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INTRODUCTION

The past decade has produced an increased use of condoms among sexually active young people and a small but significant decline in teen birth rates. This good news is offset by the fact that 10 percent of girls between 15 and 19 become pregnant, nearly two-thirds of high school seniors have had sex, and an alarming percentage of sexually active adolescents and young adults engage in unsafe sexual behaviors¹. Nearly one in four sexually active young people contract a sexually transmitted disease (STD) every year², and one-half of all new HIV infections in this country occur among people under the age of 25³.

These facts indicate that there is much more yet to be known about the sexual behavior of today's young people, their knowledge about sex and sexual health risks, and the social pressures and influences they experience around sexual issues. The Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation's *National Survey of Adolescents and Young Adults: Sexual Health Knowledge, Attitudes and Experiences* takes a new approach to studying the problems and choices that today's young people face by moving beyond standard questions about sexual behavior (e.g., "Are you sexually active? Do you practice safe sex?") and tapping directly into the minds of America's young people with detailed questions about their knowledge and attitudes toward sex and sexual health (e.g., "Do you feel pressure to have sex? Do you think condoms are effective in preventing STDs and HIV/AIDS?").

The survey builds on a nationally representative sample of more than 1,800 young people in three key age groups – **young adolescents** (ages 13-14), **adolescents** (ages 15-17), and **young adults** (ages 18-24) – and representative oversamples of racial and ethnic subgroups. Parents, educators, health professionals, policymakers, the media and the public can use this survey as a **comprehensive national index** of what young people know about sex and decisions they are making about important sexual health issues so that we can effectively address the needs and concerns of a generation at risk. To keep the nation attuned to changing patterns in sexual knowledge, attitudes, and behavior among the nation's young people, this survey will be updated periodically.

The report's key findings reveal that young people are more concerned about sex and sexual health than any other

health issues in their lives. Young people also feel great pressure to have sex, with a majority saying that while putting off sex may be a "nice idea, nobody really does."

Moreover, many young people are misinformed about the health risks associated with unprotected sexual activity. While three-fourths of sexually active adolescents engage in oral sex, one-fifth of adolescents are unaware that STDs can be transmitted through this activity. Many young people have misperceptions about the health risks associated with STDs and HIV/AIDS and have incomplete information on safer sex practices, the relative effectiveness of condoms versus other forms of birth control in preventing disease, and the frequency and availability of testing for STDs and HIV.

While America's teen birth rate has declined, a significant percentage of young people are still having unprotected sex and engaging in other dangerous risk behaviors. Three in five sexually active young people report that they or a partner have had a pregnancy scare, one in six say that sex without a condom once in a while is not a "big deal," and one in five say that they have had unprotected sex after drinking or taking drugs.

The survey reveals that young people want to know more about how to use condoms, how to recognize the signs of STD and HIV infection, what STD and HIV testing involves, and where they can go to get tested. Young people also want more instruction on communicating effectively with partners about sensitive sexual concerns and relationship issues. More specific details about the results of the survey may be found in the Summary of Key Findings and in the main text of the report.

Due to the sensitive nature of some questions – specifically those that ask participants to discuss their own sexual experiences – young adolescents did not participate in certain parts of the survey. The analysis reported here thus focuses on young people between the ages of 15 and 24, an age range that corresponds with higher rates of sexual activity. There is also a special section focusing on the knowledge and attitudes of young adolescents. Complete toplines for adolescents and young adults, accompanied by the exact wording of each survey question, are provided at the end of this report.

SUMMARY OF KEY FINDINGS

Sexual issues dominate the concerns of young people

More young people say that sexual health issues – namely STDs, HIV/AIDS, and unintended pregnancy – are “big concerns” for people their age than any other issue. And perhaps more importantly, four in five adolescents and young adults – including 79 percent of those who are not sexually active – say they are personally concerned about how sexual health issues may affect them.

Young people report considerable pressure to have sex

Across the age spectrum, young people report considerable pressure to have sex. For both adolescents and young adults pressure to have sex is exceeded only by pressure to drink, and nearly a third of adolescents say that they have experienced pressure to have sex. These pressures are even greater among those who are sexually active, and adolescent males report experiencing more pressure to have sex than their female peers.

The pressures that young people feel in regard to sex may be reflected in the attitudes they hold toward sexual activity, what they report about their own sexual behavior, and the health risks they take. Three in five adolescents and young adults state that while delaying sex may be a “nice idea, nobody really does,” and 9 percent of sexually active adolescents say that they were 13 or younger when they first had sexual intercourse.

A third of adolescents have engaged in oral sex, but one in five are unaware that oral sex can transmit STDs

The survey also indicates that oral sex plays an important role in the sexual lives of America’s young people and suggests that many adolescents and young adults are unaware of the serious health risks associated with this type of sexual contact. While a third of adolescents (including three-fourths of sexually active adolescents) say they have engaged in oral sex, one in five does not know that STD transmission can occur through oral sex and two in five considers oral sex to be “safer sex.” About a quarter of sexually active adolescents also report engaging in oral sex as a strategy to avoid sexual intercourse. And more than two in five do not consider it to be as big of a deal as sexual intercourse.

Pregnancy remains a serious concern for young people and many have faced pregnancy scares or been pregnant themselves

Despite recent declines in teen birth rates, the report shows that pregnancy and pregnancy scares remain a big concern for adolescents and young adults. The survey data show that seven in 10 sexually active young adults and four in 10 sexually active adolescents have had a pregnancy test or have had a partner who took a pregnancy test, and nearly two in five young adults and 8 percent of adolescents report that they or a partner have been pregnant. Furthermore, females were twice as likely as males in both age groups to report that they had faced a pregnancy.

Many young people remain reluctant to discuss sexual health issues with partners, family, and health providers

The divergence in pregnancy reporting between females and males underscores the fact that many adolescents and young adults feel extremely uncomfortable talking about essential issues related to sex and their sexual health even though open discussions with partners, parents, and health care providers could yield great benefits for their personal health and emotional well-being. While a majority of adolescents and young adults report having discussions with their partners about contraception and their comfort level with specific types of sexual activity, fewer have engaged in dialogue about STDs and HIV/AIDS. Females are much more likely to take the lead in initiating dialogue with their male partners about a broad range of sexual issues, but it is important to note that a third of respondents say they have been in relationships where sexual activity has moved forward faster than they wanted.

Young people report alcohol and drugs often play a dangerous role in their sex lives

Another significant challenge to communication and decision-making in regard to sex is the strong role that alcohol and drugs play in sexual activity. This report shows that four out of five adolescents believe that people their age usually drink or use drugs before having sex. It also reveals that almost third of young adults have “done more” sexually under the influence of alcohol and drugs than they planned while sober and more than one in five sexually active young people report having engaged in unprotected sex while intoxicated.

Many young people have serious misperceptions about STDs and HIV/AIDS

While three-quarters of adolescents and young adults say they know at least “something” about STDs and HIV/AIDS and one-quarter say they know “a lot,” half of those surveyed did not know that 25 percent of sexually active young people contract an STD, and one-third were unaware that people their age account for 50 percent of all new HIV infections. And while most adolescents and young adults are aware that STDs can cause serious health problems, between one-fifth and three-fifths of those surveyed do not know the specific complications of certain diseases. There are also dangerous gaps in young people’s knowledge of STD transmission; one-fifth of young people believe they would simply “know” if someone else had an STD even if they were not tested, and one-sixth believe that STD transmission can only occur when obvious symptoms are present.

A surprisingly high number of young people are misinformed about safer sex

While nine out of 10 adolescents and young adults regard sex with a condom as “safer sex”, 71 percent consider sex with other forms of birth control safer sex despite the fact that many other contraceptive measures do not offer protection from STDs. Also, more than one-third regard oral sex as safer sex even though STDs can be transmitted through this activity. One-fifth consider “pulling out” prior to ejaculation or sex during a woman’s menstrual cycle safer sex despite the fact that these methods do not provide adequate protection against either pregnancy or STD transmission.

Many young people mistakenly believe that testing for STDs and HIV is a standard part of routine medical exams and may not know they are infected

While half of sexually active young people say they have been tested for STDs and HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, three in 10 mistakenly believe these tests are a standard feature of routine medical exams. One in 10 young adults and two percent of adolescents disclosed that they had contracted an STD. These figures are significantly lower than national estimates for STD incidence among young people. While the gap in reporting may reflect discomfort with revealing personal information, it may also indicate that a significant number of young people are unaware that they have contracted an STD.

Many young people are misinformed about the relative protection that condoms and other birth-control measures provide

Nine out of 10 sexually active adolescents report using birth control or protection at least most of the time and 70 percent say they use birth control or protective measures every time. However, a significant percentage of young people – one-fifth of adolescents and only slightly fewer young adults – believe that condoms are “not effective” in preventing the transmission of STDs and HIV/AIDS. Many young people are also seriously misinformed about the type of protection they receive from birth control pills. One in five young people believe that birth control pills offer protection from STDs and HIV/AIDS.

While most young people agree that sex without a condom is risky, many young people see sex without condoms occasionally as “not a big deal”

Adolescents and young adults have some mixed feelings about the importance of using condoms. While more than three-quarters of those surveyed say that sex without a condom is not worth the risk, one-sixth believe that sex without out a condom once in a while is “not that big of a deal” and one in 10 say that “unless you have a lot of sexual partners you do not need to use condoms.” Males are twice as likely as females to say that unprotected sex occasionally is no “big deal.”

Most young people say that using a condom is a sign of respect and caring, but about half say that suggesting condom use can raise mistrust and suspicion

While nine out of 10 adolescents say that using condoms is a sign of respect, caring, and responsibility, about half of those surveyed also say that bringing up the subject of condoms can raise suspicions about one’s own sexual history or suggest that one is suspicious of a partner’s sexual history. The discomfort associated with talking about and buying condoms may also pose hurdles. More than a third of adolescents and young adults say that buying condoms is embarrassing and a similar number say that it is hard to “bring up” the subject of condoms.

When it comes to sex and relationships young people say they get their information from a variety of places including their parents, sex education, friends, and the media

Among adolescents, the top three sources of information are sex education in school, friends, and parents. These sources are followed closely by media sources like

television, the movies, magazines, and the Internet. For young adults, sex education plays a much less prominent role – possibly because many last had sex education sometime during their high school career. Young adults also stress the importance of friends, the media, and boyfriends and girlfriends as their most important sources of information.

Young people express a strong desire for more information about sex and sexual health

More than three-quarters of adolescents and young adults express a need for more information about sexual health topics. They are especially concerned with how to recognize STDs and HIV/AIDS infection, what STD and HIV testing involves, and where they can go to get tested. Two in five young people also want more information on how to communicate more effectively with partners about sensitive sexual concerns and issues. And one-quarter of those surveyed say they need more information on how to use condoms.

While young adolescents (13- to 14-year-olds) are less sexually active, they are deeply concerned about relationships and sexual health issues

The survey found that even among 13- and 14-year-olds – the majority of whom are not yet sexually active – there is strong concern about sex and relationships. Four in five say they are personally concerned about sexual health issues, and three-quarters say they have concerns about sexual violence or other physical violence in relationships.

I. SEXUAL HEALTH: GENERAL ATTITUDES, CONCERNS AND PRESSURES

ISSUES FACING ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS

It is estimated that a quarter of Americans living with HIV/AIDS became infected before they turned 20 years old⁴. And more than 4 million new cases of STDs occur among young people each year⁵. Perhaps it is not surprising, then, that sexual health is a top concern for young people regardless of age, race, or sexual experience.

While a range of issues worry young people in the U.S. today – from substance use to intolerance to mental health concerns – more young people say that sexual health issues, namely HIV/AIDS, other STDs, and unintended pregnancy are “big concerns” for people their age than any other issue (Table 1).

TABLE 1
Adolescents and Young Adults: Health Concerns Facing Young People Today

PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO SAY EACH OF THE FOLLOWING IS A “VERY” OR “SOMEWHAT” BIG CONCERN FACING PEOPLE THEIR AGE

	TOTAL 15-24	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS	
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
Sexual health issues such as HIV, STDs, and pregnancy ¹	88%	82%	90%	84%	91%	85%	95%	91%	90%	91%	81%
Sexual violence or other physical violence ²	76%	70%	78%	71%	80%	72%	82%	83%	85%	79%	70%
Using drugs	70%	76%	67%	67%	74%	67%	77%	73%	71%	68%	75%
Discrimination because of race, ethnicity or sexual orientation ³	68%	65%	69%	64%	72%	64%	73%	73%	84%	67%	69%
Drinking too much	66%	69%	66%	62%	71%	64%	71%	67%	70%	64%	72%
Smoking cigarettes	62%	69%	60%	58%	67%	62%	68%	67%	70%	61%	66%
Depression or other mental illness	57%	55%	58%	47%	67%	55%	62%	62%	65%	60%	52%
n	1552	483	1069	737	815	699	287	336	149	1014	538

¹Responded “very” or “somewhat” to any of the following: HIV/AIDS, other STDs, or unintended pregnancy

²Responded “very” or “somewhat” to any of the following: sexual violence such as rape or sexual assault and other physical violence

³Responded “very” or “somewhat” to any of the following: Discrimination because of race or ethnicity and discrimination because of sexual orientation

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults please see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3 Question 1

TABLE 2
Adolescents and Young Adults: Personal Health Concerns

PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO SAY THEY ARE PERSONALLY "VERY" OR "SOMEWHAT" CONCERNED ABOUT EACH OF THE FOLLOWING

	TOTAL 15-24	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS	
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
Sexual health issues such as HIV, STDs, and pregnancy ¹	84%	86%	83%	86%	81%	79%	93%	88%	89%	86%	79%
HIV/AIDS	70%	73%	69%	72%	69%	62%	85%	82%	78%	73%	65%
Other STDs	72%	76%	71%	73%	72%	64%	88%	84%	81%	76%	65%
Unintended pregnancy	69%	71%	68%	75%	64%	64%	79%	74%	84%	73%	61%
Sexual violence or other physical violence ²	71%	73%	70%	64%	78%	64%	85%	82%	82%	72%	69%
The health risks of cigarette smoking	64%	65%	62%	60%	66%	59%	70%	68%	75%	65%	61%
Depression or other mental illness	55%	55%	53%	46%	62%	47%	69%	66%	64%	55%	52%
Being discriminated against because of how you look or think	48%	56%	44%	40%	55%	41%	60%	54%	70%	47%	51%
That you might do more sexually than you planned because you are drinking or using drugs	44%	51%	40%	43%	45%	36%	59%	58%	60%	44%	45%
n	1552	483	1069	737	815	699	287	336	149	1014	538

¹Responded "very" or "somewhat" to any of the following: HIV/AIDS, other STDs, and becoming pregnant before you are ready or when you don't want to

²Responded "very" or "somewhat" to any of the following: Sexual violence such as rape or sexual assault and other physical violence

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Question 22

For many of these young people, general concerns also translate into *personal concern* for their own well-being. Eight in 10 adolescents and young adults – including 79 percent of those who are not sexually active – say they personally worry about HIV/AIDS and other STDs or facing an unintended pregnancy. Close to half say they are "very

concerned." Significantly more young people report being personally worried about a sexual health issue than report concern about any other issue, including being the victim of violence, being the victim of discrimination, and the health risks of smoking. Young African Americans, Asians and Latinos report being more *personally concerned* about these issues than their white counterparts (Table 2).

TABLE 3
Adolescents and Young Adults: Personal Experience with Pressure

PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO SAY THEY HAVE PERSONALLY FELT "A LOT" OR "SOME" PRESSURE TO DO EACH OF THE FOLLOWING

	TOTAL 15-24	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS	
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
Drink beer or alcohol	38%	38%	38%	41%	36%	42%	30%	31%	41%	40%	33%
Have sex	32%	29%	34%	36%	29%	31%	37%	32%	37%	37%	22%
Use drugs	27%	29%	26%	32%	23%	28%	24%	24%	30%	30%	22%
Smoke cigarettes	24%	27%	23%	24%	24%	26%	21%	16%	23%	25%	22%
n	1552	483	1069	737	815	699	287	336	149	1014	538

For details findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Question 3

All of this worry may reflect everyday experiences young people face. Adolescents and young adults report confronting a variety of pressures in their lives, including pressure to drink alcohol, use drugs, and have sex. Twenty-nine percent of adolescents and just over a third of young adults report having *personally* experienced pressure to have sex. Among adolescents, only pressure to drink is named by more, and pressure to have sex is comparable to pressure to use drugs or smoke cigarettes. Among young adults, pressure around sex is second only to pressure related to drugs or smoking (Table 3).

Sexually active adolescents are twice as likely to report feeling pressure to have sex than their peers who have not had sex. They are also more likely to have to felt pressure to drink, use drugs and smoke cigarettes. While the gap grows slightly smaller, this continues into young adulthood, as sexually active young adults are still more likely to report pressure across all issues, including sex (Table 4).

The data here about sexually active young people reporting more pressure to use drugs or drink are consistent with research that has shown that many health risk behaviors occur in combination with one another. However, it is often unclear which behavior comes first. (See Box 6 for more information on sexual activity and substance use among adolescents and young adults.)

Perhaps counter to common assumptions, males report feeling pressure at higher rates than their female peers. Among adolescents, more young males than females report having felt pressure to have sex. They are also more likely to have experienced pressure around alcohol and drug use. Among young adults, males and females are equally likely to report feeling pressure around sex. Young males this age are still more likely to report pressures around alcohol and drug use, however.

TABLE 4
Adolescents and Young Adults: Personal Experience with Pressure by Age

PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO SAY THEY HAVE PERSONALLY FELT "A LOT" OR "SOME" PRESSURE TO DO EACH OF THE FOLLOWING

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17				YOUNG ADULTS 18-24			
	GENDER		SEXUAL STATUS		GENDER		SEXUAL STATUS	
	MALE	FEMALE	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	MALE	FEMALE	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
Drink beer or alcohol	41%	36%	47%	33%	40%	35%	39%	31%
Have sex	33%	23%	41%	20%	36%	33%	37%	24%
Use drugs	35%	23%	37%	24%	30%	23%	28%	19%
Smoke cigarettes	28%	25%	33%	23%	22%	23%	24%	21%
n	239	244	185	298	498	571	829	240

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Question 3

BOX 1: PARENTS OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADOLESCENTS**TABLE 5**

Parents: Health Concerns facing Young People Today

PERCENT OF PARENTS OF 13-TO 17-YEAR-OLDS WHO SAY THEY ARE “VERY” OR “SOMEWHAT” CONCERNED ABOUT EACH OF THESE ISSUES FACING YOUNG PEOPLE

	PARENTS OF 13-TO14-YEAR-OLDS			PARENTS OF 15-TO 17-YEAR-OLDS		
	TOTAL	MALE CHILD	FEMALE CHILD	TOTAL	MALE CHILD	FEMALE CHILD
Sexual health issues such as HIV, STDs, and pregnancy ¹	88%	85%	90%	89%	88%	90%
Using drugs	80%	78%	83%	81%	82%	79%
Sexual violence or other physical violence ²	80%	74%	87%	77%	72%	82%
Drinking too much	72%	70%	77%	74%	75%	75%
Smoking cigarettes	70%	72%	69%	74%	77%	71%
Discrimination because of race, ethnicity or sexual orientation ³	69%	62%	76%	64%	60%	67%
Depression or other mental illness	68%	66%	69%	68%	68%	68%
n	303	168	135	475	234	239

¹Responded “very” or “somewhat” to any of the following: HIV/AIDS, other STDs, unintended pregnancy²Responded “very” or “somewhat” to any of the following: sexual violence such as rape or sexual assault and other physical violence³Responded “very” or “somewhat” to any of the following: Discrimination because of race or ethnicity and discrimination because of sexual orientation

For detailed findings see Appendix, Section 1, Question 1

Like young people themselves, parents of adolescents worry about the pressures their children face. Nearly nine in 10 parents of both young adolescents (13- to 14-year-olds) and adolescents (15- to 17-year-olds) report that sexual health issues, including HIV/AIDS other STDs, and pregnancy, are top concerns facing today’s young people. Sexual health is a concern cited by more parents as a “big” problem than any other social issue, including alcohol or drug use, violence, depression, or discrimination (Table 5).

BOX 1: CONT.**TABLE 6**

Parents: Sources of Influence on Children's Sexual Health Knowledge and Attitudes

PERCENT OF PARENTS OF 13-TO 17-YEAR-OLDS WHO SAY EACH OF THE FOLLOWING HAVE "A LOT" OR "SOME" INFLUENCE ON HOW YOUNG PEOPLE THINK ABOUT RELATIONSHIPS, DECISION-MAKING, AND SEXUAL HEALTH

	PARENTS OF 13-TO14-YEAR-OLDS			PARENTS OF 15-TO 17-YEAR-OLDS		
	TOTAL	MALE CHILD	FEMALE CHILD	TOTAL	MALE CHILD	FEMALE CHILD
Media sources ¹	95%	94%	96%	95%	95%	95%
Friends	94%	95%	94%	93%	97%	91%
Parents	92%	91%	92%	86%	86%	87%
Brothers and sisters	87%	89%	85%	86%	87%	85%
A boyfriend, girlfriend, or partner	84%	83%	85%	86%	88%	85%
Sex education classes	75%	78%	72%	67%	64%	71%
Doctors or other health care providers	45%	39%	52%	43%	38%	49%
n	303	168	135	475	234	239

¹Responded "a lot" or "some" to any of the following: TV or movies, magazines, and the Internet
For detailed findings see Appendix, Section 1, Question 2

Parents see an opportunity to influence their children's opinions and choices when it comes to risky behaviors, especially among young adolescents. More than nine in 10 parents of young adolescents agree that they can have an impact on the way their children think about relationships, decision-making and sexual health. As their children get older parents begin to see themselves as wielding less influence over how adolescents think about sex. They also recognize the decreasing impact of sex education.

Parents of both age groups report that other factors may affect their children's choices, particularly the media and their friends. More than nine in 10 agree that TV, movies, magazines or the Internet influence the way young people think about sex and other sensitive issues (Table 6).

Three quarters of parents agree that sex education and less than half say health care providers influence how young people think about sex.

ATTITUDES AND EXPECTATIONS ABOUT SEX AND RELATIONSHIPS

A majority of young people say that there is pressure to have sex by a certain age. And they say that if you have been “seeing someone for a while,” sex is generally expected. Nearly two-thirds of adolescents and young adults think delaying sex may be a “nice idea, but nobody really does.” And over half agree that once you do have sex it is harder to say “no” the next time.

Young African Americans and Latinos are more likely than other groups to say abstinence is not a realistic option for young people today compared to whites and Asians. Compared to whites, African Americans, Latinos, and Asians say they are less likely to feel pressure to have sex again once a relationship has become sexual (Table 7).

TABLE 7
Adolescents and Young Adults: Attitudes about Relationships and Becoming Sexually Active

PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO SAY THE “STRONGLY” OR “SOMEWHAT” AGREE WITH EACH OF THE FOLLOWING

	TOTAL 15-24	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS	
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
Waiting to have sex is a nice idea but nobody really does	61%	63%	61%	64%	60%	59%	71%	66%	54%	65%	55%
There is pressure to have sex by a certain age	58%	59%	57%	61%	54%	57%	61%	57%	54%	59%	54%
Once you have had sex it is harder to say no the next time	55%	52%	57%	62%	48%	61%	45%	46%	47%	58%	50%
If you have been seeing someone for a while it is expected that you will have sex	47%	39%	51%	55%	38%	47%	49%	40%	42%	54%	32%
Oral sex is not as big of a deal as sexual intercourse	42%	46%	40%	49%	35%	46%	33%	34%	36%	44%	38%
n	1552	483	1069	737	815	699	287	336	149	1014	538

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Question 11

Again there are indications of young males experiencing higher levels of pressure than young females. They are nearly twice as likely to say there is pressure to have sex within a relationship that has been going on for a while as compared with females their age. Adolescent males also

say it is harder to say “no” once one has become sexually active. While the gender gap is particularly striking among adolescents, it persists in certain areas – such as expectations about sex in relationships – into young adulthood (Table 8).

TABLE 8

Adolescents and Young Adults: Attitudes about Relationships and Becoming Sexually Active by Age

PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO SAY THE "STRONGLY" OR "SOMEWHAT" AGREE WITH EACH OF THE FOLLOWING

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17				YOUNG ADULTS 18-24			
	GENDER		SEXUAL STATUS		GENDER		SEXUAL STATUS	
	MALE	FEMALE	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	MALE	FEMALE	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
Waiting to have sex is a nice idea but nobody really does	66%	60%	69%	59%	62%	61%	65%	49%
There is pressure to have sex by a certain age	59%	58%	58%	59%	62%	52%	60%	48%
Once you have had sex it is harder to say no the next time	56%	47%	54%	50%	64%	49%	58%	51%
If you have been seeing someone for a while it is expected that you will have sex	50%	27%	52%	31%	58%	43%	54%	35%
Oral sex is not as big of a deal as sexual intercourse	54%	38%	52%	42%	47%	33%	42%	31%
n	239	244	185	298	498	571	829	240

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Question 11

II. SEXUAL BEHAVIOR AND EXPERIENCES

For many young people, adolescence and young adulthood is a time when they must balance the pressures and desires to become sexually active with concerns about pregnancy, HIV/AIDS, and other STDs. Romantic relationships become increasingly important to many during this time, and national estimates show that by the time they have graduated high school almost two-thirds will have had intercourse⁶. (See Box 5) However, before becoming sexually active, many adolescents are initiating intimate relationships that may include kissing and fondling and other sexual behavior. Changing social norms and cultural expectations as well as delayed marriage means many young people have multiple sexual relationships in their lifetimes and need the information and tools to make healthy decisions and communicate with their partners.

SEXUAL ACTIVITY

More than half of adolescents report having been with someone in what they would describe as "an intimate or sexual way," including – but not limited to – sexual intercourse. In fact, among adolescents who have not yet had intercourse nearly one-third report having been "intimate" with a partner.

More than a third of adolescents surveyed report having had sexual intercourse, including more than 40 percent of boys and one-third of girls. One in 10 sexually active adolescents report they first had sex when they were 13 or younger. Two in five sexually active adolescents report having had one sexual partner. One in 10 report having had six or more partners. Adolescent boys are more likely to report having had sexual intercourse and to report having had more sexual partners than their female counterparts (Tables 9 and 10).

BOX 2: NATIONAL DATA SETS ON SEXUAL BEHAVIOR

The federal government sponsors the collection of information on the sexual behavior of adolescents and young adults as part of several large national data sets:

The **Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS)**, which is generally funded every two years by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), monitors risk activities among students in grades 9 through 12 – including sexual behaviors that contribute to unintended pregnancy and STDs. The survey, which is administered anonymously in high schools, was last collected in 2001 and included questionnaires completed in 150 schools.

The **National Survey of Family Growth (NSFG)** is conducted roughly every five years by a division of the CDC, and it measures factors related to the background, family, and fertility experiences of women in the U.S. In 1995, the latest year for which data is available, a nationally representative sample of 10,847 women aged 15 to 44 were interviewed. The next wave of the NSFG began interviewing in 2002 and includes interviews with men as well.

The **National Survey of Adolescent Males (NSAM)** is a federally funded effort conducted by the Urban Institute that looks at factors affecting contraceptive use, sexual activity, and related risk behaviors among male teenagers. The data is taken from four household-based surveys: a three-wave, longitudinal study conducted between 1988 and 1995 (a cohort first interviewed in 1988 was interviewed again in both 1990-91 and 1995) as well as a 1995 survey of a new cohort. In 1995, a nationally representative sample of 1,729 teenage men ages 15 to 19 were surveyed.

There are other surveys that collect data on the sexual behavior of adults. **The National Health and Social Life Survey (NHSL)**, conducted in 1992 by the National Opinion Research Center, was based on personal interviews with a probability sample of 3,432 American men and women aged 18 to 59. **The General Social Survey (GSS)** is conducted by the National Opinion Research Center and is funded by the National Science Foundation. Since 1993, it has been conducted on a biannual basis with a sample size of over 3,000 adults aged 18 and older.

TABLE 9
Adolescents and Young Adults: Sexual Experience

PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO REPORT THE FOLLOWING

	TOTAL	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN
Been with someone in an intimate or sexual way ¹ (including, but not limited to intercourse)	76%	56%	85%	79%	72%	77%	76%	74%	67%
Had oral sex ²	55%	36%	66%	62%	48%	61%	41%	47%	40%
Had sexual intercourse ¹	67%	37%	80%	69%	64%	68%	69%	67%	57%
Currently married, living as married, or have ever been married ³	†	†	20%	11%	29%	19%	14%	33%	18%
n	1552	483	1069	737	815	699	287	336	149
AMONG THOSE WHO HAVE HAD SEXUAL INTERCOURSE¹									
Had oral sex ⁴	82%	75%	84%	85%	79%	89%	59%	75%	‡
Currently in a sexual relationship ¹	64%	40%	70%	59%	71%	65%	58%	68%	69%
NUMBER OF LIFETIME PARTNERS									
1	24%	42%	20%	20%	29%	25%	16%	24%	26%
2-5	39%	39%	39%	37%	41%	38%	41%	44%	38%
6-9	12%	7%	13%	13%	11%	13%	9%	8%	4%
10 or more	12%	4%	14%	16%	8%	12%	15%	10%	7%
AGE AT FIRST INTERCOURSE⁵									
11 or younger	2%	*	2%	3%	–	–	2%	4%	‡
12-13	7%	11%	6%	7%	7%	4%	14%	8%	‡
14-15	28%	44%	23%	30%	25%	25%	34%	36%	‡
16-17	40%	37%	41%	42%	39%	44%	28%	35%	‡
18 or older	19%	–	25%	14%	24%	23%	14%	11%	‡
n	1014	185	829	501	512	470	197	224	77
AMONG THOSE WHO HAVE NOT HAD SEXUAL INTERCOURSE									
Been intimate	27%	30%	24%	32%	23%	30%	25%	21%	‡
Had oral sex	12%	13%	12%	14%	11%	14%	8%	9%	‡
n	538	298	240	236	302	229	89	112	‡

¹Includes those who say they are currently married, living as married, or have ever been married

²Asked only of those never married and not living as married (n=1346, 483, 863, 691, 655, 604, 264, 270, 132)

³Asked only of those ages 18 to 24 (n= 1069, 498, 572, 479, 185, 240, 111)

⁴Asked only of those never married and not living as married (n=807, 184, 623, 455, 352, 375, 174, 158)

⁵Asked only of those never married and not living as married. Question was added on 12/18. (n=480, 115, 365, 269, 211, 210, 108, 98)

‡ Subgroup too small to report

† Questions not asked of subgroup

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Questions 24, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 and D3

Four in five young adults have had intercourse or are currently married or living as married, and 70 percent of young adults report currently being in a sexual relationship. One in five sexually active young adults have had one partner, two in five have had between two and five partners, and one in four have had six or more sexual partners. Eight percent of sexually active young adults report first having sex when they were 13 or younger, one-quarter between the ages of 14 and 15, 41 percent when they were ages 16 to 17, and one-quarter when they were 18 or older. While the gender difference in ever having had intercourse is diminished among young adults, males continue to report more lifetime partners and an earlier age at first intercourse (Tables 9 and 10).

There are some variations in sexual activity by race/ethnicity that mirror other national surveys. About three-quarters of whites, African Americans, and Latinos report they have been with someone in an intimate or sexual way and about two-thirds report they have had sexual intercourse. Whites are more likely to say they have had oral sex than either African American or Latinos. African Americans and Latinos report becoming sexually active at younger ages than their white peers, and African Americans report having more sexual partners than any other racial/ethnic group. Asians report slightly lower levels of sexual activity than the other three groups (Table 9).

TABLE 10
Adolescents and Young Adults: Sexual Experience by Age

PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO REPORT THE FOLLOWING

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17		YOUNG ADULTS 18-24	
	GENDER		GENDER	
	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE
Been with someone in an intimate or sexual way ¹ (including, but not limited to intercourse)	65%	47%	87%	84%
Had oral sex ²	40%	32%	73%	58%
Had sexual intercourse ³	42%	33%	83%	78%
Currently married, living as married, or have ever been married	†	†	11%	29%
n	239	244	498	571
AMONG THOSE WHO HAVE HAD SEXUAL INTERCOURSE¹				
Had oral sex ³	76%	75%	87%	80%
Currently in a sexual relationship ¹	36%	45%	64%	76%
NUMBER OF LIFETIME PARTNERS				
1	35%	51%	16%	25%
2-5	41%	36%	36%	42%
6-9	9%	3%	13%	12%
10 or more	3%	5%	19%	8%
AGE AT FIRST INTERCOURSE⁴				
11 or younger	‡	‡	4%	-
12-13	‡	‡	8%	5%
14-15	‡	‡	25%	22%
16-17	‡	‡	43%	40%
18 or older	‡	‡	19%	33%
n	104	81	397	432
AMONG THOSE WHO HAVE NOT HAD SEXUAL INTERCOURSE				
Been intimate	39%	21%	21%	27%
Had oral sex	15%	10%	13%	11%
n	135	163	101	139

¹Includes those who say they are currently married, living as married, or have ever been married

²Asked only of those never married and not living as married (n=239, 244, 452, 411)

³Asked only of those never married and not living as married (n=104, 81, 351, 272)

⁴Asked only of those never married and not living as married. Question was added on 12/18. (n=205, 160)

‡ Subgroup too small to report

† Questions not asked of subgroup

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adolescents see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Questions 24, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 and D3

BOX 3: ADOLESCENTS AND ORAL SEX

Adolescents who are having oral sex are often the same young people who are having sexual intercourse. Overall, more than one-third of adolescents report having had oral sex. Among sexually active adolescents three-fourths also report having engaged in oral sex, while 13 percent of adolescents who have not had intercourse report having oral sex.

Adolescent males are slightly more likely to report having oral sex than females, similar to trends in reported sexual intercourse. However, sexually active girls are twice as likely as sexually active boys to report having had oral sex to avoid intercourse. White adolescents are more likely than African Americans or Latinos to report having engaged in oral sex.

