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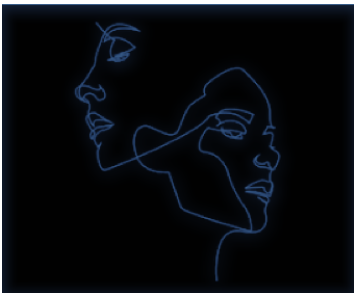
Some Recent Findings on Sexual Behavior Among Adolescents and Young Adults

Trends in Sexual Behavior Among High School Students



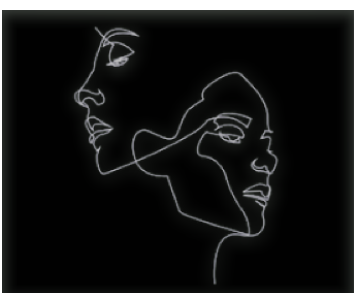
A [2018 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\) report](#) using the national Youth Risk Behavior Survey of high school students during 2005 to 2015 found a linear decrease in the prevalence of ever having had sexual intercourse (from 46.8% in 2005 to 41.2% in 2015). A significant decrease was also identified among young men (47.9% in 2005 to 43.2% in 2015) and young women (45.7% in 2005 to 39.2% in 2015).

Well-Liked Adolescents Are More Likely to Have Sex



A [2019 longitudinal, randomized study](#) of 1,878 participants, grades 6 to 11, found that well-liked adolescents were significantly more likely to have had sex by age 16. For boys, being well-liked was associated with having more sexual partners in their lifetime.

In Japan: An Increasing Number of Young Adults Do Not Engage in Sexual Intercourse



A [2019 study of Japanese adults](#), aged 18 to 39 years using data from seven rounds of the National Fertility Survey of Japan from 1992 to 2015 found that the overall prevalence of sexual inexperience among women increased from 21.7% in 1992 to 24.6% in 2015. Among men, the overall prevalence of sexual inexperience also increased from 20.0% in 1992 to 25.8% in 2015.



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A New Deal by Grasping the Other “Third Rail”



I was honored to be part of a meeting with some really great men who are working on connecting absent fathers to their children. Yet they are so busy they are too preoccupied to do anything about the cause, so their work grows rather than diminishes. I understand. Nobody wants to touch the cause. To tackle the cause of this cancer is to call down the wrath of almost everyone they work with --- the parents, the extended family, most of the teachers, even the clergy. [Continue Reading](#)



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