


# #Region IV-A Youth Today

## RISK BEHAVIORS OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN CALABARZON

PART 2



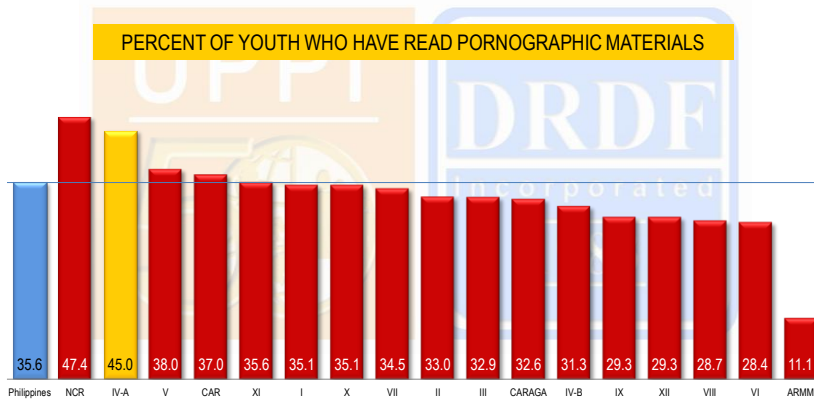
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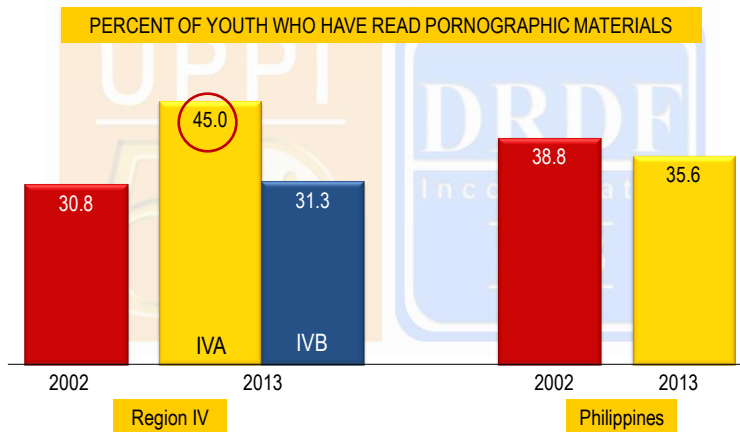
- Sex and media
- Sexual activities
- Teenage fertility
- HIV-AIDS
- Summary and conclusions



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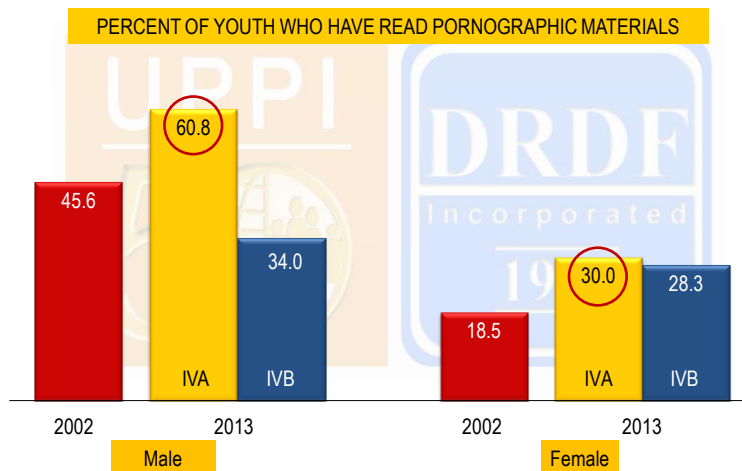
## More than 4 in 10 youth have read pornographic materials



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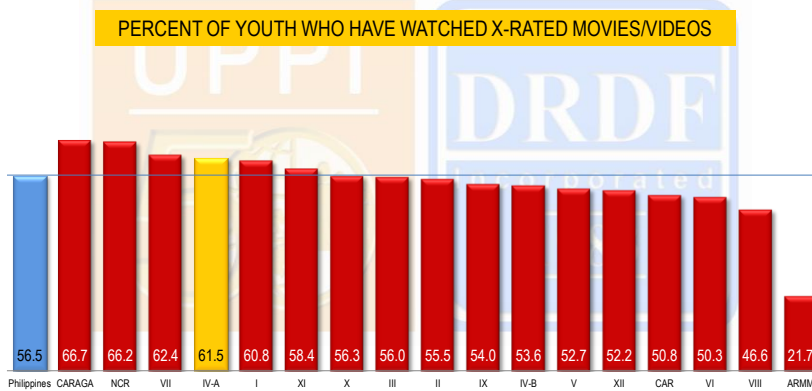
## More males than females read pornographic materials