It is noteworthy that close to half of adolescents believe oral sex is “not as big a deal” as sexual intercourse, a view held by more males than females. The widely held opinion that oral sex is somehow less important or intimate than intercourse, may suggest that the behavior is going on more frequently than survey respondents are reporting. The finding may also indicate that oral sex is a precursor to other behaviors that they may consider to be weightier – namely, sexual intercourse.

One factor that may contribute to their opinions about oral sex is adolescents’ lack of awareness about the risks. One in five do not know STDs are a possible consequence of unprotected oral sex. In fact, two in five consider oral sex to be a form of “safer sex” (Table 11).

TABLE 11
Adolescents: Oral Sex Attitudes and Experiences

PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS WHO REPORT THE FOLLOWING

	TOTAL 15-17	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS	
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
ORAL SEX ATTITUDES AND KNOWLEDGE									
Oral sex is not as big of a deal as sexual intercourse ¹	46%	54%	38%	51%	30%	32%	‡	52%	42%
Consider oral sex “safer sex”	39%	47%	30%	46%	22%	27%	‡	48%	33%
Do not know that you can get an STD through oral sex	19%	20%	17%	20%	12%	20%	‡	13%	22%
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	‡	185	298
ORAL SEX EXPERIENCES									
Have had oral sex	36%	40%	32%	40%	25%	34%	‡	75%	13%
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	‡	185	298
Have had oral sex to avoid having intercourse ²	24%	18%	33%	‡	‡	‡	‡	†	†
n	185	104	81	‡	‡	‡	‡	†	†

¹Includes those who say “strongly” or “somewhat” agree

²Among those who are sexually active

‡ Subgroup too small to report

† Question not asked of subgroup

For detailed finding among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Section 2, Questions 11, 12, 14, 26 and 32

Many sexually active young people report having experienced pregnancies or pregnancy “scares.” Four in 10 sexually active adolescents, and seven in 10 sexually active young adults, report that they or their partner have had a pregnancy test. Thirty-eight percent of sexually active young adults in this survey reported they had been pregnant, or had a partner who experienced a pregnancy, as have 8

percent of sexually active adolescents. These results are likely underestimates as teen pregnancy data shows that national averages are significantly higher with four in 10 girls getting pregnant by age 20⁷. Twice as many females reported having faced a pregnancy than males in both age groups – with over half of young adult women reporting having been pregnant (Table 12).

TABLE 12
Adolescents and Young Adults: Experiences with Pregnancy

PERCENT OF SEXUALLY ACTIVE ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO REPORT THE FOLLOWING

	TOTAL 15-24	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	AFRICAN WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN
Ever taken a pregnancy test	64%	40%	70%	55%	74%	62%	69%	71%	60%
Ever been pregnant	33%	8%	38%	21%	46%	28%	44%	46%	24%
Self or partner is currently pregnant or trying to become pregnant [†]	‡	‡	9%	6%	12%	8%	6%	15%	‡
n	1014	185	829	501	513	470	198	224	77

⁷Asked only of those 18-24 (n=830, 397, 433, 393, 149, 184)

‡ Subgroup too small to report

† Question not asked of subgroup

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Questions 41, 44 and 45

BOX 4: REPORTING PERSONAL BEHAVIOR

Young people’s reporting of their own activities may underestimate their actual risky behaviors due to social desirability i.e., their wish to present themselves to the interviewer in what may seem a more positive or socially desirable light. We find some evidence of this in the inconsistency between what young people report their *peers* are doing and what they report *they themselves* are doing. For example, seven in 10 sexually active young people say their peers “often do not use condoms when they are drinking or using drugs,” but only one in five say they *personally* have had unprotected sex because they were drinking or using drugs.

Many of the federally sponsored surveys discussed below minimize these effects by using anonymous self-administered surveys or have the respondent answer certain questions directly into a computer. For example, compared with responses to the Kaiser Family Foundation’s *National Survey of Adolescents and Young Adults* estimates from the **Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS)** are consistently higher for questions on sexual activity (i.e. more say they have had intercourse, and with more partners in YRBS) and lower for questions on condom use (i.e. 9th through 12th graders interviewed as part of the YRBS were more likely to say they did NOT use a condom the last time they had intercourse).

BOX 5: SEXUAL ACTIVITY TRENDS

According to the **Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS)** about half of all 9-12th grade students have had sexual intercourse, reflecting a *decline* during the last decade from 54.1 percent in 1991 to 45.6 percent in 2001. Males are slightly *more likely* than females to report having had sex⁸. The percentage of high school students who have had sexual intercourse increases by grade: In 2001, 60.5 percent of 12th graders had had sexual intercourse, compared with 39 percent of 9th graders⁹.

By the time they reach their early 20s, roughly nine in ten people report having had sexual intercourse (90% of men and 89% of women aged 20 to 24.)¹⁰

The median age at first intercourse is 16.5 years. There is little difference between the age of first intercourse reported by females (16.5) and males (16.4)¹¹.

The percentage of 9-12th grade students who had initiated *sexual intercourse before age 13* has fluctuated in recent years, from 10.2 percent in 1991 to 7.2 percent in 1997 to 6.6 percent in 2001¹². Males (9.3%) are *more likely* than females (4%) to report having sex at early ages¹³.

The younger a girl is when she has sex for the first time, the greater the average age difference is likely to be between her and her partner¹⁴.

Among teen girls aged 15-19 who have had sexual intercourse, 69 percent described their first time as “voluntary and wanted;” 24 percent as “voluntary but unwanted;” and 7 percent as “non-voluntary.” The younger the age of first sex, the greater the likelihood the experience was unwanted and/or non-voluntary.¹⁵

The percent of all 9-12th graders who report having had four or more sexual partners has *declined* in recent years from 18.7 percent in 1991 to 14.2 percent in 2001. Males (17.2%) are more likely than females (11.4%) to report having had four or more sexual partners¹⁶.

A survey of young adults found that, in the year prior to being surveyed, more than half of sexually experienced men and women aged 18 to 24 (57%) report having one partner; 24 percent, between two and four partners; and eight percent, five or more partners. Eleven percent report having had no sexual partner in the past year¹⁷.

COMMUNICATION AND NEGOTIATION

Many young people have a difficult time talking about sex and sexual health. Yet open conversations – whether with a parent, sexual partner, or health care provider – may have considerable benefits for their personal health and well-being.

While the majority of sexually active young people report having conversations with their current or most recent sexual partner about contraceptive choices or their personal level of comfort around sexual activity, fewer are having an

open dialogue about HIV/AIDS and other STDs. In fact, only about half of sexually active adolescents and two-thirds of young adults have talked about these kinds of sexual health risks with their partners.

African American and Latinos are *more likely* to report at some point having had a conversation about HIV/AIDS or other STDs with a partner than their white or Asian counterparts (Table 13).

TABLE 13
Adolescents and Young Adults: Talking About Sexual Health Issues with Partners

PERCENT OF SEXUALLY ACTIVE ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO SAY THEY HAVE HAD A CONVERSATION WITH THEIR CURRENT OR MOST RECENT PARTNER ABOUT EACH OF THE FOLLOWING

	TOTAL 15-24	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN
What they feel comfortable doing sexually	84%	74%	86%	78%	90%	86%	81%	80%	80%
Birth control or condoms	92%	89%	93%	89%	96%	93%	93%	88%	95%
HIV or AIDS	63%	49%	66%	54%	73%	58%	73%	70%	60%
Other STDs	66%	54%	68%	58%	74%	62%	78%	69%	60%
n	1014	185	829	501	513	470	198	224	77

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Question 31

TABLE 14
Adolescents and Young Adults: Talking About Sexual Health Issues with Partners by Age

PERCENT OF SEXUALLY ACTIVE ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO SAY THEY HAVE HAD A CONVERSATION WITH THEIR CURRENT OR MOST RECENT PARTNER ABOUT EACH OF THE FOLLOWING

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17		YOUNG ADULTS 18-24	
	GENDER		GENDER	
	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE
What they feel comfortable doing sexually	65%	87%	81%	91%
Birth control or condoms	84%	96%	90%	96%
HIV or AIDS	40%	60%	57%	76%
Other STDs	42%	71%	62%	74%
n	104	81	397	432

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Question 31

Regardless of age, females report talking about a broad range of sexual issues much more frequently than do males. The gender differences are greatest around the more stigmatized topics of disease (HIV/AIDS and other STDs). The gender gap diminishes somewhat as young people age from adolescents into young adulthood, with more males reporting having discussed issues like birth control, condoms and STDs with a partner. However, on the issues of HIV/AIDS and other STDs, females continue to be more likely to report having a conversation than are males the same age (Table 14).

Close to one in four sexually active young people say they have done something sexual they didn't really want to at some point and a third report having ever been in a situation where things were moving faster sexually than they felt ready for. Females are *more likely* to report having had

these experiences as compared with males. One in five report having used oral sex to put off sexual intercourse at some point. Sexually active adolescents females are more likely than their male counterparts to report this experience (Tables 15 and 16).

TABLE 15
Adolescents and Young Adults: Sexual Experiences in Relationships

PERCENT OF SEXUALLY ACTIVE ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO SAY THEY HAVE DONE OR EXPERIENCED EACH OF THE FOLLOWING

	TOTAL 15-24	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN
Been in a relationship where they felt things were moving too fast sexually	32%	33%	32%	28%	36%	33%	34%	30%	37%
Done something sexual they didn't really want to do	22%	24%	22%	16%	29%	24%	17%	19%	23%
Had oral sex to avoid having sexual intercourse	21%	24%	20%	19%	22%	23%	14%	21%	12%
n	1014	185	829	501	513	470	198	224	77

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Question 32

TABLE 16
Adolescents and Young Adults: Sexual Experiences in Relationships by Age

PERCENT OF SEXUALLY ACTIVE ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO SAY THEY HAVE DONE OR EXPERIENCED EACH OF THE FOLLOWING

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17		YOUNG ADULTS 18-24	
	GENDER		GENDER	
	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE
Been in a relationship where they felt things were moving too fast sexually	30%	36%	28%	36%
Done something sexual they didn't really want to do	18%	31%	16%	28%
Had oral sex to avoid having sexual intercourse	18%	33%	20%	20%
n	104	81	397	432

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Question 32

BOX 6: SUBSTANCE USE AND RISKY SEXUAL BEHAVIOR

Young people often face pressures involving alcohol, drugs, and sexual activity—decisions that often occur simultaneously. Research has shown that many health risk behaviors occur in combination with one another, yet it is often unclear which behavior comes first. Substance use increases the probability that an adolescent will initiate sexual activity, and sexually experienced adolescents are more likely to initiate substance use¹⁸. Alcohol and drug use by young people may lead to earlier sexual initiation, unprotected sexual intercourse, and multiple partners. It may also put young people at risk of STDs, unintended pregnancy, and sexual violence¹⁹.

Young people say that alcohol and drugs often go hand in hand with sexual activity. More than four out of five adolescents say “people their age drink or use drugs before having sex” at least “sometimes,” including 40 percent who say this happens “a lot.” Young adults are even *more likely* to say this is the case. And many say the result is risky sexual behavior. About seven in 10 also agree that condoms often don’t get used when people are drinking or using drugs. In spite of the risks, about one in five still say it is “not that big a deal” if sex and substance use are mixed (Table 17).

TABLE 17
Adolescents and Young Adults: Attitudes About Substance Use and Sexual Behavior

	TOTAL 15-24	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS	
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO SAY “A LOT” OR “SOME” OF THE PEOPLE THEIR AGE											
Drink or use drugs before having sex	87%	83%	88%	84%	89%	88%	87%	84%	83%	88%	84%
PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO SAY THEY “STRONGLY” OR “SOMEWHAT” AGREE WITH EACH OF THE FOLLOWING											
People my age often don’t use condoms when they are drinking or using drugs	72%	69%	74%	66%	78%	73%	71%	70%	72%	74%	69%
It is not a big deal if people my age make decisions about sex when they are drinking or using drugs	22%	19%	23%	26%	16%	19%	21%	31%	18%	23%	19%
PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO SAY THEY WANT MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE FOLLOWING											
How alcohol or drugs might affect decisions about having sex	38%	48%	33%	35%	40%	31%	49%	53%	52%	34%	44%
n	1552	483	1069	737	815	699	287	336	149	1014	538

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Questions 18, 20 and 21

BOX 6: CONT.

When it comes to their own decision-making, most young people, however, are worried about the influence of substance use. Half of sexually active adolescents – and 40 percent of sexually active young adults – say they are *personally* concerned that they “might do more sexually than [they] had planned because of alcohol or drugs.” In fact, one-third say alcohol or drugs has influenced their decisions about sex, including more than one-quarter of adolescents and 37 percent of young adults. One quarter of sexually active young people report having “done more” sexually than they had planned while drinking or using drugs. Further, many admit they have put themselves at risk sexually because of alcohol or drugs. More than one in five sexually active young people report having had unprotected sex because they were drinking or using drugs, including 9 percent of adolescents and one-quarter of young adults. One-quarter have worried about STDs or pregnancy because of something they did (or didn’t do) while drinking or using drugs.

Almost four in 10 young people want more information about the effects of alcohol and drug use on their sexual

decision-making, including 48 percent of adolescents and one third of young adults.

Females overall are slightly more likely to agree that people their age drink or use drugs before having sex, but less likely to report personal experience combining sex and substance use. Fewer females report having used drugs or alcohol to feel more comfortable with a sexual partner, or that substance use influenced their sexual decision-making in the past.

Males appear more likely to report risky sexual behavior, including making sexual decisions under the influence. They are also more than twice as likely to report using drugs or alcohol the last time they had sex.

Two in five whites report making decisions about sex while they were under the influence – twice as many as African Americans and more than Latinos or Asians the same age. Whites are also more likely to have done more sexually than they had planned, and had unprotected sex because they were using drugs or drinking alcohol at the time (Table 18).

TABLE 18
Adolescents and Young Adults Substance Use and Risky Sexual Behavior

PERCENT OF SEXUALLY ACTIVE ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO SAY THEY HAVE DONE OR EXPERIENCED EACH OF THE FOLLOWING

	TOTAL 15-24	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN
Alcohol or drugs ever influenced their decision to do something sexual	35%	27%	37%	40%	30%	40%	20%	29%	26%
Ever done more sexually than they had planned because they had been drinking or using drugs	28%	20%	30%	32%	25%	33%	20%	21%	17%
Ever worried about STDs or pregnancy because of something they did sexually while drinking or using drugs	26%	19%	27%	28%	24%	26%	22%	27%	25%
Ever had unprotected sex (not used a condom) because they were drinking or using drugs	22%	9%	24%	24%	20%	25%	16%	17%	15%
Ever used alcohol or drugs to help them feel more comfortable with a sexual partner	15%	12%	16%	18%	12%	15%	13%	14%	13%
Were drinking or using drugs the first time they had sexual intercourse	10%	5%	11%	11%	8%	11%	7%	8%	5%
Were drinking or using drugs the most recent time they had sexual intercourse	11%	11%	11%	15%	7%	12%	9%	10%	2%
n	1014	185	829	501	513	470	198	224	77

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Questions 33 and 34

III. HIV/AIDS AND OTHER STDs: ATTITUDES, KNOWLEDGE AND BEHAVIOR

HIV/AIDS and other STDs have a disproportionate impact on young people. Two-thirds of STDs occur among people 25 and younger, and about a quarter of all new STD cases occur in young people 15-to 19-years old²⁰. As many as half of all new HIV infections are estimated to occur among young people under the age of 25 – and more than a quarter of Americans living with HIV/AIDS became infected during their teen years²¹. HIV/AIDS and other STDs are a big concern for young people, and most feel that they know at least something about them. But few are aware of the consequences and many hold misperceptions that could put their health at risk. Long-held fallacies and stigma about STDs – like the idea that only those who “sleep around” are at risk and the belief that one can “just tell” if someone else has an STD – still exist among a significant minority of young people as well.

MISINFORMATION AND MISPERCEPTIONS

Three-quarters of young people say they know at least “something” about STDs, including 27 percent who say they know “a lot.” Yet many vastly underestimate their risk of contracting an STD or HIV/AIDS. Half do *not* know that one in four sexually active adolescents and young adults get an STD each year, and more than a third were unaware that half of all new HIV infections that occur each year are among people under 25.

Almost all adolescents and young adults are aware that STDs can be spread through sexual intercourse, but they are less certain about the risk associated with oral sex. About one in 10 young people either doesn’t know you can get an STD this way or thinks that oral sex poses no risk. One in five believe that they would simply “know” if someone they were dating had an STD and almost one in six mistakenly believe that STDs can only be spread when symptoms are present. More than 10 percent also think that only people with “a lot” of sexual partners have to worry about STDs.

While more than 90 percent of young people are aware that STDs have some serious health effects, many know little about the specifics. Although millions of men, women, and

adolescents are affected by long-term complications of STDs, including a variety of cancers, infertility, ectopic pregnancy, and miscarriage, other chronic diseases, and increased susceptibility to HIV²², between one in five and three in five young people are unaware of these consequences. Three in five say they “do not know” STDs can cause cancer or believe that they do not. More are aware of the potential impact on their fertility and that it increases one’s risk for HIV infection.

Generally, young adults are more knowledgeable than adolescents about their risk of infection. Most know that STD transmission can occur through oral sex and even when symptoms are not present. Yet there is little difference in knowledge by age about the long-term health consequences, and young adults hold some misperceptions about STDs at levels equal to those among adolescents. Sexually active young people know more about *some* aspects of their risk and transmission but are no more knowledgeable about others. Females also tend to know more about their risks, transmission, and long-term health consequences.

There are some differences among whites, African Americans, Latinos, and Asians, but they are mixed. For example, African Americans are more likely than others to be aware of the risk of STD transmission through oral sex and that having an STD puts one at an increased risk for HIV infection. But African Americans are less likely to know that STDs can be spread even when symptoms are *not* present. Asians are less aware of STD risks and some of the long-term consequences than whites, African Americans or Latinos, but are less likely to hold other misperceptions about transmission (Table 19).

TABLE 19
Adolescents and Young Adults: Knowledge about HIV/AIDS and other STDs

	TOTAL 15-24	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS	
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
PREVALENCE AND RISK											
PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO DO NOT KNOW											
That 1 in 4 sexually active people under 25 will get an STD this year	51%	55%	50%	56%	47%	51%	49%	50%	63%	46%	60%
That half of all new HIV infections that occur each year are among people under 25	39%	37%	40%	41%	36%	39%	40%	37%	52%	38%	41%
STD TRANSMISSION											
PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO DO NOT KNOW YOU CAN GET STD THROUGH											
Oral sex	13%	19%	9%	13%	12%	12%	8%	17%	18%	9%	18%
Sexual intercourse	2%	3%	1%	1%	3%	1%	1%	3%	4%	1%	4%
LONG-TERM HEALTH CONSEQUENCES OF STDs											
PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO DO NOT KNOW STD CAN CAUSE											
Some kinds of cancer	60%	60%	60%	66%	54%	60%	61%	61%	61%	59%	63%
Increased risk for HIV/AIDS	35%	33%	35%	35%	35%	37%	22%	35%	46%	35%	36%
Problems with fertility, that is difficulty having children	18%	24%	17%	21%	16%	17%	19%	27%	33%	17%	23%
COMMON STD MISPERCEPTIONS											
PERCENT WHO AGREE WITH EACH OF THE FOLLOWING¹											
If someone I was dating had an STD, I would know it	20%	25%	18%	27%	12%	20%	14%	22%	16%	18%	22%
STDs can only be spread when symptoms are present	15%	20%	13%	17%	14%	11%	26%	22%	15%	13%	18%
Unless you have sex with a lot of people, STDs are not something you have to worry about	12%	12%	12%	14%	8%	11%	13%	13%	6%	10%	14%
STDs are a nuisance but they do not have any serious health effects	9%	10%	8%	11%	7%	6%	12%	15%	7%	8%	9%
n	1552	483	1069	737	815	699	287	336	149	1014	538

¹Includes those who say "strongly" or "somewhat" agree

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Questions 14, 15, 16, 17 and 19

BOX 7: WHAT IS “SAFER SEX”?

Most health or sex education courses include instruction in “safe sex” or “safer sex” – terms that can mean different things to different people. Many see (and may have been taught) safer sex within a spectrum of strategies that reduce negative consequences, from sexual abstinence to withdrawal or the rhythm method. And for many young people, pregnancy prevention is the foremost concern. Nine out of 10 young people say they consider sex with a condom to be “safer sex” and 71 percent consider sex with other kinds of birth control “safer sex.” More than a third say oral sex is “safer.” One in five consider pulling out and sex during “safe” times of a woman’s menstrual cycle to be “safer sex” as well.

These beliefs about safer sex are consistent across age –suggesting that views about contraception and protection formed in adolescence hold through young adulthood. There are differences by gender, with males tending to hold a broader definition of what constitutes “safer sex” than females. Males are more likely to say that withdrawal, sex during “safe” times of the month, and oral sex are “safer sex.” Those who are sexually active are also *more likely* than those who are not to consider condoms, other birth control, and oral sex to be “safer sex” (Table 20).

TABLE 20
Adolescents and Young Adults: Safer Sex Beliefs

PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO SAY THEY CONSIDER EACH OF THE FOLLOWING TO BE “SAFER SEX”

	TOTAL 15-24	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS	
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
Sex with a condom	89%	87%	89%	91%	86%	90%	91%	83%	88%	92%	81%
Sex using other kinds of birth control	71%	73%	71%	73%	70%	76%	60%	64%	69%	76%	63%
Oral sex	37%	39%	36%	45%	30%	44%	21%	26%	34%	40%	32%
Sex during “safe” times of the month	24%	26%	23%	28%	20%	23%	29%	22%	28%	24%	23%
Pulling out	21%	22%	20%	27%	14%	20%	24%	21%	26%	21%	20%
n	1552	483	1069	737	815	699	287	336	149	1014	538

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Question 12

HIV AND STD TESTING

About one in four sexually active adolescents, and half of sexually-active young adults, report having been tested for HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, and about the same percentage report having been tested for other STDs.

However, this is likely an *over-estimate* of actual testing behavior. More than one in five that said they had been tested assumed incorrectly that testing for HIV or other STDs is a routine part of a medical exam.

Females are also more likely to report having been tested, although they are also slightly more likely to say they were under the impression that testing is a routine part of standard medical exams. African Americans and Latinos are more likely to say they have been tested for HIV and other STDs than white, Latino or Asian adolescents. Compared to adolescents, young adults are more likely to have been tested.

About two in five sexually active young people say it is likely that they will get tested for HIV and other STDs in the next year – and those who have been tested are more likely to say they are likely to get tested again in the coming year.

African Americans and Latinos are more likely than whites or Asians to say it is likely that they will get tested for HIV or other STDs in the next year.

Only one in 10 sexually active young adults and 2 percent of adolescents report having had an STD – significantly lower than what experts believe to be the prevalence of STDs among young people. As many as one in three young people under the age of 25 is thought to have or have had an STD²³. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the American Social Health Association suggest that few people who are infected with an STD are aware of it, largely because they do not consider themselves to be at risk and haven't been tested. Approximately one in 10 young people believe it is possible that they have an STD now and do not know it. Females and African American young people are more likely to report having had an STD, possibly due to being better informed through their higher reported testing rates (Table 21).

TABLE 21
Adolescents and Young Adults: Experiences with HIV and STD testing

PERCENT OF SEXUALLY ACTIVE ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO HAVE HAD THE FOLLOWING TESTING EXPERIENCES

	TOTAL 15-24	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
TESTING EXPERIENCE										
Have been tested for HIV, the virus that causes AIDS	50%	25%	55%	43%	57%	46%	63%	52%	48%	
HOW THEY SAY THEY KNEW THEY WERE TESTED¹										
Asked to be tested	50%	‡	50%	57%	44%	45%	64%	50%	‡	
Doctor/nurse told me	19%	‡	18%	16%	21%	18%	12%	23%	‡	
Under impression it was a routine part of the exam	29%	‡	29%	25%	32%	34%	21%	24%	‡	
Blood donation (Vol.)	2%	‡	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	‡	
Have been tested for other STDs	49%	31%	53%	40%	60%	46%	66%	48%	36%	
HOW THEY SAY THEY KNEW THEY WERE TESTED²										
Asked to be tested	49%	‡	50%	60%	40%	48%	54%	44%	‡	
Doctor/nurse told me	22%	‡	20%	14%	27%	22%	17%	23%	‡	
Under impression it was a routine part of the exam	24%	‡	25%	21%	27%	24%	28%	29%	‡	
Blood donation (Vol.)	1%	‡	2%	2%	1%	1%	*	3%	‡	
TESTING LIKELIHOOD										
Likely to get tested for HIV in next year ³	44%	40%	45%	42%	45%	37%	63%	56%	47%	
Likely to get tested for other STDs in the next year ³	47%	40%	48%	40%	53%	40%	64%	53%	50%	
STD EXPERIENCES										
Report having had an STD	8%	2%	9%	3%	12%	5%	18%	7%	7%	
Believe they might have an STD now	11%	14%	10%	12%	9%	10%	8%	11%	20%	
n	1014	185	829	501	513	470	198	224	77	

¹Asked only of those who said they had been tested for HIV (n=506, 460, 218, 258, 217, 119, 114)

²Asked only of those who said they had been tested for other STDs (n=504, 447, 201, 303, 223, 122, 109)

³Includes those who say "very" and "somewhat" likely

‡ Subgroup too small to report

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults please see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Questions 42, 43, 44, 45, 47 and 48

BOX 8: TESTING BARRIERS

Half of sexually active young people say they haven't been tested for HIV/AIDS or other STDs because they don't consider themselves at risk. But most also cite other factors as well with only one in five giving this as the *only* reason. Almost one-third say one of the reasons they haven't been tested is that they do not know what it involves and more than a quarter say they do not know where to go to get tested. "Not wanting to know" is another reason given by one-quarter of those who have not been tested. Nearly one in five say a fear of what others "might think" plays a part in keeping them from getting tested. The cost of testing is also a barrier to testing for 14 percent of young people.

African Americans and Latinos are *more likely* than whites to say that not knowing what is involved and not knowing where to go is keeping them from getting tested, and African Americans are also more likely to say they "do not want to know" or they are "afraid of what people might think." Cost is also an important factor for African Americans and Latinos more often than for whites (Table 22).

Table 22: Adolescents and Young Adults: Barriers for HIV and STD testing

PERCENT OF SEXUALLY ACTIVE ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN TESTED FOR HIV OR OTHER STDs WHO SAY EACH IS A "VERY" OR "SOMEWHAT" IMPORTANT REASON FOR THEM

	TOTAL 15-24	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN
Do not think they are at risk	50%	53%	49%	49%	51%	52%	46%	45%	‡
Do not know what is involved in getting tested	30%	34%	29%	29%	32%	24%	46%	44%	‡
Do not know where to go to get tested	26%	33%	25%	29%	23%	21%	41%	38%	‡
Do not want to know	24%	30%	23%	23%	26%	20%	46%	32%	‡
Afraid of what people might think	19%	23%	18%	17%	21%	18%	26%	22%	‡
It is too expensive	14%	16%	13%	13%	14%	10%	21%	25%	‡
n	570	140	430	320	250	280	91	123	‡

‡ Subgroup too small to report

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults please see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Question 48

IV. CONTRACEPTION AND PROTECTION: ATTITUDES, KNOWLEDGE AND USE

Given their concerns with HIV/AIDS, other STDs, and pregnancy, it is not surprising that contraception is important to many young people. Yet discussing contraception with partners and providers is an area many are still struggling with, and patterns of use are putting many people at risk for STDs and unintended pregnancy. Further, due to

sometimes conflicting information, many hold mixed views about contraceptives that may affect their choice and use of a particular method. While a sizeable percent say they lack confidence in the ability of condoms to protect against diseases, others incorrectly believe oral contraceptives offer some protection against HIV/AIDS and other STDs.

BOX 9 TRENDS IN CONDOM AND OTHER CONTRACEPTIVE USE

According to the 1995 National Survey of Family Growth (NSFG), two out of three sexually active females aged 15 to 19 use contraception, but not every time they have sex²⁴. Condom use among sexually active 9th-12th grade students has *increased* over the past decade – with 57.9 percent saying they used a condom the last time they had sexual intercourse in 2001 – but has begun to slow in more recent years. The use of birth control pills among 9th-12th graders has decreased slightly over the past decade to 18.2 percent who said they used oral contraceptives the last time they had sexual intercourse²⁵. Condom use among

young adults has also increased over recent years but depends in part on the type of relationships they are in. In 1996, 36 percent of young adults ages 18 to 25 in an ongoing relationship said they used a condom at last intercourse, as compared with 66 percent of those in a casual relationship who did so²⁶. Use of birth control pills has also decreased slightly among young women aged 20 to 24; 52 percent of this group reported relying on oral contraceptives in 1995²⁷.

For more information about federally sponsored national datasets that collect data about contraceptive use and other sexual behaviors see Box 2.

TABLE 23
Adolescents and Young Adults: Contraceptive Use

PERCENT OF SEXUALLY ACTIVE ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO REPORT THE FOLLOWING EXPERIENCES WITH BIRTH CONTROL AND PROTECTION

	TOTAL 15-24	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
USE BIRTH CONTROL OR PROTECTION										
All of the time	60%	70%	57%	53%	67%	62%	59%	52%	62%	
Most of the time	23%	21%	23%	27%	18%	23%	20%	23%	22%	
Some of the time	11%	5%	12%	13%	7%	9%	15%	15%	5%	
Never	6%	4%	7%	5%	8%	6%	4%	10%	8%	
SPECIFIC CONTRACEPTIVE USE										
REPORT USING CONDOMS										
Ever	90%	94%	89%	91%	89%	90%	93%	89%	85%	
Regularly	60%	79%	55%	67%	52%	58%	72%	55%	57%	
Ever had sex without a condom	63%	38%	68%	62%	63%	67%	57%	58%	49%	
Used a condom the last time had sexual intercourse	58%	80%	52%	64%	50%	56%	67%	52%	62%	
REPORT USING BIRTH CONTROL PILLS										
Ever	62%	40%	67%	59%	66%	67%	53%	53%	46%	
Regularly	44%	30%	48%	39%	51%	50%	33%	35%	35%	
REPORT USING WITHDRAWAL OR PULLING OUT										
Ever	42%	40%	43%	45%	39%	41%	48%	42%	45%	
Regularly	12%	13%	12%	13%	11%	11%	17%	15%	5%	
REPORT USING THE RHYTHM OR CALENDAR METHOD										
Ever	8%	7%	8%	10%	6%	6%	5%	11%	13%	
Regularly	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	4%	*	
n	943	185	758	478	465	440	188	200	74	

Note: Among those 18-24 who are not currently pregnant or trying to become pregnant
For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Questions 35, 36, 37, 38 and 39

CONTRACEPTIVE USE

More than nine in 10 sexually active adolescents report using birth control or protection at least “most of the time,” with 70 percent indicating they use a method all of the time. Adolescents appear to be more consistent contraceptive users than their older peers; fewer young adults report using birth control or protection “all of the time.” Young adults may use methods like condoms less consistently because they are in longer-term relationships than adolescents, and may consider themselves less at risk of STDs. Young adults are also likely to have been sexually active for a longer period of

time compared to adolescents, and may simply have had more opportunity to have sex without protection.

Condoms and birth control pills – often in combination with each other and other methods – are the most commonly cited methods used by young people. Adolescents are *more likely* than young adults to say they use birth control or protection “all of the time.” Adolescents use condoms more consistently and more frequently than young adults, who report more regular use of birth control pills. More than nine

in 10 sexually active young people say they sometimes" use condoms and 79 percent of adolescents and 55 percent of young adults say they use condoms "regularly." At the same time, more than one-third of sexually active adolescents and two-thirds of young adults have had sex without a condom at least once, and four in five adolescents and half of young adults say they used a condom the last time they had intercourse.

Two in five adolescents say they use birth control pills and 30 percent use them "regularly." Two-thirds of young adults say they or their partner have used birth control pills in the past and more than four in 10 use oral contraceptives "regularly." Other methods such as the rhythm or calendar method and withdrawal or "pulling out" are used less frequently by most young people, although more than 40 percent report using withdrawal at least some of the time.

While whites, African Americans, and Asians all report similar frequency of birth control use, the specific methods they are choosing vary somewhat. African Americans report using condoms at higher rates than any other group and also use them more consistently than any other group. When it comes to birth control pills, whites choose this method at higher rates (Table 23).

Females report they are using birth control or protection "all of the time" more often than males regardless of age. However, among adolescents, females are more likely than their male peers to report having ever had sex without a condom, and males are more likely to say they used a condom the last time they had sexual intercourse (Table 24).

When choosing a method of contraception, pregnancy prevention and protection from HIV/AIDS and other STDs rank highest in importance among young people. A partner's preference is also important for most young people. Almost half of females also say that the possibility of weight gain may factor into their decision and for two in five *not* having to discuss it with a partner is also important. About half of adolescents also say that being able to get contraceptives without their parents' permission is important. Cost also plays a role for a quarter of young people.

There are some gender differences in what young people say influences their contraceptive choices. Males

are more likely than females to say their partner's choice carries a lot of weight. Adolescent females are more likely than males to say that being able to get it without their parent's permission is important. Cost also tends to be more of a factor for females than males (Table 25).

