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RISK BEHAVIORS OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN SOCCSKSARGEN

PART 2



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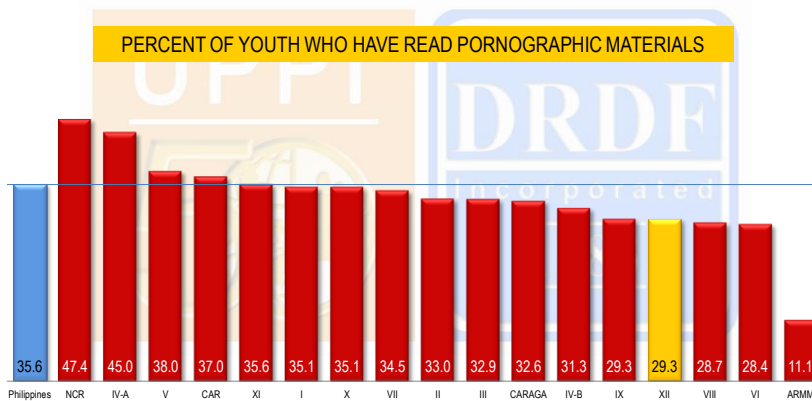
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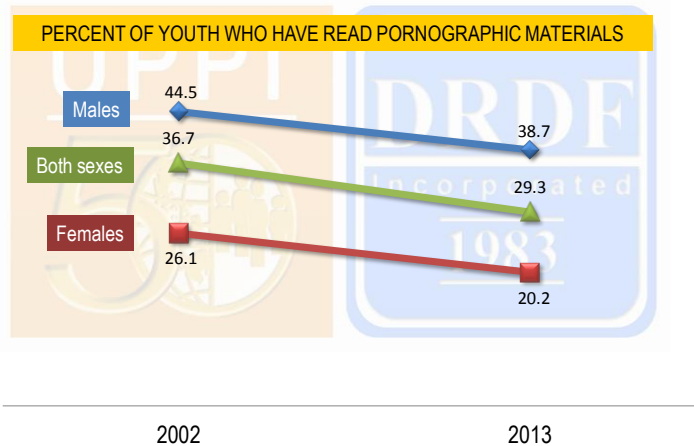
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3 in 10 Region XII youth have read pornographic materials



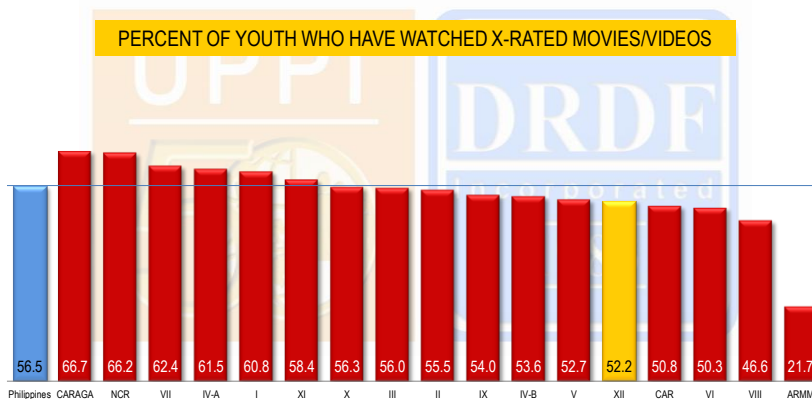
Decline in the prevalence of reading of pornographic materials in the past decade



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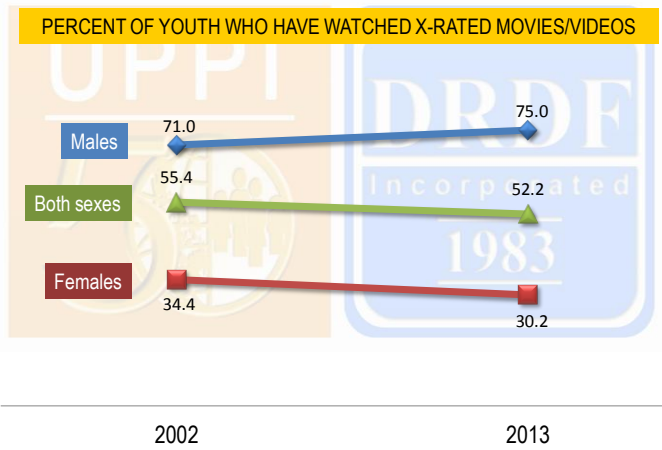
More than half of Region XII youth have watched x-rated movies and videos