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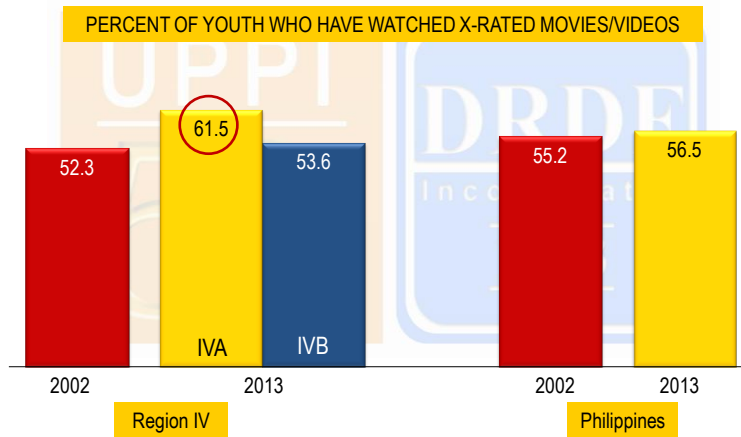
## Region IV-A youth ranks 4<sup>th</sup> in watching x-rated videos



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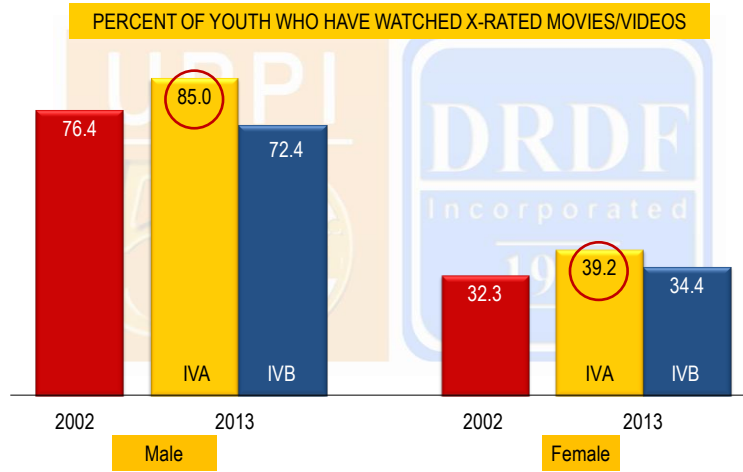
## More than 6 in 10 youth have watched x-rated movies/videos



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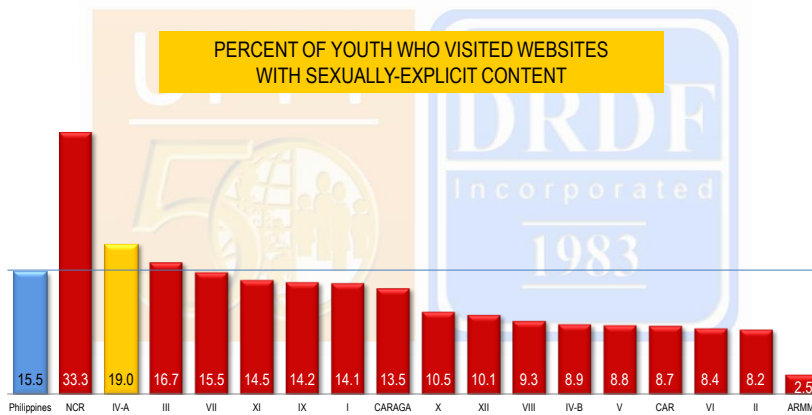
## More males than females watch x-rated videos



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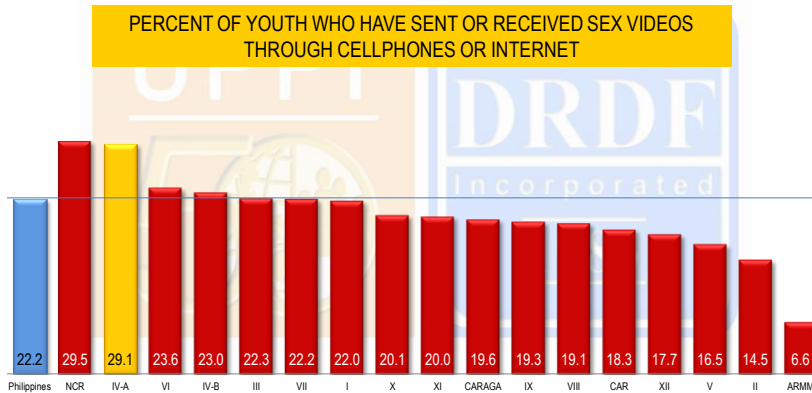
## Region IV-A youth ranks 2<sup>nd</sup> in viewing of sexually-explicit websites



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## Region IV-A youth ranks 2<sup>nd</sup> in sharing of sex videos through cellphones or internet



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## Region IV-A youth have also engaged in other media-related sexual activities