TABLE 24
Adolescents and Young Adults: Contraceptive Use by Age

PERCENT OF SEXUALLY ACTIVE ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO HAVE HAD THE FOLLOWING EXPERIENCES WITH BIRTH CONTROL AND PROTECTION

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17		YOUNG ADULTS 18-24	
	GENDER		GENDER	
	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE
USE BIRTH CONTROL OR PROTECTION				
All of the time	65%	76%	51%	65%
Most of the time	25%	16%	28%	18%
Some of the time	5%	4%	15%	8%
Never	5%	3%	5%	9%
SPECIFIC CONTRACEPTIVE USE				
REPORT USING CONDOMS				
Ever	93%	95%	91%	87%
Regularly	85%	72%	62%	48%
Ever had sex without a condom	30%	49%	70%	66%
Used a condom the last time had sexual intercourse	86%	71%	58%	46%
REPORT USING BIRTH CONTROL PILLS				
Ever	35%	46%	65%	70%
Regularly	22%	40%	43%	53%
REPORT USING WITHDRAWAL OR PULLING OUT				
Ever	41%	38%	46%	40%
Regularly	1%	4%	2%	1%
REPORT USING THE RHYTHM OR CALENDAR METHOD				
Ever	5%	9%	11%	5%
Regularly	14%	13%	13%	10%
n	104	81	374	384

Note: Among those 18-24 who are not currently pregnant or trying to become pregnant For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Questions 35, 36, 37, 38 and 39

African Americans and Latinos appear to be more concerned about how their contraceptive choice will protect against STDs, including HIV/AIDS than whites or Asians of the same age. More African Americans and Latinos consider how well a method protects against disease to be an influence on their decision to use birth control or protection. African Americans and Latinos are twice as likely as whites to say that not having to discuss a method with a sexual partner is important. These two findings are important in combination because there are currently no methods available that protect against disease other than latex condoms, whose use typically requires the consent and cooperation of both partners (Table 25).

PERCEPTIONS ABOUT EFFECTIVENESS AND RISK

Faced with mixed and confusing information about the efficacy of condoms in preventing disease transmission and pregnancy, a sizeable percent of young people hold confused or inaccurate ideas about condoms that may impact

their use. One-fifth of adolescents – and only slightly fewer young adults – consider condoms to be “not effective” at preventing the transmission of HIV/AIDS or other STDs. Young adults and those who are sexually active tend to rate condoms as more effective than adolescents and those who are not sexually active.

Many young people are also misinformed about the type of protection they receive from birth control pills. Three in ten adolescents and young adults do not know that oral contraceptives provide no protection from HIV and other STDs— or think that they do. Most young people believe that birth control pills are at least “somewhat effective” against pregnancy; one in ten feel they are “not effective” or “do not know” although they may be underestimating the pill’s effectiveness against pregnancy (experts estimate that with typical use, five women in 100 become pregnant in a year).²⁸

TABLE 25
Adolescents and Young Adults: Important Attributes of Birth Control

PERCENT OF SEXUALLY ACTIVE ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO SAY THE FOLLOWING ARE IMPORTANT TO THEM IN CHOOSING A METHOD OF BIRTH CONTROL OR PROTECTION

	TOTAL 15-24	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN
How well it prevents pregnancy	95%	96%	95%	95%	95%	95%	94%	94%	91%
How well it protects against HIV/AIDS and other STDs	88%	94%	86%	88%	87%	84%	96%	95%	85%
What your partner wants to use	84%	83%	84%	91%	76%	84%	80%	86%	80%
If it causes you to gain weight ¹	†	49%	48%	†	49%	45%	49%	51%	‡
That you don’t need your parents’ permission ²	†	48%	†	40%	58%	‡	‡	‡	‡
That you don’t have to discuss it with your partner ¹	†	41%	45%	†	44%	33%	66%	67%	‡
How much it costs	26%	29%	25%	19%	33%	23%	28%	31%	40%
n	1014	185	829	501	513	470	198	224	77

¹Asked only of females (n=81, 432, 513, 260, 97, 99)

²Asked only of those ages 15-17 (n=185,104,81)

‡ Subgroup too small to report

† Question not asked of subgroup

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults please see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Question 40

Overall, young adults and those who are sexually active are slightly more likely than adolescents and those who are not yet sexually active to know the pill offers no such protection.

African Americans, Latinos, and Asians are more misinformed about birth control pills than whites. They are all almost twice as likely to believe that the pill is effective at preventing the transmission of HIV/AIDS and other STDs (Table 26).

CONDOMS AND SAFER SEX

Most young people agree that sex without condoms can be risky – and more than three-quarters say it is simply not worth the risk. While most feel that condoms should be used all of the time – regardless of the number of partners a person has – there are still between one in six and one in 10 who say it is “not that big of a deal to have sex without a condom once in a while” and that “unless you have a lot of sexual partners you do not need to use condoms.” Many have concerns about how well condoms can protect them, with three in five agreeing that “condoms break a lot.”

TABLE 26
Adolescents and Young Adults: Effectiveness of Condoms and Birth Pills

PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO CONSIDER CONDOMS AND BIRTH CONTROL PILLS TO BE “EFFECTIVE” OR “NOT EFFECTIVE”

	TOTAL 15-24	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS	
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
CONDOMS											
PREVENTING PREGNANCY											
Effective	86%	85%	87%	89%	83%	86%	82%	86%	86%	89%	80%
Not effective	11%	13%	11%	10%	13%	11%	16%	10%	9%	9%	14%
Don't know	3%	4%	3%	2%	3%	3%	2%	3%	4%	1%	6%
PREVENTING HIV/AIDS											
Effective	77%	75%	78%	78%	77%	76%	81%	74%	77%	81%	70%
Not effective	17%	20%	16%	16%	20%	18%	14%	19%	14%	15%	23%
Don't know	5%	4%	6%	6%	4%	5%	4%	6%	8%	4%	8%
PREVENTING OTHER STDs											
Effective	77%	73%	79%	78%	77%	76%	82%	74%	78%	81%	68%
Not effective	19%	22%	17%	17%	19%	19%	14%	20%	14%	16%	23%
Don't know	5%	6%	5%	6%	4%	5%	5%	7%	8%	4%	8%
BIRTH CONTROL PILLS											
PREVENTING PREGNANCY											
Effective	86%	85%	86%	86%	86%	87%	80%	85%	79%	88%	83%
Not effective	7%	7%	8%	6%	9%	6%	14%	8%	10%	7%	8%
Don't know	6%	7%	6%	7%	5%	6%	7%	7%	11%	5%	10%
PREVENTING HIV/AIDS											
Effective	21%	30%	16%	22%	19%	15%	31%	28%	26%	17%	27%
Not effective	70%	60%	74%	67%	74%	76%	61%	61%	56%	76%	59%
Don't know	9%	10%	9%	11%	8%	9%	8%	11%	19%	7%	13%
PREVENTING OTHER STDs											
Effective	18%	26%	14%	20%	15%	13%	27%	24%	23%	15%	22%
Not effective	73%	64%	77%	69%	78%	78%	68%	62%	59%	78%	63%
Don't know	9%	11%	8%	12%	6%	9%	7%	14%	18%	7%	15%
n	1552	483	1069	737	815	699	287	336	149	1014	538

Note: Effective includes those who said “very” and “somewhat”; not effective includes those who said “not too” or “not at all”; don't know includes those who said “don't know” and “refused”

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Questions 4 and 5

The discomfort associated with talking about and buying condoms may also be a hurdle for some young people. More than one-third of young people say that buying condoms is embarrassing, and similar numbers say it is hard to bring up the topic of condoms. As young people get older, they begin to feel more comfortable and regardless of age, those who are sexually active are more comfortable buying condoms and bringing the issue up than those who are not sexually active. Compared to other groups, African Americans are more comfortable talking about and buying condoms (Table 27).

While they overwhelmingly report positive attitudes toward condom use – despite their mixed experiences using them – significant numbers of young people also believe that suggesting condom use to their partner can generate suspicions about their own sexual past or convey the message that they have suspicions about their partner’s sexual history. Nine in 10 young people say they feel it is respectful, caring, and responsible for a partner to suggest using a condom, with few differences across age, gender or race/ethnicity. At the same time, however, nearly half say

TABLE 27
Adolescents and Young Adults: Attitudes About Condoms and Safer Sex

PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO SAY THEY AGREE “STRONGLY” OR “SOMEWHAT” WITH EACH OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS

	TOTAL 15-24	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS	
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
Sex without a condom isn’t worth the risk	77%	80%	76%	75%	80%	80%	75%	66%	72%	77%	77%
Condoms break a lot	60%	59%	61%	58%	62%	59%	62%	65%	57%	63%	55%
Buying condoms is embarrassing	33%	46%	27%	31%	36%	36%	23%	33%	40%	25%	50%
It is hard to bring up the topic of condoms	29%	35%	27%	30%	29%	30%	19%	35%	44%	25%	39%
It is not that big of a deal to have sex without a condom once in a while	16%	10%	17%	21%	10%	14%	11%	23%	17%	18%	10%
Unless you have a lot of sexual partners you don’t need to use condoms	9%	7%	9%	11%	6%	7%	7%	16%	9%	9%	9%
n	1552	483	1069	737	815	699	287	336	149	1014	538

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Question 6

they would feel suspicious about their partner’s past sexual history and about the same percent would worry about what their partner would think of *their* history. About one in 10 say they would feel insulted by the suggestion. Sexually active young people, regardless of age, are less likely to feel negatively toward being asked to use a condom and more likely to feel positive about the suggestion. African Americans, Latinos and Asians report slightly more negative feelings than whites (Table 28).

TABLE 28
Adolescents and Young Adults: Reactions to Discussions of Condoms.

PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO AGREE “STRONGLY” OR “SOMEWHAT” THAT THEY WOULD FEEL THE FOLLOWING IF A ROMANTIC PARTNER SUGGESTED USING A CONDOM

	TOTAL 15-24	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS	
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
POSITIVE MESSAGES											
That the person was being responsible	94%	93%	94%	94%	94%	95%	92%	89%	92%	97%	89%
Glad the person brought it up	93%	91%	92%	91%	94%	92%	95%	90%	91%	95%	86%
Relieved	90%	88%	89%	87%	91%	89%	93%	87%	83%	90%	87%
Like the person respected me	90%	89%	91%	89%	92%	89%	96%	88%	91%	93%	86%
Like the person cared about me	88%	87%	89%	89%	88%	88%	92%	85%	90%	90%	84%
NEGATIVE MESSAGES											
Like the person was suspicious or worried about my past sexual history	48%	50%	47%	52%	43%	44%	53%	53%	57%	47%	47%
Suspicious or worried about the person’s past sexual history	46%	52%	44%	48%	45%	43%	55%	54%	50%	43%	52%
Insulted	9%	12%	8%	11%	8%	7%	14%	13%	14%	8%	12%
n	1552	483	1069	737	815	699	287	336	149	1014	538

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults please see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Question 7

BOX 10: EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION

Over the past several years, several dedicated products have become available that, taken shortly *after* unprotected sex (or after a condom breaks or a woman misses two or more pills in a row), reduce the chance of pregnancy by almost 90 percent²⁹.

Despite the availability of this back-up method of birth control, almost half of young people are unaware that there is something a woman can do to prevent pregnancy; more say they have heard of emergency contraceptive pills (ECP), also called morning after pills (MAPS).

There remains a lot of confusion about what ECPs are and how they differ from medical abortion drugs. Unlike medical abortion drugs, such as mifepristone (RU-486), ECPs operate to prevent pregnancy rather than terminate an established pregnancy. Among those who have heard of ECPs, fewer than half know how they work.

Females are more likely than males to know there is something you can do to prevent pregnancy after unprotected sex and are more likely to have heard of ECPs specifically, as are young adults compared to adolescents. Those who are sexually active are slightly more likely to know about ECPs and how they work, particularly among young adults (Table 29).

TABLE 29
Adolescents and Young Adults: Knowledge of Emergency Contraception

		AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS	
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
	TOTAL										
Know there is something a woman who had unprotected sex can do in the next few days to prevent pregnancy	55%	48%	59%	51%	60%	56%	47%	53%	64%	60%	45%
Heard of emergency contraceptive pills or morning after pills	65%	52%	71%	60%	71%	72%	47%	51%	60%	70%	55%
Know there is something a woman can do AND have heard of emergency contraceptive pills	46%	34%	52%	39%	53%	51%	29%	38%	50%	53%	33%
n	1552	483	1069	737	815	699	287	336	149	1014	538
AMONG THOSE WHO HAVE HEARD OF EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTIVE PILLS OR MORNING AFTER PILLS											
Know how emergency contraceptive pills work	47%	45%	48%	50%	45%	44%	47%	54%	60%	48%	44%
n	995	244	751	418	577	525	143	185	84	705	290

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults please see Appendix, Sections 1 and 2, Questions 8, 9 and 10

V. SOURCES OF SEXUAL HEALTH INFORMATION AND INFORMATION NEEDS

The sources of information about relationships and sexual health that young people rely on tend to shift as they move into young adulthood. Among adolescents, sex education in school, friends, and parents rank among the top three sources followed closely by media sources like TV, movies, magazines, and the Internet. For young adults, friends, the media, and their girlfriends and boyfriends figure prominently.

While the role of parents in sex education may change somewhat as their children grow older, among adolescents three quarters say they have learned “a lot” or “some” from their parents, and more than three in five young adults say they have learned from their parents. Sex education in school is also a cornerstone of sexual health information for young people – 68 percent have learned at least “some,” including 45 percent who say they have learned a lot, from sex education. Probably due to having taken sex education more recently, adolescents tend to say they have learned more from sex education than young adults. The media – including TV shows and movies, magazines, and the Internet – is an important source of information for many

young people. Taken individually, more than half say they have learned about relationships and sexual health issues from TV shows and movies, about two in five from magazines, and one in five from the Internet. Magazines tend to be a much larger source of information for females of any age than for males.

Girlfriends and boyfriends are also an important source of information and appear to, play a much larger role among those who are sexually active, regardless of age, than among those who are not sexually active. Doctors also seem to be getting through to young people, particularly females and those who are older.

African Americans rely heavily on media sources, followed by parents and friends. Whites cite friends as a large source of the information followed by the media, parents, and boyfriends and girlfriends. Among Latinos, the media and sex education are important sources of information for more than seven in 10, followed by friends. More than four in five Asians say they have learned from media sources, and three-quarters from friends and sex education (Table 30).

TABLE 30
Adolescents and Young Adults: Resources on Sexual Health

PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO SAY THEY HAVE LEARNED “A LOT” OR “SOME” FROM THE FOLLOWING SOURCES

	TOTAL 15-24	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS	
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
Friends	76%	76%	76%	74%	78%	79%	71%	67%	75%	75%	77%
Media sources ¹	72%	70%	73%	67%	76%	68%	79%	71%	84%	71%	72%
Sex education classes	68%	77%	64%	68%	69%	66%	70%	70%	73%	64%	75%
Parents	68%	75%	64%	65%	71%	68%	77%	61%	55%	64%	75%
Boyfriends, girlfriends or partners	65%	56%	70%	67%	65%	68%	64%	60%	63%	72%	52%
Doctors or other healthcare providers	58%	51%	61%	44%	72%	53%	72%	58%	64%	63%	49%
Brothers and sisters	39%	34%	42%	40%	39%	38%	47%	43%	31%	42%	37%
n	1552	483	1069	737	815	699	287	336	149	1014	538

¹Responded “a lot” or “some” to any of the following: TV shows or movies, magazines, and the Internet
For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Question 2

Faced with many decisions about relationships, becoming sexually active, contraception, and HIV/AIDS and STDs, more than three-quarters of adolescents and young adults express a need for more information about sexual health topics. At the top of the list for more than half of young people are how to know if they are infected with HIV or other STDs, how to use birth control and protect themselves from HIV/AIDS and other STDs, what HIV and STD testing involves, and where to go to get tested. Learning more about communication with partners and physicians is also a priority for more than two in five young people. The effects of alcohol and drugs on one's decision-making and dealing with pressure to have sex were areas of interest for

more than a third of young people. And one-quarter say they want to learn more about how to use condoms.

On every topic, African Americans, Latinos, and Asians are more likely to say they want more information than whites. Adolescents are also more likely than young adults to say they want more information across the board. Females are also somewhat more likely (although not always significantly) to say they want more information. Specifically, females want more information on bringing up sexual health issues with partners or doctors, dealing with pressure to have sex, and how to use condoms (Table 31).

TABLE 31
Adolescents and Young Adults: Information Needs

PERCENT OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO SAY THEY WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT EACH OF THE FOLLOWING

	TOTAL 15-24	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS	
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
How to know if you have HIV/AIDS or other STDs	60%	67%	57%	59%	61%	54%	74%	69%	71%	60%	59%
The different kinds of birth control and protection that are available	57%	63%	54%	55%	58%	52%	70%	63%	71%	56%	58%
How to protect yourself from HIV/AIDS and other STDs	56%	66%	51%	55%	57%	48%	70%	67%	70%	52%	63%
What is involved in getting an HIV or STD test	54%	62%	50%	52%	55%	49%	65%	65%	65%	52%	58%
Where to go to get tested for HIV or other STDs	51%	59%	48%	50%	52%	45%	66%	61%	64%	50%	55%
How to talk to a partner about what you feel comfortable doing sexually	45%	53%	41%	42%	48%	40%	56%	56%	53%	43%	49%
How to bring up sexual health issues such as STDs and birth control with a partner	44%	50%	41%	40%	47%	37%	57%	57%	56%	42%	47%
How to bring up sexual health issues such as STDs and birth control with a doctor	43%	51%	40%	39%	48%	36%	56%	60%	55%	41%	48%
How alcohol or drugs might affect decisions about having sex	38%	48%	33%	35%	40%	31%	49%	53%	52%	34%	44%
How to deal with pressure to have sex	35%	46%	30%	29%	41%	29%	47%	44%	52%	30%	44%
How to use condoms	25%	29%	23%	21%	29%	18%	35%	37%	36%	22%	30%
Any sexual health topics ¹	77%	82%	74%	76%	77%	72%	85%	83%	87%	74%	81%
n	1552	483	1069	737	815	699	287	336	149	1014	538

¹Responded "yes" to any of these topics

For detailed findings among adolescents and young adults see Appendix, Sections 2 and 3, Question 18

VI. YOUNG ADOLESCENTS

Young adolescents (those aged 13 to 14) are also worrying about relationships and sexual health. Seven in 10 say that sexual violence or other physical violence is a concern for their peers as well as sexual health issues such as HIV/AIDS, STDs, and pregnancy. They are also concerned about substance use – drugs, alcohol, and cigarettes – as well as discrimination and depression. And these are not just abstract considerations. Even higher percentages of young adolescents say they are personally concerned about these issues. Four in five say they are concerned personally about sexual health issues and three-quarters say they worry about sexual violence or other physical violence. Half are concerned that they might do more sexually than they had planned because they are under the influence of alcohol or drugs. One in five young adolescents report personally facing pressures to become sexually active, drink, and smoke, and one in seven report personally facing pressures to use drugs (Table 32).

TABLE 33
Young Adolescents: Attitudes About Relationships and Becoming Sexually Active

PERCENT OF 13- TO 14-YEAR-OLDS WHO SAY THEY “STRONGLY” OR “SOMEWHAT” AGREE WITH EACH OF THE FOLLOWING

	TOTAL	GENDER	
		MALE	FEMALE
Waiting to have sex is a nice idea but nobody really does	53%	49%	56%
Once you have had sex it is harder to say no the next time	47%	49%	45%
There is pressure to have sex by a certain age	47%	40%	54%
If you have been seeing someone for a while it is expected that you will have sex	23%	27%	18%
It is not a big deal if people my age make decisions about sex when they are drinking or using drugs	23%	23%	22%
n	302	160	142

For detailed findings among young adolescents see Appendix, Section 2, Question 11

TABLE 32
Young Adolescents: Health Concerns and Experiences with Pressure

PERCENT OF 13- TO 14-YEAR-OLDS WHO SAY EACH OF THE FOLLOWING IS A “VERY” OR “SOMEWHAT” BIG CONCERN FOR THEIR PEERS AND THEMSELVES

	TOTAL	GENDER	
		MALE	FEMALE
ISSUES FACING PEERS			
Sexual violence or other physical violence ¹	71%	68%	73%
Sexual health issues such as HIV, STDs, and pregnancy ²	70%	67%	73%
Using drugs	67%	63%	72%
Smoking cigarettes	65%	58%	73%
Drinking too much	57%	53%	62%
Discrimination because of race or ethnicity	52%	50%	55%
Depression or other mental illness	52%	44%	61%
ISSUES FACING SELF			
Sexual health issues such as HIV, STDs, and pregnancy ²	81%	79%	84%
Sexual violence or other physical violence ¹	75%	68%	82%
The health risks of cigarette smoking	70%	67%	74%
Being discriminated against because of how you look or think	57%	50%	65%
Depression or other mental illness	55%	53%	59%
That you might do more sexually than you planned because you are drinking or using drugs	51%	50%	53%
n	302	160	142

PERCENT WHO SAY THEY HAVE PERSONALLY FELT “A LOT” OR “SOME” PRESSURE TO DO EACH OF THE FOLLOWING

	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
Do something sexual	21%	18%	23%
Drink beer or alcohol	21%	17%	25%
Smoke cigarettes	18%	18%	18%
Use drugs	14%	16%	13%
n	302	160	142

¹Responded “very” or some what” to any of the following: sexual violence such as rape or sexual assault and other physical violence

²Responded “very” or some what” to any of the following: HIV/AIDS, other STDs, and unintended pregnancy

For detailed findings among young adolescents see Appendix, Section 2, Questions 1, 22 and 3

When it comes to sex and relationships, more than half of young adolescents say that while waiting to have sex is a nice idea, nobody really does. About the same number also say that once you have had sex it is harder to say no the next time and that there is pressure to have sex by a certain age. Almost one-quarter of young adolescents also say that it is expected that you will have sex if you have been seeing someone for a while (Table 33).

Parents top the list of information sources for sexual health issues for young adolescents, followed by sex education and the media. While young adolescents say they have learned about sexual health from a variety of sources, they still want to know more (Table 34). They are particularly interested in learning more about HIV/AIDS and other STDs including how to know if they have one, how to protect themselves from these diseases, and how to get tested. More than half also want more information about birth control, dealing with pressure to have sex, and how to talk to a doctor about these issues. Nearly half also want more information about talking with a partner and how alcohol and drugs might affect their decisions. Learning how to use condoms is also important to a third of young adolescents (Table 35).

TABLE 34
Young Adolescents: Resources on Sexual Health

PERCENT OF 13-TO 14-YEAR-OLDS WHO SAY THEY HAVE LEARNED "A LOT" OR "SOME" FROM THE FOLLOWING SOURCES

	GENDER		
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
Parents	81%	80%	82%
Sex education classes	75%	74%	76%
Media sources ¹	66%	66%	67%
Friends	57%	46%	67%
Doctors or other healthcare providers	53%	56%	48%
Brothers and sisters	35%	36%	34%
Boyfriends, girlfriends, or partners	34%	33%	36%
n	302	160	142

¹Responded "a lot" or "some" to any of the following: TV shows or movies, magazines, and the Internet
For detailed findings among young adolescents see Appendix, Section 2, Question 2

TABLE 35
Young Adolescents: Information Needs

PERCENT OF 13-TO 14-YEAR-OLDS WHO SAY THEY WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT EACH OF THE FOLLOWING

	TOTAL	GENDER	
		MALE	FEMALE
How to know if you have HIV/AIDS or other STDs	70%	66%	74%
How to protect yourself from HIV/AIDS and other STDs	69%	64%	73%
Where to go to get tested for HIV or other STDs	59%	56%	63%
What is involved in getting an HIV or STD test	56%	53%	60%
The different kinds of birth control and protection that are available	55%	52%	59%
How to deal with pressure to have sex	54%	48%	60%
How to bring up sexual health issues such as STDs and birth control with a doctor	52%	48%	56%
How to talk to a partner about what you feel comfortable doing sexually	48%	44%	53%
How alcohol or drugs might affect decisions about having sex	48%	45%	51%
How to bring up sexual health issues such as STDs and birth control with a partner	46%	40%	52%
How to use condoms	33%	31%	36%
Any sexual health topics ¹	86%	82%	90%
n	302	160	142

¹Responded said "yes" to any of these topics
For detailed findings among young adolescents see Appendix, Section 2, Question 18

METHODOLOGY

The Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation's *National Survey of Adolescents and Young Adults: Sexual Health Knowledge, Attitudes and Experiences* is a nationally representative survey of young people ages 13 to 24. The survey was designed by staff at the Foundation and Princeton Survey Research Associates (PSRA) and analysis was conducted by staff at the Foundation. Fieldwork was conducted by telephone by Princeton Data Source (PDS, a subsidiary of PSRA) between November 13, 2001 and February 27, 2002. Interviews were conducted with 1,854 young people including an oversample of African Americans, Latinos, and Asians. Interviews were completed in both English and Spanish according to the preferences of the respondent.

SAMPLE DESIGN AND SURVEY PROCEDURES

The sample was designed to generalize to all young people in continental U.S. telephone households and to allow separate analyses of responses by African American, Latino, and Asian respondents. This was done by supplementing standard list-assisted random digit dial (RDD) sample with prescreened sample of African American, Latino, and Asian households. The prescreened sample comes from the PDS Demographic Tracking Omnibus Survey.

A short interview was also conducted with parents of those ages 13 to 17 in order to obtain parental consent.

WEIGHTING AND STATISTICAL PRECISION

Weighting was used to adjust for the effects of sample design as well to adjust for minor differences between the set of complete interviews and the populations they represent due to survey nonresponse. The demographic weighting parameters come from a special analysis of the March 2001 Current Population Survey. The margin of sampling error is presented in Tables 36 and 37.

RESPONSE RATE

A survey's response rate estimates the proportion of eligible respondents in the sample that were successfully interviewed. The final response rate is 55 percent. PSRA's sample disposition codes and rate formulas comply with standards set by the American Association for Public Opinion Research.

ANALYSIS NOTES

The tables presented in the main body of this report include the attitudes, knowledge, and experiences of 15- to 24-year-olds and includes comparisons between males and females, adolescents (ages 15 to 17) and young adults (ages 18 to 24), whites, African Americans, Latinos, and Asians, and those who are sexually active and those who are not.

Sexually active young people includes those who say they have had intercourse or are currently married, have ever been married, or are living as married. Those who have not had intercourse, or say they have never been with anyone in an intimate or sexual way are categorized as "not sexually active."

There is also a special analysis describing the views of young adolescents – those ages 13 and 14 – (see section VI).

TABLE 36
Margin of Sampling Error for Adolescents and Young Adults

	TOTAL	AGE		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS	
		15-17	18-24	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
MAIN REPORT TABLES											
15-to 24-year-olds	2.9	5.0	3.6	4.4	3.9	4.1	6.9	6.2	9.4	3.7	4.9
Sexually active 15-to 24-year-olds	3.7	8.1	4.1	5.3	5	5	8.5	7.7	12.8	†	†
13-to 14-year-olds	6.2	†	†	8.6	9.1	†	†	†	†	†	†
TOPLINES											
15-to 17-year-olds	5.0	†	†	7.3	6.9	‡	‡	‡	‡	8.1	6.4
Sexually active 15-to 17-year-olds	8.1	†	†	11.0	11.9	‡	‡	‡	‡	†	†
18-to 24-year-olds	3.6	†	†	5.4	4.8	5.0	4.0	7.6	10.9	4.1	7.7
Sexually active 18-to 24-year-olds	4.1	†	†	6.0	5.5	5.5	10.1	8.7	‡	†	†

† Does not apply to subgroup

‡ Subgroup too small to report

TABLE 37
Margin of Sampling Error for Parents

	TOTAL	MALE CHILD	FEMALE CHILD
Total Parents	3.9	5.5	5.6
13-to 14-year-old child	6.2	8.4	9.3
15-to 17-year-old child	5.1	7.4	7.0

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APPENDIX: QUESTIONNAIRE AND DETAILED FINDINGS

Section I – Parents of 13- to 17-Year-Olds

NOTES FOR TOPLINES:

* = <1%

– = 0

Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

The topline includes questions with computed summary measures – Q1 and Q2. The summary measures are labeled with two or more letters separated with commas and are denoted with a shaded bar down the left hand column corresponding to the variables that are included in the summary measure. The summary measure was created iteratively by categorizing respondents into the “highest” category to which they responded for the set of questions. For example, respondents in the highest category (i.e. “very big concern”) to any of the questions included in the summary were placed in the first category (i.e. “very big concern”), those respondents who did not respond to the highest category, but responded to the second highest category (i.e. “somewhat big concern”) to any of the questions included were placed in the second category (i.e. “somewhat big concern”), and so on for each question. These summary measures can be interpreted as the percent of respondents who say, for example, sexual health issues including HIV/AIDS, other STDs, and unintended pregnancy are big concerns.

QUESTION 1: There are many things facing teens today, please tell me how concerned you are about each of the following. Would you say [INSERT] is a very big concern, somewhat big concern, not much of a concern, or not a concern at all?

	TOTAL	CHILD'S AGE		CHILD'S GENDER	
		13-14	15-17	MALE	FEMALE
A,B. SEXUAL VIOLENCE OR OTHER PHYSICAL VIOLENCE					
Very big concern	48%	53%	45%	45%	51%
Somewhat big concern	30%	27%	32%	28%	33%
Not much of a concern	12%	11%	12%	15%	8%
Not a concern at all	10%	10%	10%	12%	8%
Don't know	*	–	1%	*	*
Refused	–	–	–	–	–
A. SEXUAL VIOLENCE SUCH AS RAPE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT					
Very big concern	40%	46%	36%	33%	47%
Somewhat big concern	31%	28%	33%	28%	34%
Not much of a concern	14%	13%	14%	18%	8%
Not a concern at all	14%	13%	15%	18%	9%
Don't know	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–
B. OTHER PHYSICAL VIOLENCE					
Very big concern	41%	46%	37%	40%	42%
Somewhat big concern	30%	28%	31%	27%	33%
Not much of a concern	15%	13%	16%	18%	12%
Not a concern at all	12%	11%	13%	13%	11%
Don't know	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–
C,D,E. SEXUAL HEALTH ISSUES SUCH AS HIV, STDs, AND PREGNANCY					
Very big concern	65%	68%	63%	62%	69%
Somewhat big concern	24%	20%	26%	25%	22%
Not much of a concern	5%	4%	5%	7%	3%
Not a concern at all	6%	8%	5%	6%	7%
Don't know	*	*	*	*	–
Refused	–	–	–	–	–

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QUESTION 1: There are many things facing teens today, please tell me how concerned you are about each of the following. Would you say [INSERT] is a very big concern, somewhat big concern, not much of a concern, or not a concern at all?

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	TOTAL	CHILD'S AGE		CHILD'S GENDER	
		13-14	15-17	MALE	FEMALE
C. AIDS AND HIV, THE VIRUS THAT CAUSES AIDS					
Very big concern	53%	55%	52%	50%	57%
Somewhat big concern	25%	24%	26%	27%	23%
Not much of a concern	10%	8%	11%	12%	8%
Not a concern at all	11%	11%	10%	10%	11%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-
D. STDS, THAT IS SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES OTHER THAN HIV/AIDS					
Very big concern	51%	53%	49%	49%	53%
Somewhat big concern	30%	28%	31%	30%	29%
Not much of a concern	9%	8%	10%	12%	6%
Not a concern at all	9%	10%	9%	8%	11%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-
E. TEEN PREGNANCY					
Very big concern	50%	52%	48%	46%	54%
Somewhat big concern	27%	26%	28%	26%	29%
Not much of a concern	9%	7%	9%	10%	7%
Not a concern at all	13%	14%	12%	16%	10%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	2%	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-
F,G. DISCRIMINATION BECAUSE OF RACE, ETHNICITY OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION					
Very big concern	34%	38%	32%	32%	37%
Somewhat big concern	31%	31%	32%	29%	34%
Not much of a concern	18%	16%	19%	20%	15%
Not a concern at all	16%	15%	17%	18%	14%
Don't know	*	*	*	*	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-
F. DISCRIMINATION BECAUSE OF RACE OR ETHNICITY					
Very big concern	28%	32%	26%	27%	30%
Somewhat big concern	27%	27%	26%	26%	27%
Not much of a concern	22%	20%	24%	23%	21%
Not a concern at all	22%	20%	23%	23%	21%
Don't know	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-
G. DISCRIMINATION BECAUSE OF SEXUAL ORIENTATION					
Very big concern	21%	25%	18%	19%	23%
Somewhat big concern	31%	30%	32%	27%	35%
Not much of a concern	21%	19%	22%	24%	18%
Not a concern at all	24%	24%	25%	26%	22%
Don't know	3%	3%	3%	4%	3%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-

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QUESTION 1: There are many things facing teens today, please tell me how concerned you are about each of the following. Would you say [INSERT] is a very big concern, somewhat big concern, not much of a concern, or not a concern at all?

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	TOTAL	CHILD'S AGE		CHILD'S GENDER	
		13-14	15-17	MALE	FEMALE
H. DRINKING TOO MUCH					
Very big concern	49%	50%	48%	49%	48%
Somewhat big concern	25%	22%	26%	23%	27%
Not much of a concern	8%	8%	7%	8%	7%
Not a concern at all	17%	18%	17%	18%	17%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-
I. USING DRUGS					
Very big concern	59%	61%	59%	60%	59%
Somewhat big concern	21%	19%	22%	19%	22%
Not much of a concern	6%	5%	7%	7%	6%
Not a concern at all	13%	14%	12%	12%	13%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-
J. SMOKING CIGARETTES					
Very big concern	47%	44%	48%	48%	45%
Somewhat big concern	26%	26%	26%	26%	26%
Not much of a concern	11%	13%	9%	10%	11%
Not a concern at all	16%	17%	16%	15%	18%
Don't know	1%	*	1%	1%	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-
K. DEPRESSION OR OTHER MENTAL ILLNESS					
Very big concern	30%	33%	28%	28%	32%
Somewhat big concern	38%	35%	40%	39%	36%
Not much of a concern	16%	17%	15%	16%	16%
Not a concern at all	15%	15%	15%	15%	15%
Don't know	2%	*	2%	2%	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-
n	780	303	475	403	375

[RANDOMIZE: c and d always an ordered pair; a and b always an ordered pair]

QUESTION 2: Next we'd like to know how much influence you think some different groups have on the way your child and other teens think about relationships, decision-making, and sexual health. How much do you think teens learn from [INSERT] about these issues? Would you say a lot, some, only a little, or nothing at all?

