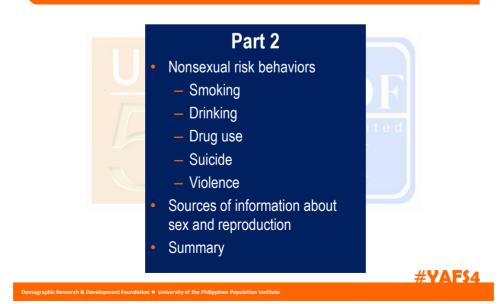
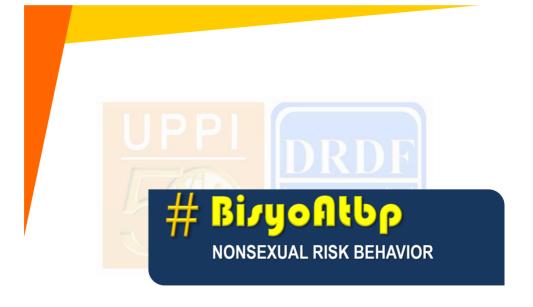
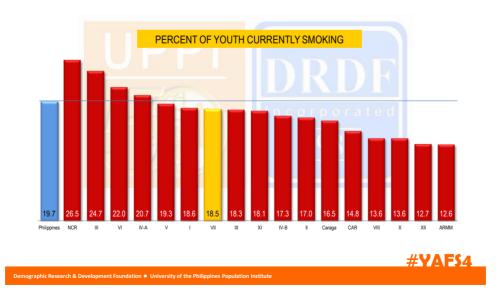


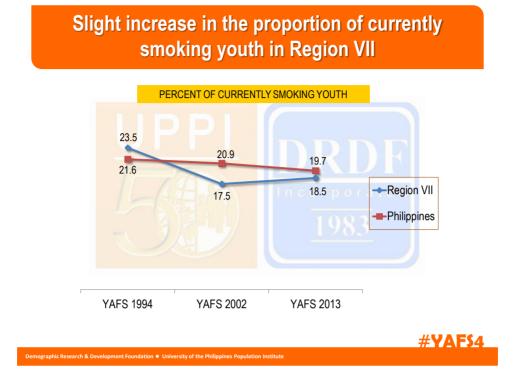
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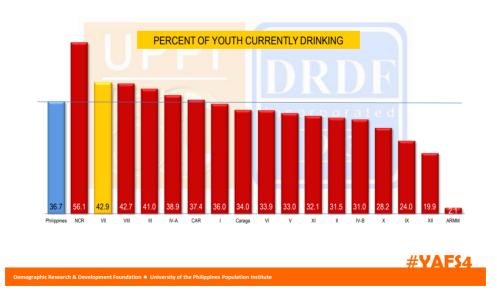


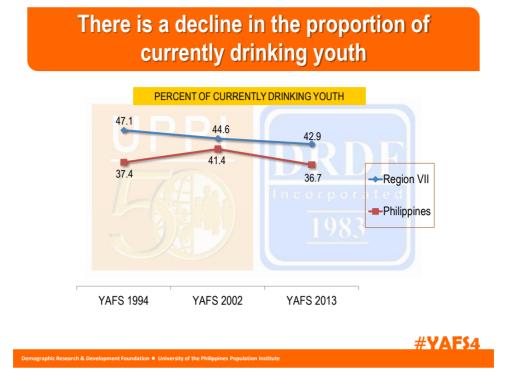
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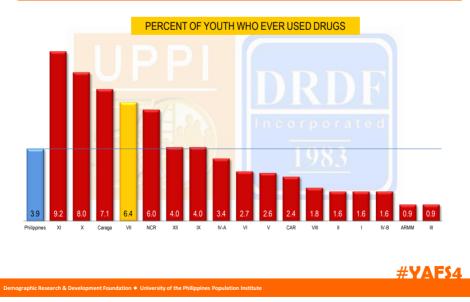


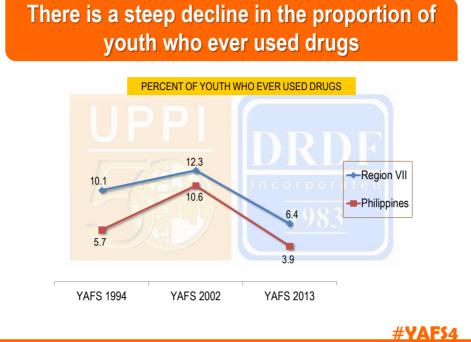
The proportion of Region VII youth who are currently drinking is the 2nd highest in the country





Proportion of Region VII youth who ever used drugs is the 4th highest in the country