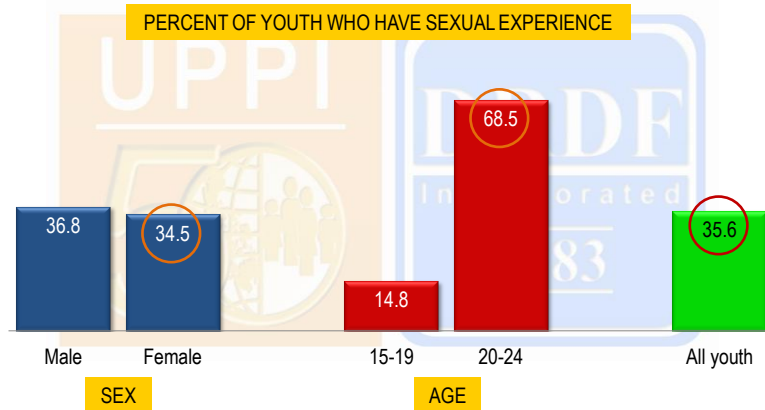
- 0.9% have recorded themselves having sex
  - Philippines: 0.8%
- 5.2% have engaged in sex with someone they met online or through text messages
  - Philippines: 3.7%
- 6.2% have engaged in phone sex
  - Philippines: 5.8%

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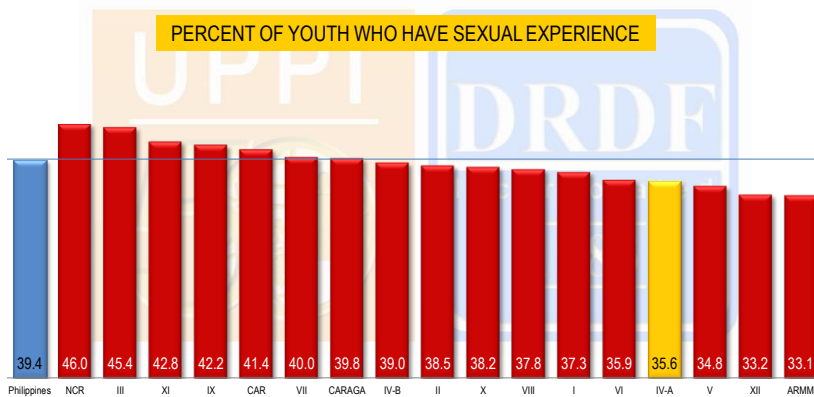
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More than 1 in 3 youth in Region IV-A have sexual experience



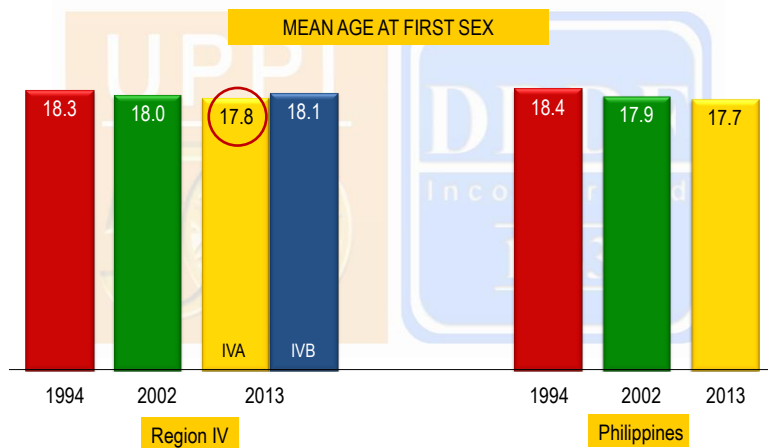
**Region IV-A has the 4<sup>th</sup> lowest proportion of sexually experienced youth**



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**Sexual debut is happening at younger ages**