	TOTAL	CHILD'S AGE		CHILD'S GENDER	
		13-14	15-17	MALE	FEMALE
A. PARENTS					
A lot	68%	74%	63%	68%	68%
Some	21%	18%	23%	20%	22%
Only a little	8%	3%	11%	9%	7%
Nothing at all	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%
Don't know	2%	3%	1%	2%	2%
Refused	*	*	*	-	*
B. BROTHERS AND SISTERS					
A lot	59%	61%	57%	61%	57%
Some	27%	26%	29%	27%	28%
Only a little	8%	8%	9%	6%	11%
Nothing at all	4%	3%	4%	4%	2%
Don't know	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-
C. FRIENDS					
A lot	73%	72%	73%	75%	70%
Some	21%	22%	20%	20%	22%
Only a little	4%	3%	5%	3%	5%
Nothing at all	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	*	2%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-
D. A BOYFRIEND, GIRLFRIEND, OR PARTNER					
A lot	58%	57%	58%	56%	60%
Some	28%	27%	28%	30%	25%
Only a little	8%	9%	7%	8%	8%
Nothing at all	3%	5%	2%	4%	3%
Don't know	3%	2%	4%	2%	4%
Refused	*	-	*	*	-
E. DOCTORS OR OTHER HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS					
A lot	14%	13%	14%	12%	16%
Some	30%	32%	29%	27%	34%
Only a little	42%	41%	42%	47%	36%
Nothing at all	12%	11%	13%	13%	11%
Don't know	2%	3%	2%	1%	3%
Refused	*	-	*	-	1%
F. SEX EDUCATION CLASSES					
A lot	32%	36%	29%	32%	33%
Some	38%	39%	38%	38%	38%
Only a little	21%	17%	24%	23%	19%
Nothing at all	4%	5%	4%	4%	5%
Don't know	4%	3%	5%	3%	5%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-

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QUESTION 2: Next we'd like to know how much influence you think some different groups have on the way your child and other teens think about relationships, decision-making, and sexual health. How much do you think teens learn from [INSERT] about these issues? Would you say a lot, some, only a little, or nothing at all?

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	TOTAL	CHILD'S AGE		CHILD'S GENDER	
		13-14	15-17	MALE	FEMALE
G,H,I. – TV, MOVIES, MAGAZINES, AND INTERNET					
A lot	72%	75%	70%	71%	73%
Some	23%	20%	25%	23%	22%
Only a little	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%
Nothing at all	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%
Don't know	*	*	*	*	–
Refused	–	–	–	–	–
G. TV SHOWS OR MOVIES					
A lot	58%	60%	56%	59%	57%
Some	29%	27%	30%	28%	30%
Only a little	10%	10%	11%	10%	11%
Nothing at all	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%
Don't know	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–
H. MAGAZINES					
A lot	25%	28%	23%	19%	32%
Some	41%	38%	43%	41%	40%
Only a little	24%	24%	24%	28%	20%
Nothing at all	7%	7%	8%	10%	5%
Don't know	2%	3%	2%	2%	3%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–
I. THE INTERNET					
A lot	47%	49%	45%	49%	46%
Some	26%	24%	28%	26%	26%
Only a little	13%	11%	14%	13%	13%
Nothing at all	8%	8%	8%	7%	10%
Don't know	6%	8%	5%	6%	6%
Refused	*	–	*	–	*
n	780	303	475	403	375

[RANDOMIZE E THROUGH I]

Parent Demographics

QUESTION D1: Parent's gender

	TOTAL	CHILD'S AGE		CHILD'S GENDER	
		13-14	15-17	MALE	FEMALE
Male (father)	29%	31%	27%	31%	26%
Female (mother)	71%	69%	73%	69%	73%
Don't know	*	–	*	–	1%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–
n	780	303	475	403	375

QUESTION D2: In politics today do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or Independent?

	TOTAL	CHILD'S AGE		CHILD'S GENDER	
		13-14	15-17	MALE	FEMALE
Republican	32%	26%	37%	34%	30%
Democrat	33%	40%	28%	33%	34%
Independent	24%	26%	23%	25%	24%
Other party (volunteered)	1%	*	1%	*	1%
None of these/no party (volunteered)	5%	4%	6%	4%	7%
Don't know	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
Refused	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%
n	780	303	475	403	375

QUESTION D3: Are you married, living as married, divorced, separated, widowed, or have you never been married?

	TOTAL	CHILD'S AGE		CHILD'S GENDER	
		13-14	15-17	MALE	FEMALE
Married	70%	68%	71%	69%	71%
Living as married	5%	6%	4%	4%	5%
Divorced	13%	13%	13%	13%	13%
Separated	3%	4%	3%	3%	3%
Widowed	3%	3%	2%	3%	3%
Never been married	6%	6%	5%	6%	5%
Don't know	*	–	1%	*	*
Refused	1%	*	1%	1%	–
n	780	303	475	403	375

QUESTION D4: What is the last grade or class that you completed in school?

	TOTAL	CHILD'S AGE		CHILD'S GENDER	
		13-14	15-17	MALE	FEMALE
None, or grade 1-8	3%	3%	4%	3%	4%
High school incomplete (grades 9-11)	6%	6%	6%	7%	5%
High school graduate (grade 12 or GED certificate)	30%	30%	31%	29%	32%
Business, technical, or vocational school after high school	3%	3%	2%	2%	3%
Some college, no 4-year degree	24%	24%	23%	22%	25%
College graduate (BS, BA, or other 4-year degree)	23%	23%	23%	24%	23%
Post-graduate or professional schooling after college	10%	9%	10%	12%	7%
Refused	1%	2%	*	1%	1%
n	780	303	475	403	375

QUESTION D5: Last year, that is in 2000, what was your family's total income from all sources, before taxes?
Just stop me when I get to the right category.

[RESPONSES WERE READ]

	TOTAL	CHILD'S AGE		CHILD'S GENDER	
		13-14	15-17	MALE	FEMALE
Less than \$10,000	4%	5%	4%	4%	4%
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	7%	8%	6%	8%	6%
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	11%	10%	11%	10%	11%
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	20%	25%	16%	17%	23%
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	20%	17%	23%	21%	19%
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	12%	10%	13%	11%	13%
\$100,000 or more	15%	15%	15%	19%	11%
Don't know [NOT READ]	5%	5%	5%	3%	7%
Refused [NOT READ]	6%	5%	7%	6%	5%
n	780	303	475	403	375

APPENDIX: QUESTIONNAIRE AND DETAILED FINDINGS

Section 2 – Adolescents and Young Adolescents

NOTES FOR TOPLINES:

* = <1%
 – = 0
 † = question not asked of subgroup
 ‡ = subgroup too small to report
 Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Data for 13- to 14-year-olds are presented in the last column where available. Due to sample size constraints, data is not presented for 15- to 17-year-old Asian youth. Sexually active adolescents includes those who say they have had intercourse, or say they have never been with anyone in an intimate or sexual way are categorized as “not sexually active.” For questions among sexually active youth, data is not presented by race/ethnicity due to sample-size constraints.

The toplines include questions with computed summary measures – Q1, Q2, Q18, and Q22. The summary measures are labeled with two or more letters separated with commas and are denoted with a shaded bar down the left hand column corresponding to the variables that are included in the summary measure. The summary measure was created iteratively by categorizing respondents into the “highest” category to which they responded for the set of questions. For example, respondents in the highest category (i.e. “very big concern”) to any of the questions included in the summary were placed in the first category (i.e. “very big concern”), those respondents who did not respond to the highest category, but responded to the second highest category (i.e. “somewhat big concern”) to any of the questions included were placed in the second category (i.e. “somewhat big concern”), and so on for each question. These summary measures can be interpreted as the percent of respondents who say, for example, sexual health issues including HIV/AIDS, other STDs, and unintended pregnancy are big concerns.

QUESTION 1: I have a question about some of the things facing people your age today. As I read the following list, please tell me how big a concern each is for people your age. Is [INSERT] a very big concern, somewhat big concern, not much of a concern, or not a concern at all?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
A,B. SEXUAL VIOLENCE OR OTHER PHYSICAL VIOLENCE									
Very big concern	39%	33%	44%	31%	49%	60%	47%	33%	47%
Somewhat big concern	31%	30%	32%	34%	27%	21%	27%	34%	24%
Not much of a concern	18%	18%	18%	20%	11%	14%	14%	20%	15%
Not a concern at all	12%	19%	5%	14%	13%	6%	12%	12%	14%
Don't know	*	–	1%	1%	–	–	–	1%	–
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
A. SEXUAL VIOLENCE SUCH AS RAPE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT									
Very big concern	33%	27%	39%	27%	39%	50%	39%	29%	39%
Somewhat big concern	20%	15%	25%	22%	19%	10%	16%	22%	16%
Not much of a concern	25%	26%	24%	25%	22%	23%	20%	28%	18%
Not a concern at all	22%	32%	11%	25%	19%	13%	24%	21%	27%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	–	4%	1%	1%	0%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

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QUESTION 1: I have a question about some of the things facing people your age today. As I read the following list, please tell me how big a concern each is for people your age. Is [INSERT] a very big concern, somewhat big concern, not much of a concern, or not a concern at all?
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	ADOLESCENTS 15-17						YOUNG ADOLESCENTS		13-14
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
B. OTHER PHYSICAL VIOLENCE									
Very big concern	25%	22%	29%	19%	37%	46%	30%	22%	32%
Somewhat big concern	37%	37%	38%	38%	34%	28%	40%	36%	29%
Not much of a concern	22%	20%	25%	26%	14%	17%	16%	26%	19%
Not a concern at all	14%	21%	7%	16%	13%	9%	14%	15%	19%
Don't know	1%	–	1%	1%	1%	–	–	1%	1%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
C,D,E. SEXUAL HEALTH ISSUES SUCH AS HIV, STDS, AND PREGNANCY									
Very big concern	53%	46%	59%	43%	70%	73%	63%	47%	45%
Somewhat big concern	29%	29%	29%	35%	20%	18%	27%	30%	25%
Not much of a concern	13%	16%	10%	16%	7%	4%	7%	17%	16%
Not a concern at all	5%	8%	2%	6%	3%	5%	3%	7%	14%
Don't know	*	*	–	*	–	–	–	*	–
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
C. AIDS AND HIV, THE VIRUS THAT CAUSES AIDS									
Very big concern	34%	34%	35%	27%	48%	55%	42%	30%	33%
Somewhat big concern	22%	19%	25%	23%	17%	17%	21%	23%	19%
Not much of a concern	25%	25%	25%	29%	16%	16%	18%	29%	21%
Not a concern at all	16%	21%	10%	18%	16%	11%	15%	16%	26%
Don't know	3%	2%	4%	4%	3%	–	4%	3%	2%
Refused	*	*	–	–	–	1%	–	*	*
D. STDS, THAT IS SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES OTHER THAN HIV/AIDS									
Very big concern	35%	30%	41%	25%	52%	60%	45%	29%	31%
Somewhat big concern	31%	29%	33%	36%	23%	19%	32%	30%	20%
Not much of a concern	19%	20%	19%	23%	12%	12%	11%	24%	24%
Not a concern at all	2%	18%	5%	13%	13%	7%	10%	13%	22%
Don't know	2%	2%	3%	3%	–	1%	1%	3%	2%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
E. TEEN PREGNANCY									
Very big concern	40%	32%	49%	32%	57%	57%	46%	37%	35%
Somewhat big concern	30%	29%	32%	35%	22%	22%	34%	28%	23%
Not much of a concern	19%	23%	15%	24%	9%	8%	12%	23%	18%
Not a concern at all	9%	14%	4%	9%	9%	10%	7%	10%	24%
Don't know	1%	2%	–	1%	2%	3%	1%	1%	*
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
F. DRINKING TOO MUCH									
Very big concern	34%	29%	39%	32%	39%	43%	33%	35%	33%
Somewhat big concern	35%	37%	33%	38%	23%	27%	35%	35%	24%
Not much of a concern	17%	19%	16%	16%	20%	17%	20%	16%	19%
Not a concern at all	13%	15%	10%	13%	18%	12%	12%	13%	22%
Don't know	1%	–	1%	1%	–	–	–	1%	1%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

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QUESTION 1: I have a question about some of the things facing people your age today. As I read the following list, please tell me how big a concern each is for people your age. Is [INSERT] a very big concern, somewhat big concern, not much of a concern, or not a concern at all?
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	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
G. USING DRUGS									
Very big concern	40%	32%	48%	38%	41%	54%	39%	40%	41%
Somewhat big concern	36%	39%	33%	38%	36%	27%	34%	37%	26%
Not much of a concern	15%	18%	11%	15%	11%	9%	17%	13%	15%
Not a concern at all	8%	10%	6%	8%	10%	10%	8%	8%	18%
Don't know	1%	*	2%	1%	1%	–	1%	1%	*
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
H. SMOKING CIGARETTES									
Very big concern	36%	33%	39%	34%	42%	45%	44%	31%	35%
Somewhat big concern	33%	33%	33%	34%	26%	31%	24%	38%	30%
Not much of a concern	17%	18%	15%	17%	15%	14%	16%	17%	16%
Not a concern at all	13%	15%	12%	14%	17%	10%	15%	12%	18%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	2%	–	–	1%	1%	1%
Refused	*	*	–	–	–	–	–	*	–
I,J. DISCRIMINATION BECAUSE OF RACE, ETHNICITY OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION									
Very big concern	32%	28%	37%	28%	30%	51%	33%	31%	28%
Somewhat big concern	33%	34%	32%	36%	27%	19%	31%	34%	24%
Not much of a concern	21%	21%	20%	22%	22%	19%	18%	23%	21%
Not a concern at all	13%	15%	10%	14%	18%	7%	16%	11%	24%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	–	4%	4%	1%	1%	3%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
I. DISCRIMINATION BECAUSE OF RACE OR ETHNICITY									
Very big concern	20%	16%	25%	15%	23%	37%	26%	17%	28%
Somewhat big concern	31%	33%	30%	34%	33%	20%	29%	33%	24%
Not much of a concern	25%	22%	29%	27%	24%	21%	20%	28%	21%
Not a concern at all	21%	28%	15%	24%	17%	18%	23%	20%	24%
Don't know	2%	1%	2%	1%	4%	4%	2%	2%	3%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
J. DISCRIMINATION BECAUSE OF SEXUAL ORIENTATION									
Very big concern	21%	20%	22%	20%	20%	26%	22%	20%	†
Somewhat big concern	29%	22%	36%	30%	25%	24%	27%	30%	†
Not much of a concern	24%	27%	21%	25%	21%	26%	23%	25%	†
Not a concern at all	22%	29%	14%	22%	29%	17%	25%	20%	†
Don't know	4%	2%	7%	4%	4%	8%	4%	5%	†
Refused	*	–	*	–	1%	–	–	*	†
K. DEPRESSION OR OTHER MENTAL ILLNESS									
Very big concern	19%	14%	25%	14%	21%	35%	29%	14%	14%
Somewhat big concern	36%	30%	42%	38%	35%	29%	36%	36%	38%
Not much of a concern	28%	32%	23%	30%	23%	18%	20%	32%	23%
Not a concern at all	15%	23%	7%	15%	19%	16%	15%	16%	23%
Don't know	2%	1%	3%	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	2%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	185	298	302

[RANDOMIZE: a and b always an ordered pair and always last; c and d always an ordered pair]

QUESTION 2: Next I'd like you to think about the places that you have gotten information about relationships and sexual health issues like teen pregnancy and STDs, that is sexually transmitted diseases. How much have you learned from [INSERT] about relationships and sexual health – a lot, some, only a little, or nothing at all?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
A. PARENTS									
A lot	39%	33%	45%	37%	60%	42%	39%	39%	46%
Some	36%	37%	36%	39%	27%	27%	35%	37%	35%
Only a little	17%	20%	15%	16%	10%	23%	18%	17%	16%
Nothing at all	7%	9%	4%	8%	3%	8%	8%	6%	3%
Don't know	*	1%	1%	–	–	–	–	1%	–
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
B. BROTHERS AND SISTERS									
A lot	17%	17%	18%	17%	29%	15%	20%	16%	14%
Some	17%	17%	18%	18%	16%	16%	17%	17%	21%
Only a little	20%	16%	25%	19%	27%	22%	19%	21%	22%
Nothing at all	45%	50%	39%	46%	28%	45%	44%	45%	42%
Don't know	*	*	*	–	–	2%	–	*	1%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
C. FRIENDS									
A lot	45%	41%	49%	47%	33%	42%	51%	41%	32%
Some	31%	32%	31%	30%	32%	30%	27%	34%	25%
Only a little	16%	17%	15%	14%	24%	21%	14%	17%	25%
Nothing at all	8%	11%	5%	8%	9%	7%	8%	8%	19%
Don't know	*	–	*	–	1%	–	–	*	–
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
D. BOYFRIENDS, GIRLFRIENDS OR PARTNERS									
A lot	23%	25%	22%	21%	22%	28%	36%	16%	15%
Some	33%	33%	33%	36%	29%	27%	32%	33%	19%
Only a little	23%	22%	24%	22%	36%	20%	22%	24%	23%
Nothing at all	20%	20%	20%	20%	13%	24%	10%	26%	43%
Don't know	*	–	1%	1%	–	–	–	1%	*
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	*
E. DOCTORS OR OTHER HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS									
A lot	28%	20%	36%	25%	45%	30%	37%	22%	28%
Some	23%	22%	25%	20%	32%	24%	21%	25%	25%
Only a little	22%	23%	21%	24%	15%	19%	17%	25%	24%
Nothing at all	26%	35%	17%	31%	8%	24%	25%	27%	23%
Don't know	1%	*	1%	–	–	3%	–	1%	–
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
F,G,H. TV, MOVIES, MAGAZINES, OR THE INTERNET									
A lot	35%	24%	46%	29%	47%	45%	40%	32%	33%
Some	35%	38%	32%	36%	31%	29%	29%	38%	33%
Only a little	21%	23%	19%	24%	18%	19%	21%	21%	23%
Nothing at all	9%	15%	3%	11%	4%	6%	10%	8%	10%
Don't know	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

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QUESTION 2: Next I'd like you to think about the places that you have gotten information about relationships and sexual health issues like teen pregnancy and STDs, that is sexually transmitted diseases. How much have you learned from [INSERT] about relationships and sexual health – a lot, some, only a little, or nothing at all?

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	TOTAL ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
F. TV SHOWS AND MOVIES									
A lot	20%	15%	25%	14%	35%	29%	23%	18%	23%
Some	35%	37%	33%	38%	29%	29%	30%	38%	31%
Only a little	29%	28%	29%	29%	27%	29%	32%	27%	29%
Nothing at all	16%	20%	12%	19%	9%	13%	16%	17%	17%
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
G. THE INTERNET									
A lot	9%	9%	10%	5%	18%	15%	9%	10%	9%
Some	15%	15%	16%	15%	13%	31%	14%	16%	11%
Only a little	19%	22%	16%	17%	23%	27%	18%	20%	20%
Nothing at all	56%	54%	58%	63%	46%	26%	58%	54%	59%
Don't know	*	-	1%	1%	-	-	1%	-	1%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
H. MAGAZINES									
A lot	20%	9%	31%	17%	28%	23%	24%	17%	14%
Some	26%	23%	30%	26%	21%	28%	29%	25%	26%
Only a little	24%	25%	23%	24%	30%	19%	16%	29%	24%
Nothing at all	30%	43%	15%	33%	22%	29%	31%	29%	35%
Don't know	*	-	1%	1%	-	-	-	1%	1%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
I. SEX EDUCATION CLASSES									
A lot	57%	55%	58%	51%	70%	66%	58%	56%	57%
Some	20%	20%	19%	21%	14%	14%	17%	21%	18%
Only a little	12%	13%	11%	13%	8%	12%	12%	12%	12%
Nothing at all	10%	11%	10%	14%	5%	7%	13%	9%	12%
Don't know	1%	*	2%	1%	3%	1%	*	2%	-
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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[RANDOMIZE: e through i]

QUESTION 3: People your age often feel pressure from a lot of different places and for different reasons. Thinking about yourself, how much pressure have you personally felt to [insert] – a lot, some, not much, or none?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
A. SMOKE CIGARETTES									
A lot	11%	13%	8%	13%	9%	8%	17%	7%	7%
Some	16%	15%	17%	17%	10%	14%	16%	16%	11%
Not much	23%	26%	20%	24%	20%	13%	17%	27%	19%
None	51%	46%	56%	46%	61%	65%	50%	51%	64%
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B. DRINK BEER OR ALCOHOL									
A lot	14%	18%	11%	16%	7%	15%	21%	10%	7%
Some	24%	23%	25%	26%	13%	23%	26%	23%	14%
Not much	24%	25%	23%	25%	22%	20%	20%	26%	14%
None	38%	34%	41%	34%	58%	42%	33%	41%	65%
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
C. USE DRUGS									
A lot	10%	14%	7%	9%	8%	12%	15%	7%	6%
Some	19%	21%	16%	20%	13%	16%	22%	17%	8%
Not much	23%	26%	21%	26%	23%	18%	23%	24%	15%
None	47%	39%	57%	45%	55%	55%	41%	51%	70%
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Refused	*	*	-	-	2%	-	-	*	*
D. HAVE SEX OR DO SOMETHING SEXUAL¹									
A lot	10%	12%	7%	6%	12%	14%	17%	5%	7%
Some	19%	21%	16%	17%	19%	20%	24%	15%	14%
Not much	26%	34%	18%	29%	26%	20%	24%	28%	22%
None	45%	33%	59%	48%	41%	46%	35%	51%	53%
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3%
Refused	*	*	-	-	1%	-	*	*	1%
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	185	298	302

RANDOMIZE

¹Those ages 15-17 were asked "have sex" and those ages 13-14 were asked "do something sexual."

QUESTION 4: Next, I'd like to know your opinion about different types of birth control or protection, such as birth control pills or condoms. In your opinion, how effective are BIRTH CONTROL PILLS at [INSERT]? Are they very effective, somewhat effective, not too effective, or not effective at all?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
A. PREVENTING PREGNANCY									
Very effective	31%	29%	32%	34%	20%	34%	35%	28%	19%
Somewhat effective	54%	54%	54%	52%	65%	50%	48%	58%	53%
Not too effective	6%	6%	6%	5%	6%	9%	7%	6%	6%
Not at all effective	1%	1%	1%	1%	3%	2%	1%	1%	7%
Don't know	7%	8%	6%	8%	6%	6%	8%	7%	15%
Refused	*	1%	–	1%	–	–	–	1%	1%
B. PREVENTING HIV/AIDS									
Very effective	7%	8%	7%	3%	15%	14%	9%	6%	8%
Somewhat effective	23%	23%	22%	22%	29%	21%	17%	26%	30%
Not too effective	11%	11%	10%	12%	6%	10%	8%	12%	15%
Not at all effective	49%	48%	50%	52%	44%	45%	56%	45%	28%
Don't know	9%	8%	10%	10%	5%	10%	9%	9%	18%
Refused	1%	1%	*	1%	1%	–	–	1%	*
C. PREVENTING OTHER STDS									
Very effective	5%	5%	4%	3%	9%	7%	3%	6%	8%
Somewhat effective	21%	21%	20%	18%	31%	18%	18%	22%	27%
Not too effective	12%	10%	13%	10%	11%	8%	9%	13%	15%
Not at all effective	52%	51%	53%	56%	44%	49%	59%	48%	32%
Don't know	11%	12%	9%	11%	4%	17%	11%	10%	17%
Refused	*	1%	–	1%	–	–	–	1%	1%
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	185	298	302

[RANDOMIZE: b and c always an ordered pair, RANDOMIZE Question 4 and Question 5]

QUESTION 5: In your opinion, how effective are CONDOMS at [INSERT]? Are they very effective, somewhat effective, not too effective, or not effective at all?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17						YOUNG ADOLESCENTS		13-14
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
A. PREVENTING PREGNANCY									
Very effective	26%	32%	20%	25%	28%	26%	29%	25%	19%
Somewhat effective	58%	57%	59%	59%	50%	62%	58%	57%	50%
Not too effective	10%	8%	13%	10%	20%	9%	10%	10%	10%
Not at all effective	3%	2%	3%	3%	1%	2%	1%	3%	5%
Don't know	3%	1%	5%	3%	2%	1%	2%	3%	15%
Refused	1%	1%	-	1%	-	-	-	1%	1%
B. PREVENTING HIV/AIDS									
Very effective	21%	23%	19%	17%	31%	23%	24%	19%	17%
Somewhat effective	54%	56%	52%	57%	43%	45%	58%	51%	43%
Not too effective	13%	12%	14%	13%	15%	15%	10%	15%	15%
Not at all effective	7%	5%	9%	8%	5%	8%	5%	9%	9%
Don't know	4%	3%	6%	3%	6%	8%	3%	5%	15%
Refused	*	1%	-	1%	-	-	-	1%	1%
C. PREVENTING OTHER STDS									
Very effective	22%	25%	18%	18%	30%	21%	25%	20%	15%
Somewhat effective	51%	50%	51%	54%	45%	48%	51%	50%	45%
Not too effective	15%	15%	15%	17%	12%	13%	13%	16%	14%
Not at all effective	7%	5%	10%	7%	6%	11%	7%	7%	10%
Don't know	5%	4%	5%	4%	6%	7%	4%	5%	15%
Refused	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	-	-	1%	*
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	185	298	302

[RANDOMIZE: b and c always an ordered pair. RANDOMIZE Question 4 and Question 5]

QUESTION 6: Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each of these statements. I am interested in what you think about these issues. There are no right or wrong answers. [INSERT] would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree?

ADOLESCENTS 15-17								
	GENDER			RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS	
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
A. IT IS NOT THAT BIG OF A DEAL TO HAVE SEX WITHOUT A CONDOM ONCE IN A WHILE								
Strongly agree	2%	3%	1%	2%	3%	5%	2%	2%
Somewhat agree	8%	12%	4%	8%	3%	11%	10%	7%
Somewhat disagree	17%	22%	11%	19%	17%	8%	17%	17%
Strongly disagree	71%	62%	80%	69%	77%	74%	70%	72%
Don't know	2%	*	3%	2%	–	2%	1%	2%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
B. UNLESS YOU HAVE A LOT OF SEXUAL PARTNERS YOU DON'T NEED TO USE CONDOMS								
Strongly agree	4%	7%	2%	4%	3%	5%	4%	4%
Somewhat agree	3%	5%	*	2%	2%	5%	2%	3%
Somewhat disagree	12%	14%	9%	15%	6%	5%	9%	13%
Strongly disagree	80%	73%	87%	76%	88%	84%	85%	77%
Don't know	1%	*	2%	1%	1%	–	–	2%
Refused	*	1%	–	1%	–	–	–	1%
C. BUYING CONDOMS IS EMBARRASSING								
Strongly agree	18%	17%	19%	20%	17%	13%	13%	21%
Somewhat agree	28%	26%	30%	31%	12%	30%	20%	33%
Somewhat disagree	21%	23%	18%	23%	20%	16%	25%	19%
Strongly disagree	29%	32%	27%	22%	48%	40%	41%	22%
Don't know	3%	1%	6%	4%	2%	1%	1%	4%
Refused	*	–	*	*	–	–	–	*
D. CONDOMS BREAK A LOT								
Strongly agree	18%	18%	17%	16%	22%	25%	17%	18%
Somewhat agree	41%	40%	42%	43%	38%	39%	48%	37%
Somewhat disagree	23%	25%	21%	24%	17%	17%	22%	24%
Strongly disagree	5%	5%	5%	3%	12%	6%	7%	4%
Don't know	13%	11%	15%	13%	12%	14%	6%	17%
Refused	*	1%	–	1%	–	–	–	1%
E. IT IS HARD TO BRING UP THE TOPIC OF CONDOMS								
Strongly agree	12%	12%	12%	14%	7%	10%	6%	16%
Somewhat agree	23%	26%	19%	20%	21%	29%	20%	24%
Somewhat disagree	26%	29%	22%	27%	24%	24%	23%	27%
Strongly disagree	37%	32%	42%	35%	46%	35%	51%	29%
Don't know	3%	*	5%	3%	2%	2%	*	4%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
F. SEX WITHOUT A CONDOM ISN'T WORTH THE RISK								
Strongly agree	67%	66%	68%	70%	58%	56%	65%	68%
Somewhat agree	13%	12%	14%	12%	13%	17%	16%	11%
Somewhat disagree	6%	9%	3%	5%	9%	9%	4%	7%
Strongly disagree	11%	10%	13%	10%	18%	14%	13%	10%
Don't know	2%	2%	2%	3%	1%	3%	1%	3%
Refused	1%	1%	*	1%	1%	–	–	1%
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	185	298

[RANDOMIZE]

QUESTION 7: I am going to read a list of feelings you might have if someone you were seeing romantically suggested using a condom. If someone I was seeing suggested using a condom I would feel [INSERT]. Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree that you might feel this way?

ADOLESCENTS 15-17

	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS	
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
A. LIKE THE PERSON CARED ABOUT ME								
Strongly agree	60%	61%	58%	58%	70%	63%	66%	56%
Somewhat agree	27%	28%	25%	27%	19%	26%	22%	29%
Somewhat disagree	6%	6%	6%	6%	8%	5%	6%	6%
Strongly disagree	5%	3%	7%	6%	2%	5%	4%	6%
Don't know	2%	2%	3%	3%	1%	1%	2%	3%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B. RELIEVED								
Strongly agree	57%	53%	61%	53%	69%	59%	64%	53%
Somewhat agree	31%	34%	28%	34%	20%	30%	25%	35%
Somewhat disagree	4%	5%	3%	5%	3%	4%	4%	4%
Strongly disagree	4%	3%	4%	4%	4%	3%	2%	5%
Don't know	4%	4%	3%	4%	3%	3%	4%	3%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
C. LIKE THE PERSON RESPECTED ME								
Strongly agree	60%	59%	60%	55%	74%	62%	66%	56%
Somewhat agree	29%	30%	28%	31%	24%	29%	26%	31%
Somewhat disagree	5%	5%	5%	6%	1%	5%	3%	7%
Strongly disagree	5%	4%	5%	6%	2%	4%	5%	4%
Don't know	2%	1%	2%	2%	-	-	1%	2%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
D. INSULTED								
Strongly agree	3%	4%	3%	4%	4%	3%	3%	4%
Somewhat agree	9%	10%	8%	10%	5%	8%	7%	10%
Somewhat disagree	17%	16%	18%	17%	11%	19%	13%	19%
Strongly disagree	68%	69%	67%	66%	79%	65%	76%	63%
Don't know	3%	2%	4%	3%	1%	4%	*	4%
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	*
E. SUSPICIOUS OR WORRIED ABOUT THE PERSON'S PAST SEXUAL HISTORY								
Strongly agree	21%	24%	19%	20%	25%	27%	20%	22%
Somewhat agree	31%	28%	34%	32%	33%	31%	29%	32%
Somewhat disagree	24%	29%	19%	26%	18%	20%	24%	23%
Strongly disagree	21%	19%	22%	19%	20%	18%	25%	18%
Don't know	3%	2%	5%	3%	2%	4%	2%	4%
Refused	*	-	1%	*	2%	-	-	1%
F. LIKE THE PERSON WAS SUSPICIOUS OR WORRIED ABOUT MY PAST SEXUAL HISTORY								
Strongly agree	15%	16%	13%	11%	24%	21%	18%	13%
Somewhat agree	35%	33%	36%	35%	30%	35%	32%	36%
Somewhat disagree	22%	21%	23%	23%	20%	23%	23%	22%
Strongly disagree	25%	26%	24%	26%	22%	21%	28%	23%
Don't know	3%	2%	3%	3%	2%	-	-	4%
Refused	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	-	-	2%

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QUESTION 7: I am going to read a list of feelings you might have if someone you were seeing romantically suggested using a condom. If someone I was seeing suggested using a condom I would feel [INSERT]. Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree that you might feel this way?

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ADOLESCENTS 15-17								
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS	
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
G. GLAD THE PERSON BROUGHT IT UP								
Strongly agree	64%	58%	71%	61%	78%	69%	74%	58%
Somewhat agree	27%	32%	21%	29%	17%	22%	23%	29%
Somewhat disagree	4%	4%	4%	5%	2%	5%	3%	5%
Strongly disagree	3%	4%	2%	4%	2%	1%	–	5%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	2%	–	1%	*	2%
Refused	*	–	*	–	–	1%	–	*
H. THAT THE PERSON WAS BEING RESPONSIBLE								
Strongly agree	74%	76%	71%	71%	83%	74%	83%	68%
Somewhat agree	19%	18%	20%	22%	10%	19%	15%	22%
Somewhat disagree	3%	3%	3%	4%	1%	5%	*	5%
Strongly disagree	3%	2%	4%	3%	4%	2%	2%	3%
Don't know	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	–	2%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
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[RANDOMIZE: e and f always an ordered pair]

QUESTION 8: As far as you know, if a girl has just had sex and thinks she might be pregnant, is there anything she can do in the next few days to prevent pregnancy?

ADOLESCENTS 15-17								
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS	
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
Yes	48%	47%	48%	46%	36%	56%	53%	45%
No	34%	32%	36%	37%	44%	21%	28%	37%
Don't know	18%	20%	16%	17%	20%	23%	19%	18%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	185	298

QUESTION 9: Have you ever heard of emergency contraceptive pills, sometimes called morning after pills?

ADOLESCENTS 15-17								
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS	
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
Yes	52%	46%	58%	56%	40%	41%	58%	48%
No	47%	53%	41%	43%	59%	59%	41%	51%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	–	1%	1%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
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QUESTION 10: To the best of your knowledge what are emergency contraceptive pills used for? Are they used A - to end pregnancy, that is to cause an abortion, or B - to prevent pregnancy?

