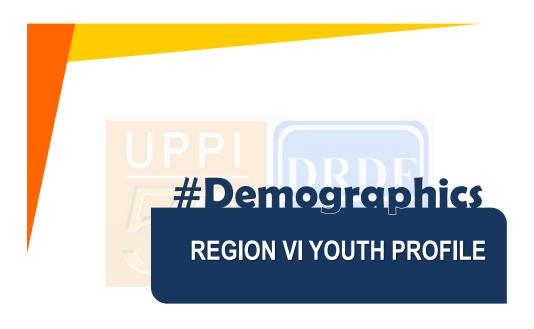


OUTLINE

- Demography of the youth in Region VI
- The 2013 YAFS Study
- Background characteristics, health and lifestyle
- Nonsexual risk behaviors
- Sources of information about sex and reproduction
- Summary

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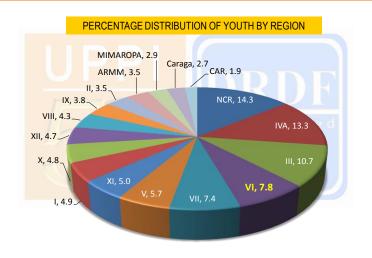


Number and percent of youth population: Philippines and Region VI



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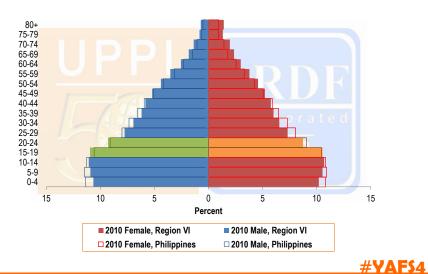
Region VI has the 4th biggest share of the country's youth



Source: 2010 Census

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Young population in Region VI and in the Philippines as a whole





Background

- 4th in a series of nationally-representative surveys on Filipino youth 15-24 years old
- Jointly implemented by the
 - Demographic Research & Development Foundation (DRDF)
 - University of the Philippines Population Institute (UPPI)
- Funded by The Australian Government, UNFPA,
 Department of Health, Philippine Council for Health
 Research and Development (PCHRD)

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Predecessor surveys



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General objective of YAFS4

To provide updated information on a broad framework of adolescent sexuality and reproductive health issues, their antecedents, and manifestations that will be useful in the design of interventions to safeguard the health and welfare of Filipino youth

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Survey design

Sampling design: Multistage stratified random

sampling

Sampling domain: Region

Sample size per region: About 1,000 respondents

Respondents: 15-24 years old single and married males and females

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Survey instruments

- 10 survey instruments
 - Household Form
 - 8 Individual Questionnaires for the youth respondents
 - 4 Main Questionnaires (Single Female, Married Female, Single Male, Married Male)
 - 4 Muslim Questionnaires (Single Female, Married Female, Single Male, Married Male)
 - Community Form
- All questionnaires were translated to 6 major languages

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Main questionnaire contents

Block A. Individual characteristics

Block B. Family characteristics and relationships

Block C. Self-esteem and values

Block D. School, work and community

Block E. Media

Block F. Friends and peers

Block G. Health and lifestyle

Block H. Marriage

Block I. Puberty, dating and sex

Block J. Fertility and contraception

Block K. Knowledge and attitudes towards marriage, sex and related issues

Block L. Reproductive health

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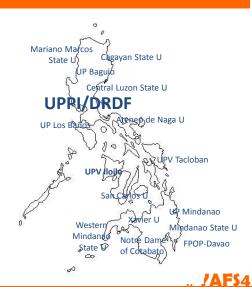
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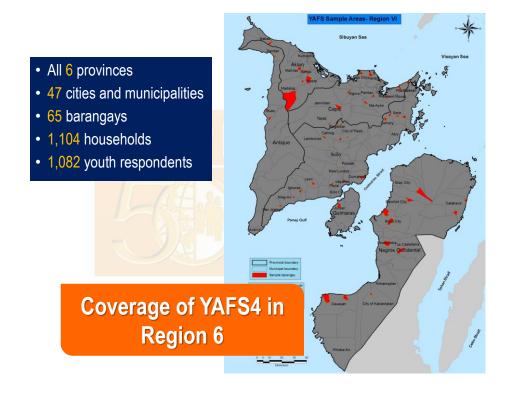
National coverage of YAFS4