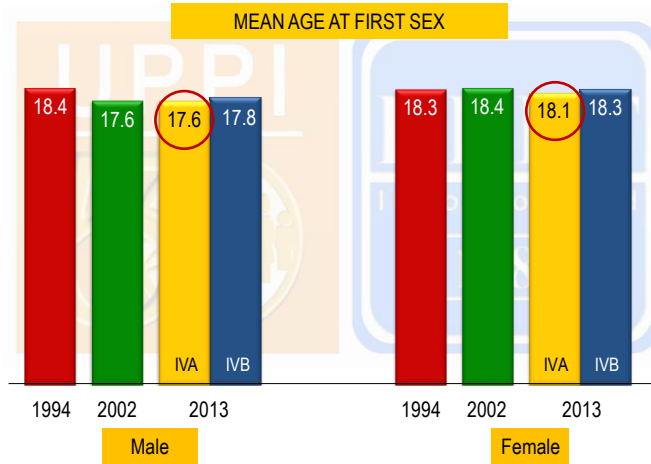


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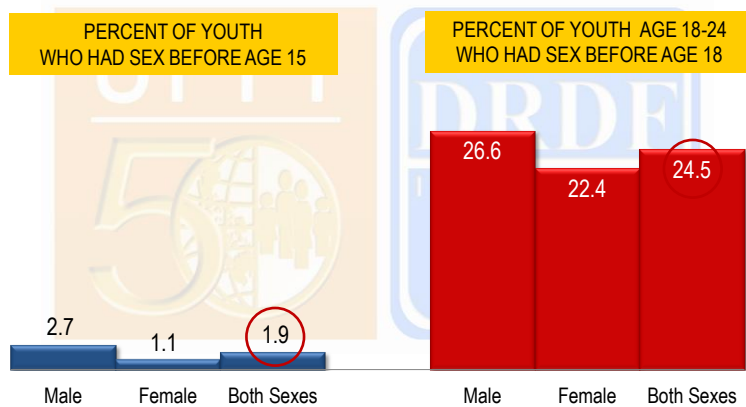
## Younger age at sexual debut among males than females



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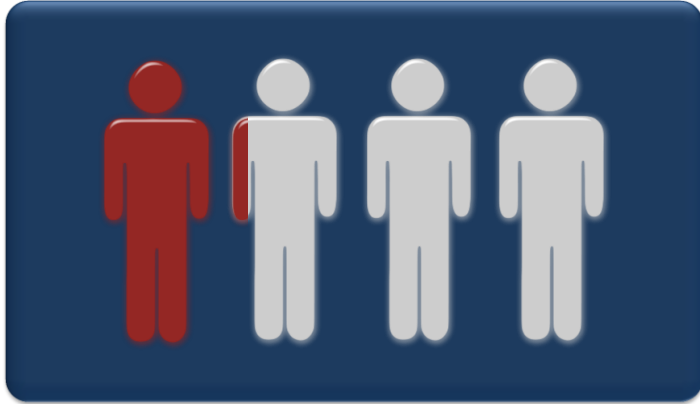
## 1 in 4 Region IV-A youth engaged in sex at an early age



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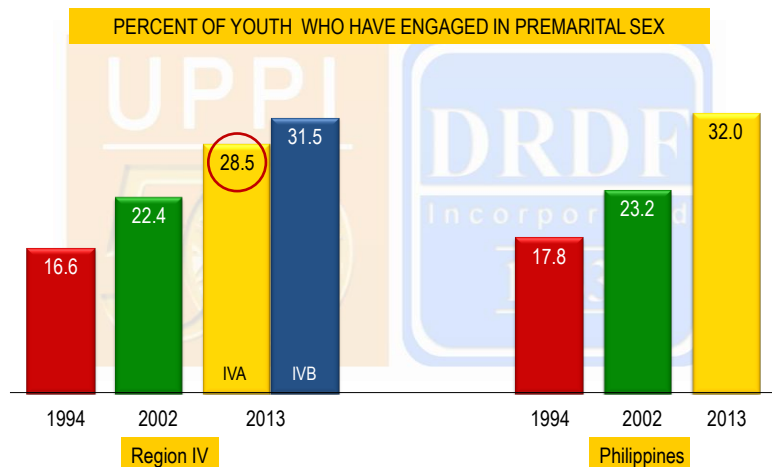
**More than a quarter of Region IV-A youth have engaged in premarital sex**



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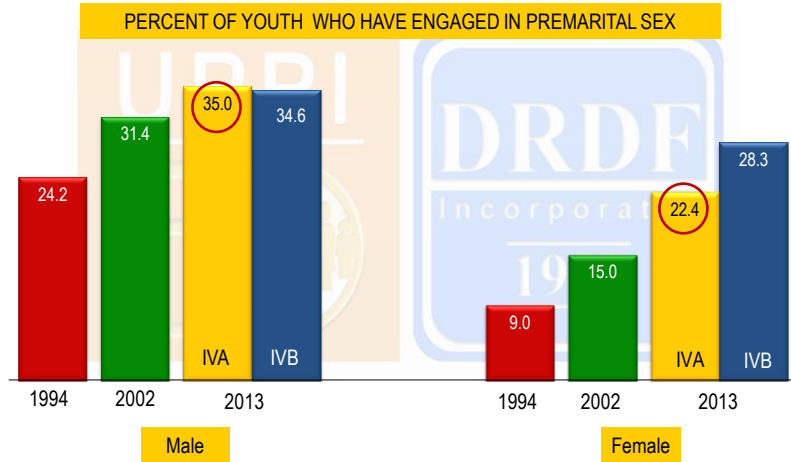
**Increasing prevalence of premarital sex over time**



