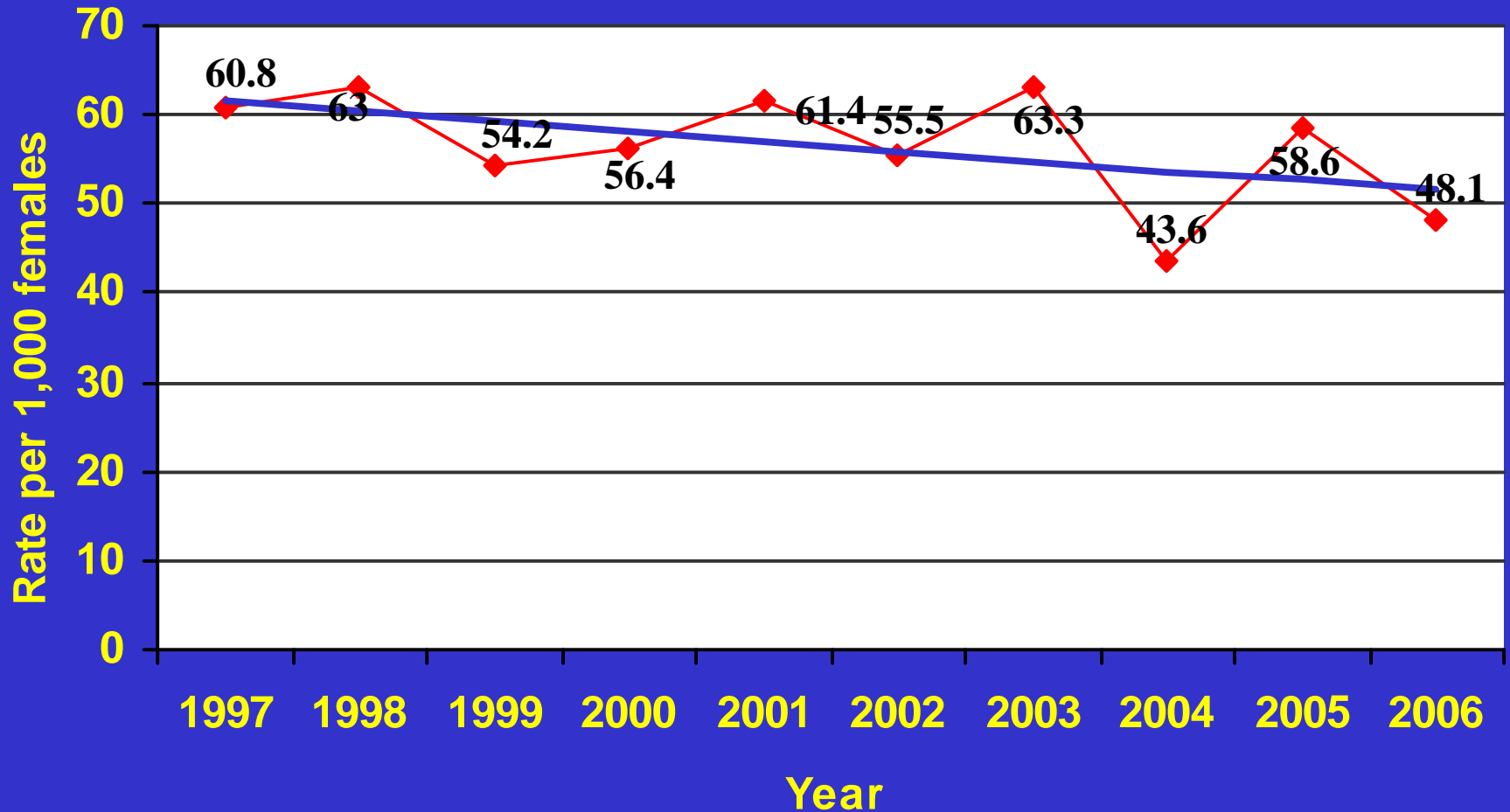


Teen Pregnancy in the City of Alexandria:

Ten Year Trends, by Age and Race/Ethnicity

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Teen Pregnancy, Overall* Ten Year Trend Alexandria 1997-2006



*Includes teens aged 10-19 years, of all races/ethnicities.

What does it mean?