ADOLESCENTS 15-17								
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS	
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
A - to END pregnancy, that is to cause an abortion	26%	23%	30%	29%	19%	18%	31%	23%
B - to PREVENT pregnancy	23%	22%	24%	24%	18%	20%	25%	22%
Never heard of ECPs	48%	54%	42%	44%	60%	59%	42%	52%
Don't know	3%	1%	4%	3%	3%	2%	2%	3%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
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QUESTION 11: Please tell me how you feel about the following statements about relationships and becoming sexually active. [INSERT] – would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14	
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE		NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
A. ONCE YOU HAVE HAD SEX IT IS HARDER TO SAY NO THE NEXT TIME									
Strongly agree	24%	25%	22%	25%	21%	19%	30%	20%	17%
Somewhat agree	28%	31%	25%	35%	15%	17%	24%	30%	30%
Somewhat disagree	19%	22%	17%	17%	19%	23%	17%	21%	21%
Strongly disagree	24%	18%	31%	19%	38%	35%	29%	22%	18%
Don't know	4%	4%	5%	4%	6%	6%	*	7%	13%
Refused	*	–	*	*	–	–	–	*	2%
B. IF YOU HAVE BEEN SEEING SOMEONE FOR A WHILE IT IS EXPECTED THAT YOU WILL HAVE SEX									
Strongly agree	13%	18%	8%	11%	14%	16%	19%	10%	5%
Somewhat agree	26%	32%	19%	28%	19%	21%	33%	21%	18%
Somewhat disagree	22%	26%	18%	22%	26%	23%	20%	24%	28%
Strongly disagree	38%	23%	53%	38%	37%	41%	28%	43%	43%
Don't know	1%	1%	2%	1%	3%	1%	–	2%	5%
Refused	*	*	*	*	1%	–	*	*	1%
C. THERE IS PRESSURE TO HAVE SEX BY A CERTAIN AGE									
Strongly agree	22%	22%	22%	20%	30%	26%	25%	20%	21%
Somewhat agree	37%	37%	36%	40%	29%	30%	33%	39%	26%
Somewhat disagree	16%	18%	15%	17%	12%	17%	16%	17%	18%
Strongly disagree	24%	23%	25%	22%	26%	28%	26%	23%	30%
Don't know	1%	–	2%	1%	2%	–	–	2%	5%
Refused	*	–	*	*	–	–	–	*	1%
D. ORAL SEX IS NOT AS BIG OF A DEAL AS SEXUAL INTERCOURSE									
Strongly agree	15%	19%	11%	16%	14%	11%	15%	15%	†
Somewhat agree	31%	35%	27%	35%	16%	21%	37%	27%	†
Somewhat disagree	22%	22%	22%	24%	13%	25%	23%	21%	†
Strongly disagree	30%	23%	37%	23%	54%	41%	25%	33%	†
Don't know	2%	1%	3%	3%	3%	2%	1%	3%	†
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	†
E. WAITING TO HAVE SEX IS A NICE IDEA BUT NOBODY REALLY DOES									
Strongly agree	31%	30%	32%	25%	49%	43%	34%	29%	22%
Somewhat agree	32%	36%	28%	36%	19%	24%	35%	30%	31%
Somewhat disagree	18%	18%	17%	17%	16%	20%	17%	18%	20%
Strongly disagree	17%	14%	21%	21%	12%	11%	13%	20%	21%
Don't know	2%	1%	3%	1%	4%	3%	*	3%	5%
Refused	*	*	–	*	–	–	1%	1%	1%
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[RANDOMIZE]

QUESTION 12: Safer sex means different things to different people. For each of the following, please tell me if you consider this to be a form of “safer sex” or not. Do you consider [INSERT] to be a form of safer sex or not?

ADOLESCENTS 15-17								
		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS	
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
TOTAL								
A. SEX WITH A CONDOM								
Yes	87%	90%	83%	85%	92%	84%	92%	84%
No	10%	7%	14%	12%	4%	13%	6%	13%
Sometimes/depends (volunteered)	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	2%
Don't know	1%	*	1%	–	2%	1%	–	1%
Refused	*	–	*	–	–	–	–	*
B. SEX USING OTHER KINDS OF BIRTH CONTROL								
Yes	73%	76%	69%	77%	58%	62%	80%	68%
No	23%	20%	26%	20%	29%	35%	17%	26%
Sometimes/depends (volunteered)	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	–	1%	3%
Don't know	2%	2%	3%	1%	11%	2%	2%	3%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
C. "PULLING OUT"								
Yes	22%	28%	16%	18%	32%	27%	26%	20%
No	68%	64%	73%	73%	58%	64%	68%	68%
Sometimes/depends (volunteered)	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	–	2%	*
Don't know	7%	6%	9%	7%	8%	9%	3%	10%
Refused	1%	*	1%	–	1%	–	–	1%
D. SEX DURING "SAFE" TIMES OF THE MONTH								
Yes	26%	27%	24%	24%	32%	27%	29%	24%
No	66%	63%	70%	68%	59%	68%	63%	69%
Sometimes/depends (volunteered)	3%	5%	1%	4%	3%	1%	4%	3%
Don't know	4%	5%	4%	3%	6%	4%	4%	5%
Refused	*	–	*	–	–	–	–	*
E. ORAL SEX								
Yes	39%	47%	30%	46%	22%	27%	48%	33%
No	54%	47%	61%	48%	73%	63%	45%	59%
Sometimes/depends (volunteered)	3%	3%	2%	3%	2%	1%	5%	1%
Don't know	4%	2%	6%	3%	4%	9%	1%	6%
Refused	*	–	*	*	–	–	–	*
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[RANDOMIZE: a and b always an ordered pair]

QUESTION 13: For the next questions I would like you to think about STDs other than HIV or AIDS, that is STDs such as gonorrhea, herpes, genital warts or syphilis. How much do you know about sexually transmitted disease, like how they're spread or how to know if you have one? Would you say you know a lot, some, only a little, or nothing at all?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14	
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE		NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
A lot	23%	21%	25%	20%	29%	21%	27%	21%	19%
Some	52%	56%	46%	56%	42%	44%	49%	53%	47%
Only a little	23%	20%	25%	22%	23%	33%	21%	24%	25%
Nothing at all	2%	2%	3%	2%	6%	2%	3%	2%	9%
Don't know	*	-	*	-	1%	-	-	*	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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QUESTION 14: For each of the following, please tell me if you can get an STD this way or not. If you do not know, please just say so. Can you get STD by [INSERT]?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14	
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE		NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
A. KISSING									
Yes	29%	26%	32%	26%	41%	32%	37%	24%	16%
No	53%	56%	49%	55%	47%	45%	47%	56%	59%
Don't know	18%	18%	19%	19%	12%	23%	16%	20%	26%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B. ORAL SEX									
Yes	81%	80%	83%	80%	88%	80%	87%	78%	†
No	6%	9%	3%	6%	7%	7%	4%	7%	†
Don't know	13%	11%	14%	14%	5%	13%	9%	15%	†
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	†
C. SEXUAL INTERCOURSE									
Yes	97%	97%	96%	97%	98%	93%	99%	96%	87%
No	1%	*	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	1%
Don't know	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	5%	1%	3%	12%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	185	298	302

QUESTION 15: About how many sexually active people under 25 in this country do you think will get an STD this year: about 1 in 4000, about 1 in 400, about 1 in 40, or about 1 in 4?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17						YOUNG ADOLESCENTS		13-14
	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS			
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
1 About 1 in 4000	8%	8%	7%	7%	11%	11%	9%	7%	12%
2 About 1 in 400	13%	14%	13%	14%	12%	14%	7%	17%	18%
3 About 1 in 40	29%	34%	23%	31%	20%	20%	26%	30%	25%
4 About 1 in 4 ¹	45%	38%	53%	43%	50%	51%	54%	40%	31%
Don't know	5%	6%	4%	5%	6%	4%	4%	6%	14%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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[Responses were rotated: half received 1,2,3,4 and other half received 4,3,2,1]

¹ According to the American Social Health Association, an estimated one in four sexually active teens in the U.S. will contract an STD annually.

QUESTION 16: I'm going to read you a list of different opinions people have about sexually transmitted diseases and sexual activity. [INSERT] – do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with this?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14	
	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE		
	TOTAL								
A. UNLESS YOU HAVE SEX WITH A LOT OF PEOPLE, STDS ARE NOT SOMETHING YOU HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT									
Strongly agree	3%	3%	2%	1%	7%	7%	2%	3%	6%
Somewhat agree	9%	12%	6%	11%	4%	5%	8%	9%	8%
Somewhat disagree	14%	13%	14%	14%	10%	10%	9%	16%	17%
Strongly disagree	74%	71%	76%	72%	78%	76%	81%	70%	61%
Don't know	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	*	2%	8%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
B. STDS CAN ONLY BE SPREAD WHEN SYMPTOMS ARE PRESENT									
Strongly agree	5%	6%	3%	3%	9%	9%	7%	4%	6%
Somewhat agree	15%	15%	14%	14%	21%	13%	11%	16%	22%
Somewhat disagree	15%	19%	12%	15%	15%	15%	14%	16%	26%
Strongly disagree	57%	52%	61%	58%	50%	59%	59%	55%	30%
Don't know	9%	8%	9%	10%	4%	5%	8%	9%	16%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	*
C. IF SOMEONE I WAS DATING HAD AN STD, I WOULD KNOW IT									
Strongly agree	9%	11%	8%	7%	11%	19%	12%	8%	6%
Somewhat agree	16%	23%	8%	20%	5%	9%	13%	17%	18%
Somewhat disagree	28%	32%	24%	31%	22%	19%	24%	30%	32%
Strongly disagree	45%	33%	58%	40%	62%	50%	50%	42%	35%
Don't know	2%	2%	2%	1%	–	3%	1%	2%	8%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	*
D. STDS ARE A NUISANCE BUT THEY DO NOT HAVE ANY SERIOUS HEALTH EFFECTS									
Strongly agree	2%	2%	2%	2%	4%	5%	2%	3%	3%
Somewhat agree	8%	11%	5%	7%	7%	13%	9%	8%	12%
Somewhat disagree	10%	12%	9%	9%	21%	8%	10%	11%	17%
Strongly disagree	76%	72%	79%	79%	64%	66%	77%	75%	59%
Don't know	3%	2%	4%	2%	3%	8%	2%	4%	9%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	*
E. IT IS HARD TO BRING UP THE TOPIC OF STDS WITH A PARTNER									
Strongly agree	21%	24%	19%	22%	18%	19%	24%	20%	22%
Somewhat agree	30%	32%	28%	33%	23%	26%	21%	36%	31%
Somewhat disagree	21%	22%	19%	20%	21%	26%	19%	22%	21%
Strongly disagree	26%	20%	33%	24%	38%	30%	35%	21%	17%
Don't know	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	–	1%	1%	8%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1%
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[RANDOMIZE]

QUESTION 17: For each of the following, please tell me if STDs can cause this or not or if you do not know. Can STDs cause [INSERT]?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
A. SOME KINDS OF CANCER									
Yes	40%	36%	43%	38%	39%	44%	42%	38%	36%
No	16%	18%	14%	19%	12%	9%	15%	17%	13%
Don't know	44%	45%	43%	44%	49%	47%	44%	45%	50%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*
B. PROBLEMS WITH FERTILITY, THAT IS DIFFICULTY HAVING CHILDREN									
Yes	76%	72%	80%	78%	76%	69%	77%	76%	64%
No	5%	7%	3%	5%	5%	6%	3%	6%	4%
Don't know	19%	21%	16%	17%	18%	25%	20%	18%	32%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*
C. INCREASED RISK FOR HIV/AIDS									
Yes	66%	70%	62%	66%	76%	66%	72%	63%	60%
No	6%	7%	5%	6%	6%	5%	2%	9%	6%
Don't know	27%	23%	32%	28%	18%	29%	26%	28%	34%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1%
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	185	298	302

[RANDOMIZE]

QUESTION 18: For each of the following, please tell me if this is something you would like more information about or not. [INSERT] – is this something you would like more information about or not?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K. WANT MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ANY SEXUAL HEALTH TOPICS									
Yes	82%	79%	86%	79%	87%	86%	78%	85%	86%
No	18%	21%	14%	21%	13%	14%	22%	15%	14%
A. HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF FROM HIV/AIDS AND OTHER STDS									
Yes	66%	62%	71%	60%	79%	74%	61%	70%	69%
No	34%	38%	29%	40%	21%	26%	39%	30%	30%
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B. HOW TO KNOW IF YOU HAVE HIV/AIDS OR OTHER STDS									
Yes	67%	61%	72%	62%	78%	74%	69%	65%	70%
No	32%	37%	28%	36%	22%	25%	31%	33%	30%
Don't know	1%	2%	-	2%	-	1%	-	2%	-
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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QUESTION 18: For each of the following, please tell me if this is something you would like more information about or not. [INSERT] – is this something you would like more information about or not?

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	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14	
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE		NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
C. WHAT IS INVOLVED IN GETTING AN HIV OR STD TEST									
Yes	62%	55%	69%	58%	71%	70%	60%	63%	56%
No	37%	44%	30%	42%	28%	27%	40%	36%	42%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	–	1%	3%	–	1%	2%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
D. WHERE TO GO TO GET TESTED FOR HIV OR OTHER STDS									
Yes	59%	56%	62%	52%	71%	74%	60%	58%	59%
No	41%	44%	38%	47%	29%	26%	40%	42%	39%
Don't know	*	–	1%	*	–	–	–	*	2%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
E. HOW TO BRING UP SEXUAL HEALTH ISSUES SUCH AS STDS AND BIRTH CONTROL WITH A PARTNER									
Yes	50%	43%	57%	44%	68%	59%	51%	49%	46%
No	49%	56%	42%	56%	32%	39%	48%	50%	51%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	–	2%	*	1%	3%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
F. HOW TO BRING UP SEXUAL HEALTH ISSUES SUCH AS STDS AND BIRTH CONTROL WITH A DOCTOR									
Yes	51%	43%	59%	47%	63%	61%	47%	53%	52%
No	49%	57%	40%	53%	37%	39%	53%	46%	46%
Don't know	*	–	1%	*	–	–	–	*	2%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	*
G. HOW TO TALK TO A PARTNER ABOUT WHAT YOU FEEL COMFORTABLE DOING SEXUALLY									
Yes	53%	47%	60%	50%	66%	57%	54%	53%	48%
No	46%	52%	40%	49%	33%	43%	46%	46%	51%
Don't know	*	*	*	*	1%	–	–	1%	1%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
H. HOW TO USE CONDOMS									
Yes	29%	23%	36%	22%	41%	42%	24%	32%	33%
No	70%	77%	63%	77%	58%	58%	76%	67%	65%
Don't know	1%	–	1%	1%	1%	–	–	1%	2%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	*
I. THE DIFFERENT KINDS OF BIRTH CONTROL AND PROTECTION THAT ARE AVAILABLE									
Yes	63%	58%	68%	59%	73%	69%	65%	61%	55%
No	37%	42%	31%	41%	26%	31%	34%	38%	43%
Don't know	1%	–	1%	1%	1%	–	*	1%	2%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	*
J. HOW TO DEAL WITH PRESSURE TO HAVE SEX									
Yes	46%	35%	58%	42%	62%	48%	38%	51%	54%
No	52%	63%	41%	56%	38%	49%	60%	48%	46%
Don't know	2%	2%	1%	2%	–	2%	1%	*	*
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

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QUESTION 18: For each of the following, please tell me if this is something you would like more information about or not. [INSERT] – is this something you would like more information about or not?

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	ADOLESCENTS 15-17						YOUNG ADOLESCENTS		13-14
	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS			
	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE		
TOTAL									
K. HOW ALCOHOL OR DRUGS MIGHT AFFECT DECISIONS ABOUT HAVING SEX									
Yes	48%	41%	56%	42%	60%	65%	43%	52%	48%
No	51%	58%	43%	57%	38%	35%	56%	48%	51%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	–	1%	1%	1%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
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[RANDOMIZE]

QUESTION 19: Of all the new HIV infections that occur each year, how many do you think occur among people 25 and younger: about three-quarters, about half, about a quarter, or less than a quarter?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17						YOUNG ADOLESCENTS		13-14
	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS			
	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE		
TOTAL									
1 About three-quarters	24%	24%	23%	24%	26%	19%	26%	22%	21%
2 About half ¹	39%	36%	42%	40%	32%	45%	41%	38%	32%
3 About a quarter	24%	24%	23%	25%	24%	22%	22%	25%	26%
4 Less than a quarter	6%	7%	6%	5%	8%	6%	6%	6%	10%
Don't know	7%	8%	7%	7%	9%	8%	5%	9%	10%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
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[Responses were rotated: half received 1,2,3,4 and other half received 4,3,2,1]

¹According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, half of all new HIV infections in the U.S. occur among people under the age of 25.

QUESTION 20: Next I'd like your opinions about alcohol and drugs and sex. Thinking about people your age, how often do you think they drink or use drugs before having sex? Would you say a lot, sometimes, just occasionally, or never?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14	
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE		NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
A lot	40%	38%	41%	40%	42%	42%	52%	32%	25%
Sometimes	43%	43%	44%	45%	35%	37%	36%	48%	34%
Just occasionally	14%	15%	12%	12%	19%	16%	10%	16%	25%
Never	1%	1%	1%	1%	4%	1%	1%	12%	12%
Don't know	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	3%	3%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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QUESTION 21: Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each of the following. [INSERT] – do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14	
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	SEXUALLY ACTIVE		NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
A. IT IS NOT A BIG DEAL IF PEOPLE MY AGE MAKE DECISIONS ABOUT SEX WHEN THEY ARE DRINKING OR USING DRUGS									
Strongly agree	6%	6%	7%	6%	8%	11%	10%	5%	9%
Somewhat agree	13%	16%	9%	10%	10%	21%	11%	13%	14%
Somewhat disagree	23%	27%	19%	25%	19%	17%	23%	23%	20%
Strongly disagree	56%	49%	63%	57%	61%	51%	55%	57%	53%
Don't know	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	-	1%	2%	5%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*
B. PEOPLE MY AGE OFTEN DON'T USE CONDOMS WHEN THEY ARE DRINKING OR USING DRUGS									
Strongly agree	33%	32%	35%	30%	39%	35%	43%	28%	25%
Somewhat agree	36%	31%	42%	41%	28%	33%	28%	41%	29%
Somewhat disagree	16%	22%	10%	18%	13%	11%	15%	17%	20%
Strongly disagree	9%	11%	7%	6%	17%	18%	11%	8%	15%
Don't know	5%	4%	6%	6%	4%	4%	4%	6%	10%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	185	298	302

[RANDOMIZE]

QUESTION 22: How concerned are you PERSONALLY about [INSERT] – very concerned, somewhat concerned, not too concerned, or not at all concerned?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14	
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE		SEXUALLY ACTIVE
A,B. SEXUAL VIOLENCE OR OTHER PHYSICAL VIOLENCE									
Very concerned	45%	38%	53%	34%	67%	67%	50%	42%	46%
Somewhat concerned	28%	27%	28%	30%	25%	20%	26%	29%	29%
Not too concerned	14%	17%	10%	20%	2%	2%	13%	14%	12%
Not at all concerned	13%	18%	8%	16%	6%	9%	11%	15%	11%
Don't know	*	*	*	1%	1%	–	–	*	2%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
A. SEXUAL VIOLENCE SUCH AS RAPE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT									
Very concerned	45%	38%	53%	34%	67%	67%	50%	42%	46%
Somewhat concerned	22%	20%	24%	25%	20%	15%	22%	22%	24%
Not too concerned	14%	15%	13%	19%	3%	5%	12%	16%	12%
Not at all concerned	18%	26%	10%	23%	10%	11%	16%	19%	15%
Don't know	*	1%	*	–	1%	2%	–	1%	2%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
B. OTHER PHYSICAL VIOLENCE									
Very concerned	33%	26%	40%	24%	56%	50%	36%	32%	38%
Somewhat concerned	31%	30%	32%	30%	30%	30%	30%	32%	28%
Not too concerned	17%	20%	15%	25%	5%	3%	17%	18%	18%
Not at all concerned	18%	23%	12%	21%	8%	16%	18%	18%	13%
Don't know	*	*	*	–	1%	1%	–	*	3%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0
C,D,E. SEXUAL HEALTH ISSUES SUCH AS HIV, STDS, AND PREGNANCY									
Very concerned	62%	59%	66%	53%	81%	82%	74%	55%	63%
Somewhat concerned	24%	26%	22%	28%	15%	12%	17%	28%	18%
Not too concerned	7%	10%	4%	9%	1%	2%	7%	7%	10%
Not at all concerned	7%	6%	8%	9%	4%	4%	2%	10%	7%
Don't know	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
C. AIDS AND HIV, THE VIRUS THAT CAUSES AIDS									
Very concerned	46%	44%	49%	35%	69%	72%	57%	40%	41%
Somewhat concerned	27%	29%	26%	31%	20%	19%	25%	29%	28%
Not too concerned	13%	14%	11%	19%	3%	–	10%	15%	13%
Not at all concerned	13%	11%	14%	15%	6%	9%	8%	16%	14%
Don't know	*	*	*	*	1%	–	–	1%	4%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
D. STDS, THAT IS SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES OTHER THAN HIV/AIDS									
Very concerned	45%	41%	50%	33%	74%	71%	56%	39%	39%
Somewhat concerned	31%	33%	28%	34%	18%	19%	29%	32%	31%
Not too concerned	11%	15%	8%	17%	3%	2%	10%	12%	15%
Not at all concerned	12%	12%	12%	15%	5%	7%	5%	16%	12%
Don't know	1%	*	1%	1%	–	–	–	1%	3%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0

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QUESTION 22: How concerned are you PERSONALLY about [INSERT] – very concerned, somewhat concerned, not too concerned, or not at all concerned?

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	ADOLESCENTS 15-17						YOUNG ADOLESCENTS		13-14
	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS			
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
E. GETTING SOMEONE OR BECOMING PREGNANT BEFORE YOU ARE READY OR WHEN YOU DON'T WANT TO									
Very concerned	51%	52%	51%	44%	63%	70%	61%	45%	55%
Somewhat concerned	20%	21%	18%	20%	21%	16%	23%	18%	12%
Not too concerned	11%	10%	12%	14%	5%	3%	8%	13%	13%
Not at all concerned	17%	15%	18%	21%	11%	10%	7%	23%	16%
Don't know	*	1%	*	*	–	1%	1%	*	3%
Refused	*	*	*	*	–	–	–	1%	–
F. THE HEALTH RISKS OF CIGARETTE SMOKING									
Very concerned	37%	34%	40%	31%	50%	51%	38%	37%	38%
Somewhat concerned	28%	27%	30%	29%	29%	20%	31%	27%	32%
Not too concerned	14%	15%	12%	16%	8%	10%	16%	12%	11%
Not at all concerned	20%	24%	16%	23%	12%	18%	15%	24%	16%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	–	1%	–	1%	2%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
G. BEING DISCRIMINATED AGAINST BECAUSE OF HOW YOU LOOK OR THINK									
Very concerned	27%	23%	32%	22%	46%	24%	30%	26%	28%
Somewhat concerned	29%	26%	32%	32%	19%	30%	26%	31%	29%
Not too concerned	17%	19%	15%	17%	22%	15%	12%	20%	18%
Not at all concerned	26%	32%	20%	28%	13%	29%	32%	23%	22%
Don't know	*	*	*	*	–	2%	1%	*	3%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
H. THAT YOU MIGHT DO MORE SEXUALLY THAN YOU PLANNED BECAUSE YOU ARE DRINKING OR USING DRUGS									
Very concerned	25%	21%	30%	19%	37%	44%	26%	25%	25%
Somewhat concerned	26%	28%	24%	26%	28%	23%	29%	24%	26%
Not too concerned	20%	24%	16%	23%	15%	7%	20%	20%	16%
Not at all concerned	28%	27%	28%	30%	17%	24%	25%	29%	28%
Don't know	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	*	2%	4%
Refused	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	*
I. DEPRESSION OR OTHER MENTAL ILLNESS									
Very concerned	24%	19%	30%	18%	41%	37%	28%	22%	25%
Somewhat concerned	31%	29%	33%	31%	34%	28%	32%	31%	30%
Not too concerned	20%	22%	17%	25%	6%	11%	21%	19%	23%
Not at all concerned	24%	28%	18%	25%	19%	20%	18%	27%	18%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	–	2%	–	2%	4%
Refused	*	–	*	*	–	–	–	*	*
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[RANDOMIZE: a and b always an ordered pair; c and d always an ordered pair]

QUESTION 23: Now I have some questions about your sexual experience. If there's anything you feel uncomfortable answering, please just let me ask and we'll go on to the next question. Please keep in mind that all of your answers are confidential. Have you ever kissed someone romantically?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17						YOUNG ADOLESCENTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			13-14
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	
Yes	86%	89%	82%	87%	83%	86%	45%
No	13%	10%	17%	13%	14%	14%	52%
Don't know	*	*	–	–	1%	–	1%
Refused	1%	1%	1%	*	3%	–	1%
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	302

QUESTION 24: Have you ever been with someone in an intimate or sexual way?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17						YOUNG ADOLESCENTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			13-14
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	
Yes	56%	65%	47%	56%	56%	55%	12%
No	41%	32%	51%	42%	40%	40%	86%
Been, living as or currently married (volunteered)	*	–	*	–	1%	–	–
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	–	2%	3%	*
Refused	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	3%	2%
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	302

QUESTION 25: Have you ever touched someone's genitals or private parts?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17					
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY		
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO
Yes	48%	56%	40%	50%	45%	42%
No	7%	7%	6%	6%	11%	10%
Never been intimate	44%	35%	53%	44%	43%	45%
Don't know	*	1%	–	–	1%	1%
Refused	1%	1%	1%	1%	–	1%
n	483	239	244	220	103	96

QUESTION 26: Have you ever had oral sex?

ADOLESCENTS 15-17						
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY		
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO
Yes	36%	40%	32%	40%	25%	34%
No	19%	24%	15%	17%	28%	21%
Never been intimate	44%	35%	53%	44%	44%	45%
Don't know	*	*	*	–	2%	–
Refused	*	*	*	*	1%	–
n	483	239	244	220	103	96

QUESTION 27: Have you ever had sexual intercourse?

ADOLESCENTS 15-17						
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY		
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO
Yes	37%	42%	33%	35%	46%	44%
No	18%	23%	13%	22%	10%	11%
Never been intimate	44%	35%	53%	44%	44%	45%
Don't know	*	*	*	–	1%	–
Refused	*	–	*	*	–	–
n	483	239	244	220	103	96

QUESTION 28: How old were you when you first had sexual intercourse?

Among those who are sexually active

ADOLESCENTS 15-17	
11 years old or younger	*
12 years old	2%
13 years old	9%
14 years old	17%
15 years old	27%
16 years old	28%
17 years old	9%
Don't know	2%
Refused	6%
n	115

Note: Question was added on 12/18/01.

QUESTION 29: Are you currently in a sexual relationship?

Among those who are sexually active

ADOLESCENTS 15-17			
		GENDER	
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
Yes	40%	36%	45%
No	59%	64%	53%
Been, living as, or married	*	–	1%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	*	–	1%
n	185	104	81

QUESTION 30: With how many people have you had sexual intercourse?

Among those who are sexually active

ADOLESCENTS 15-17			
		GENDER	
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
1 person	42%	35%	52%
2 people	21%	21%	22%
3 people	10%	14%	6%
4 people	4%	1%	8%
5 people	4%	6%	1%
6 or more people	10%	12%	8%
Don't know	4%	6%	1%
Refused	5%	6%	4%
n	185	104	81

QUESTION 31: Thinking about your current or most recent sexual relationship, have you ever talked to your partner about [INSERT]?

Among those who are sexually active

ADOLESCENTS 15-17			
	TOTAL	GENDER	
		MALE	FEMALE
A. WHAT YOU FEEL COMFORTABLE DOING SEXUALLY			
Yes	74%	65%	87%
No	25%	35%	12%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	–	–	–
B. HIV OR AIDS			
Yes	49%	40%	60%
No	51%	59%	40%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	*	1%	–
C. OTHER STDS			
Yes	54%	42%	71%
No	45%	58%	29%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	*	1%	–
D. BIRTH CONTROL OR CONDOMS			
Yes	89%	84%	96%
No	11%	16%	4%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	–	–	–
n	185	104	81

QUESTION 32: Have you ever [INSERT]?

Among those who are sexually active

ADOLESCENTS 15-17			
	TOTAL	GENDER	
		MALE	FEMALE
A. DONE SOMETHING SEXUAL YOU DIDN'T REALLY WANT TO DO			
Yes	24%	18%	31%
No	76%	82%	68%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	–	–	–
B. BEEN IN A RELATIONSHIP WHERE YOU FELT THINGS WERE MOVING TOO FAST SEXUALLY			
Yes	33%	30%	36%
No	67%	70%	63%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	–	–	–
C. HAD ORAL SEX TO AVOID HAVING SEXUAL INTERCOURSE			
Yes	24%	18%	33%
No	51%	58%	42%
Never had oral sex	24%	24%	25%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	–	–	–
n	185	104	81

QUESTION 33: Have [INSERT]?

Among those who are sexually active

ADOLESCENTS 15-17

	TOTAL	GENDER	
		MALE	FEMALE
A. ALCOHOL OR DRUGS EVER INFLUENCED YOUR DECISION TO DO SOMETHING SEXUAL			
Yes	27%	28%	24%
No	73%	72%	75%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	–	–	–
B. YOU EVER USED ALCOHOL OR DRUGS TO HELP YOU FEEL MORE COMFORTABLE WITH A SEXUAL PARTNER			
Yes	12%	11%	12%
No	88%	89%	87%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	–	–	–
C. YOU EVER DONE MORE SEXUALLY THAN YOU HAD PLANNED BECAUSE YOU HAD BEEN DRINKING OR USING DRUGS			
Yes	20%	21%	20%
No	79%	79%	79%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	–	–	–
D. YOU EVER HAD UNPROTECTED SEX (NOT USED A CONDOM) BECAUSE YOU WERE DRINKING OR USING DRUGS			
Yes	9%	8%	11%
No	90%	92%	88%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	–	–	–
E. YOU EVER WORRIED ABOUT STDS OR PREGNANCY BECAUSE OF SOMETHING YOU DID SEXUALLY WHILE DRINKING OR USING DRUGS			
Yes	19%	18%	21%
No	80%	82%	77%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	*	–	1%
n	185	104	81

QUESTION 34: The [INSERT] you had sexual intercourse had you been drinking or using drugs?

Among those who are sexually active

ADOLESCENTS 15-17			
	TOTAL	GENDER	
		MALE	FEMALE
A. FIRST TIME			
Yes	5%	5%	6%
No	94%	95%	94%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	–	–	–
B. MOST RECENT TIME			
Yes	11%	13%	9%
No	89%	87%	91%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	–	–	–
n	185	104	81

QUESTION 35: In general, when you have sexual intercourse how often do you use birth control or protection? All of the time, most of the time, some of the time, or never?

Among those who are sexually active

ADOLESCENTS 15-17			
	TOTAL	GENDER	
		MALE	FEMALE
All of the time	70%	65%	76%
Most of the time	21%	25%	16%
Some of the time	5%	5%	4%
Never	4%	5%	3%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	–	–	–
n	185	104	81

QUESTION 36: I am going to read a list of types of birth control or protection. For each one, please tell me if this is a method you ever use?

Among those who are sexually active

ADOLESCENTS 15-17			
		GENDER	
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
A. CONDOMS			
Yes	94%	93%	95%
No	1%	2%	1%
Never use any type of birth control or protection	4%	5%	3%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	–	–	–
B. BIRTH CONTROL PILLS			
Yes	40%	35%	46%
No	54%	58%	50%
Never use any type of birth control or protection	4%	5%	3%
Don't know	1%	2%	1%
Refused	–	–	–
C. THE RHYTHM OR CALENDAR METHOD			
Yes	7%	5%	9%
No	82%	79%	86%
Never use any type of birth control or protection	4%	5%	3%
Don't know	7%	11%	2%
Refused	–	–	–
D. WITHDRAWAL OR PULLING OUT			
Yes	40%	41%	38%
No	55%	53%	58%
Never use any type of birth control or protection	4%	5%	3%
Don't know	1%	*	2%
Refused	–	–	–
n	185	104	81

QUESTION 37: Would you say you use [INSERT] – regularly or just sometimes?

Among those who are sexually active

ADOLESCENTS 15-17			
	TOTAL	GENDER	
		MALE	FEMALE
A. USE CONDOMS			
Regularly	79%	85%	72%
Sometimes	13%	8%	21%
Do not currently use condoms (volunteered)	*	–	1%
Do not use condoms	1%	2%	1%
Never use any types of birth control or protection	4%	5%	3%
Don't know	1%	–	3%
Refused	–	–	–
B. USE BIRTH CONTROL PILLS			
Regularly	30%	22%	40%
Sometimes	9%	13%	4%
Do not currently use birth control pills (volunteered)	1%	–	2%
Do not use birth control pills	54%	58%	50%
Never use any types of birth control or protection	4%	5%	3%
Don't know	2%	2%	1%
Refused	–	–	–
C. USE THE RHYTHM OR CALENDAR METHOD			
Regularly	2%	1%	4%
Sometimes	4%	4%	4%
Do not currently use rhythm method (volunteered)	*	–	1%
Do not use rhythm method	82%	79%	86%
Never use any types of birth control or protection	4%	5%	3%
Don't know	7%	11%	2%
Refused	–	–	–
D. USE WITHDRAWAL OR PULLING OUT			
Regularly	13%	14%	13%
Sometimes	25%	27%	23%
Do not currently use withdrawal (volunteered)	1%	1%	1%
Do not use withdrawal	55%	53%	58%
Never use any types of birth control or protection	4%	5%	3%
Don't know	1%	*	2%
Refused	–	–	–
n	185	104	81

QUESTION 38: Have you ever had sexual intercourse without a condom?

Among those who are sexually active

ADOLESCENTS 15-17			
	GENDER		
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
Yes	38%	30%	49%
No	54%	62%	44%
Married (volunteered)	1%	–	2%
Do not use condoms	1%	2%	1%
Never use any types of birth control	4%	5%	3%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	–	–	–
n	185	104	81

QUESTION 39: The last time you had sexual intercourse did you use a condom?