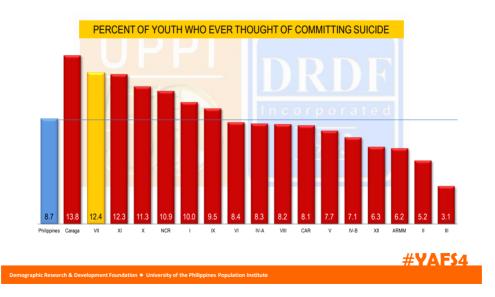




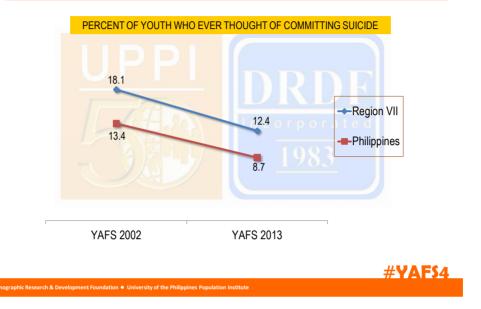
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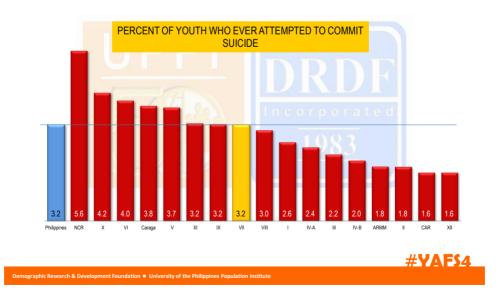
The proportion of youth who ever contemplated suicide in Region VII is 2nd highest in the country

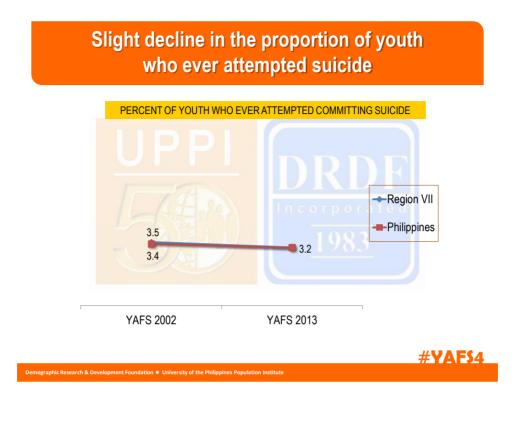


Steep decline in the proportion of youth who ever thought of committing suicide



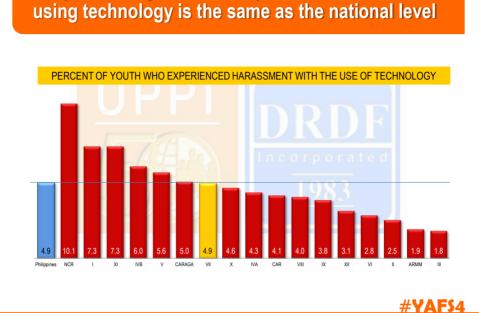
Proportion of Region VII youth who attempted to commit suicide is the same as the national level





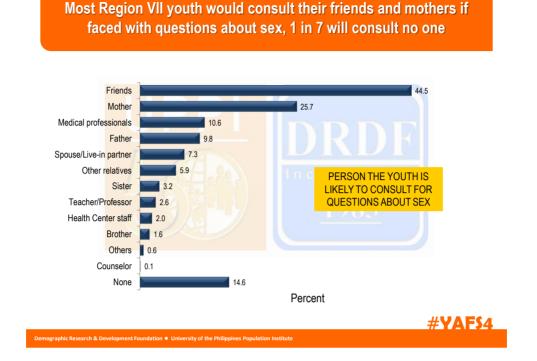
Proportion of Region VII youth who physically hurt someone in the last 12 months is the 5th lowest in the country; proportion of victims is also relatively low



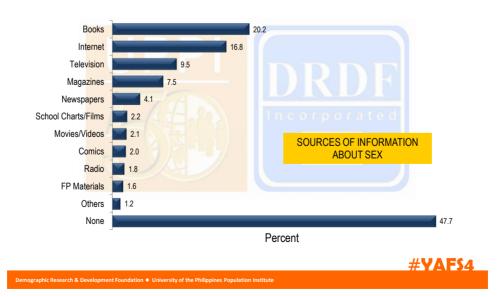


Proportion of youth who experienced harassment

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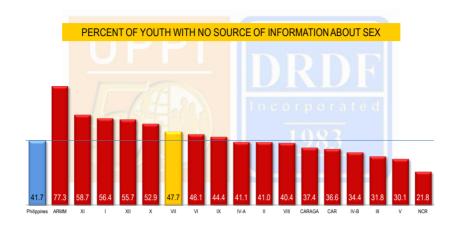