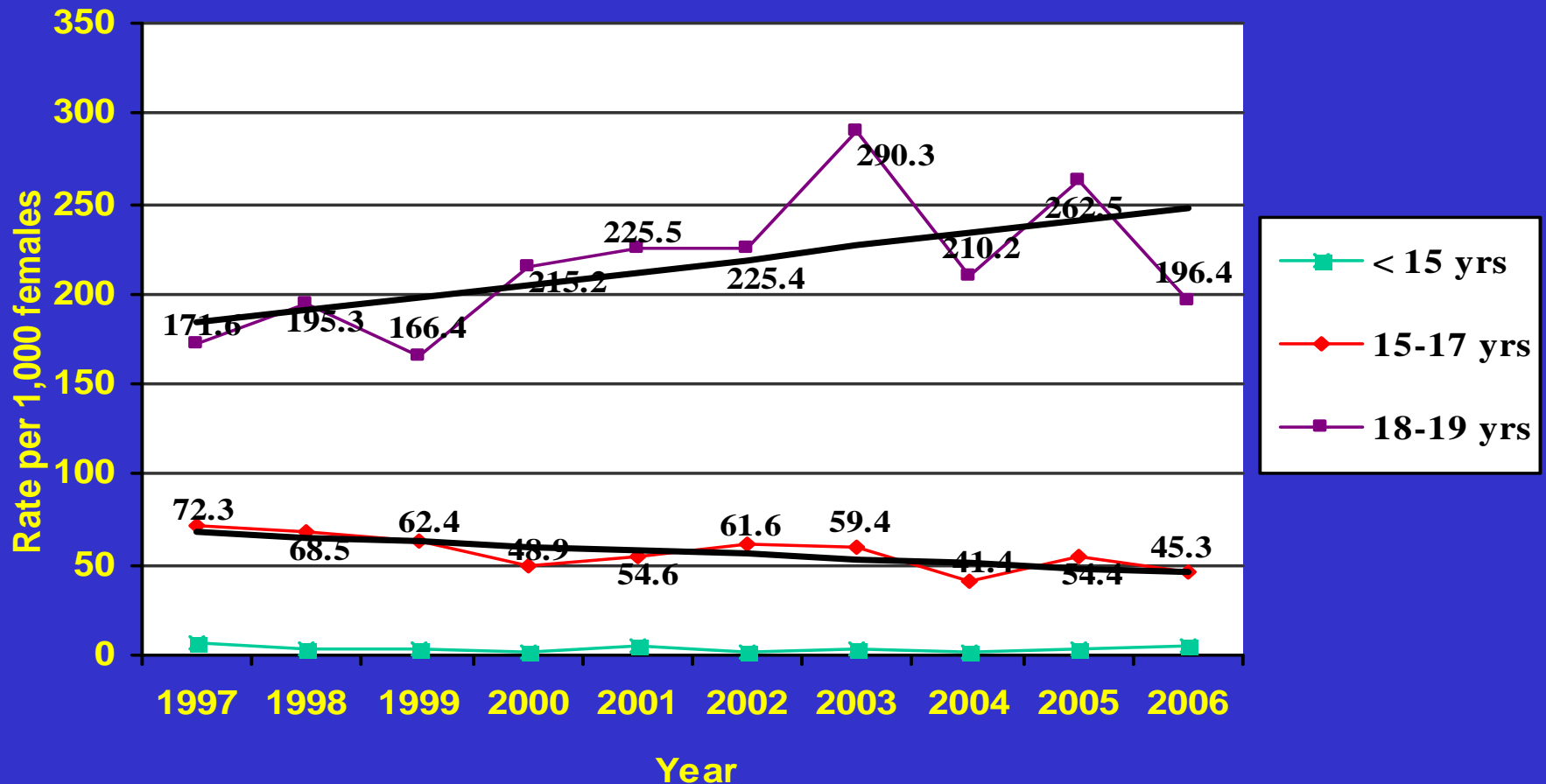
Teen Pregnancy - Alexandria 1996-2005

- Between 1997 and 2006, Alexandria's teen pregnancy rate moved in a gradual downward trend, showing a decline in the rate of pregnancies over that ten year period.

Note: Looking at trends over time is more informative than calculating percentage differences in rates across time, which may not tell the entire story.

Note: The teen pregnancy rate in the previous slide represents females aged 10-19, aggregating all races/ethnicities in the City of Alexandria.

Teen Pregnancy: 10 Year Trend, Disaggregated by Age, All Race/Ethnicities Alexandria, VA



Teen Pregnancy: 10 Year Trend, Disaggregated by Age, All Race/Ethnicities Alexandria, VA

Although the previous slide contains aggregate data for all race/ethnic groups, we now see that the trends differ with regard to distinct age ranges:

- The downward trend is seen among 15-17 year olds, however an upward trend is visible among 18-19 year olds...

