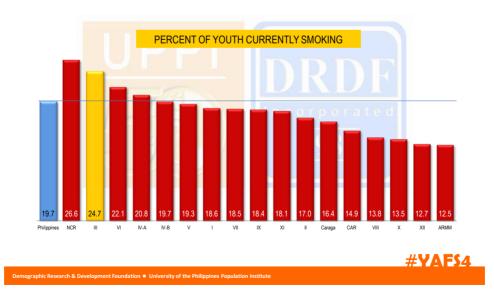
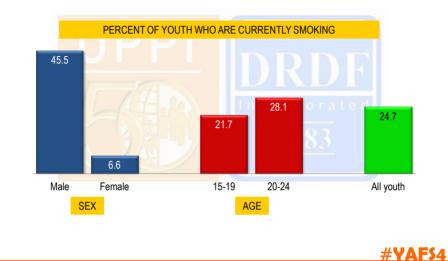


Proportion of Region III youth who are currently smoking is the second biggest in the country



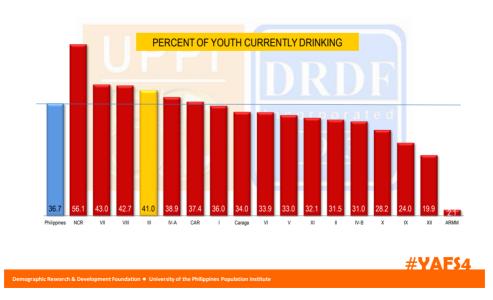
More males and older young people are currently smoking



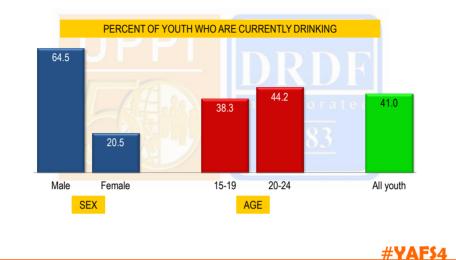


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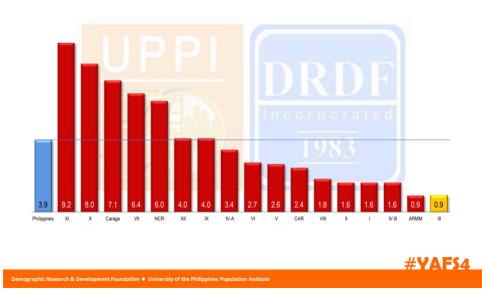
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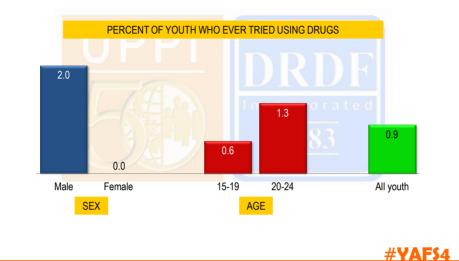
More males and slightly more older young people in the region are currently drinking



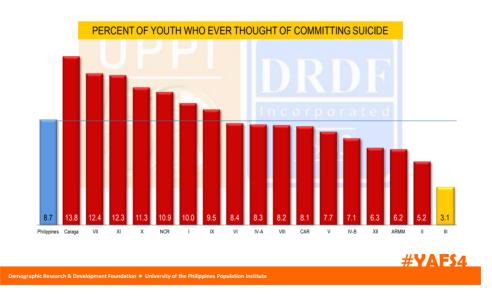
Moreover, Region III has the least proportion of youth who ever used drugs