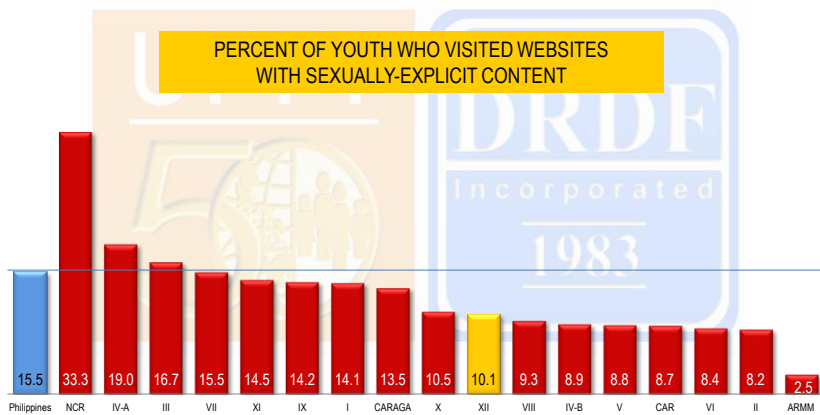
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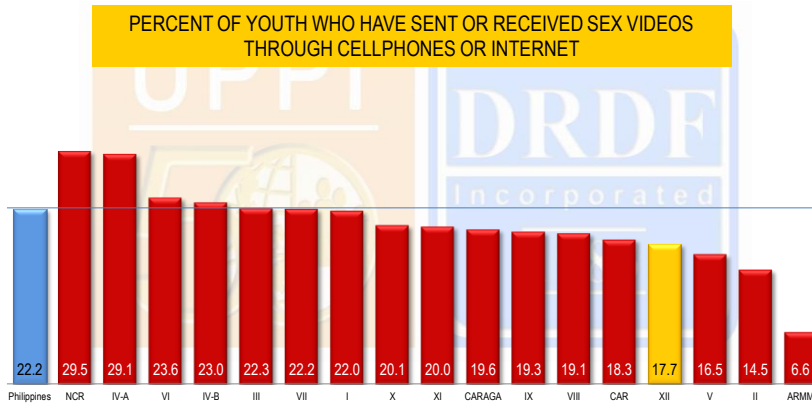
Watching x-rated movies/videos is becoming more common among males but less common among females



1 in 10 Region XII youth has viewed websites with sexually-explicit content



Less than 1 in 5 Region XII youth have shared sex videos online or through cellphones



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Region XII youth have also engaged in other media-related sexual activities

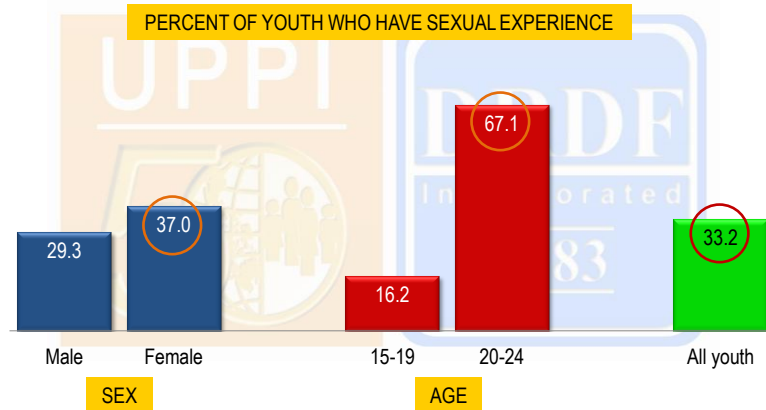
- 0.2% have recorded themselves having sex
 - Philippines: 0.8%
- 1.7% have engaged in sex with someone they met online or through text messages
 - Philippines: 3.7%
- 5.2% have engaged in phone sex
 - Philippines: 5.8%

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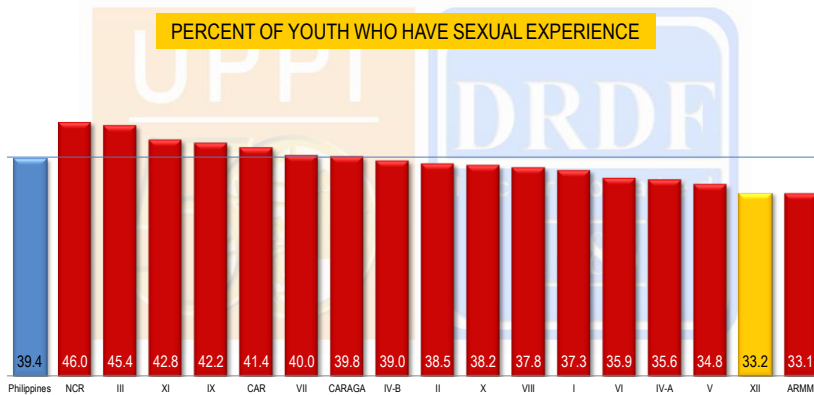
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1 IN 3 youth in Region XII has sexual experience



