

LOCAL AND NATIONAL SEXUAL HEALTH TRENDS AMONG HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

In Washington, DC, youth between the ages of 13 and 20 made up 41 percent of those diagnosed with HIV in 2017. This is almost twice the national rate of 21 percent.*



46% of high school students in DC report having ever had sexual intercourse. ++

11%
decrease
since 2007



40% of high school students in the US report having ever had sexual intercourse. +

8%
decrease
since 2007

	DC HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS	US HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS
	SEXUAL PARTNERS 14% of sexually active DC high school students report having had four or more sexual partners in their lifetimes. 6% decrease since 2007	SEXUAL PARTNERS 10% of sexually active US high school students report having had four or more sexual partners in their lifetimes. 5% decrease since 2007
	CONDOM USE 61% of DC high school students who are sexually active report using condoms. 9% decrease since 2007	CONDOM USE 46% of US high school students who are sexually active report using condoms. 8% increase since 2007
	43% of lesbian, gay, and bisexual DC high school students who are sexually active report using condoms.	40% of lesbian, gay, and bisexual US high school students who are sexually active report using condoms.
	HIV TESTING 30% of DC high school students report having ever been tested for HIV. 13% decrease since 2013+++	HIV TESTING 9% of US high school students report having ever been tested for HIV. 4% decrease since 2013+++

* DC Health 2017 Epidemiology and Surveillance Report. Read the full report here: <https://bit.ly/2JNLcRu>
 + 2017 DC Youth Risk Behavior Survey. Read the full report here: <http://bit.ly/2017YRBSReport>

++ 2017 National Youth Risk Behavior Survey. See all national data here: <https://nccd.cdc.gov/youthonline>
 +++ There are no available YRBS data regarding HIV testing prior to the year 2013 in Washington, D.C.

HELPFUL RESOURCES



How can adults and students in DC take action to promote positive sexual health?
See the resources below.

FOR DC YOUTH



WHITMAN WALKER YOUTH TESTING SERVICES
Free HIV, STI, and pregnancy testing to anyone ages 13 and older. No appointments are needed as testing is walk-in only, but clients must arrive no later than 6:45 p.m. <https://bit.ly/2MMJTgD>



LATIN AMERICAN YOUTH CENTER (LAYC) HEALTH SERVICES
Free HIV, STI, and pregnancy testing and options counseling for LAYC participants. <https://bit.ly/2YTYzI>

FOR DC FAMILIES AND EDUCATORS



SEX IS: THE BACKPOCKET SEX DISCUSSION GUIDE FOR TRUSTED ADULTS
A discussion guide to help trusted adults approach conversations about sex in an open, honest, and sex-positive manner. <https://bit.ly/2YzQxGN>



SEXUAL HEALTH CURRICULUM REVIEW GUIDANCE DOCUMENT
A guide to equip teachers and schools with resources to help students make healthy choices and succeed beyond the classroom. <https://bit.ly/33osU2H>