Among those who are sexually active

ADOLESCENTS 15-17			
	GENDER		
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
Yes	80%	86%	71%
No	13%	6%	22%
Married (volunteered)	1%	–	2%
Do not use condoms	1%	2%	1%
Never use any types of birth control	4%	5%	3%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	–	–	–
n	185	104	81

QUESTION 40: When choosing a method of birth control or protection is [INSERT] important to you or not?

Among those who are sexually active

ADOLESCENTS 15-17			
	TOTAL	GENDER	
		MALE	FEMALE
A. HOW WELL IT PROTECTS AGAINST HIV/AIDS AND OTHER STDS			
Important	94%	93%	94%
Not important	6%	7%	5%
Don't know	*	-	1%
Refused	-	-	-
B. HOW WELL IT PREVENTS PREGNANCY			
Important	96%	97%	94%
Not important	4%	3%	6%
Don't know	*	-	1%
Refused	-	-	-
C. THAT YOU DON'T NEED YOUR PARENTS' PERMISSION			
Important	48%	40%	58%
Not important	49%	57%	39%
Don't know	3%	3%	3%
Refused	-	-	-
D. HOW MUCH IT COSTS			
Important	29%	22%	39%
Not important	70%	77%	61%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%
Refused	-	-	-
E. WHAT YOUR PARTNER WANTS TO USE			
Important	83%	88%	77%
Not important	16%	12%	22%
Don't know	*	-	1%
Refused	-	-	-
F. THAT YOU DON'T HAVE TO DISCUSS IT WITH YOUR PARTNER			
Important	†	†	41%
Not important	†	†	56%
Don't know	†	†	2%
Refused	†	†	-
G. IF IT CAUSES YOU TO GAIN WEIGHT			
Important	†	†	49%
Not important	†	†	50%
Don't know	†	†	1%
Refused	†	†	-
n	185	104	81

[RANDOMIZE]

Note: F and G asked only of females.

QUESTION 41: Have you or a partner ever had a pregnancy test?

Among those who are sexually active

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17		
	TOTAL	GENDER	
		MALE	FEMALE
Yes	40%	37%	44%
No	57%	58%	56%
Don't know	3%	5%	1%
Refused	–	–	–
n	185	104	81

QUESTION 42A: Have you ever been tested for HIV, the virus that causes AIDS?

Among those who are sexually active

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17		
	TOTAL	GENDER	
		MALE	FEMALE
Yes	25%	21%	30%
No	75%	79%	69%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	–	–	–
n	185	104	81

QUESTION 42B: How did you know you were tested for HIV, the virus that causes AIDS?

Note: Sample size is too small to report.

QUESTION 43A: Have you ever been tested for other STDs?

Among those who are sexually active

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17		
	TOTAL	GENDER	
		MALE	FEMALE
Yes	31%	25%	39%
No	69%	75%	61%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	–	–	–
n	185	104	81

QUESTION 43B: How did you know you were tested for other STDs?

Note: Sample size is too small to report.

QUESTION 44: Have you ever [INSERT] ?

Among those who are sexually active

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17		
	TOTAL	GENDER	
		MALE	FEMALE
A. BEEN PREGNANT OR HAD A PARTNER PREGNANT			
Yes	8%	5%	12%
No	92%	95%	87%
Don't know	*	–	1%
Refused	–	–	–
B. HAD AN STD			
Yes	2%	*	3%
No	98%	100%	96%
Don't know	*	1%	1%
Refused	–	–	–
n	185	104	81

QUESTION 45: Are you or your current sexual partner pregnant or trying to get pregnant?

Note: Only asked of those ages 18-24.

QUESTION 46: In the next year, how likely is it that you will be tested for each of the following – very likely, somewhat likely, not too likely, not at all likely?

Among those who are sexually active

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17		
	TOTAL	GENDER	
		MALE	FEMALE
A. GET TESTED FOR HIV, THE VIRUS THAT CAUSES AIDS			
Very likely	24%	19%	30%
Somewhat likely	16%	19%	11%
Not too likely	27%	26%	29%
Not at all likely	32%	34%	28%
Don't know	2%	2%	1%
Refused	–	–	–
B. GET TESTED FOR OTHER STDs			
Very likely	22%	15%	32%
Somewhat likely	18%	17%	19%
Not too likely	26%	27%	23%
Not at all likely	33%	38%	25%
Don't know	2%	2%	1%
Refused	–	–	–
n	185	104	81

QUESTION 47: Do you think there is any chance that you might have an STD and not know it?

Among those who are sexually active

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17		
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
Yes	14%	18%	9%
No	81%	76%	89%
Don't know	5%	6%	2%
Refused	-	-	-
n	185	104	81

QUESTION 48: There are a lot of reasons why people might not get tested for STDs or HIV. For each please tell me how important of a reason this is for you. Would you say [INSERT] is a very important reason, somewhat important reason, not too important, or not a reason at all why you have not been tested.

Among those who are sexually active and have not been tested for HIV or other STDs

ADOLESCENTS	
15-17	
A. IT IS TOO EXPENSIVE	
Very important	8%
Somewhat important	8%
Not too important	14%
Not at all important	68%
Don't know	1%
Refused	-
B. YOU ARE AFRAID OF WHAT PEOPLE MIGHT THINK	
Very important	12%
Somewhat important	11%
Not too important	13%
Not at all important	64%
Refused	-
C. YOU DO NOT THINK YOU ARE AT RISK	
Very important	19%
Somewhat important	34%
Not too important	7%
Not at all important	37%
Don't know	3%
Refused	-
D. YOU DO NOT WANT TO KNOW	
Very important	14%
Somewhat important	16%
Not too important	5%
Not at all important	63%
Don't know	2%
Refused	-
E. YOU DO NOT KNOW WHERE TO GO TO GET TESTED	
Very important	15%
Somewhat important	18%
Not too important	3%
Not at all important	65%
Don't know	1%
Refused	-
F. YOU DO NOT KNOW WHAT IS INVOLVED IN GETTING TESTED	
Very important	12%
Somewhat important	22%
Not too important	10%
Not at all important	55%
Don't know	1%
Refused	-
n	140

[RANDOMIZE]

QUESTION 49: Do you personally know anyone who [INSERT]?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17						YOUNG ADOLESCENTS		13-14
	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS			
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
A. HAS HIV OR AIDS									
Yes	12%	14%	9%	9%	18%	21%	14%	10%	7%
No	87%	84%	90%	91%	79%	79%	86%	87%	92%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	–	*	1%	*
Refused	1%	1%	*	*	2%	–	–	1%	*
B. HAS HAD A SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASE OTHER THAN HIV/AIDS									
Yes	36%	35%	36%	34%	44%	36%	46%	30%	13%
No	63%	63%	63%	64%	55%	63%	53%	69%	85%
Don't know	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Refused	*	–	*	*	–	–	–	*	*
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	185	298	302

Demographics

QUESTION D1: How old are you?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17						YOUNG ADOLESCENTS		13-14
	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS			
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
13	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	47%
14	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	53%
15	30%	28%	32%	29%	35%	31%	22%	35%	†
16	34%	34%	34%	34%	34%	35%	32%	35%	†
17	36%	38%	35%	38%	31%	35%	46%	30%	†
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	185	298	302

QUESTION D2: Record respondent's sex.

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17						YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS				
	TOTAL	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	13-14	
Male	51%	50%	50%	53%	57%	48%	52%	
Female	49%	50%	50%	47%	43%	52%	48%	
n	483	220	103	96	185	298	302	

QUESTION D3: Are you married, living as married, divorced, separated, widowed, or have you ever been married?

Note: Only asked of those ages 18-24.

QUESTION D4: Are you currently attending school?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
Yes	98%	98%	97%	98%	98%	95%	95%	99%	99%
No	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%	5%	5%	1%	1%
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	185	298	302

QUESTION D5: What grade of school are you currently in or what is the last grade or class you completed in school?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
None, or grade 1-8	1%	*	2%	1%	1%	3%	1%	2%	69%
High school incomplete (grades 9-11)	79%	81%	76%	77%	83%	85%	77%	80%	30%
High school graduate (grade 12 or GED certificate)	19%	17%	21%	22%	15%	12%	21%	18%	*
Some college, no 4-year degree	1%	1%	-	-	-	-	2%	-	-
Refused	*	*	1%	*	-	-	-	1%	*
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	185	298	302

QUESTION D6: Are you financially dependent on your parents? That is, do your parents support you and claim you on their income taxes?

Note: Only asked of those ages 18-24.

QUESTION D7: Last year, this is, in 2000, what was your household or family's total income, from all sources before taxes?

Note: Only asked of those ages 18-24.

QUESTION D8: Are you, yourself, of Hispanic or Latino origin, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or some other Latin American background?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17				YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	TOTAL	GENDER		SEXUAL STATUS		13-14
		MALE	FEMALE	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
Yes	14%	14%	13%	16%	12%	15%
No	86%	85%	86%	83%	87%	82%
Don't know	*	*	*	*	*	3%
Refused	*	*	-	-	1%	-
n	483	239	244	185	298	302

QUESTION D9: What is your race? Are you white, African American or black, Asian, or some other race? (If Latino ask: Are you white Latino, black Latino, or some other race?)

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17				YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	TOTAL	GENDER		SEXUAL STATUS		13-14
		MALE	FEMALE	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
White	67%	66%	68%	63%	70%	67%
African American or black	16%	16%	16%	21%	14%	17%
Asian	4%	4%	4%	4%	5%	4%
Other (specify)	11%	13%	10%	11%	11%	10%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%
Refused	*	*	-	1%	-	*
n	483	239	244	185	298	302

COMBINED RACE/ETHNICITY BASED ON D8 AND D9:

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17				YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	TOTAL	GENDER		SEXUAL STATUS		13-14
		MALE	FEMALE	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
White, non-Hispanic	61%	60%	63%	56%	64%	61%
African American or black, non-Hispanic	14%	14%	15%	18%	12%	15%
Latino	14%	14%	13%	16%	12%	4%
Asian	4%	4%	4%	4%	5%	4%
Other or mixed race	6%	8%	4%	6%	6%	15%
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	1%
Refused	*	*	-	1%	-	-
n	483	239	244	185	298	302

QUESTION D10: How religious or spiritual are you? Would you say you are very religious or spiritual, somewhat, not too, or not at all religious or spiritual?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14	
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE		SEXUALLY ACTIVE
Very religious or spiritual	20%	18%	23%	23%	25%	12%	15%	23%	24%
Somewhat religious or spiritual	52%	48%	55%	47%	58%	58%	53%	51%	50%
Not too religious or spiritual	16%	18%	13%	17%	10%	18%	21%	13%	14%
Not at all religious or spiritual	12%	15%	8%	13%	7%	11%	11%	13%	10%
Don't know	*	*	*	-	1%	1%	-	*	2%
Refused	*	*	-	-	-	-	1%	-	*
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	185	298	302

QUESTION D11: Do you identify with any organized religion?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14	
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE		SEXUALLY ACTIVE
Yes	59%	54%	65%	66%	51%	54%	52%	63%	58%
No	37%	42%	32%	32%	44%	42%	44%	33%	36%
Don't know	4%	4%	3%	3%	5%	5%	3%	4%	7%
Refused	*	*	-	-	-	-	1%	-	-
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	185	298	302

QUESTION D12: What is your religious preference – Protestant, Roman Catholic, Jewish, Mormon, Muslim, an orthodox church such as Greek or Russian Orthodox or some other religion?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14	
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE		SEXUALLY ACTIVE
Protestant	34%	28%	41%	38%	36%	27%	32%	36%	35%
Roman Catholic	15%	14%	16%	18%	6%	17%	13%	17%	16%
Jewish	2%	4%	1%	4%	-	-	1%	3%	-
Mormon	*	*	-	-	-	1%	-	*	1%
Muslim	*	*	*	-	-	1%	*	*	*
Orthodox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*
Other religion	6%	6%	6%	5%	9%	8%	6%	6%	4%
Do not identify with any organized religion	41%	46%	35%	34%	49%	46%	48%	37%	42%
Don't know	*	1%	-	1%	-	-	-	1%	2%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	185	298	302

QUESTION D13: What language is usually spoken in your home?

	ADOLESCENTS 15-17							YOUNG ADOLESCENTS	
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			SEXUAL STATUS		13-14
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
English	92%	92%	93%	99%	96%	72%	92%	93%	91%
Spanish	5%	5%	4%	1%	2%	27%	6%	4%	6%
Other	3%	2%	3%	-	3%	1%	2%	3%	2%
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
n	483	239	244	220	103	96	185	298	302

APPENDIX: QUESTIONNAIRE AND DETAILED FINDINGS

Section 3 – Young Adults and all 15- to 24-year-olds

NOTES FOR TOPLINES:

* = <1%
 - = 0
 † = question not asked of subgroup
 ‡ = subgroup too small to report
 Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Data for all 15- to 24-year-olds are presented in the last column. Due to sample size constraints, data is not presented for sexually active Asian youth. Sexually active young adults include those who say they have had intercourse or are currently married, have ever been married, or are living as married. Those who have not had intercourse, or say they have never been with anyone in an intimate or sexual way are categorized as “not sexually active.”

The topline include questions with computed summary measures – Q1, Q2, Q18, and Q22. The summary measures are labeled with two or more letters separated with commas and are denoted with a shaded bar down the left hand column corresponding to the variables that are included in the summary measure. The summary measure was created iteratively by categorizing respondents into the “highest” category to which they responded for the set of questions. For example, respondents in the highest category (i.e. “very big concern”) to any of the questions included in the summary were placed in the first category (i.e. “very big concern”), those respondents who did not respond to the highest category, but responded to the second highest category (i.e. “somewhat big concern”) to any of the questions included were placed in the second category (i.e. “somewhat big concern”), and so on for each question. These summary measures can be interpreted as the percent of respondents who say, for example, sexual health issues including HIV/AIDS, other STDs, and unintended pregnancy are big concerns.

QUESTION 1. I have a question about some of the things facing people your age today. As I read the following list, please tell me how big a concern each is for people your age. Is [INSERT] a very big concern, somewhat big concern, not much of a concern, or not a concern at all?

	ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS									
	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24								ADULTS 15-24	
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		
	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE		
A, B. SEXUAL VIOLENCE OR OTHER PHYSICAL VIOLENCE										
Very big concern	49%	48%	51%	43%	59%	62%	56%	52%	41%	46%
Somewhat big concern	29%	27%	31%	32%	26%	23%	31%	28%	32%	30%
Not much of a concern	11%	13%	10%	13%	6%	6%	5%	9%	19%	13%
Not a concern at all	10%	12%	9%	12%	8%	9%	7%	11%	8%	11%
Don't know	*	*	*	-	-	-	1%	-	*	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A. SEXUAL VIOLENCE SUCH AS RAPE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT										
Very big concern	45%	44%	46%	40%	53%	58%	48%	47%	37%	41%
Somewhat big concern	25%	22%	29%	28%	22%	21%	29%	25%	27%	24%
Not much of a concern	15%	16%	14%	16%	14%	8%	12%	13%	21%	18%
Not a concern at all	14%	17%	10%	16%	11%	13%	10%	14%	14%	16%
Don't know	1%	1%	*	*	1%	*	2%	*	1%	1%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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QUESTION 1. I have a question about some of the things facing people your age today. As I read the following list, please tell me how big a concern each is for people your age. Is [INSERT] a very big concern, somewhat big concern, not much of a concern, or not a concern at all?

	ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS									
	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS		ADULTS 15-24
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		
MALE		FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE		
B. Other physical violence										
Very big concern	33%	26%	39%	27%	45%	39%	34%	27%	30%	
Somewhat big concern	34%	35%	33%	34%	34%	37%	41%	34%	35%	
Not much of a concern	18%	21%	15%	23%	11%	8%	12%	16%	19%	
Not a concern at all	14%	16%	12%	15%	10%	14%	9%	14%	14%	
Don't know	1%	2%	*	1%	-	2%	3%	1%	2%	
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
C, D, E. SEXUAL HEALTH ISSUES SUCH AS HIV, STDS, AND PREGNANCY										
Very big concern	67%	65%	70%	60%	87%	78%	64%	69%	63%	
Somewhat big concern	23%	23%	22%	28%	9%	12%	30%	22%	25%	
Not much of a concern	6%	9%	3%	7%	1%	6%	3%	5%	8%	
Not a concern at all	4%	4%	4%	5%	2%	4%	3%	4%	5%	
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
C. AIDS AND HIV, THE VIRUS THAT CAUSES AIDS										
Very big concern	48%	46%	50%	38%	71%	64%	46%	49%	44%	
Somewhat big concern	27%	24%	29%	31%	16%	21%	33%	26%	25%	
Not much of a concern	13%	16%	10%	15%	8%	6%	11%	12%	17%	
Not a concern at all	10%	11%	10%	14%	2%	8%	8%	11%	12%	
Don't know	2%	3%	1%	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%	
Refused	*	*	*	1%	*	-	-	-	-	
D. STDS, THAT IS SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES OTHER THAN HIV/AIDS										
Very big concern	52%	49%	55%	45%	71%	64%	47%	54%	47%	
Somewhat big concern	28%	28%	28%	32%	17%	21%	36%	27%	29%	
Not much of a concern	10%	12%	8%	13%	5%	5%	8%	11%	13%	
Not a concern at all	9%	10%	8%	11%	6%	8%	8%	9%	10%	
Don't know	1%	1%	*	*	*	2%	-	*	1%	
Refused	*	-	*	-	-	-	1%	*	*	
E. UNPLANNED OR UNINTENDED PREGNANCY										
Very big concern	46%	43%	48%	41%	59%	53%	52%	46%	44%	
Somewhat big concern	30%	29%	32%	34%	19%	26%	27%	31%	30%	
Not much of a concern	12%	14%	10%	11%	13%	9%	14%	11%	14%	
Not a concern at all	11%	13%	9%	12%	9%	11%	5%	11%	11%	
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	*	1%	1%	1%	
Refused	*	-	*	-	-	-	1%	*	*	
F. DRINKING TOO MUCH										
Very big concern	36%	31%	40%	31%	50%	42%	37%	34%	35%	
Somewhat big concern	30%	29%	30%	31%	25%	25%	30%	29%	31%	
Not much of a concern	18%	19%	17%	19%	15%	17%	15%	19%	18%	
Not a concern at all	16%	20%	12%	18%	9%	16%	17%	18%	15%	
Don't know	1%	1%	*	*	-	*	-	*	1%	
Refused	*	*	-	-	-	-	*	-	*	

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QUESTION 1. I have a question about some of the things facing people your age today. As I read the following list, please tell me how big a concern each is for people your age. Is [INSERT] a very big concern, somewhat big concern, not much of a concern, or not a concern at all?

	ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS									
	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24									
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
MALE		FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE		
G. USING DRUGS										
Very big concern	41%	39%	44%	36%	56%	48%	42%	42%	38%	41%
Somewhat big concern	26%	25%	28%	28%	22%	21%	32%	25%	34%	29%
Not much of a concern	14%	16%	13%	16%	14%	14%	10%	15%	11%	14%
Not a concern at all	16%	18%	15%	19%	8%	16%	11%	17%	15%	14%
Don't know	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	3%	1%	2%	1%
Refused	*	-	*	-	-	-	1%	*	-	*
H. SMOKING CIGARETTES										
Very big concern	34%	32%	36%	31%	49%	30%	44%	33%	37%	34%
Somewhat big concern	26%	23%	29%	27%	20%	32%	27%	26%	24%	28%
Not much of a concern	20%	20%	19%	20%	18%	16%	10%	18%	24%	19%
Not a concern at all	20%	24%	16%	21%	12%	21%	17%	21%	15%	18%
Don't know	1%	1%	*	1%	*	*	-	1%	1%	1%
Refused	*	-	*	-	-	-	1%	*	-	*
I, J. DISCRIMINATION BECAUSE OF RACE, ETHNICITY OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION										
Very big concern	36%	34%	37%	30%	50%	43%	35%	37%	30%	35%
Somewhat big concern	33%	29%	36%	33%	28%	30%	48%	31%	41%	33%
Not much of a concern	18%	20%	16%	22%	10%	16%	11%	19%	17%	19%
Not a concern at all	13%	16%	10%	14%	12%	10%	3%	14%	11%	13%
Don't know	*	*	*	*	-	-	2%	*	*	*
Refused	*	-	*	-	-	-	1%	*	-	*
I. DISCRIMINATION BECAUSE OF RACE OR ETHNICITY										
Very big concern	28%	27%	30%	22%	43%	37%	32%	31%	20%	26%
Somewhat big concern	28%	24%	32%	27%	24%	30%	40%	27%	31%	29%
Not much of a concern	23%	23%	23%	28%	18%	15%	14%	22%	28%	24%
Not a concern at all	19%	24%	15%	22%	14%	15%	10%	20%	18%	20%
Don't know	1%	2%	1%	1%	-	2%	2%	1%	3%	1%
Refused	*	*	*	-	-	*	1%	*	-	*
J. DISCRIMINATION BECAUSE OF SEXUAL ORIENTATION										
Very big concern	20%	16%	23%	18%	26%	26%	14%	20%	20%	20%
Somewhat big concern	33%	31%	34%	32%	36%	27%	43%	32%	38%	32%
Not much of a concern	21%	21%	21%	22%	16%	22%	24%	22%	19%	22%
Not a concern at all	23%	27%	19%	25%	21%	23%	10%	24%	18%	23%
Don't know	3%	3%	2%	2%	1%	2%	6%	2%	4%	3%
Refused	1%	1%	*	1%	-	-	3%	1%	*	*
K. DEPRESSION OR OTHER MENTAL ILLNESS										
Very big concern	24%	16%	32%	21%	29%	31%	24%	24%	24%	23%
Somewhat big concern	34%	33%	35%	34%	35%	30%	40%	35%	30%	34%
Not much of a concern	21%	26%	17%	24%	17%	15%	18%	20%	27%	23%
Not a concern at all	20%	24%	15%	20%	17%	22%	10%	21%	15%	18%
Don't know	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	2%	7%	1%	3%	1%
Refused	*	-	*	-	-	-	1%	*	-	*
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240	1552

[RANDOMIZE: a and b always an ordered pair and always last; c and d always an ordered pair]

QUESTION 2. Next I'd like you to think about the places that you have gotten information about relationships and sexual health issues like unintended pregnancy and STDs, that is sexually transmitted diseases. How much have you learned from [INSERT] about relationships and sexual health—a lot, some, only a little, or nothing at all?

	ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS									
	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24									
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE		
A. PARENTS										
A lot	37%	34%	40%	34%	51%	38%	29%	34%	49%	38%
Some	27%	29%	26%	31%	22%	20%	23%	28%	25%	30%
Only a little	25%	25%	24%	26%	19%	27%	24%	26%	18%	22%
Nothing at all	11%	12%	9%	9%	9%	14%	24%	12%	8%	10%
Don't know	*	*	*	*	1%	1%	-	*	*	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B. BROTHERS AND SISTERS										
A lot	22%	24%	19%	19%	29%	28%	19%	22%	20%	20%
Some	20%	19%	21%	21%	19%	20%	16%	20%	21%	19%
Only a little	20%	20%	19%	20%	16%	20%	25%	19%	21%	20%
Nothing at all	37%	35%	39%	40%	35%	30%	34%	38%	36%	40%
Don't know	1%	1%	*	1%	*	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%
Refused	*	*	*	-	-	*	4%	*	-	*
C. FRIENDS										
A lot	47%	46%	48%	49%	51%	38%	43%	48%	43%	46%
Some	29%	29%	30%	31%	24%	28%	31%	27%	38%	30%
Only a little	16%	17%	15%	15%	19%	16%	19%	17%	14%	16%
Nothing at all	7%	8%	6%	6%	7%	17%	6%	8%	4%	7%
Don't know	*	*	*	*	-	1%	*	*	1%	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
D. BOYFRIENDS, GIRLFRIENDS OR PARTNERS										
A lot	39%	40%	39%	40%	45%	34%	38%	42%	26%	34%
Some	31%	32%	30%	33%	24%	28%	31%	31%	30%	31%
Only a little	18%	17%	18%	17%	18%	18%	17%	17%	19%	19%
Nothing at all	12%	11%	12%	10%	12%	19%	13%	9%	23%	14%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	*	3%	1%
Refused	*	*	*	*	-	-	*	*	*	*
E. DOCTORS OR OTHER HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS										
A lot	36%	21%	50%	30%	50%	41%	37%	38%	27%	33%
Some	25%	24%	26%	27%	20%	20%	31%	25%	25%	25%
Only a little	19%	25%	14%	22%	16%	18%	14%	19%	21%	20%
Nothing at all	20%	30%	9%	21%	14%	22%	18%	18%	28%	22%
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	-	1%	*	*	*
F, G, H. TV, MOVIES, MAGAZINES, OR THE INTERNET										
A lot	38%	33%	42%	32%	55%	37%	52%	37%	41%	37%
Some	35%	37%	33%	38%	25%	32%	36%	35%	36%	35%
Only a little	19%	22%	16%	22%	11%	22%	11%	19%	19%	20%
Nothing at all	8%	8%	8%	8%	10%	9%	1%	9%	5%	8%
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	*	-	*

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QUESTION 2. Next I'd like you to think about the places that you have gotten information about relationships and sexual health issues like unintended pregnancy and STDs, that is sexually transmitted diseases. How much have you learned from [INSERT] about relationships and sexual health—a lot, some, only a little, or nothing at all?
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	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24									ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
F. TV SHOWS AND MOVIES										
A lot	25%	22%	28%	21%	40%	26%	33%	25%	28%	24%
Some	30%	32%	29%	31%	25%	29%	33%	29%	34%	32%
Only a little	27%	29%	25%	29%	19%	26%	26%	27%	26%	27%
Nothing at all	17%	17%	18%	18%	17%	18%	6%	19%	11%	17%
Don't know	*	*	-	-	*	*	2%	*	*	*
G. THE INTERNET										
A lot	11%	11%	12%	9%	18%	11%	18%	11%	15%	11%
Some	15%	16%	14%	13%	18%	13%	27%	15%	16%	15%
Only a little	19%	21%	17%	21%	14%	20%	22%	19%	17%	19%
Nothing at all	54%	51%	57%	56%	48%	56%	33%	54%	52%	54%
Don't know	1%	1%	*	1%	1%	*	-	1%	*	1%
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	*	-	*
H. MAGAZINES										
A lot	20%	15%	25%	16%	36%	17%	29%	20%	22%	20%
Some	27%	24%	31%	28%	17%	25%	32%	28%	23%	27%
Only a little	25%	26%	25%	27%	20%	28%	28%	26%	24%	25%
Nothing at all	27%	35%	19%	29%	27%	29%	11%	26%	29%	27%
Don't know	*	*	1%	*	-	1%	-	*	1%	*
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	*	-	*
I. SEX EDUCATION CLASSES										
A lot	40%	42%	39%	39%	44%	40%	38%	40%	43%	45%
Some	24%	22%	26%	24%	20%	26%	26%	22%	30%	23%
Only a little	17%	18%	16%	17%	18%	16%	25%	19%	11%	16%
Nothing at all	18%	17%	18%	20%	17%	17%	9%	18%	16%	15%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	*	1%	*	2%	1%	1%	1%
Refused	*	*	*	*	-	*	-	*	-	*
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240	1552

[RANDOMIZE: e through i]

QUESTION 3. People your age often feel pressure from a lot of different places and for different reasons. Thinking about yourself, how much pressure have you personally felt to [INSERT]—a lot, some, not much, or none?

ADOLESCENTS

AND YOUNG

YOUNG ADULTS 18-24

ADULTS

	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
A. SMOKE CIGARETTES										
A lot	9%	8%	9%	9%	10%	6%	12%	9%	10%	9%
Some	14%	14%	14%	15%	12%	9%	12%	15%	11%	15%
Not much	20%	21%	19%	23%	12%	15%	20%	21%	16%	21%
None	57%	56%	57%	52%	66%	70%	55%	55%	62%	55%
Don't know	*	*	*	-	-	*	1%	*	*	*
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	*	-	-	1%	*
B. DRINK BEER OR ALCOHOL										
A lot	14%	16%	11%	14%	17%	8%	18%	14%	11%	14%
Some	24%	24%	24%	27%	17%	20%	16%	25%	20%	24%
Not much	20%	20%	20%	22%	17%	15%	20%	20%	19%	21%
None	42%	40%	45%	37%	49%	57%	44%	41%	49%	41%
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Refused	*	-	*	-	-	-	2%	*	-	*
C. USE DRUGS										
A lot	8%	10%	7%	9%	13%	3%	11%	9%	5%	9%
Some	18%	20%	16%	19%	13%	18%	18%	19%	14%	18%
Not much	21%	22%	20%	24%	17%	14%	16%	22%	18%	22%
None	52%	48%	56%	48%	58%	65%	53%	50%	63%	51%
Don't know	*	-	*	-	-	-	2%	-	*	*
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	*	-	*
D. HAVE SEX										
A lot	12%	16%	9%	12%	17%	10%	13%	14%	7%	11%
Some	22%	20%	24%	22%	21%	22%	25%	23%	17%	21%
Not much	23%	25%	20%	23%	21%	22%	24%	23%	22%	24%
None	42%	38%	46%	42%	40%	45%	33%	40%	52%	43%
Don't know	*	1%	*	*	-	2%	1%	*	1%	*
Refused	1%	1%	*	1%	-	-	4%	1%	1%	1%
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240	1552

[RANDOMIZE]

QUESTION 4. Next I'd like your opinion about different types of birth control or protection, such as birth control pills or condoms. In your opinion, how effective are BIRTH CONTROL PILLS at [INSERT]? Are they very effective, somewhat effective, not too effective, or not effective at all?

ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS										
YOUNG ADULTS 18-24										
		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	15-24
TOTAL										
A. PREVENTING PREGNANCY										
Very effective	46%	46%	46%	49%	39%	43%	50%	49%	37%	41%
Somewhat effective	40%	41%	40%	40%	38%	42%	32%	40%	42%	45%
Not too effective	5%	4%	6%	4%	10%	3%	4%	5%	5%	5%
Not at all effective	3%	2%	4%	2%	6%	3%	5%	3%	4%	2%
Don't know	6%	7%	4%	5%	7%	8%	9%	4%	11%	6%
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	-	1%	*
B. PREVENTING HIV/AIDS										
Very effective	5%	5%	4%	3%	8%	7%	9%	4%	6%	6%
Somewhat effective	11%	12%	11%	8%	17%	19%	14%	11%	14%	15%
Not too effective	5%	7%	4%	6%	4%	3%	7%	5%	7%	7%
Not at all effective	69%	63%	75%	75%	62%	60%	50%	73%	55%	63%
Don't know	9%	12%	5%	8%	7%	11%	19%	7%	17%	9%
Refused	*	-	1%	*	1%	-	1%	*	1%	*
C. PREVENTING OTHER STDS										
Very effective	3%	4%	3%	1%	5%	6%	11%	3%	5%	4%
Somewhat effective	11%	13%	9%	8%	14%	18%	9%	11%	10%	14%
Not too effective	6%	8%	4%	5%	6%	3%	11%	6%	8%	8%
Not at all effective	71%	64%	78%	77%	68%	61%	49%	75%	57%	65%
Don't know	8%	12%	5%	8%	8%	12%	17%	6%	20%	9%
Refused	* -	1%	*	-	-	3%	*	1%	*	
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240	1552

[RANDOMIZE: b and c always an ordered pair. RANDOMIZE Question 4 and Question 5]

QUESTION 5. In your opinion, how effective are CONDOMS at [INSERT]? Are they very effective, somewhat effective, not too effective, or not effective at all?

	ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS									
	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24									
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
MALE		FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE		
A. PREVENTING PREGNANCY										
Very effective	30%	35%	26%	32%	33%	21%	33%	31%	25%	29%
Somewhat effective	57%	54%	60%	57%	51%	65%	55%	58%	52%	57%
Not too effective	7%	6%	8%	7%	8%	4%	8%	5%	13%	8%
Not at all effective	4%	3%	4%	3%	6%	6%	4%	3%	3%	
Don't know	3%	2%	3%	2%	2%	4%	4%	1%	7%	3%
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	*	-	*	*	*
B. PREVENTING HIV/AIDS										
Very effective	30%	30%	30%	30%	35%	26%	29%	32%	25%	27%
Somewhat effective	48%	47%	48%	47%	50%	50%	51%	49%	43%	50%
Not too effective	7%	8%	6%	7%	6%	6%	5%	6%	10%	9%
Not at all effective	9%	7%	11%	9%	6%	11%	7%	8%	13%	8%
Don't know	6%	8%	4%	6%	4%	6%	6%	5%	9%	5%
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	-	2%	*	*	*
C. PREVENTING OTHER STDS										
Very effective	30%	30%	30%	31%	34%	28%	24%	32%	23%	28%
Somewhat effective	49%	49%	49%	47%	52%	47%	57%	50%	44%	49%
Not too effective	9%	9%	8%	9%	8%	10%	6%	8%	11%	11%
Not at all effective	8%	6%	9%	8%	4%	9%	7%	7%	12%	8%
Don't know	4%	5%	3%	4%	3%	6%	5%	3%	10%	4%
Refused	1%	1%	*	1%	-	-	1%	1%	*	1%
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240	1552

[RANDOMIZE: b and c always an ordered pair. RANDOMIZE Question 4 and Question 5]

QUESTION 6. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each of these statements. I am interested in what you think about these issues. There are no right or wrong answers. [INSERT] Would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree?