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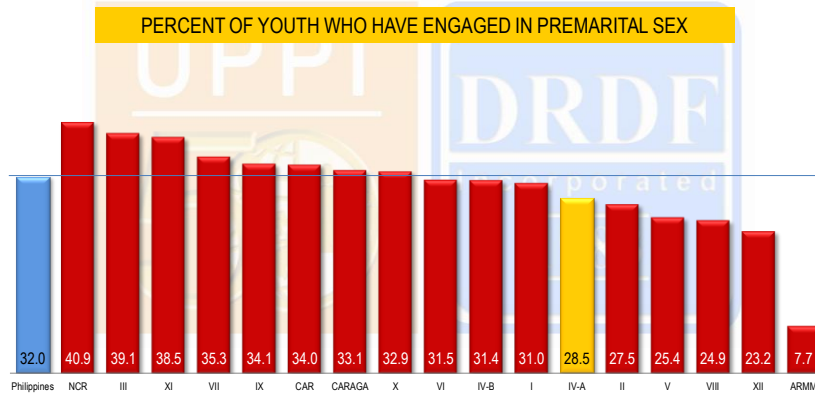
## Narrowing gap in levels of premarital sex between males and females



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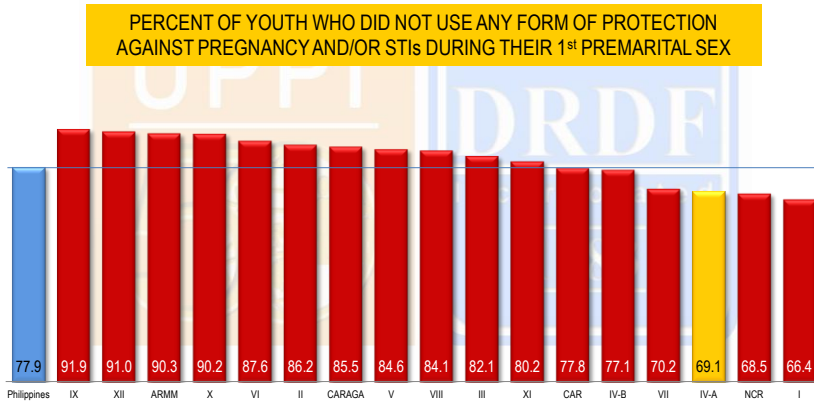
## Proportion of Region IV-A youth who have engaged in premarital sex is below the national level



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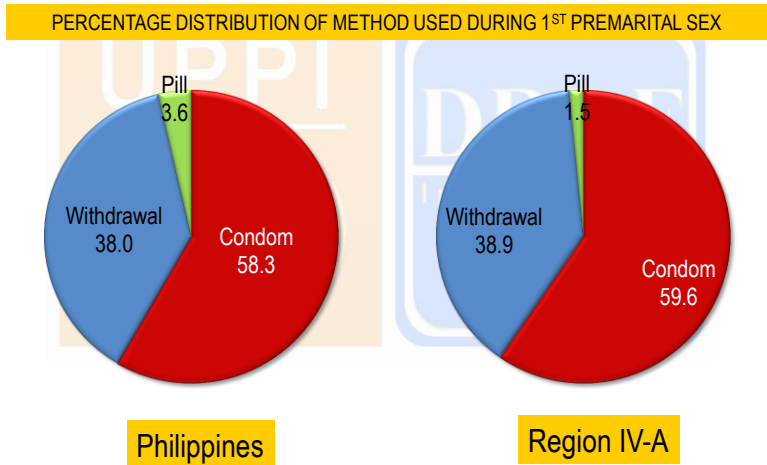
**Proportion of Region IV-A youth who had unprotected first PMS is 3<sup>rd</sup> lowest in the country**



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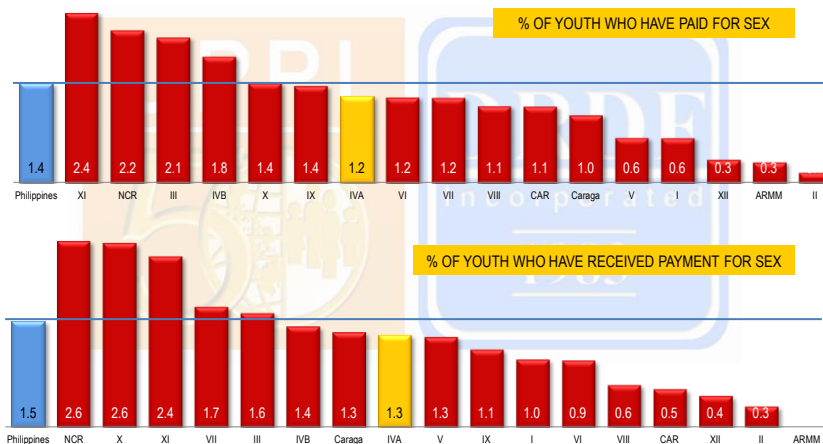
**Condom is the most popular contraceptive method being used during the 1<sup>st</sup> premarital sex**



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## Commercial sex activities among Region IV-A youth is below the national level



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## Region IV-A youth have also engaged in other risky sexual activities