Nearly half of Region VII youth do not have any source of information about sex



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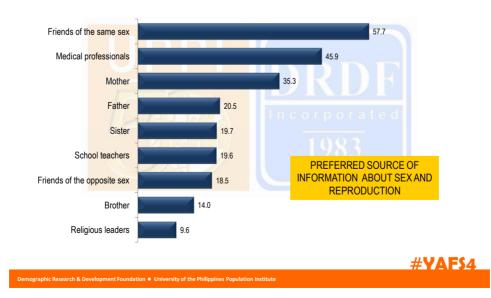
Proportion of youth without any source of information about sex is above the national level

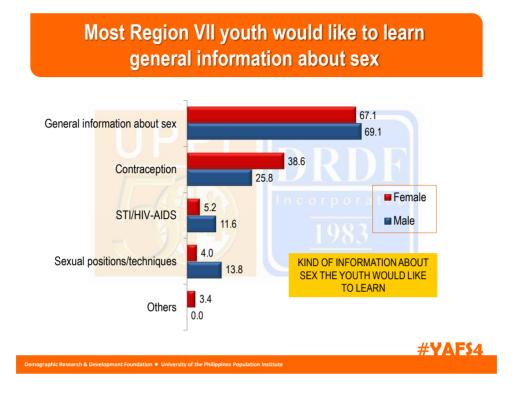


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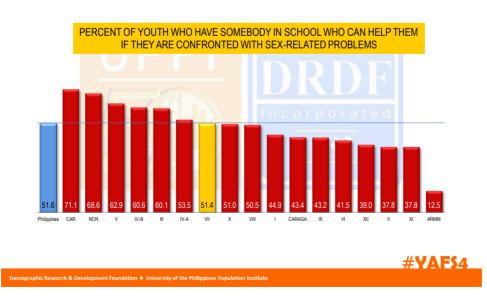
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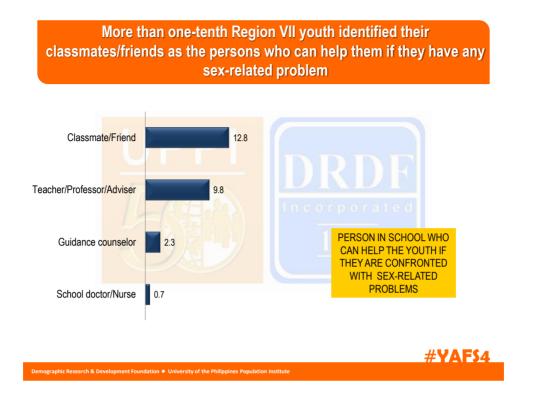
Friends of the same sex and medical professionals are Region VII youth's most preferred sources of information about sex and reproduction



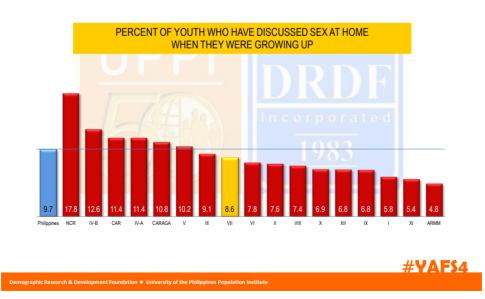


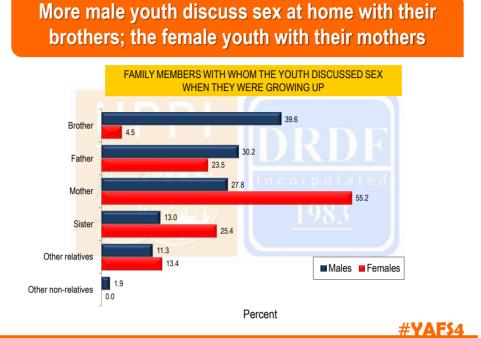
Proportion of youth who can find help in school regarding sex-related problems is about the same as the national level



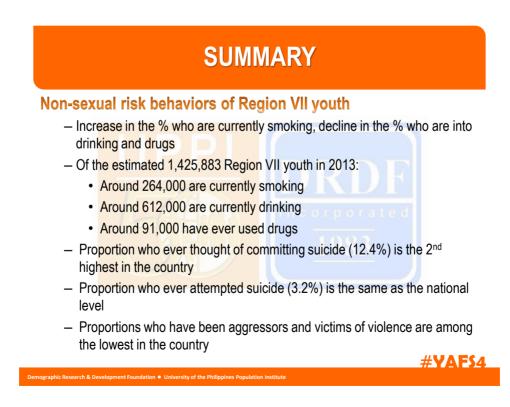


Only 9 in 100 Region VII youth have discussed sex at home while growing up





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SUMMARY

Sources of information about sex of Region VII youth

- Among those who have some sources of information about sex, most rely on books, internet, and TV
- 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 considerable proportion (48%) who rely on themselves for information about sex is a cause for concern
- Very little discussion of sex at home
 - More male youth discuss sex at home with their father and brother/s; the female youth with their mother and sister/s

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