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24									
	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24	
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE		NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
A. IT IS NOT THAT BIG OF A DEAL TO HAVE SEX WITHOUT A CONDOM ONCE IN A WHILE										
Strongly agree	5%	7%	4%	5%	6%	5%	5%	6%	4%	5%
Somewhat agree	12%	16%	8%	11%	8%	20%	18%	13%	7%	11%
Somewhat disagree	16%	20%	13%	18%	12%	14%	19%	17%	12%	16%
Strongly disagree	64%	54%	74%	64%	74%	58%	54%	62%	72%	66%
Don't know	2%	3%	1%	2%	1%	3%	3%	1%	4%	2%
Refused	*	-	1%	*	-	-	1%	*	-	*
B. UNLESS YOU HAVE A LOT OF SEXUAL PARTNERS YOU DON'T NEED TO USE CONDOMS										
Strongly agree	4%	6%	2%	3%	6%	8%	4%	4%	7%	4%
Somewhat agree	5%	5%	5%	5%	2%	11%	8%	6%	4%	5%
Somewhat disagree	10%	13%	8%	12%	6%	8%	17%	11%	6%	11%
Strongly disagree	78%	74%	82%	78%	86%	70%	70%	79%	77%	79%
Don't know	1%	1%	2%	1%	*	2%	1%	1%	4%	1%
Refused	*	-	1%	*	-	-	-	*	1%	*
C. BUYING CONDOMS IS EMBARRASSING										
Strongly agree	10%	9%	12%	11%	11%	10%	11%	9%	15%	13%
Somewhat agree	17%	15%	18%	17%	9%	18%	20%	14%	27%	20%
Somewhat disagree	17%	19%	15%	18%	13%	14%	23%	16%	18%	18%
Strongly disagree	54%	55%	52%	52%	65%	53%	43%	59%	31%	46%
Don't know	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%	4%	1%	1%	8%	2%
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	*	1%	*	1%	*
D. CONDOMS BREAK A LOT										
Strongly agree	24%	23%	26%	21%	36%	30%	19%	25%	22%	22%
Somewhat agree	37%	36%	37%	38%	27%	36%	37%	37%	34%	38%
Somewhat disagree	22%	24%	20%	24%	20%	19%	26%	23%	18%	22%
Strongly disagree	9%	11%	6%	9%	9%	7%	6%	10%	5%	7%
Don't know	8%	7%	10%	8%	8%	9%	11%	5%	21%	10%
Refused	*	-	1%	1%	-	-	1%	*	1%	*
E. IT IS HARD TO BRING UP THE TOPIC OF CONDOMS										
Strongly agree	8%	8%	7%	6%	7%	12%	11%	6%	14%	9%
Somewhat agree	19%	18%	21%	23%	8%	21%	21%	18%	24%	20%
Somewhat disagree	25%	27%	22%	24%	22%	28%	27%	22%	33%	25%
Strongly disagree	47%	46%	47%	46%	61%	36%	37%	52%	25%	44%
Don't know	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	3%	1%	1%	4%	2%
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	-	3%	*	1%	*
F. SEX WITHOUT A CONDOM ISN'T WORTH THE RISK										
Strongly agree	64%	56%	72%	68%	67%	50%	47%	64%	64%	65%
Somewhat agree	12%	17%	6%	11%	10%	12%	20%	12%	11%	12%
Somewhat disagree	8%	11%	6%	8%	6%	9%	12%	8%	7%	8%
Strongly disagree	13%	13%	12%	9%	16%	25%	17%	13%	13%	12%
Don't know	3%	2%	3%	3%	1%	4%	3%	2%	4%	2%
Refused	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	*	1%	1%
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[RANDOMIZE]

QUESTION 7. I am going to read a list of feelings you might have if someone you were seeing romantically suggested using a condom. If someone I was seeing suggested using a condom I would feel [INSERT]. Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree that you might feel this way?

		YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS	
		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	15-24
A. LIKE THE PERSON CARED ABOUT ME										
Strongly agree	63%	58%	68%	62%	72%	60%	67%	64%	59%	62%
Somewhat agree	26%	31%	22%	29%	20%	23%	25%	27%	23%	26%
Somewhat disagree	5%	5%	5%	6%	1%	6%	5%	5%	7%	5%
Strongly disagree	4%	3%	4%	2%	6%	7%	2%	3%	5%	4%
Don't know	2%	2%	1%	1%	-	3%	1%	1%	4%	2%
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	-	1%	*
B. RELIEVED										
Strongly agree	63%	54%	73%	62%	75%	64%	54%	66%	55%	62%
Somewhat agree	26%	33%	19%	27%	20%	21%	29%	25%	30%	28%
Somewhat disagree	5%	7%	2%	6%	1%	3%	6%	5%	2%	5%
Strongly disagree	2%	3%	2%	2%	3%	5%	2%	2%	4%	3%
Don't know	3%	4%	3%	2%	1%	6%	5%	2%	7%	3%
Refused	*	-	1%	*	-	-	3%	*	1%	*
C. LIKE THE PERSON RESPECTED ME										
Strongly agree	68%	61%	74%	67%	78%	61%	59%	69%	63%	65%
Somewhat agree	23%	27%	19%	24%	17%	26%	31%	23%	22%	25%
Somewhat disagree	4%	6%	2%	4%	0%	6%	4%	4%	4%	4%
Strongly disagree	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	4%	1%	2%	5%	3%
Don't know	2%	3%	1%	2%	1%	4%	4%	1%	5%	2%
Refused	*	-	1%	*	-	-	1%	*	1%	*
D. INSULTED										
Strongly agree	3%	3%	4%	2%	9%	6%	4%	3%	4%	3%
Somewhat agree	5%	7%	3%	3%	8%	8%	13%	4%	6%	6%
Somewhat disagree	13%	16%	9%	13%	10%	12%	15%	12%	15%	14%
Strongly disagree	77%	73%	81%	81%	73%	70%	63%	80%	66%	74%
Don't know	2%	2%	2%	1%	-	4%	5%	1%	6%	2%
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	-	1%	*
E. SUSPICIOUS OR WORRIED ABOUT THE PERSON'S PAST SEXUAL HISTORY										
Strongly agree	18%	17%	18%	12%	32%	28%	20%	16%	25%	19%
Somewhat agree	26%	29%	22%	27%	21%	24%	30%	26%	24%	27%
Somewhat disagree	21%	23%	20%	23%	16%	15%	18%	21%	23%	22%
Strongly disagree	32%	28%	37%	36%	28%	28%	25%	35%	21%	28%
Don't know	2%	3%	2%	2%	3%	4%	4%	2%	4%	3%
Refused	1%	*	1%	1%	1%	-	3%	*	2%	1%
F. LIKE THE PERSON WAS SUSPICIOUS OR WORRIED ABOUT MY PAST SEXUAL HISTORY										
Strongly agree	15%	15%	15%	11%	22%	22%	16%	15%	15%	15%
Somewhat agree	32%	38%	25%	33%	30%	30%	35%	33%	29%	33%
Somewhat disagree	20%	20%	19%	21%	15%	14%	22%	18%	25%	20%
Strongly disagree	31%	23%	38%	33%	31%	30%	24%	32%	25%	29%
Don't know	2%	3%	2%	2%	1%	4%	4%	2%	5%	2%
Refused	*	*	1%	*	1%	-	-	*	2%	1%

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QUESTION 7. I am going to read a list of feelings you might have if someone you were seeing romantically suggested using a condom. If someone I was seeing suggested using a condom I would feel [INSERT]. Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree that you might feel this way?

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ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS										
YOUNG ADULTS 18-24										
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
G. GLAD THE PERSON BROUGHT IT UP										
Strongly agree	73%	65%	81%	71%	82%	76%	67%	74%	69%	71%
Somewhat agree	19%	26%	13%	22%	13%	13%	29%	21%	15%	22%
Somewhat disagree	2%	4%	1%	3%	4%	1%	2%	3%	2%	3%
Strongly disagree	3%	3%	3%	3%	1%	5%	1%	2%	7%	3%
Don't know	2%	2%	1%	1%	-	4%	*	1%	6%	2%
Refused	*	*	1%	*	-	1%	1%	*	2%	*
H. THAT THE PERSON WAS BEING RESPONSIBLE										
Strongly agree	81%	78%	85%	83%	86%	74%	74%	84%	72%	79%
Somewhat agree	13%	16%	10%	14%	6%	14%	18%	12%	16%	15%
Somewhat disagree	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	5%	3%	2%	2%	2%
Strongly disagree	2%	2%	2%	1%	5%	4%	1%	2%	4%	2%
Don't know	1%	2%	1%	1%	-	3%	4%	*	4%	1%
Refused	1%	*	1%	1%	-	*	-	*	2%	*
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[RANDOMIZE: e and f always an ordered pair]

QUESTION 8. As far as you know, if a woman has just had sex and thinks she might be pregnant, is there anything she can do in the next few days to prevent pregnancy?

ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS										
YOUNG ADULTS 18-24										
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
Yes	59%	52%	65%	61%	52%	52%	70%	62%	46%	55%
No	25%	27%	24%	26%	32%	26%	15%	25%	29%	28%
Don't know	16%	20%	11%	13%	16%	22%	15%	13%	25%	17%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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QUESTION 9. Have you ever heard of emergency contraceptive pills, sometimes called morning after pills?

ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS										
YOUNG ADULTS 18-24										
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
Yes	71%	66%	76%	80%	50%	56%	66%	73%	64%	65%
No	28%	33%	23%	20%	49%	43%	34%	26%	35%	34%
Don't know	1%	1%	*	1%	1%	1%	*	1%	1%	1%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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QUESTION 10. To the best of your knowledge what are emergency contraceptive pills used for? Are they used –A- to end pregnancy, that is to cause an abortion, or –B- to prevent pregnancy?

ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS										
YOUNG ADULTS 18-24										
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
A—to END pregnancy, that is to cause an abortion	30%	26%	34%	35%	25%	22%	20%	31%	28%	29%
B—to PREVENT pregnancy	34%	33%	35%	36%	24%	31%	39%	36%	26%	31%
Never heard of ECPs	29%	34%	24%	20%	50%	44%	34%	27%	36%	35%
Don't know	7%	7%	7%	9%	2%	3%	7%	6%	9%	6%
Refused	*	-	1%	*	-	-	-	*	1%	*
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QUESTION 11. Please tell me how you feel about the following statements about relationships and becoming sexually active. [INSERT]— would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree?

ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS										
YOUNG ADULTS 18-24										
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
A. ONCE YOU HAVE HAD SEX IT IS HARDER TO SAY NO THE NEXT TIME										
Strongly agree	28%	34%	22%	29%	30%	25%	23%	28%	26%	27%
Somewhat agree	29%	30%	27%	33%	19%	25%	26%	30%	25%	28%
Somewhat disagree	16%	15%	16%	15%	17%	16%	20%	16%	14%	17%
Strongly disagree	24%	16%	32%	19%	32%	30%	25%	25%	21%	24%
Don't know	3%	4%	2%	3%	2%	5%	4%	1%	14%	4%
Refused	1%	1%	*	1%	-	-	2%	1%	1%	*

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QUESTION 11. Please tell me how you feel about the following statements about relationships and becoming sexually active. [INSERT]— would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree?

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		TOTAL YOUNG ADULTS 18-24								ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	15-24
TOTAL										
B. IF YOU HAVE BEEN SEEING SOMEONE FOR A WHILE IT IS EXPECTED THAT YOU WILL HAVE SEX										
Strongly agree	23%	27%	18%	22%	32%	19%	18%	25%	14%	20%
Somewhat agree	28%	31%	25%	30%	24%	23%	25%	29%	21%	27%
Somewhat disagree	20%	24%	17%	20%	18%	26%	22%	20%	23%	21%
Strongly disagree	28%	17%	39%	28%	25%	30%	33%	25%	39%	31%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	3%	1%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*
C. THERE IS PRESSURE TO HAVE SEX BY A CERTAIN AGE										
Strongly agree	31%	35%	27%	28%	43%	33%	23%	34%	20%	28%
Somewhat agree	26%	27%	25%	29%	19%	24%	26%	26%	28%	30%
Somewhat disagree	15%	15%	15%	16%	10%	12%	21%	14%	20%	15%
Strongly disagree	27%	22%	32%	26%	28%	28%	29%	26%	29%	26%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	*	2%	1%	1%	3%	1%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*
D. ORAL SEX IS NOT AS BIG OF A DEAL AS SEXUAL INTERCOURSE										
Strongly agree	13%	19%	8%	13%	13%	16%	8%	14%	10%	14%
Somewhat agree	27%	28%	25%	31%	21%	18%	24%	28%	21%	28%
Somewhat disagree	22%	21%	23%	23%	21%	19%	24%	22%	22%	22%
Strongly disagree	35%	28%	42%	31%	44%	39%	34%	34%	41%	33%
Don't know	3%	3%	2%	1%	1%	7%	7%	2%	5%	2%
Refused	*	-	1%	*	-	*	3%	*	1%	*
E. WAITING TO HAVE SEX IS A NICE IDEA BUT NOBODY REALLY DOES										
Strongly agree	33%	34%	32%	28%	52%	40%	28%	35%	27%	32%
Somewhat agree	28%	28%	29%	30%	21%	26%	29%	30%	22%	29%
Somewhat disagree	17%	18%	16%	20%	8%	13%	19%	18%	16%	17%
Strongly disagree	20%	18%	21%	21%	18%	17%	20%	17%	33%	19%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	4%	3%	1%	2%	2%
Refused	*	-	*	-	-	-	1%	*	-	*
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[RANDOMIZE]

QUESTION 12. Safer sex means different things to different people. For each of the following, please tell me if you consider this to be a form of "safer sex" or not. Do you consider [INSERT] to be a form of safer sex or not?

	ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS									
	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24									
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE		
A. SEX WITH A CONDOM										
Yes	89%	91%	88%	92%	90%	82%	86%	92%	78%	89%
No	8%	7%	9%	7%	8%	14%	9%	6%	19%	9%
Sometimes/depends (volunteered)	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Don't know	*	*	*	-	-	1%	1%	*	1%	*
Refused	*	*	*	*	-	-	2%	*	1%	*
B. SEX USING OTHER KINDS OF BIRTH CONTROL										
Yes	71%	72%	70%	76%	61%	65%	64%	75%	55%	71%
No	25%	25%	25%	20%	35%	31%	28%	21%	37%	24%
Sometimes/depends (volunteered)	3%	2%	4%	3%	3%	2%	3%	3%	4%	3%
Don't know	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	4%	2%
Refused	*	-	*	-	-	-	2%	*	*	*
C. "PULLING OUT"										
Yes	20%	27%	13%	20%	20%	19%	27%	20%	20%	21%
No	75%	68%	83%	77%	73%	73%	63%	77%	69%	73%
Sometimes/depends (volunteered)	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	2%	-	2%	1%	1%
Don't know	3%	3%	3%	1%	6%	6%	4%	1%	9%	4%
Refused	*	*	*	-	-	-	5%	*	1%	*
D. SEX DURING "SAFE" TIMES OF THE MONTH										
Yes	23%	29%	18%	23%	27%	20%	29%	23%	23%	24%
No	70%	64%	76%	72%	65%	73%	57%	71%	66%	69%
Sometimes/depends (volunteered)	1%	*	2%	1%	1%	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%
Don't know	5%	7%	4%	4%	7%	6%	10%	4%	11%	5%
Refused	*	-	*	-	-	-	3%	*	-	*
E. ORAL SEX										
Yes	36%	44%	29%	44%	20%	26%	36%	38%	30%	37%
No	59%	51%	66%	52%	77%	70%	55%	58%	60%	57%
Sometimes/depends (volunteered)	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	2%	3%	3%	1%	3%
Don't know	2%	2%	2%	1%	-	3%	5%	1%	7%	3%
Refused	*	*	*	*	1%	-	1%	*	1%	*
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[RANDOMIZE: a and b always an ordered pair]

QUESTION 13. For the next questions I would like you to think about STDs other than HIV or AIDS, that is STDs such as gonorrhea, herpes, genital warts or syphilis. How much do you know about sexually transmitted disease, like how they're spread or how to know if you have one? Would you say you know a lot, some, only a little, or nothing at all?

	ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS									
	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24									ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
MALE		FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE		
A lot	29%	27%	31%	28%	45%	17%	18%	30%	24%	27%
Some	49%	52%	46%	52%	39%	47%	42%	51%	39%	50%
Only a little	19%	18%	19%	18%	14%	24%	32%	16%	28%	20%
Nothing at all	3%	3%	4%	2%	2%	12%	5%	2%	8%	3%
Don't know	*	1%	*	-	-	1%	2%	*	1%	*
Refused	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	1%	*
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QUESTION 14. For each of the following, please tell me if you can get an STD this way or not. If you do not know, please just say so. Can you get an STD by [INSERT]?

	ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS									
	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24									ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
MALE		FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE		
A. KISSING										
Yes	35%	37%	34%	34%	37%	37%	29%	36%	30%	33%
No	51%	50%	52%	53%	46%	50%	47%	50%	54%	52%
Don't know	14%	13%	14%	12%	16%	13%	24%	13%	17%	15%
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	*	-	*
B. ORAL SEX										
Yes	90%	92%	89%	91%	94%	84%	82%	91%	86%	87%
No	4%	4%	5%	4%	3%	8%	8%	4%	5%	5%
Don't know	5%	5%	6%	5%	3%	7%	10%	4%	9%	8%
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	*	-	*
C. SEXUAL INTERCOURSE										
Yes	99%	99%	98%	99%	98%	99%	95%	99%	96%	98%
No	*	*	1%	*	-	1%	3%	*	1%	1%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	*	2%	*	3%	1%
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	*	-	*
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QUESTION 15. About how many sexually active people under 25 in this country do you think will get an STD this year: about 1 in 4000, about 1 in 400, about 1 in 40, or about 1 in 4?

ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS										
YOUNG ADULTS 18-24										
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
1 About in 4000	11%	11%	11%	9%	19%	14%	9%	10%	13%	10%
2 About 1 in 400	11%	12%	11%	10%	10%	12%	17%	11%	13%	12%
3 About 1 in 40	21%	25%	17%	24%	15%	14%	25%	20%	23%	23%
4 About 1 in 4 ¹	50%	46%	54%	51%	50%	50%	32%	53%	38%	49%
Don't know	7%	6%	8%	6%	7%	10%	16%	5%	12%	6%
Refused	*	-	*	-	-	-	1%	-	*	*
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[Responses were rotated: half received 1,2,3,4 and other half received 4,3,2,1]

¹ According to the American Social Health Association, an estimated one in four sexually active teens in the U.S. will contract an STD annually.

QUESTION 16. I'm going to read you a list of different opinions people have about sexually transmitted diseases and sexual activity. [INSERT] —do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with this?

ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS										
YOUNG ADULTS 18-24										
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
A. UNLESS YOU HAVE SEX WITH A LOT OF PEOPLE, STDS ARE NOT SOMETHING YOU HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT										
Strongly agree	6%	8%	4%	5%	8%	5%		5%	8%	5%
Somewhat agree	6%	6%	5%	5%	6%	7%	8%	5%	8%	7%
Somewhat disagree	11%	14%	8%	12%	5%	14%	14%	11%	11%	12%
Strongly disagree	76%	71%	81%	77%	81%	70%	76%	78%	69%	75%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	4%	1%	1%	2%	1%
Refused	*	-	1%	*	-	-	1%	*	1%	*
B. STDS CAN ONLY BE SPREAD WHEN SYMPTOMS ARE PRESENT										
Strongly agree	6%	5%	7%	3%	10%	12%	9%	6%	5%	6%
Somewhat agree	7%	9%	5%	5%	13%	10%	8%	6%	11%	9%
Somewhat disagree	14%	15%	12%	14%	13%	15%	12%	14%	13%	14%
Strongly disagree	67%	65%	69%	72%	61%	55%	57%	68%	62%	64%
Don't know	6%	6%	7%	6%	4%	8%	14%	6%	8%	7%
Refused	*	-	1%	*	-	-	-	-	1%	*
C. IF SOMEONE I WAS DATING HAD AN STD, I WOULD KNOW IT										
Strongly agree	9%	11%	7%	9%	7%	10%	9%	8%	12%	9%
Somewhat agree	9%	13%	4%	8%	6%	11%	10%	9%	8%	11%
Somewhat disagree	22%	23%	21%	25%	15%	15%	23%	20%	28%	24%
Strongly disagree	58%	51%	65%	57%	71%	60%	56%	61%	46%	54%
Don't know	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	4%	1%	1%	6%	2%
Refused	*	*	*	-	-	*	1%	*	1%	*

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QUESTION 16. I'm going to read you a list of different opinions people have about sexually transmitted diseases and sexual activity. [INSERT]— do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with this?
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	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24									ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
D. STDS ARE A NUISANCE BUT THEY DO NOT HAVE ANY SERIOUS HEALTH EFFECTS										
Strongly agree	5%	6%	4%	2%	9%	8%	1%	5%	4%	4%
Somewhat agree	3%	4%	3%	2%	4%	6%	7%	3%	4%	5%
Somewhat disagree	9%	10%	8%	9%	9%	8%	13%	8%	12%	10%
Strongly disagree	80%	77%	82%	84%	77%	68%	72%	82%	72%	79%
Don't know	3%	3%	3%	1%	2%	9%	7%	2%	6%	3%
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	-	1%	*
E. IT IS HARD TO BRING UP THE TOPIC OF STDS WITH A PARTNER										
Strongly agree	17%	19%	14%	15%	18%	21%	21%	16%	18%	18%
Somewhat agree	33%	36%	30%	36%	17%	35%	25%	34%	29%	32%
Somewhat disagree	18%	17%	20%	20%	18%	16%	18%	18%	19%	19%
Strongly disagree	30%	26%	34%	27%	46%	25%	34%	31%	27%	29%
Don't know	2%	2%	1%	2%	*	4%	1%	1%	6%	2%
Refused	*	-	1%	*	-	-	1%	*	1%	*
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240	1552

[RANDOMIZE]

QUESTION 17. For each of the following please tell me if STDs can cause this or not or if you do not know. Can STDs cause [INSERT]?

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24									ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
A. SOME KINDS OF CANCER										
Yes	40%	33%	47%	40%	38%	37%	41%	41%	35%	40%
No	15%	19%	10%	15%	14%	14%	15%	15%	14%	15%
Don't know	45%	47%	43%	45%	48%	48%	44%	44%	50%	45%
Refused	*	*	*	-	-	*	-	*	1%	*
B. PROBLEMS WITH FERTILITY, THAT IS DIFFICULTY HAVING CHILDREN										
Yes	83%	82%	85%	87%	83%	74%	68%	85%	77%	81%
No	3%	4%	1%	1%	5%	5%	7%	2%	4%	3%
Don't know	14%	14%	14%	12%	13%	21%	26%	12%	19%	15%
Refused	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	1%	*
C. INCREASED RISK FOR HIV/AIDS										
Yes	64%	63%	66%	61%	79%	64%	60%	64%	66%	65%
No	11%	14%	8%	14%	5%	8%	9%	12%	9%	10%
Don't know	24%	23%	26%	25%	16%	28%	31%	24%	25%	25%
Refused	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	1%	*
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240	1552

[RANDOMIZE]

QUESTION 18. For each of the following, please tell me if this is something you would like more information about or not. [INSERT]—is this something you would like more information about or not?

	ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS									
	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24									
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE		
A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K. WANT MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ANY SEXUAL HEALTH TOPICS										
Yes	74%	75%	73%	69%	84%	82%	85%	74%	75%	77%
No	26%	25%	27%	31%	16%	18%	15%	26%	25%	23%
A. HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF FROM HIV/AIDS AND OTHER STDS										
Yes	51%	52%	50%	43%	65%	64%	69%	50%	53%	56%
No	49%	48%	49%	57%	35%	36%	31%	50%	46%	44%
Don't know	*	*	*	-	-	*	-	-	1%	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B. HOW TO KNOW IF YOU HAVE HIV/AIDS OR OTHER STDS										
Yes	57%	58%	55%	50%	72%	67%	67%	58%	51%	60%
No	43%	41%	44%	50%	28%	31%	33%	41%	48%	39%
Don't know	1%	*	1%	-	-	2%	-	*	1%	1%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
C. WHAT IS INVOLVED IN GETTING AN HIV OR STD TEST										
Yes	50%	51%	49%	44%	62%	63%	61%	50%	51%	54%
No	49%	48%	50%	55%	37%	37%	38%	50%	47%	45%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	*	1%	*	1%	*	2%	1%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
D. WHERE TO GO TO GET TESTED FOR HIV OR OTHER STDS										
Yes	48%	48%	48%	42%	64%	56%	62%	47%	50%	51%
No	52%	52%	51%	58%	36%	43%	38%	52%	49%	48%
Don't know	*	*	1%	*	-	1%	-	*	1%	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
E. HOW TO BRING UP SEXUAL HEALTH ISSUES SUCH AS STDS AND BIRTH CONTROL WITH A PARTNER										
Yes	41%	39%	43%	34%	53%	56%	52%	40%	45%	44%
No	58%	61%	56%	66%	46%	44%	46%	60%	54%	56%
Don't know	*	1%	*	*	2%	-	1%	*	1%	1%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
F. HOW TO BRING UP SEXUAL HEALTH ISSUES SUCH AS STDS AND BIRTH CONTROL WITH A DOCTOR										
Yes	40%	37%	42%	30%	52%	59%	53%	39%	41%	43%
No	60%	63%	58%	69%	48%	41%	46%	61%	59%	57%
Don't know	*	*	*	*	-	*	1%	*	1%	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
G. HOW TO TALK TO A PARTNER ABOUT WHAT YOU FEEL COMFORTABLE DOING SEXUALLY										
Yes	41%	39%	42%	35%	52%	55%	51%	40%	43%	45%
No	59%	61%	57%	65%	48%	45%	49%	59%	56%	55%
Don't know	*	-	1%	*	-	-	-	*	2%	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
H. HOW TO USE CONDOMS										
Yes	23%	20%	26%	17%	32%	35%	34%	22%	28%	25%
No	77%	80%	74%	83%	68%	65%	66%	78%	72%	75%
Don't know	*	-	*	-	-	*	-	*	*	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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QUESTION 18. For each of the following, please tell me if this is something you would like more information about or not. [INSERT—is this something you would like more information about or not?

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ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS										
YOUNG ADULTS 18-24										
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
I. THE DIFFERENT KINDS OF BIRTH CONTROL AND PROTECTION THAT ARE AVAILABLE										
Yes	54%	54%	53%	49%	69%	61%	67%	54%	54%	57%
No	46%	45%	46%	51%	31%	39%	31%	46%	45%	43%
Don't know	*	*	*	-	-	-	1%	*	1%	*
Refused	*	*	*	-	-	*	-	*	*	*
J. HOW TO DEAL WITH PRESSURE TO HAVE SEX										
Yes	30%	26%	33%	23%	41%	43%	44%	28%	35%	35%
No	70%	73%	66%	77%	59%	56%	55%	71%	63%	64%
Don't know	*	*	*	-	-	1%	1%	*	1%	1%
Refused	*	*	-	-	1%	-	-	-	*	*
K. HOW ALCOHOL OR DRUGS MIGHT AFFECT DECISIONS ABOUT HAVING SEX										
Yes	33%	32%	33%	26%	43%	49%	51%	33%	34%	38%
No	67%	68%	66%	74%	57%	51%	48%	67%	66%	62%
Don't know	*	*	*	*	-	*	1%	*	1%	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240	1552

[RANDOMIZE]

QUESTION 19. Of all the new HIV infections that occur each year, how many do you think occur among people 25 and younger: About three-quarters, about half, about a quarter, or less than a quarter?

ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS										
YOUNG ADULTS 18-24										
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
1 About three-quarters	22%	22%	22%	23%	25%	20%	10%	21%	24%	22%
2 About half ¹	38%	36%	41%	38%	35%	42%	37%	39%	34%	38%
3 About a quarter	27%	29%	25%	28%	24%	21%	31%	28%	23%	26%
4 Less than a quarter	6%	9%	3%	6%	10%	5%	6%	6%	5%	6%
Don't know	7%	5%	9%	5%	6%	11%	16%	5%	14%	7%
Refused	*	*	-	-	-	*	-	*	-	*
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240	1552

[Responses were rotated: half received 1,2,3,4 and other half received 1/2 4,3,2,1]

¹ According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, half of all new HIV infections in the U.S. occur among people under the age of 25.

QUESTION 20. Next I'd like your opinions about alcohol and drugs and sex. Thinking about people your age, how often do you think they drink or use drugs before having sex? Would you say a lot, sometimes, just occasionally, or never?

ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS										
YOUNG ADULTS 18-24										
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
A lot	53%	51%	55%	53%	58%	51%	50%	54%	48%	49%
Sometimes	35%	35%	36%	37%	34%	34%	35%	34%	41%	38%
Just occasionally	9%	12%	7%	9%	6%	10%	11%	10%	7%	11%
Never	1%	1%	1%	*	3%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	*	3%	2%	1%	3%	2%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240	1552

QUESTION 21. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each of the following. [INSERT]—do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree?

ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS										
YOUNG ADULTS 18-24										
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
A. IT IS NOT A BIG DEAL IF PEOPLE MY AGE MAKE DECISIONS ABOUT SEX WHEN THEY ARE DRINKING OR USING DRUGS										
Strongly agree	10%	13%	7%	8%	13%	13%	11%	10%	10%	9%
Somewhat agree	13%	16%	9%	13%	9%	18%	13%	13%	9%	13%
Somewhat disagree	20%	28%	13%	23%	13%	16%	19%	22%	15%	21%
Strongly disagree	56%	42%	70%	55%	65%	52%	56%	54%	64%	56%
Don't know	1%	2%	1%	1%	-	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%
Refused	*	1%	-	*	*	-	-	*	*	*
B. PEOPLE MY AGE OFTEN DON'T USE CONDOMS WHEN THEY ARE DRINKING OR USING DRUGS										
Strongly agree	38%	34%	41%	36%	44%	37%	33%	39%	30%	36%
Somewhat agree	36%	34%	38%	38%	27%	35%	38%	35%	39%	36%
Somewhat disagree	12%	16%	8%	14%	7%	10%	13%	12%	11%	13%
Strongly disagree	11%	12%	10%	9%	18%	14%	9%	11%	10%	10%
Don't know	4%	4%	4%	3%	3%	4%	6%	3%	10%	4%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240	1552

[RANDOMIZE]

QUESTION 22. How concerned are you PERSONALLY about [INSERT]—very concerned, somewhat concerned, not too concerned, or not at all concerned?

ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS										
TOTAL YOUNG ADULTS 18-24										
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
A,B. SEXUAL VIOLENCE OR OTHER PHYSICAL VIOLENCE										
Very concerned	44%	43%	44%	35%	58%	56%	55%	44%	43%	44%
Somewhat concerned	26%	20%	32%	28%	23%	24%	22%	27%	24%	27%
Not too concerned	11%	13%	10%	15%	4%	5%	14%	11%	13%	12%
Not at all concerned	19%	24%	14%	22%	14%	16%	7%	19%	19%	17%
Don't know	*	*	*	-	-	-	1%	*	1%	*
Refused	*	*	-	-	-	-	*	-	*	*
A. SEXUAL VIOLENCE SUCH AS RAPE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT										
Very concerned	44%	43%	44%	35%	58%	56%	55%	44%	43%	44%
Somewhat concerned	24%	16%	31%	25%	22%	21%	21%	24%	22%	23%
Not too concerned	11%	12%	10%	14%	4%	5%	12%	10%	13%	12%
Not at all concerned	22%	29%	15%	26%	17%	18%	10%	22%	22%	21%
Don't know	*	*	*	-	-	-	1%	*	1%	*
Refused	*	*	-	-	-	-	*	-	*	*
B. OTHER PHYSICAL VIOLENCE										
Very concerned	33%	31%	36%	25%	50%	46%	44%	34%	30%	33%
Somewhat concerned	25%	22%	28%	25%	24%	27%	30%	26%	21%	27%
Not too concerned	15%	17%	14%	20%	7%	8%	14%	14%	22%	16%
Not at all concerned	26%	30%	22%	31%	20%	17%	12%	26%	25%	23%
Don't know	*	*	*	-	-	2%	1%	*	1%	*
Refused	*	*	-	-	-	-	*	-	*	*
C,D,E. SEXUAL HEALTH ISSUES SUCH AS HIV, STDS, AND PREGNANCY										
Very concerned	62%	67%	56%	53%	79%	71%	74%	65%	49%	62%
Somewhat concerned	21%	20%	23%	26%	12%	14%	17%	20%	25%	22%
Not too concerned	7%	6%	8%	8%	5%	8%	5%	6%	9%	7%
Not at all concerned	10%	7%	13%	14%	4%	6%	3%	9%	17%	9%
Don't know	*	*	-	-	-	1%	1%	*	1%	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
C. AIDS AND HIV, THE VIRUS THAT CAUSES AIDS										
Very concerned	45%	45%	45%	33%	69%	61%	56%	48%	31%	45%
Somewhat concerned	24%	25%	22%	27%	15%	17%	25%	22%	29%	25%
Not too concerned	12%	11%	12%	14%	8%	9%	9%	11%	14%	12%
Not at all concerned	19%	18%	21%	26%	7%	11%	10%	18%	25%	17%
Don't know	*	*	*	*	-	1%	1%	*	1%	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
D. STDS, THAT IS SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES OTHER THAN HIV/AIDS										
Very concerned	44%	46%	41%	33%	64%	59%	50%	47%	30%	44%
Somewhat concerned	27%	27%	28%	30%	23%	21%	31%	27%	29%	28%
Not too concerned	10%	9%	11%	12%	5%	10%	8%	9%	14%	10%
Not at all concerned	19%	18%	19%	25%	8%	9%	10%	17%	25%	17%
Don't know	*	*	*	-	-	1%	1%	*	2%	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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QUESTION 24. Now I have some questions about your sexual experience. If there's anything you feel uncomfortable answering please just tell me and we'll go on to the next question. Please keep in mind that all your answers are confidential. Have you ever been with someone in an intimate or sexual way?

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
Yes	65%	76%	55%	68%	71%	49%	58%	62%
No	13%	11%	15%	11%	12%	17%	22%	22%
Currently married, living as married, or ever been married	20%	11%	29%	19%	15%	33%	18%	14%
Don't know	1%	1%	*	1%	-	*	-	1%
Refused	1%	1%	1%	1%	3%	1%	3%	1%
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	1552

QUESTION 25. Have you ever touched someone's genitals or private parts?

