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% Cl ²		Respondents ³	Estimated Population Affected4
No	25.2	22.5	28.0	1,215	35,307
Yes	74.8	72.0	77.5	1,215	104,990

Reported sources of folic acid information

Among women 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	81.7	78.7	84.3	919	86,488
Family or friends	39.6	36.1	43.1	919	41,896
Magazine or newspaper article	30.0	26.8	33.3	919	31,764
Book	29.9	26.7	33.2	919	31,639
Radio or television	12.0	9.8	14.6	919	12,717

¹Percentage = Weighted percentage

²CI = Confidence interval lower/upper bounds

⁻⁻ 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