Field implementation

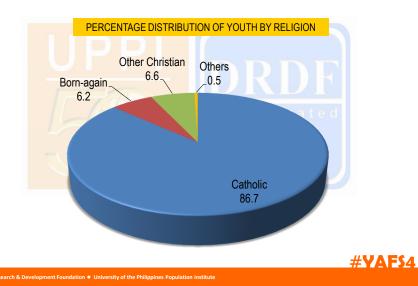
- Fieldwork was conducted in January to May 2013
- Regional network of research and academic institutions were involved in the data collection



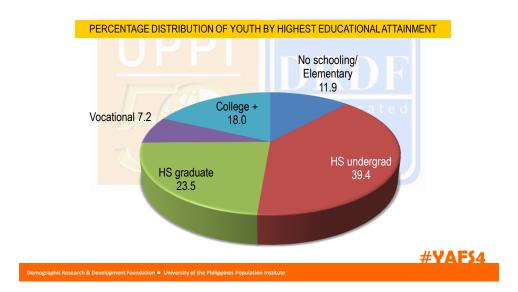




Majority of Region VI youth are Catholics



Most Region VI youth have at least some high school education



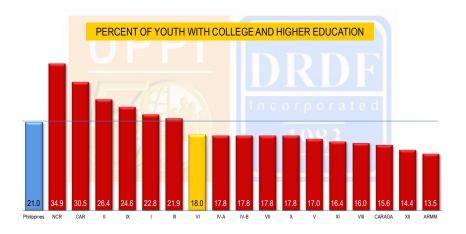
Proportion of studying youth in Region VI is at par with the national level



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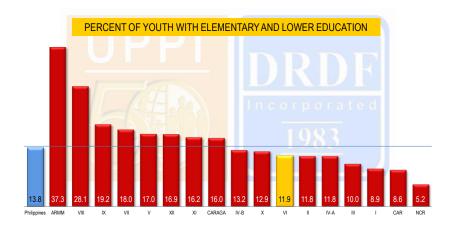
Proportion of youth with college and higher education is below the national level



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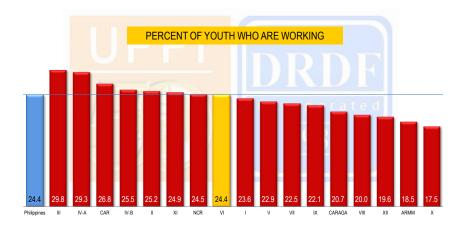
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Proportion of youth with elementary and lower education is also relatively low



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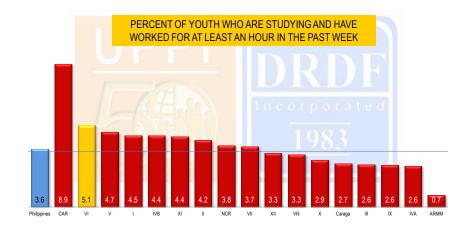




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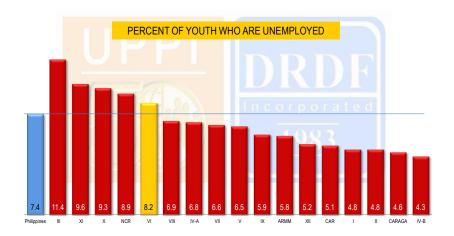
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Region VI's proportion of working students is 2nd highest in the country



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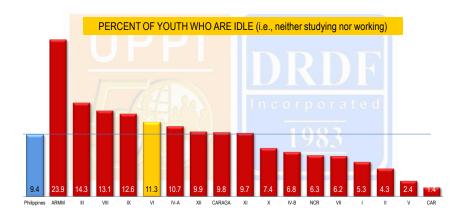
Unemployment among Region VI youth is 5th highest in the country