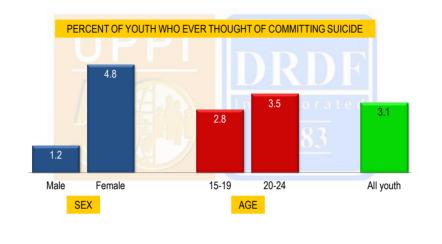


Region III youth have the least proportion who thought of committing suicide

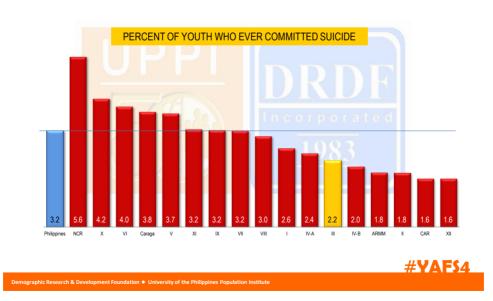


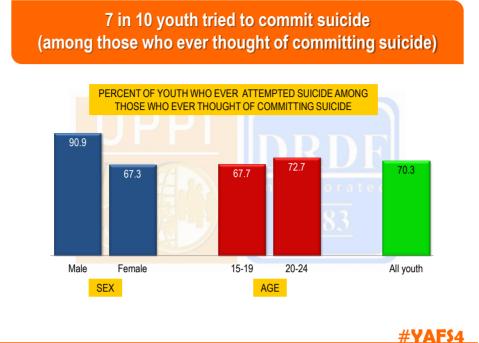
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More females and more older youth in the region ever thought of committing suicide



2.2% of Region III youth ever attempted suicide



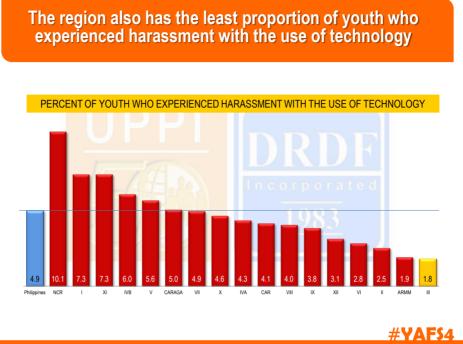


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Proportion of Region III youth who have been aggressors of violence is above the national average; the proportion of victims is considerably less

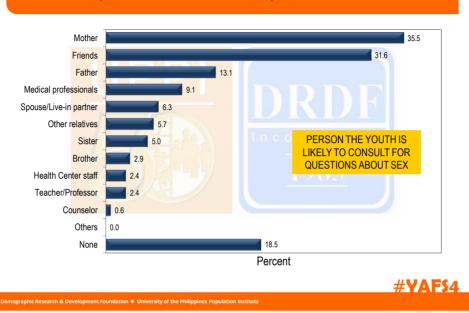




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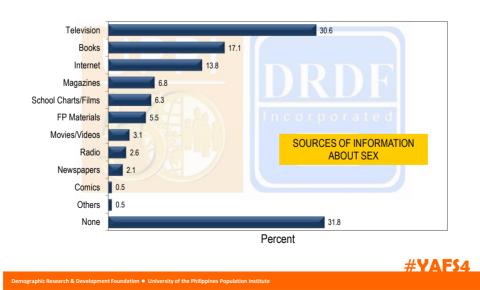
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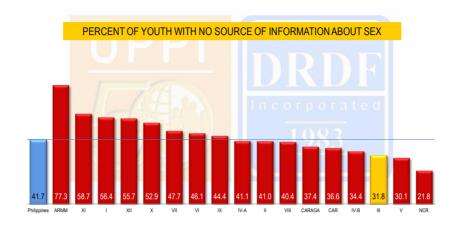
Most Region III youth would consult their mothers and friends if faced with questions about sex; Nearly 1 in 5 will consult no one

TV and books are the most popular sources of information about sex; More than 1 in 4 Region III youth have no source of information about sex



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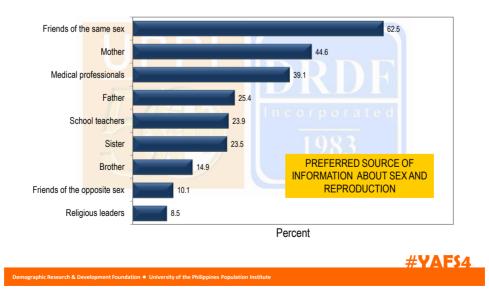
Nearly 1 in 3 Region III youth reported that they do not have any source of information about sex