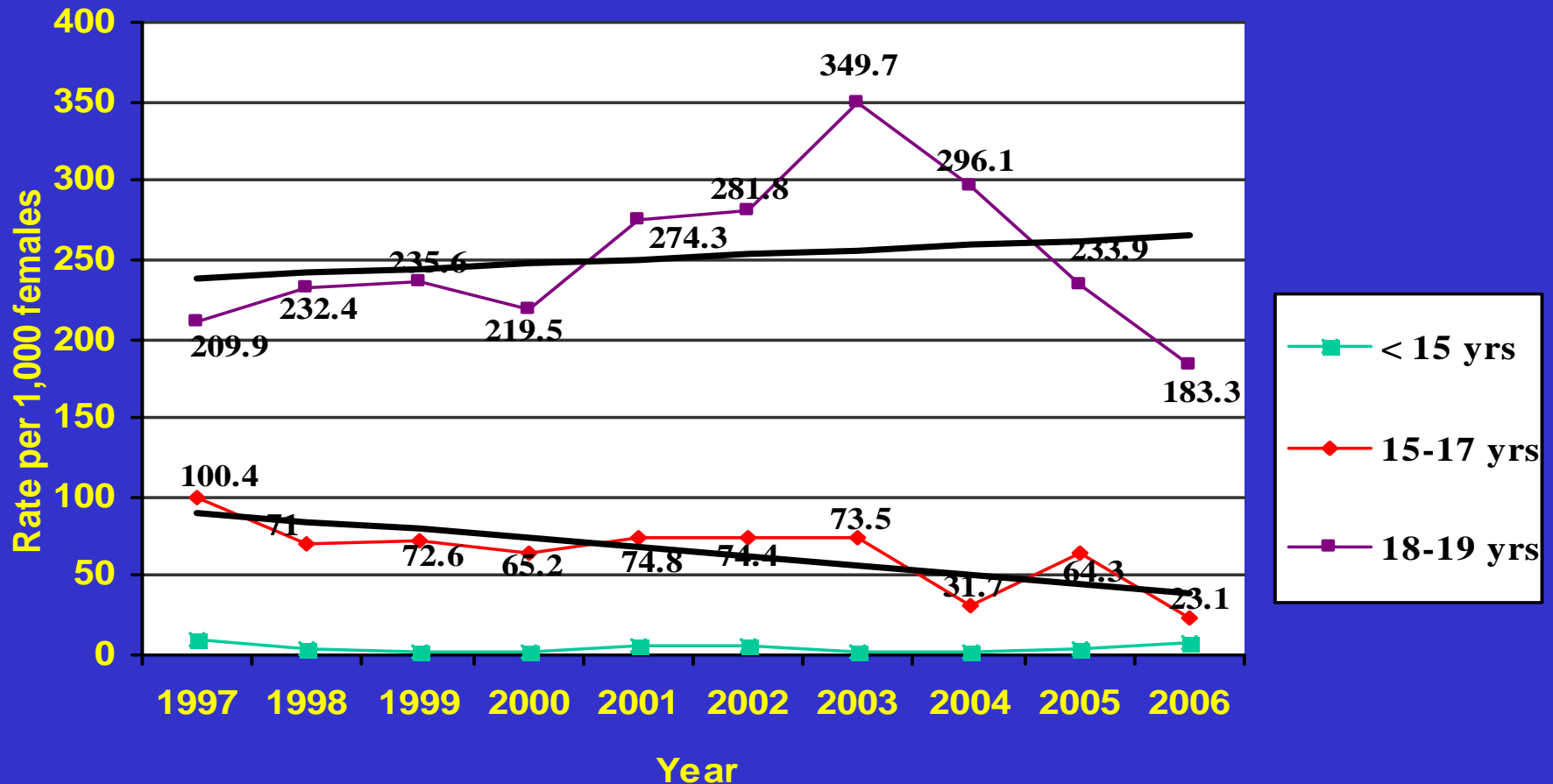
...this demonstrates that while the teen pregnancy rate is decreasing among *younger* teens, it is increasing among *older* teens.

Pregnancy rates among all teens < 15 years are consistently very low.