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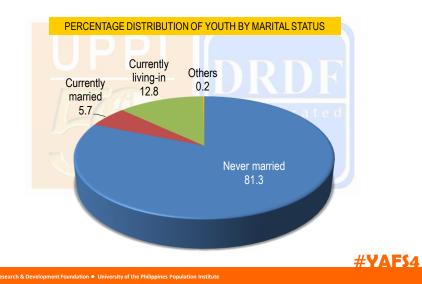
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Proportion of youth who are idle is the 5th highest in the country

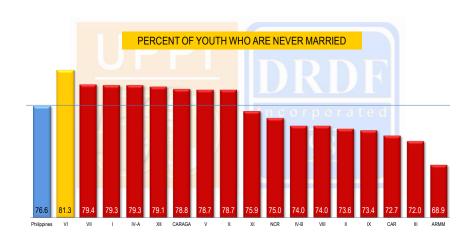


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More Region VI youth are in a live-in arrangement than in a formal union



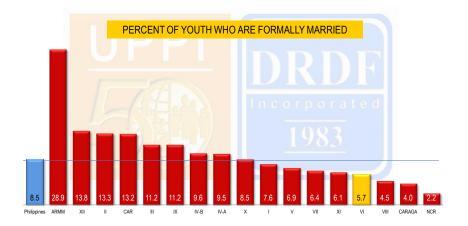
Region VI has the highest proportion of never married youth



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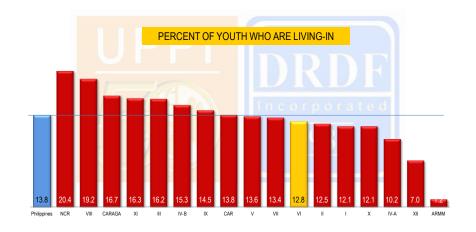
Proportion of Region VI youth who are formally married is 4th lowest in the country



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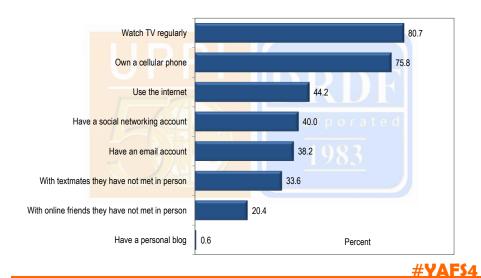
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Proportion of youth who are in a live-in arrangement is below the national level



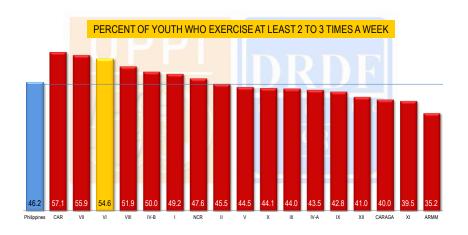
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Region VI youth are digitally wired



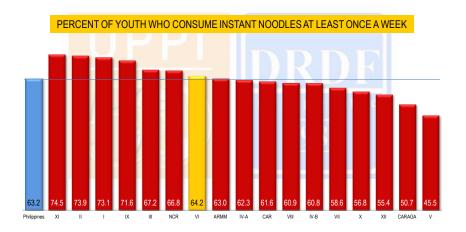
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Proportion of Region VI youth who exercise at least 2 to 3 times a week is the 3rd highest in the country



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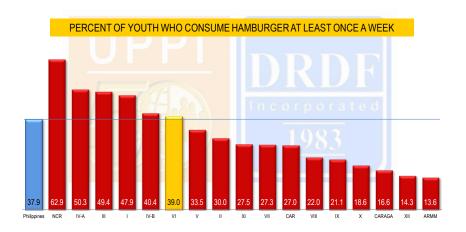
2 in 3 Region VI youth consume instant noodles at least once a week



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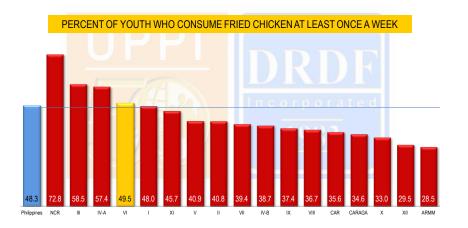
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2 in 5 Region VI youth consume hamburger at least once a week