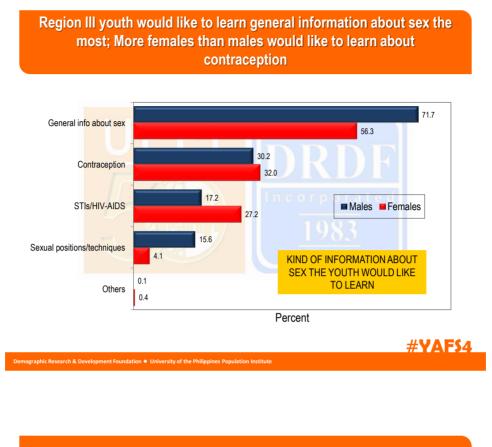


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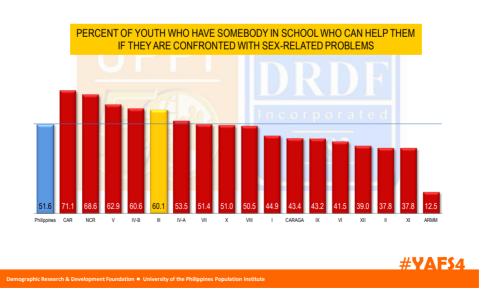
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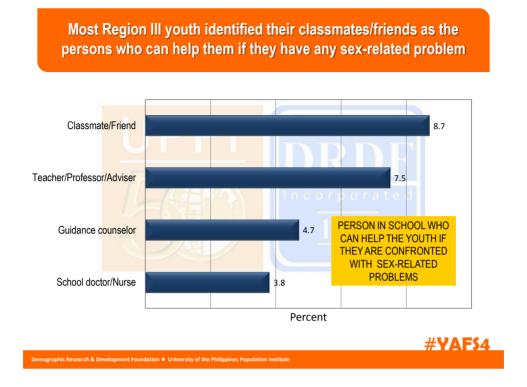
Friends of the same sex, mothers and medical professionals are Region III youth's most preferred sources of information about sex and reproduction



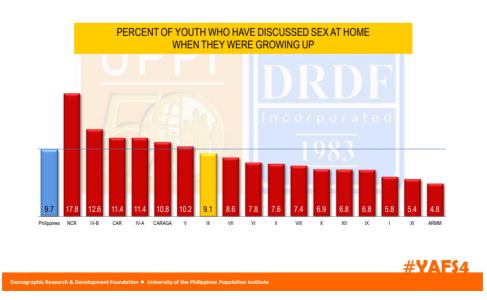


3 in 5 Region III youth reported that there is somebody in school who can help them if they have any sex-related problem

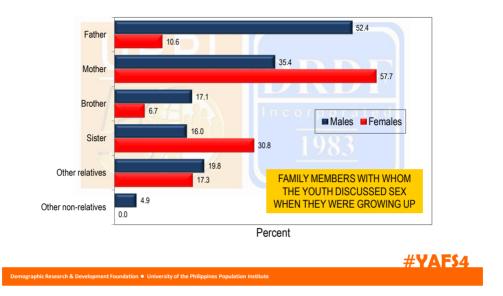


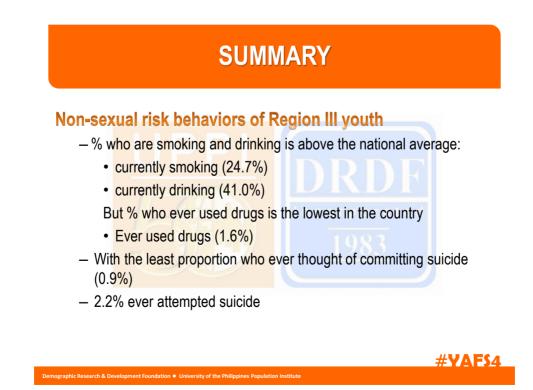


Less than 1 in 10 Region III youth have discussed sex at home when they were growing up









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SUMMARY

Sources of information about sex of Region III youth

- Most young people rely on TV, books, and the internet for information about sex
- Friends (particularly of the same sex) and Mothers are the persons they will turn to if they have questions about sex or confronted with any sex-related problem
- 2 in 5 Region III youth would also like to learn about sex and reproduction from medical professionals
- The substantial proportions of Region III youth who rely on themselves for information about sex is a cause for concern
- Very little discussion of sex at home
 - Most discussions of sex at home transpire between fathers and sons, and mothers and daughters

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