Note: Only asked of those ages 15-17.

QUESTION 26. Have you ever had oral sex?

Among those never married and not living as married

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
Yes	66%	73%	58%	74%	51%	55%	54%	55%
No	14%	12%	18%	10%	33%	18%	15%	16%
Never been intimate	19%	15%	23%	16%	17%	27%	30%	28%
Don't know	*	-	*	*	-	-	1%	*
Refused	*	*	*	*	-	-	-	*
n	863	452	411	384	161	174	94	1346

QUESTION 27. Have you ever had sexual intercourse?

	ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS							
	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24				ADULTS			
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				15-24
MALE		FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN		
Yes	60%	72%	49%	64%	65%	44%	51%	53%
No	5%	4%	6%	4%	6%	5%	6%	9%
Never been intimate	15%	14%	17%	13%	14%	18%	25%	24%
Currently married, living as married, or ever been married	20%	11%	29%	19%	15%	33%	18%	14%
Don't know	*	-	*	*	-	*	1%	*
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	*
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	1552

QUESTION 28. How old were you when you first had sexual intercourse?

Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married

	ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS			
	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24		ADULTS	
	TOTAL	GENDER		15-24
MALE		FEMALE		
11 years old or younger	2%	4%	-	2%
12 years old	2%	2%	2%	2%
13 years old	4%	6%	3%	5%
14 years old	9%	9%	10%	11%
15 years old	14%	16%	12%	17%
16 years old	19%	21%	17%	21%
17 years old	22%	22%	23%	19%
18 years old	18%	15%	22%	14%
19 years or older	7%	4%	11%	5%
Don't know	1%	2%	*	1%
Refused	1%	1%	2%	3%
n	365	205	160	480

Note: Question was added on 12/18/01.

QUESTION 29. Are you currently in a sexual relationship?

Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married

		YOUNG ADULTS 18-24						ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS	
		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY					
		TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	15-24
Yes	45%	51%	39%	47%	48%	31%	‡	44%	
No	30%	36%	24%	30%	34%	26%	‡	35%	
Currently married, living as married, or ever been married	25%	13%	37%	23%	18%	43%	‡	20%	
Don't know	*	*	-	-	*	-	‡	*	
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	‡	*	
n	829	397	432	393	148	184	‡	1014	

QUESTION 30. With how many people have you had sexual intercourse?

Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married

		YOUNG ADULTS 18-24						ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS	
		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY					
		TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	15-24
1 person	20%	16%	25%	21%	13%	21%	‡	24%	
2 people	11%	9%	13%	11%	7%	15%	‡	13%	
3 people	12%	11%	13%	12%	17%	15%	‡	12%	
4 people	9%	9%	10%	9%	9%	7%	‡	8%	
5 people	6%	7%	6%	6%	7%	8%	‡	6%	
6 or more people	27%	32%	21%	29%	28%	19%	‡	24%	
Don't know	4%	6%	3%	3%	9%	6%	‡	4%	
Refused	10%	9%	11%	10%	9%	9%	‡	9%	
n	829	397	432	393	148	184	‡	1014	

QUESTION 31. Thinking about your current sexual or most recent sexual relationship, have you ever talked to your partner about [INSERT]?

Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married

		YOUNG ADULTS 18-24						ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS	
		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY					
		TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	15-24
A. WHAT YOU FEEL COMFORTABLE DOING SEXUALLY									
Yes	86%	81%	91%	88%	85%	81%	‡	84%	
No	14%	19%	9%	12%	15%	19%	‡	16%	
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	-	‡	*	
Refused	*	*	*	-	-	*	‡	*	

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QUESTION 31. Thinking about your current sexual or most recent sexual relationship, have you ever talked to your partner about [INSERT]?

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Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
B. HIV OR AIDS								
Yes	66%	57%	76%	61%	78%	75%	‡	63%
No	34%	43%	24%	39%	22%	25%	‡	37%
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	-	‡	*
Refused	*	-	*	-	-	-	‡	0*
C. OTHER STDs								
Yes	68%	62%	74%	65%	82%	72%	‡	66%
No	32%	38%	25%	35%	18%	28%	‡	34%
Don't know	*	-	*	*	-	-	‡	*
Refused	*	-	*	-	-	-	‡	*
D. BIRTH CONTROL OR CONDOMS								
Yes	93%	90%	96%	94%	95%	88%	‡	92%
No	7%	10%	4%	6%	5%	12%	‡	8%
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	-	‡	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	‡	-
n	829	397	432	393	148	184	‡	1014

QUESTION 32. Have you ever [INSERT]

Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
A. DONE SOMETHING SEXUAL YOU DIDN'T REALLY WANT TO DO								
Yes	22%	16%	28%	24%	19%	18%	‡	22%
No	78%	84%	71%	76%	81%	82%	‡	78%
Don't know	*	*	-	-	-	-	‡	*
Refused	*	*	*	-	-	*	‡	*
B. BEEN IN A RELATIONSHIP WHERE YOU FELT THINGS WERE MOVING TOO FAST SEXUALLY								
Yes	32%	28%	36%	32%	36%	30%	‡	32%
No	68%	72%	63%	68%	64%	70%	‡	68%
Don't know	*	-	*	-	-	-	‡	*
Refused	*	-	*	-	-	*	‡	*
C. HAD ORAL SEX TO AVOID HAVING SEXUAL INTERCOURSE								
Yes	20%	20%	20%	23%	14%	19%	‡	21%
No	67%	69%	66%	69%	55%	67%	‡	65%
Never had oral sex	12%	11%	13%	8%	31%	13%	‡	14%
Don't know	*	-	*	-	-	1%	‡	*
Refused	1% *	1%	*	-	1%	‡	1%	
n	829	397	432	393	148	184	‡	1014

QUESTION 33. Have [INSERT]?

Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
A. ALCOHOL OR DRUGS EVER INFLUENCED YOUR DECISION TO DO SOMETHING SEXUAL								
Yes	37%	43%	31%	42%	22%	28%	‡	35%
No	62%	56%	69%	57%	78%	72%	‡	64%
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	-	‡	*
Refused	1%	1%	*	*	-	-	‡	1%
B. YOU EVER USED ALCOHOL OR DRUGS TO HELP YOU FEEL MORE COMFORTABLE WITH A SEXUAL PARTNER								
Yes	16%	20%	12%	17%	15%	14%	‡	15%
No	84%	80%	88%	83%	85%	86%	‡	85%
Don't know	*	-	*	*	-	-	‡	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	‡	-
C. YOU EVER DONE MORE SEXUALLY THAN YOU HAD PLANNED BECAUSE YOU HAD BEEN DRINKING OR USING DRUGS								
Yes	30%	34%	26%	34%	23%	20%	‡	28%
No	70%	66%	74%	66%	77%	80%	‡	72%
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	-	‡	-
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	‡	-
D. YOU EVER HAD UNPROTECTED SEX (NOT USED A CONDOM) BECAUSE YOU WERE DRINKING OR USING DRUGS								
Yes	24%	28%	21%	28%	19%	18%	‡	22%
No	75%	72%	79%	72%	81%	82%	‡	78%
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	-	‡	*
Refused	*	1%	-	*	-	-	‡	*
E. YOU EVER WORRIED ABOUT STDS OR PREGNANCY BECAUSE OF SOMETHING YOU DID SEXUALLY WHILE DRINKING OR USING DRUGS								
Yes	27%	30%	24%	28%	25%	27%	‡	26%
No	73%	70%	76%	72%	75%	72%	‡	74%
Don't know	*	*	*	*	*	*	‡	*
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	‡	*
n	829	397	432	393	148	184	‡	1014

QUESTION 34. The [INSERT] you had sexual intercourse had you been drinking or using drugs?
 Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
A. FIRST TIME								
Yes	11%	12%	8%	12%	9%	8%	‡	10%
No	89%	87%	91%	87%	91%	92%	‡	90%
Don't know	*	1%	*	1%	1%	-	‡	*
Refused	*	*	-	-	-	-	‡	*
B. MOST RECENT TIME								
Yes	11%	15%	7%	12%	11%	10%	‡	11%
No	89%	84%	93%	88%	89%	90%	‡	89%
Don't know	*	*	-	*	-	-	‡	*
Refused	*	*	*	-	-	-	‡	*
n	829	397	432	393	148	184	‡	1014

QUESTION 35. In general, when you have sexual intercourse how often do you use birth control or protection? All of the time, most of the time, some of the time, or never?
 Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married and not currently pregnant, or trying to become pregnant

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
All of the time	57%	51%	65%	61%	52%	49%	‡	60%
Most of the time	23%	28%	18%	23%	24%	22%	‡	23%
Some of the time	12%	15%	8%	10%	18%	16%	‡	11%
Never	7%	5%	9%	6%	4%	13%	‡	6%
Don't know	*	1%	-	-	1%	-	‡	*
Refused	*	1%	-	*	-	-	‡	*
n	758	374	384	363	138	160	‡	943

QUESTION 36. I am going to read a list of types of birth control or protection. For each one, please tell me if this is a method you ever use?

Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married and not currently pregnant, or trying to become pregnant

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
A. CONDOMS								
Yes	89%	91%	87%	90%	93%	86%	‡	90%
No	3%	3%	4%	4%	2%	1%	‡	3%
Never use any type of birth control or protection	7%	5%	9%	6%	4%	13%	‡	6%
Don't know	*	1%	-	-	1%	-	‡	*
Refused	1%	1%	*	*	-	-	‡	*
B. BIRTH CONTROL PILLS								
Yes	67%	65%	70%	72%	61%	56%	‡	62%
No	25%	28%	21%	21%	33%	31%	‡	30%
Never use any type of birth control or protection	7%	5%	9%	6%	4%	13%	‡	6%
Don't know	1%	2%	-	1%	2%	-	‡	1%
Refused	1%	1%	*	*	-	-	‡	*
C. THE RHYTHM OR CALENDAR METHOD								
Yes	8%	11%	5%	7%	6%	11%	‡	8%
No	80%	76%	83%	83%	84%	73%	‡	80%
Never use any type of birth control or protection	7%	5%	9%	6%	4%	13%	‡	6%
Don't know	5%	7%	2%	5%	6%	3%	‡	5%
Refused	1%	1%	*	*	-	*	‡	*
D. WITHDRAWAL OR PULLING OUT								
Yes	43%	46%	40%	42%	53%	41%	‡	42%
No	49%	47%	51%	52%	39%	46%	‡	50%
Never use any type of birth control or protection	7%	5%	9%	6%	4%	13%	‡	6%
Don't know	1%	1%	*	-	3%	-	‡	1%
Refused	1%	1%	*	1%	-	-	‡	1%
n	758	374	384	363	138	160	‡	943

QUESTION 37. Would you say you use [INSERT]—regularly or just sometimes?

Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married and not currently pregnant or trying to become pregnant.

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
A. USE CONDOMS								
Regularly	55%	62%	48%	55%	68%	48%	‡	60%
Sometimes	30%	27%	33%	31%	22%	34%	‡	27%
Do not currently use condoms (volunteered)	3%	2%	5%	3%	2%	4%	‡	3%
Do not use condoms	3%	3%	4%	4%	2%	1%	‡	3%
Never use any type of birth control or protection	7%	5%	9%	6%	4%	13%	‡	6%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	*	‡	1%
Refused	1%	1%	*	*	-	-	‡	*
B. USE BIRTH CONTROL PILLS								
Regularly	48%	43%	53%	53%	37%	38%	‡	44%
Sometimes	13%	16%	9%	12%	12%	13%	‡	12%
Do not currently use birth control pills (volunteered)	5%	3%	8%	5%	8%	5%	‡	4%
Do not use birth control pills	25%	28%	21%	21%	33%	31%	‡	30%
Never use any type of birth control or protection	7%	5%	9%	6%	4%	13%	‡	6%
Don't know	2%	4%	-	2%	5%	1%	‡	2%
Refused	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	-	‡	1%
C. USE THE RHYTHM OR CALENDAR METHOD								
Regularly	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	3%	‡	2%
Sometimes	5%	7%	3%	4%	3%	8%	‡	5%
Do not currently use rhythm method (volunteered)	1%	1%	1%	1%	*	-	‡	1%
Do not use rhythm method	80%	76%	83%	83%	84%	73%	‡	80%
Never use any type of birth control or protection	7%	5%	9%	6%	4%	13%	‡	6%
Don't know	5%	8%	2%	5%	6%	3%	‡	5%
Refused	1%	1%	*	*	-	*	‡	1%
D. USE WITHDRAWAL OR PULLING OUT								
Regularly	12%	13%	10%	11%	16%	13%	‡	12%
Sometimes	27%	30%	24%	27%	32%	26%	‡	27%
Do not currently use withdrawal (volunteered)	4%	2%	5%	4%	5%	1%	‡	3%
Do not use withdrawal	49%	47%	51%	52%	39%	46%	‡	50%
Never use any types of birth control	7%	5%	9%	6%	4%	13%	‡	6%
Don't know	1%	1%	*	*	4%	*	‡	1%
Refused	1%	1%	*	1%	-	-	‡	1%
n	758	374	384	363	138	160	‡	943

QUESTION 38. Have you ever had sexual intercourse without a condom?

Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married and not currently pregnant, or trying to become pregnant

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
Yes	68%	70%	66%	71%	67%	64%	‡	63%
No	20%	20%	19%	18%	25%	20%	‡	26%
Married (volunteered)	1%	*	2%	1%	*	2%	‡	1%
Do not use condoms	3%	3%	4%	4%	2%	1%	‡	3%
Never use any type of birth control	7%	5%	9%	6%	4%	13%	‡	6%
Don't know	*	1%	*	-	1%	-	‡	*
Refused	1%	1%	*	*	-	-	‡	1%
n	758	374	384	363	138	160	‡	943

QUESTION 39. The last time you had sexual intercourse did you use a condom?

Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married and not currently pregnant, or trying to become pregnant

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
Yes	52%	58%	46%	52%	61%	44%	‡	58%
No	35%	32%	40%	37%	32%	41%	‡	31%
Married (volunteered)	1%	*	1%	1%	-	2%	‡	1%
Do not use condoms	3%	3%	4%	4%	2%	1%	‡	3%
Never use any type of birth control	7%	5%	9%	6%	4%	13%	‡	6%
Don't know	1%	1%	*	*	1%	*	‡	1%
Refused	1%	1%	*	*	-	-	‡	1%
n	758	374	384	363	138	160	‡	943

QUESTION 40. When choosing a method of birth control or protection is [INSERT] important to you or not?
 Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
A. HOW WELL IT PROTECTS AGAINST HIV/AIDS AND OTHER STDs								
Important	86%	87%	85%	82%	98%	95%	‡	88%
Not important	13%	12%	14%	18%	2%	5%	‡	12%
Don't know	1%	1%	*	1%	-	*	‡	*
Refused	*	*	-	-	-	-	‡	*
B. HOW WELL IT PREVENTS PREGNANCY								
Important	95%	95%	95%	95%	94%	94%	‡	95%
Not important	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	6%	‡	5%
Don't know	*	1%	*	*	1%	-	‡	*
Refused	*	*	-	-	-	-	‡	*
C. THAT YOU DON'T NEED YOUR PARENTS' PERMISSION NOTE: ONLY ASKED OF THOSE 15-17								
D. HOW MUCH IT COSTS								
Important	25%	19%	32%	22%	26%	32%	‡	26%
Not important	74%	81%	68%	78%	74%	67%	‡	74%
Don't know	*	*	-	*	-	-	‡	*
Refused	*	*	*	-	-	1%	‡	*
E. WHAT YOUR PARTNER WANTS TO USE								
Important	84%	92%	75%	83%	81%	86%	‡	84%
Not important	15%	8%	24%	16%	19%	14%	‡	16%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	*	-	‡	1%
Refused	*	*	-	-	-	-	‡	*
n (For A-E)	829	397	432	393	148	184	‡	1014
F. THAT YOU DON'T HAVE TO DISCUSS IT WITH YOUR PARTNER								
Important	45%	†	45%	33%	67%	70%	‡	44%
Not important	54%	†	54%	65%	33%	30%	‡	54%
Don't know	1%	†	1%	2%	-	-	‡	1%
Refused	*	†	*	-	-	-	‡	*
G. IF IT CAUSES YOU TO GAIN WEIGHT								
Important	48%	†	48%	44%	46%	53%	‡	49%
Not important	51%	†	51%	55%	54%	47%	‡	51%
Don't know	1%	†	1%	1%	-	-	‡	1%
n (For F and G)	432	†	432	220	77	85	‡	513

[RANDOMIZE]
 Note: F and G asked only of females

QUESTION 41. Have you or a partner ever had a pregnancy test?

Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
Yes	70%	60%	80%	67%	77%	76%	‡	64%
No	29%	38%	19%	31%	21%	24%	‡	34%
Don't know	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	-	‡	2%
Refused	*	*	-	-	-	-	‡	*
n	829	397	432	393	148	184	‡	1014

QUESTION 42A. Have you ever been tested for HIV, the virus that causes AIDS?

Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
Yes	55%	48%	62%	51%	69%	55%	‡	50%
No	44%	52%	37%	48%	31%	44%	‡	50%
Don't know	1%	*	1%	1%	-	1%	‡	1%
Refused	*	*	-	-	-	-	‡	*
n	829	397	432	393	148	184	‡	1014

QUESTION 42B. How did you know you were tested for HIV, the virus that causes AIDS? Did you ask to be tested for it, did the doctor tell you this test was being done, or was it your impression that the test was a routine part of the exam?

Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married and say they have been tested for HIV

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
Asked to be tested	50%	56%	44%	46%	63%	49%	‡	50%
Doctor/nurse told me	18%	15%	20%	17%	12%	22%	‡	19%
Under the impression it was a routine part of the exam	29%	26%	32%	35%	21%	26%	‡	29%
Blood donation (volunteered)	2%	2%	3%	2%	3%	3%	‡	2%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	*	‡	1%
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	‡	-
n	460	196	264	203	102	101	‡	506

QUESTION 43A. Have you ever been tested for other STDs?

Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married

		YOUNG ADULTS 18-24						ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS	
		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY					
		TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	15-24
Yes	53%	44%	64%	51%	71%	49%	‡	49%	
No	45%	56%	34%	48%	29%	50%	‡	49%	
Don't know	1%	1%	2%	2%	*	1%	‡	1%	
Refused	*	*	-	-	-	-	‡	*	
n	829	397	432	393	148	184	‡	1014	

QUESTION 43B. How did you know you were tested for other STDs? Did you ask to be tested for it, did the doctor tell you this test was being done, or was it your impression that the test was a routine part of the exam?

Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married and say they have been tested for other STDs

		YOUNG ADULTS 18-24						ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS	
		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY					
		TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	15-24
Asked to be tested	50%	61%	42%	50%	53%	45%	‡	49%	
Doctor/nurse told me	20%	11%	26%	19%	17%	20%	‡	22%	
Under the impression it was a routine part of the exam	25%	23%	26%	24%	29%	30%	‡	24%	
Blood donation (volunteered)	2%	3%	1%	1%	*	3%	‡	1%	
Don't know	4%	3%	5%	6%	*	2%	‡	3%	
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	-	‡	*	
n	447	174	273	205	101	95	‡	504	

QUESTION 44. Have you ever [INSERT]?

Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
A. BEEN PREGNANT OR HAD A PARTNER PREGNANT								
Yes	38%	25%	52%	32%	55%	53%	‡	33%
No	61%	74%	48%	68%	45%	47%	‡	67%
Don't know	1%	1%	*	*	1%	-	‡	*
Refused	*	1%	-	*	-	-	‡	*
B. HAD AN STD								
Yes	9%	4%	14%	6%	23%	8%	‡	8%
No	91%	96%	86%	94%	77%	92%	‡	92%
Don't know	*	-	*	-	-	*	‡	*
Refused	*	*	-	-	-	-	‡	*
n	829	397	432	393	148	184	‡	1014

QUESTION 45. Are you or your current sexual partner pregnant or trying to get pregnant?

Among those 18-24 who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24						
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN
Yes	9%	6%	12%	8%	6%	15%	‡
No	89%	91%	87%	91%	91%	83%	‡
Don't know	1%	2%	*	1%	3%	2%	‡
Refused	*	*	-	*	-	-	‡
n	829	397	432	393	148	184	‡

QUESTION 46. In the next year, how likely is it that you will [INSERT]—very likely, somewhat likely, not too likely, not at all likely?

Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
A. GET TESTED FOR HIV, THE VIRUS THAT CAUSES AIDS								
Very likely	27%	24%	29%	20%	47%	34%	‡	26%
Somewhat likely	18%	19%	17%	19%	18%	20%	‡	18%
Not too likely	21%	23%	18%	23%	16%	14%	‡	22%
Not at all likely	33%	31%	35%	36%	20%	32%	‡	33%
Don't know	1%	2%	*	1%	-	*	‡	1%
Refused	1%	1%	-	1%	-	-	‡	*
B. GET TESTED FOR OTHER STDs								
Very likely	28%	22%	33%	20%	54%	33%	‡	27%
Somewhat likely	20%	20%	20%	22%	12%	20%	‡	20%
Not too likely	19%	23%	15%	20%	15%	17%	‡	20%
Not at all likely	32%	32%	32%	36%	19%	30%	‡	32%
Don't know	1%	2%	*	1%	-	-	‡	1%
Refused	1%	1%	-	1%	-	-	‡	*
n	829	397	432	393	148	184	‡	1014

QUESTION 47. Do you think there is any chance that you might have an STD and not know it?

Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married

	TOTAL YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
Yes	10%	11%	9%	10%	9%	11%	‡	11%
No	87%	86%	89%	89%	88%	82%	‡	86%
Don't know	3%	3%	2%	1%	3%	6%	‡	3%
Refused	*	*	-	-	-	-	‡	*
n	829	397	432	393	148	184	‡	1014

QUESTION 48. There are a lot of reasons why people might not get tested for STDs or HIV. For each please tell me how important of a reason this is for you. Would you say [INSERT] is a very important reason, somewhat important reason], not too important, or not a reason at all why you have not been tested?

Among those who are sexually active or currently married, living as married, or ever married and have not been tested for HIV or other STDs

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24							ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	
A. IT IS TOO EXPENSIVE								
Very important	5%	3%	9%	3%	‡	9%	‡	6%
Somewhat important	8%	10%	5%	6%	‡	14%	‡	8%
Not too important	9%	11%	6%	9%	‡	7%	‡	10%
Not at all important	75%	72%	79%	77%	‡	68%	‡	73%
Don't know	3%	4%	2%	4%	‡	1%	‡	2%
Refused	*	*	-	-	‡	-	‡	*
B. YOU ARE AFRAID OF WHAT PEOPLE MIGHT THINK								
Very important	6%	4%	8%	4%	‡	11%	‡	7%
Somewhat important	12%	11%	14%	13%	‡	8%	‡	12%
Not too important	13%	17%	7%	14%	‡	8%	‡	13%
Not at all important	69%	67%	71%	69%	‡	72%	‡	68%
Don't know	-	-	-	-	‡	-	‡	-
Refused	*	*	-	-	‡	-	‡	*
C. YOU DO NOT THINK YOU ARE AT RISK								
Very important	27%	24%	31%	26%	‡	28%	‡	25%
Somewhat important	22%	23%	21%	26%	‡	13%	‡	25%
Not too important	10%	12%	8%	13%	‡	9%	‡	10%
Not at all important	40%	40%	39%	35%	‡	47%	‡	39%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	*	‡	3%	‡	2%
Refused	*	*	-	-	‡	-	‡	*
D. YOU DO NOT WANT TO KNOW								
Very important	12%	10%	15%	8%	‡	17%	‡	12%
Somewhat important	11%	12%	8%	11%	‡	13%	‡	12%
Not too important	8%	11%	4%	9%	‡	6%	‡	7%
Not at all important	68%	66%	71%	71%	‡	64%	‡	67%
Don't know	1%	*	1%	*	‡	-	‡	1%
Refused	1%	1%	-	1%	‡	-	‡	*
E. YOU DO NOT KNOW WHERE TO GO TO GET TESTED								
Very important	13%	12%	14%	7%	‡	29%	‡	13%
Somewhat important	12%	14%	9%	12%	‡	6%	‡	13%
Not too important	9%	10%	8%	11%	‡	5%	‡	8%
Not at all important	66%	63%	69%	69%	‡	58%	‡	65%
Don't know	*	*	-	-	‡	1%	‡	*
Refused	*	*	-	-	‡	-	‡	*
F. YOU DO NOT KNOW WHAT IS INVOLVED IN GETTING TESTED								
Very important	13%	13%	12%	6%	‡	25%	‡	12%
Somewhat important	16%	14%	19%	15%	‡	17%	‡	18%
Not too important	10%	12%	6%	10%	‡	10%	‡	10%
Not at all important	61%	59%	63%	67%	‡	47%	‡	60%
Don't know	1%	1%	-	1%	‡	1%	‡	1%
Refused	*	*	-	-	‡	-	‡	*
n	430	236	194	216	‡	95	‡	570

[RANDOMIZE]

QUESTION 49. Do you personally know anyone who [INSERT]?

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24									ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
A. HAS HIV OR AIDS										
Yes	18%	17%	18%	14%	21%	22%	10%	19%	13%	16%
No	81%	81%	81%	84%	79%	78%	83%	80%	83%	83%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	*	5%	1%	2%	1%
Refused	*	*	*	*	-	-	2%	*	1%	*
B. HAS HAD A SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASE OTHER THAN HIV/AIDS										
Yes	53%	52%	54%	56%	53%	42%	38%	58%	32%	47%
No	46%	46%	45%	43%	47%	57%	58%	41%	65%	51%
Don't know	1%	2%	1%	1%	*	*	2%	1%	2%	1%
Refused	*	*	*	*	-	*	3%	*	1%	*
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240	1552

Demographics

QUESTION D1. How old are you?

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24									ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
15	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	9%
16	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	11%
17	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	11%
18	22%	22%	21%	20%	28%	23%	13%	18%	39%	15%
19	14%	15%	14%	15%	12%	10%	23%	12%	22%	10%
20	13%	13%	13%	13%	15%	14%	13%	14%	10%	9%
21	16%	17%	14%	17%	13%	15%	9%	17%	11%	11%
22	14%	14%	14%	15%	10%	12%	10%	15%	9%	9%
23	12%	11%	13%	11%	12%	15%	14%	13%	6%	8%
24	10%	7%	12%	9%	10%	10%	17%	11%	3%	7%
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240	1552

QUESTION D2. Record respondent's sex.

		YOUNG ADULTS 18-24				ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS		
		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		
		WHITE	AMERICAN	LATINO	AFRICAN ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	15-24
	TOTAL							
Male	50%	47%	50%	46%	51%	43%	50%	50%
Female	50%	50%	53%	50%	54%	49%	57%	50%
n	1069	479	184	240	111	829	240	1552

QUESTION D3. Are you married, living as married, divorced, separated, widowed, or have you never been married? Among those ages 18-24

		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY			
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN
	TOTAL						
Married	13%	8%	19%	14%	6%	19%	16%
Living as married	5%	2%	8%	3%	6%	12%	*
Divorced	1%	*	1%	1%	-	1%	1%
Separated	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%
Widowed	*	*	-	-	1%	-	-
Never been married	80%	89%	71%	81%	85%	67%	82%
Don't know	*	*	-	*	-	-	-
Refused	*	*	-	-	-	*	-
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111

QUESTION D4. Are you currently attending school?

		YOUNG ADULTS 18-24				ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS				
		GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	15-24
	TOTAL									
Yes	49%	50%	47%	49%	50%	39%	70%	44%	68%	64%
No	51%	50%	53%	51%	50%	61%	30%	56%	32%	36%
Don't know	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Refused	*	-	*	-	-	-	1%	-	*	*
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240	1552

QUESTION D5. What grade of school are you currently in or what is the last grade or class you completed in school?

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24									
	GENDER			RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
None, or grade 1-8	2%	2%	2%	1%	3%	9%	-	2%	4%	2%
High school incomplete (grades 9-11)	18%	21%	16%	15%	25%	30%	7%	20%	13%	37%
High school graduate (grade 12 or GED certificate)	30%	30%	30%	32%	31%	31%	16%	29%	34%	27%
Business, technical, or vocational school after high school	2%	3%	1%	2%	3%	1%	3%	3%	0%	1%
Some college, no 4-year degree	38%	36%	40%	40%	34%	26%	54%	37%	42%	26%
College graduate (BS, BA, or other 4-year degree)	8%	6%	9%	9%	3%	3%	13%	8%	4%	5%
Post-graduate or professional schooling after college	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	*	5%	1%	1%	1%
Refused	*	-	*	-	-	-	1%	-	*	*
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240	1552

QUESTION D6. Are you financially dependent on your parents? That is, do your parents support you and claim you on their income taxes?

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24									
	GENDER			RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
Yes	37%	40%	35%	41%	31%	28%	48%	30%	65%	
No	61%	58%	65%	58%	68%	70%	51%	68%	32%	
Don't know	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	*	1%	1%	3%	
Refused	*	*	-	-	-	2%	-	*	-	
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240	

QUESTION D7. Last year, that is in 2000, what was your household or family's total income, from all sources before taxes? Just stop me when I get to the right category.

YOUNG ADULTS 18-24

	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS	
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE
Less than \$10,000	10%	7%	12%	8%	12%	13%	8%	10%	10%
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	13%	10%	16%	12%	15%	16%	8%	14%	7%
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	16%	16%	16%	15%	23%	15%	19%	18%	8%
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	15%	16%	14%	17%	13%	13%	14%	15%	13%
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	10%	13%	8%	11%	4%	10%	9%	10%	10%
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	7%	8%	5%	8%	4%	4%	8%	7%	7%
\$100,000 or more	7%	9%	4%	8%	3%	4%	5%	7%	6%
Don't know	20%	18%	23%	18%	26%	24%	25%	17%	35%
Refused	3%	4%	2%	2%	1%	2%	4%	2%	5%
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240

QUESTION D8. Are you, yourself, of Hispanic or Latino origin, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or some other Latin American background?

ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS

YOUNG ADULTS 18-24

	TOTAL	GENDER		SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
Yes	15%	15%	15%	14%	17%	14%
No	84%	84%	85%	85%	82%	85%
Don't know	*	*	*	*	*	*
Refused	*	*	1%	*	*	*
n	1069	498	571	829	240	1552

QUESTION D9. What is your race? Are you white, African American or black, Asian, or some other race? (If Latino asks: Are you white Latino, black Latino, or some other race?)

ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS

YOUNG ADULTS 18-24

	TOTAL	GENDER		SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
White	68%	68%	67%	70%	59%	68%
African American or black	15%	15%	15%	15%	15%	15%
Asian	4%	4%	4%	3%	6%	4%
Other (Specify)	11%	12%	11%	10%	16%	11%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	*	2%	1%
Refused	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%
n	1069	498	571	829	240	1552

COMBINED RACE/ETHNICITY BASED ON D8 AND D9.

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24						ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		SEXUAL STATUS		15-24	
		MALE	FEMALE	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE		
White, non-Hispanic	61%	61%	60%	63%	52%	61%	
African American or Black, non-Hispanic	14%	13%	14%	14%	14%	14%	
Latino	15%	15%	15%	14%	17%	14%	
Asian	4%	4%	4%	3%	6%	4%	
Other or mixed race	6%	6%	5%	5%	8%	6%	
Don't know	*	*	*	*	1%	*	
Refused	1%	*	1%	1%	2%	1%	
n	1069	498	571	829	240	1552	

QUESTION D10. How religious or spiritual are you? Would you say you are very religious or spiritual, somewhat, not too, or not at all religious or spiritual?

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24								ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS	
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
Very religious or spiritual	21%	18%	23%	17%	32%	21%	24%	16%	38%	20%
Somewhat religious or spiritual	53%	53%	53%	53%	50%	63%	37%	57%	35%	52%
Not too religious or spiritual	14%	15%	12%	17%	5%	11%	14%	15%	10%	14%
Not at all religious or spiritual	12%	13%	12%	14%	13%	5%	22%	12%	15%	12%
Don't know	1%	1%	*	-	-	*	1%	*	1%	*
Refused	*	1%	*	*	-	*	2%	*	1%	*
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240	1552

QUESTION D11. Do you identify with any organized religion?

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24								ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS	
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
Yes	57%	55%	59%	60%	52%	57%	47%	55%	64%	58%
No	42%	44%	40%	40%	46%	43%	48%	44%	35%	41%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	-	2%	*	4%	1%	1%	1%
Refused	*	1%	*	*	*	*	1%	*	*	*
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240	1552

QUESTION D12. What is your religious preference?

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24									ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
Protestant	30%	29%	31%	33%	39%	15%	13%	28%	36%	31%
Roman Catholic	16%	16%	15%	15%	4%	34%	15%	16%	15%	16%
Jewish	*	*	*	*	-	-	-	*	-	1%
Mormon	2%	2%	1%	2%	-	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%
Muslim	*	1%	*	-	1%	-	4%	*	1%	*
Orthodox	*	*	1%	*	-	*	-	*	1%	*
Other religion	7%	6%	9%	7%	8%	7%	14%	7%	9%	7%
Do not identify with any organized religion	43%	45%	41%	40%	48%	43%	53%	45%	36%	42%
Don't know	*	*	1%	*	-	-	-	1%	-	*
Refused	*	1%	-	1%	-	-	-	*	-	*
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240	1552

QUESTION D13. What language is usually spoken in your home?

	YOUNG ADULTS 18-24									ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
	TOTAL	GENDER		RACE/ETHNICITY				SEXUAL STATUS		15-24
		MALE	FEMALE	WHITE	AFRICAN AMERICAN	LATINO	ASIAN	SEXUALLY ACTIVE	NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE	
English	89%	89%	89%	98%	96%	57%	51%	90%	83%	90%
Spanish	6%	6%	7%	*	-	41%	-	6%	9%	6%
Other	5%	5%	4%	2%	4%	1%	48%	4%	7%	4%
Don't know	*	*	-	-	-	1%	-	*	*	*
Refused	*	*	*	-	-	*	1%	*	*	*
n	1069	498	571	479	184	240	111	829	240	1552



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