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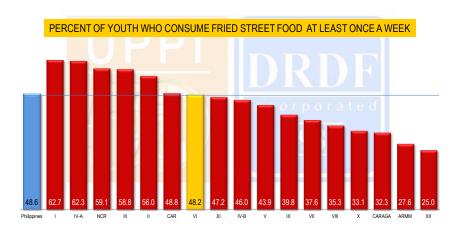
Consumption of fried chicken among Region VI youth is 4th highest in the country



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Nearly half of Region VI youth eat fried street food at least once a week



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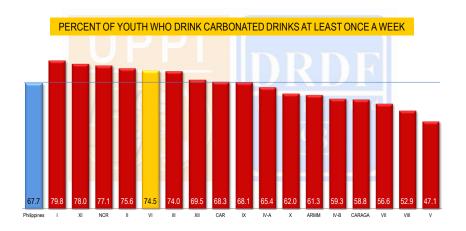
Proportion of Region VI youth who eat grilled street food at least once a week is 4th highest



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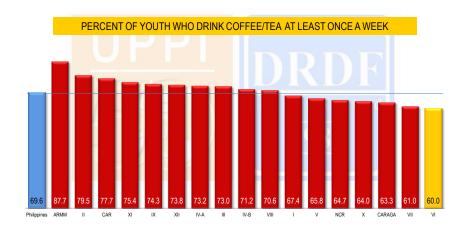
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Level of drinking carbonated drinks is 5th highest among Region VI youth



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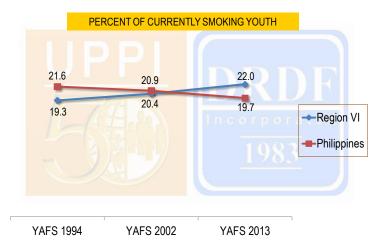
Level of drinking coffee/tea is lowest among Region VI youth







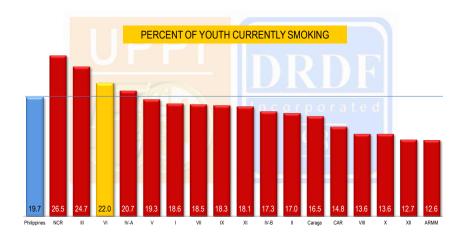
Rising prevalence of smoking among Region VI youth



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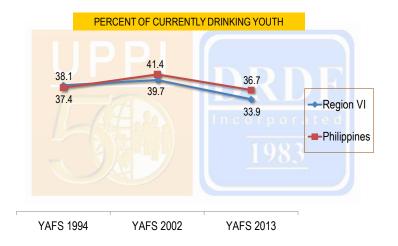
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Proportion of currently smoking Region VI youth is the 3rd highest in the country



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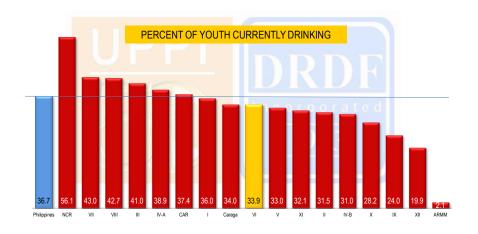
Decline in the proportion of currently drinking youth in the past decade



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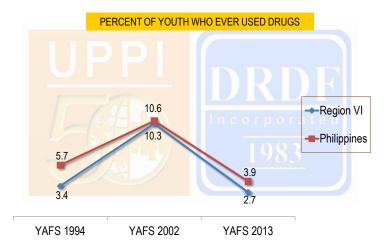
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1 in 3 Region VI youth are currently drinking



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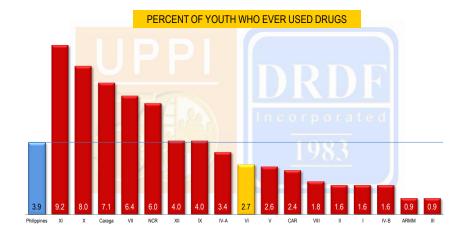
Decline in the proportion of youth who ever used drugs in the past decade



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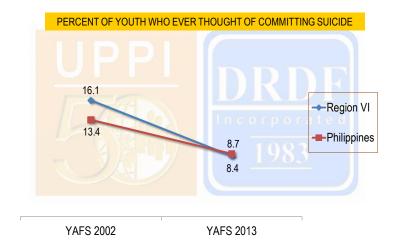
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Proportion of Region VI youth who ever used drugs is below the national level