- 6.7% have engaged in casual sex (Philippines: 7%)
- 4.1% have FUBU experience (Philippines: 4%)
- 6.3% of males have had sex with a fellow male (MSM) (Philippines: 5%)
- 2.9% of ever-married youth (including those living-in) have extramarital sex experience (Philippines: 3%)
- Most of these risky sexual activities are unprotected against the risk of pregnancy and/or STIs

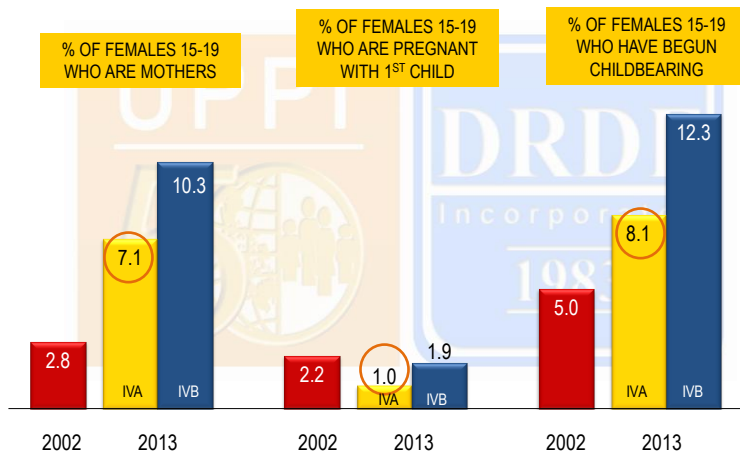
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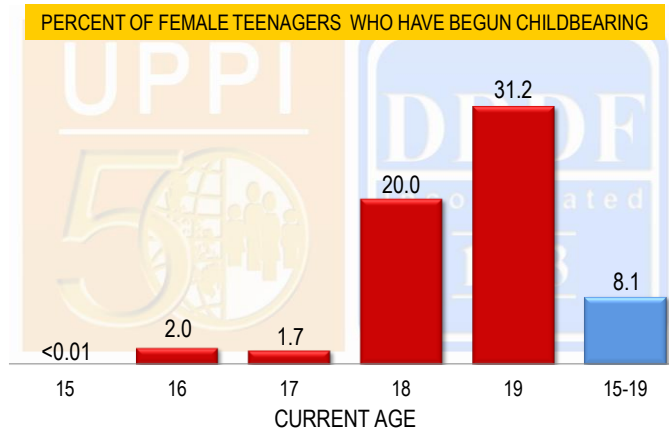
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## Teenage fertility increased in the past decade



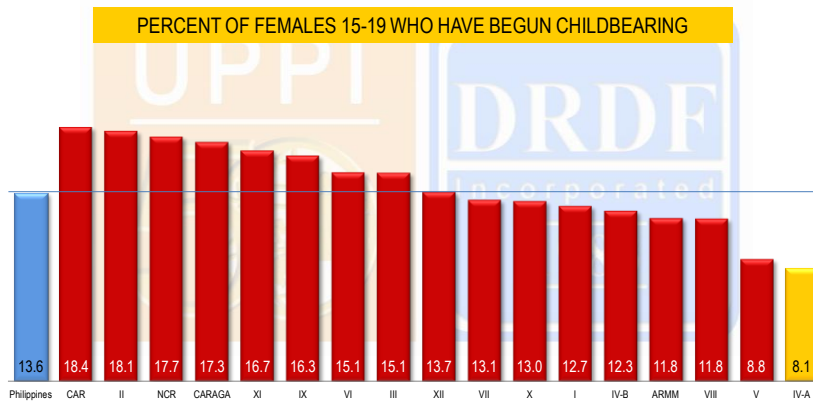
## Teenage fertility generally increases with age



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## Proportion of teenage females who have begun childbearing is lowest in Region IV-A

