex, and suicide.)
- 2,758,643 Teens will be arrested for a crime (This statistic is showing just the number of Teen arrests. While there is no verifiable statistics, it is thought that the number of Teens involved in crimes is several times the number arrested, perhaps as high as 7 or 8 million teens.)
- 2,056,833 Teens will attempt suicide
  (Suicide is the third leading cause of death among Teens)
- **4,013,920** Teens will contemplate a suicide
  (1 out of every 5 Teens have seriously considered suicide, 1 out of six Teens have actually made a plan to commit suicide. Almost all struggling teens would fit into one of these two categories)

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