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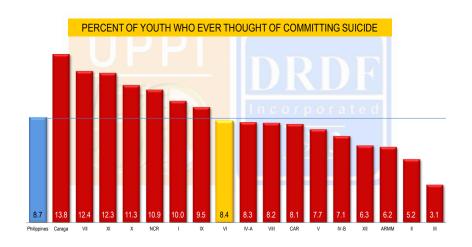
Decreased proportion of youth who ever thought of committing suicide



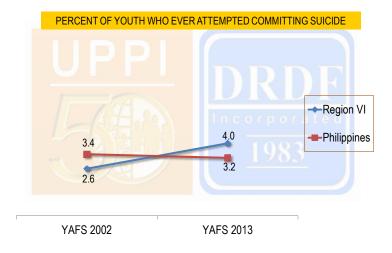
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Proportion of Region VI youth who ever contemplated suicide is below the national level

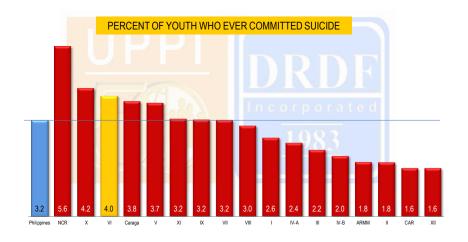


Rise in the proportion of Region VI youth who ever attempted suicide



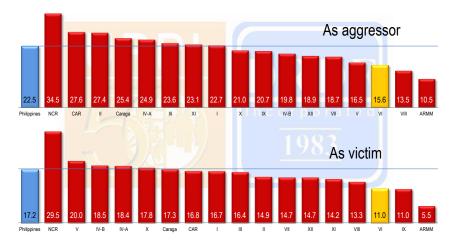
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Proportion of Region VI youth who attempted suicide is the 3rd highest in the country



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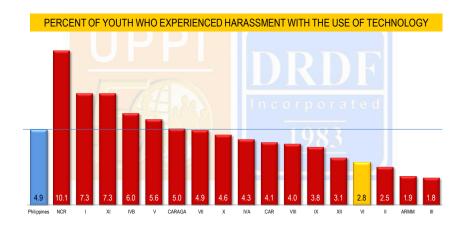
Proportions of Region VI youth who have been aggressors and victims of violence are both the 3rd lowest in the country



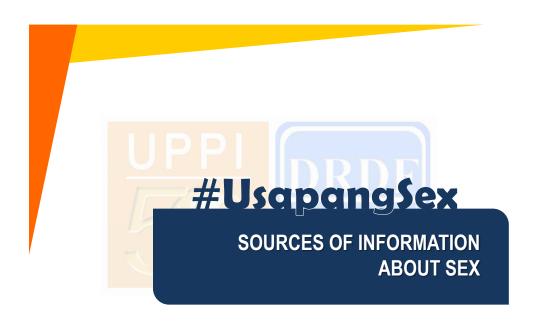
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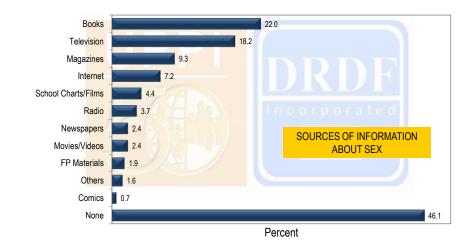
Proportion of youth who experienced harassment using technology is the 4th lowest in the country



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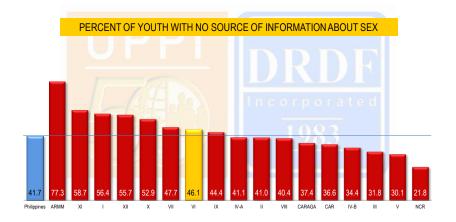
Nearly half of Region VI youth do not have any source of information about sex



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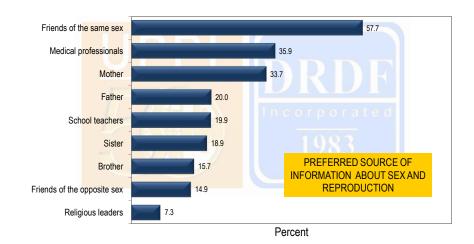
Proportion of youth without any source of information about sex is above the national level