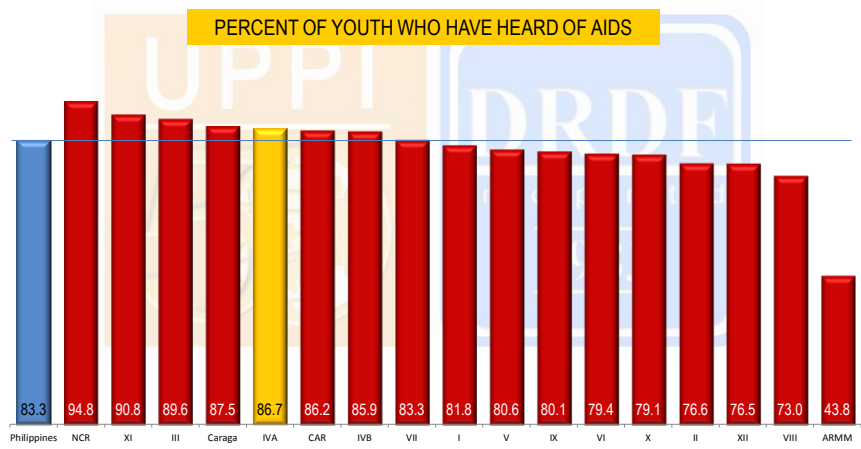


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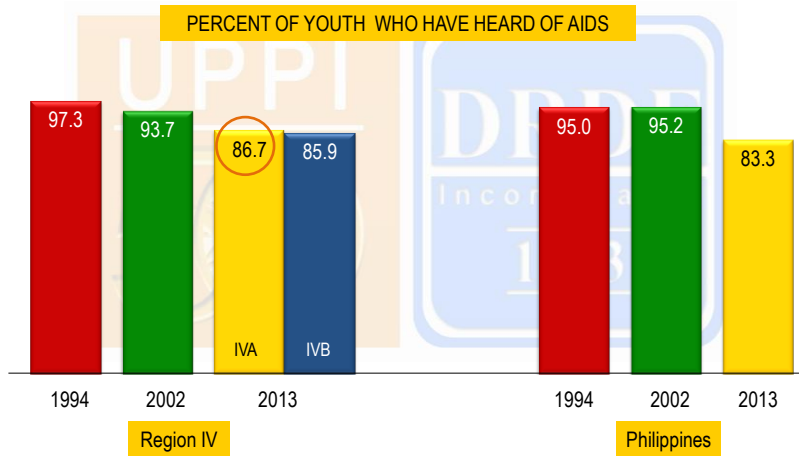


**Region IV-A youth ranks 5<sup>th</sup> in AIDS awareness**





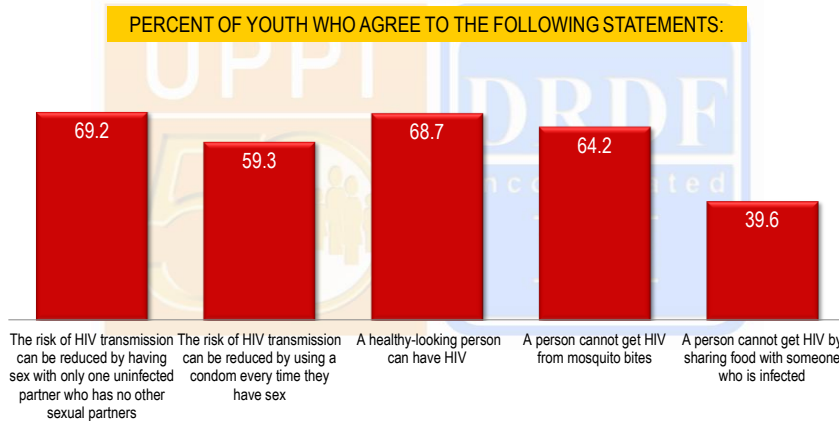
## Declining level of AIDS awareness among the youth



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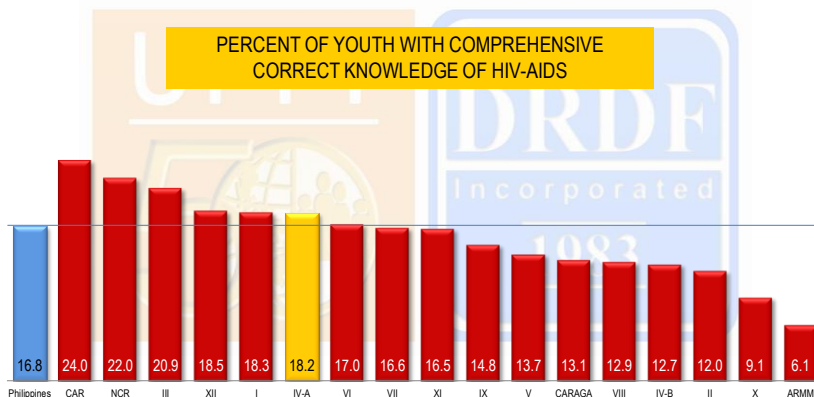
## Misconceptions about HIV transmission are common among Region IV-A youth



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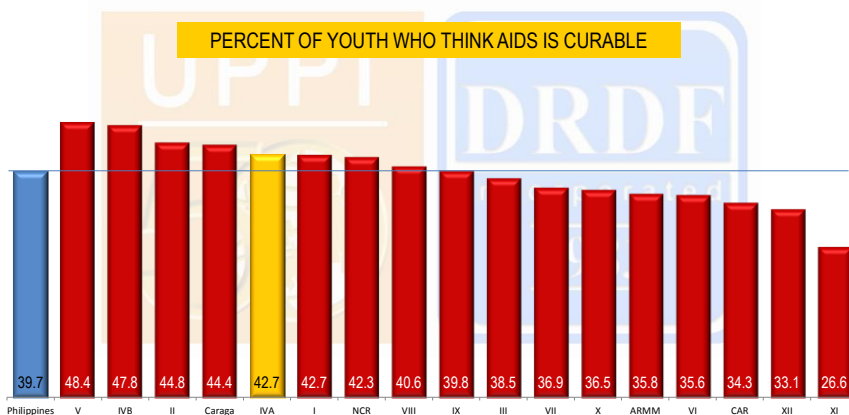
**Knowledge about HIV among Region IV-A youth is low but above the national level**