Teen Pregnancy: 10 Year Trend

African-Americans, Disaggregated by Age

Alexandria, VA

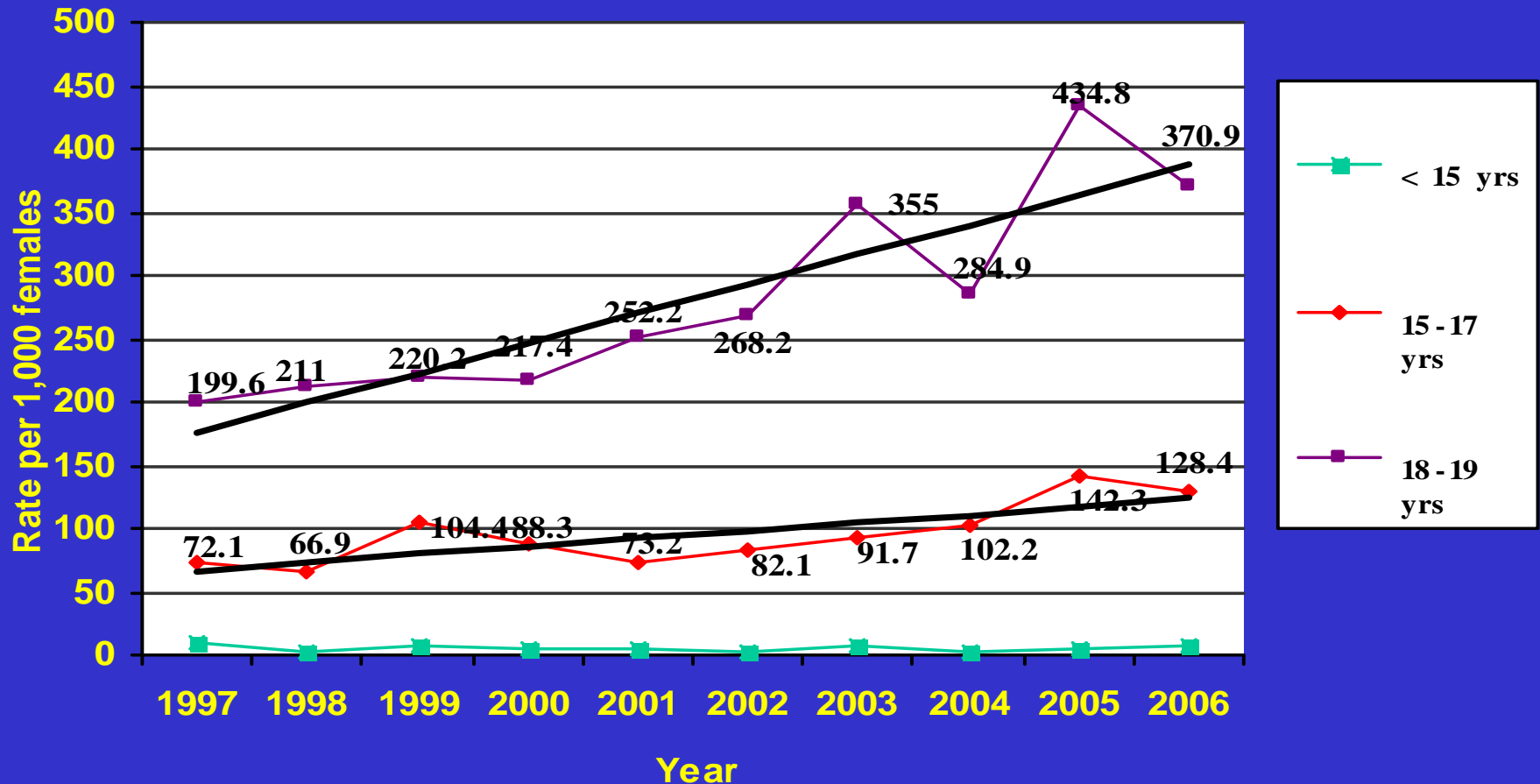


Teen Pregnancy: 10 Year Trend African-Americans, Disaggregated by Age Alexandria, VA

Pregnancy rates among 15-17 year olds trended downward, indicating a decline in rate between 1997 and 2006.

- Pregnancy rates showed a slight upward trend among 18-19 year olds. Note, however, that from 2003-2006, the rate among 18-19 year old African American women was steadily declining.