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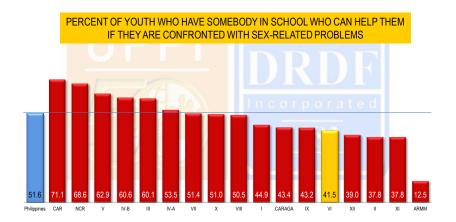
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Friends of the same sex, medical professionals, and mothers are Region VI youth's most preferred sources of information about sex and reproduction



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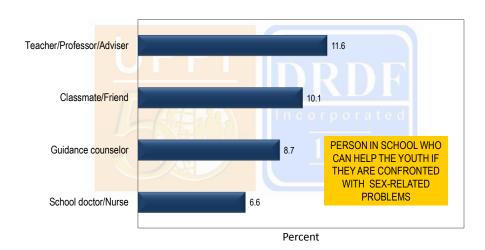
Proportion of youth who can find help in school regarding sex-related problems is the 5th lowest in the country



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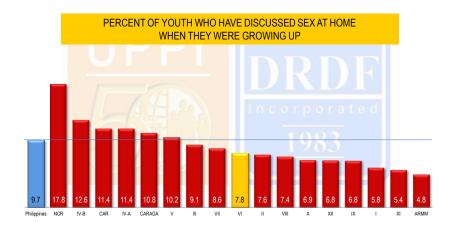
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Most Region VI youth identified their teachers as the persons who can help them if they have any sex-related problem



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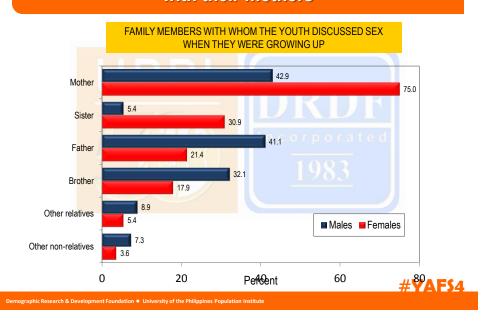
Only 8 in 100 Region VI youth have discussed sex at home while growing up



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Most youth discuss sex at home with their mothers



SUMMARY

Profile of Region VI youth

- Proportion studying is at par with the national level. % with elementary and lower education and % with college and higher education are both below the national level
- 24.4 percent are working which is also at par with the national level
- 5.1 percent are working students, the 2nd highest in the country
- 8.2 percent are unemployed and 11.3 percent are idle both the 5th highest in the country
- 5.7 percent are formally married and 12.8 percent are in a livein arrangement

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SUMMARY

Media exposure of Region VI youth

- Very high use of new information technology
 - Use the internet: 44.2%
 - With a social media account: 40%
 - With an email account: 38,2%
 - With online friends they have not met personally:20.4%
 - Own a cellular phone: 75.8%
 - With textmates they have not met personally: 33.6%

Health and lifestyle of Region VI youth

- 54.6% exercise at least 2-3 times a week, the 3rd highest in the country
- High consumers of unhealthy foods and drinks

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SUMMARY

Non-sexual risk behaviors of Region VI youth

- Rise in the % who are currently smoking, decline in the % who are into drinking and drugs
- Of the estimated 1,491,782 Region VI youth in 2013:
 - Around 328,000 are currently smoking
 - Around 506,000 are currently drinking
 - Around 40,000 have ever used drugs
- Proportion who ever thought of committing suicide (8.4%) has decreased
- Proportion who ever attempted suicide (4.0%) has increased and is the 3rd highest in the country
- Proportions who have been aggressors and victims of violence are both the 3rd lowest in the country

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SUMMARY

Sources of information about sex of Region VI youth

- Among those who have some sources of information about sex, most rely on books, TV, and magazines
- Friends (particularly of the same sex), medical professionals, and mothers are the persons they will turn to if they have questions about sex or confronted with any sex-related problem
- The majority (46.1%) who rely on themselves for information about sex is a cause for concern
- Very little discussion of sex at home
 - Most youth whether male or female discuss sex at home with their mothers

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