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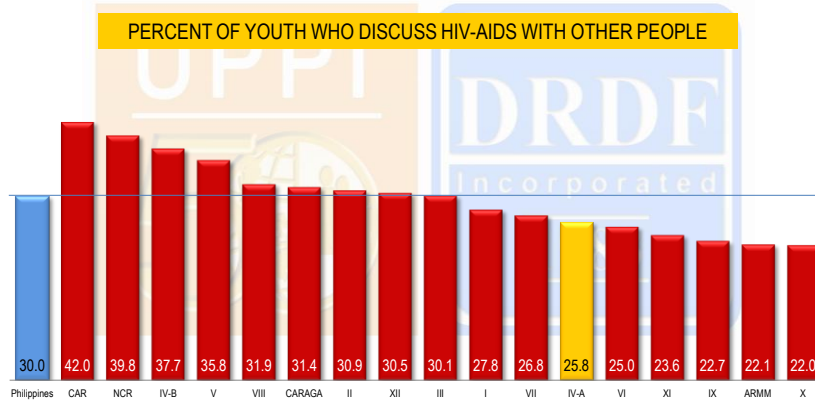
**More than 4 in 10 Region IV-A youth believe that AIDS is curable**



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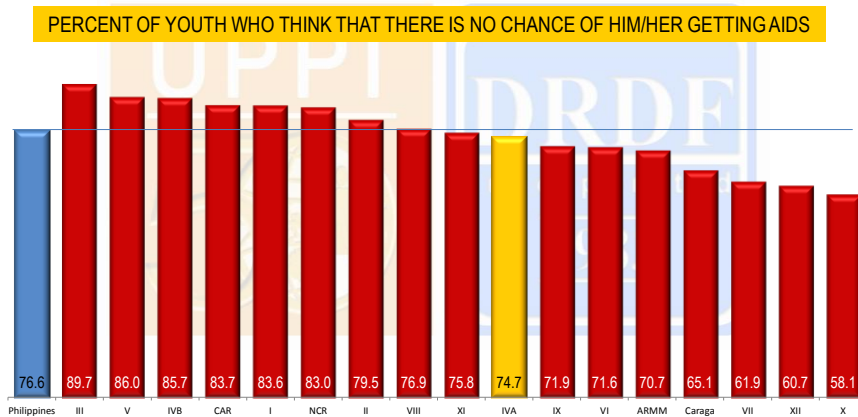
## Only 1 in 4 Region IV-A youth discusses HIV-AIDS with other people



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## 3 in 4 Region IV-A youth feel invincible to AIDS



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## SUMMARY & CONCLUSIONS

- There is a heightened, bolder, and wider range of sexual behaviors among the youth including those that use new forms of information and communication technology (ICT)
  - Region IV-A youth are among the top users of modern ICT to access sexually-explicit materials
  - However, risky sexual activities are not as pervasive among Region IV-A youth compared to their counterparts in other regions

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## SUMMARY & CONCLUSIONS

- Most of the sexual activities are unprotected against the risk of unplanned pregnancy and STIs
  - 7 in 10 Region IV-A youth did not use any form of protection during their premarital sexual initiation
- Region IV-A posted the lowest teenage fertility level among all regions in the country
  - Of the estimated 665,000 females age 15-19 in the region, around 54,000 have already begun childbearing

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## SUMMARY & CONCLUSIONS

- Although Region IV-A is among the regions with high awareness of AIDS, the level is low and declining in the past 2 decades
- There is poor knowledge of HIV-AIDS as misconceptions about HIV transmission still abound among the youth
- Majority of the youth think they have immunity from HIV

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## SUMMARY & CONCLUSIONS

- Of the estimated 2.6M youth in Region IV-A in 2013,
  - Around 730,000 youth have engaged in premarital sex
    - Of these, around 504,000 did not use any form of protection during their 1<sup>st</sup> premarital sex
  - Around 31,000 youth have commercial sex experience
  - Nearly 172,000 youth have casual sex experience
  - Around 105,000 youth have FUBU experience
- Of the nearly 1.3M male youth, more than 80,000 have MSM experience

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## SUMMARY & CONCLUSIONS

Future interventions for the youth in Region IV-A will do well to be guided by the YAFS4 results, both in the sexual and non-sexual risk behaviors as the findings of the study reflect who today's generation of Region IV-A youth are, based on empirical results from a survey with a rigorous methodology.

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