Teen Pregnancy: 10 Year Trend, Latinas, Disaggregated by Age Alexandria, VA



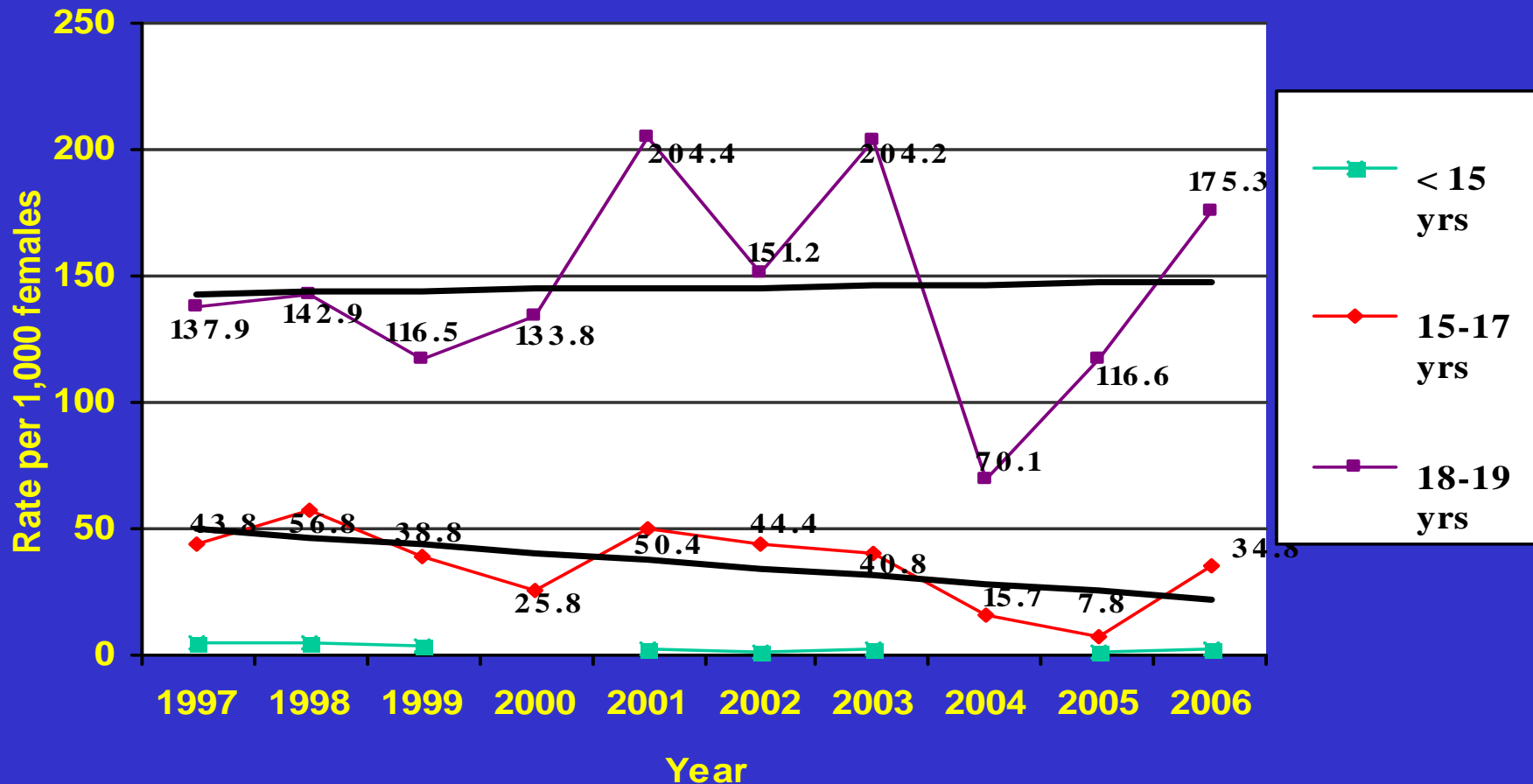
Teen Pregnancy: 10 Year Trend, Latinas, Alexandria, VA

Latina teens appear to diverge from the overall trend in the city:

- Pregnancy rates among 15-17 year olds trended slightly upward, demonstrating an increase in teen pregnancy rate among Latina 15-17 year olds between 1997 and 2006.
- During the same 10 year period, pregnancy rates showed a strong upward trend among 18-19 year old Latinas. Data indicate that they have had the sharpest increase in pregnancy rates over this ten year period of all race/ethnic teen groups.

**Persons of Hispanic ethnicity may be of any or multiple races.

Teen Pregnancy: 10 Year Trend Caucasians, Disaggregated by Age Alexandria, VA



Teen Pregnancy: 10 Year Trend Caucasians, Alexandria, VA

- Data for 15-17 year old Caucasian teens demonstrate a downward trend in teen pregnancy between 1997 and 2006.
- There has also been a slight downward trend in pregnancy rates among 18-19 year old Caucasian teens overall, however the rate was seen increasing from 2004-2006.

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