

Sexual Behaviors

Among Oklahoma Public High School Students

What is the problem?

The 2015 Oklahoma Youth Risk Behavior Survey indicates that among public high school students:

- 44% had ever had sexual intercourse
- 4% had sexual intercourse for the first time before 13 years of age
- 13% had sexual intercourse with four or more persons during their life
- 31% had sexual intercourse with at least one person during the 3 months before the survey
- 14% drank alcohol or used drugs before last sexual intercourse¹
- 40% did not use a condom during last sexual intercourse¹
- 13% did not use any method to prevent pregnancy during last sexual intercourse¹

What are schools in Oklahoma doing about it?

The 2014 Oklahoma School Health Profiles indicates that among schools with grade six or higher:

School Environment

- 18% of schools provided parents and families with information about how to communicate with their child about sex
- 47% provided parents with information about how to monitor their child (e.g., setting parental expectations, keeping track of their child, responding when their child breaks the rules)

Percentage of schools that provide students with referrals to any organizations or health care professionals not on school property for the following services:

- 33% for the provision of condoms
- 34% for the provision of contraceptives other than condoms (e.g., birth control pill, birth control shot, intrauterine device)
- 42% for HIV testing
- 43% for pregnancy testing
- 38% for Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine administration

1. Among students who reported sexual intercourse during the 3 months before the survey

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