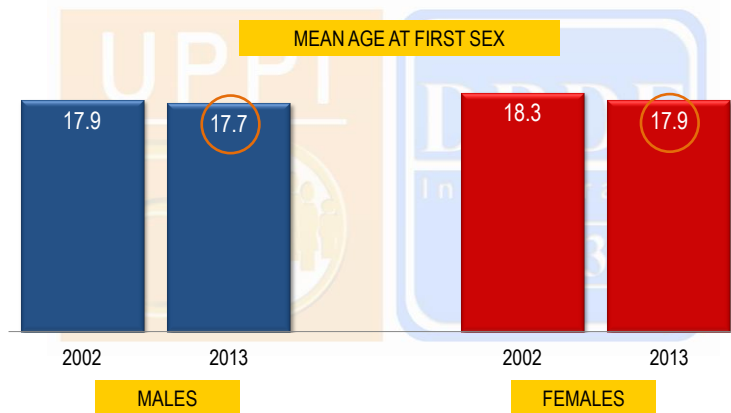
Region XII has the 2nd lowest proportion of sexually experienced youth



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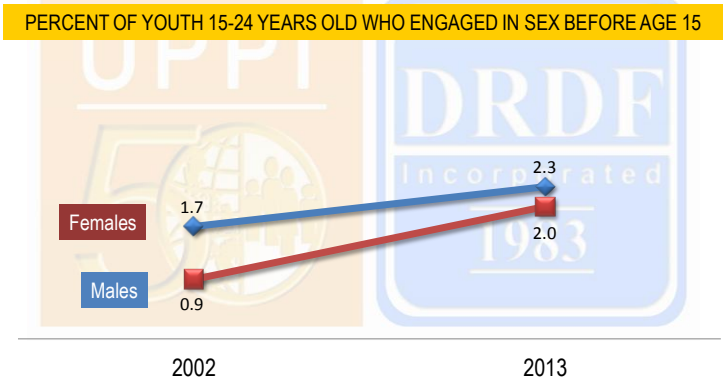
Younging of sexual onset among both males and females



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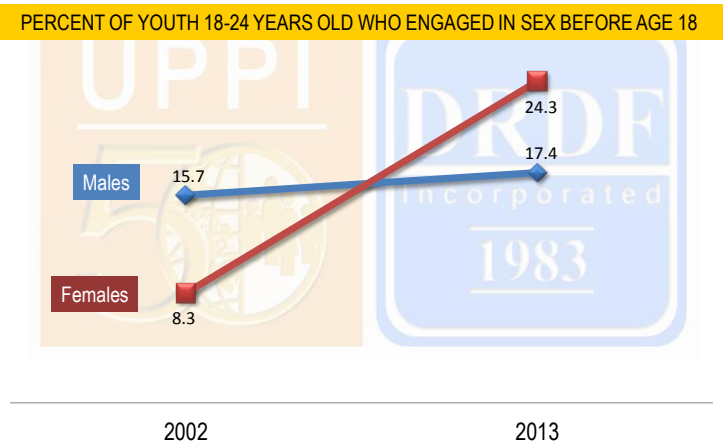
Increasing prevalence of early sexual activity among males in the past 2 decades



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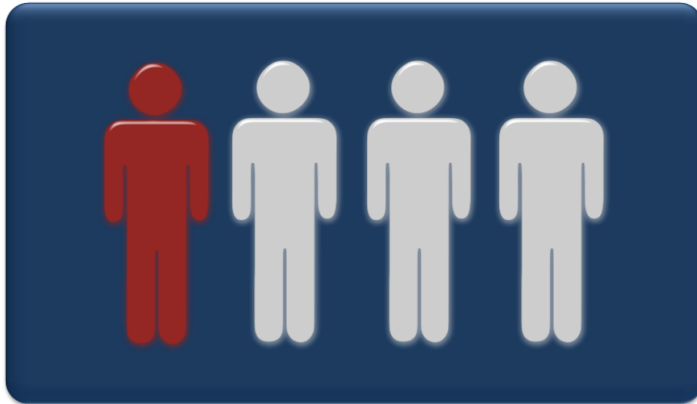
Increasing proportions of male youth who have engaged in sex before age 18 in the past 2 decades



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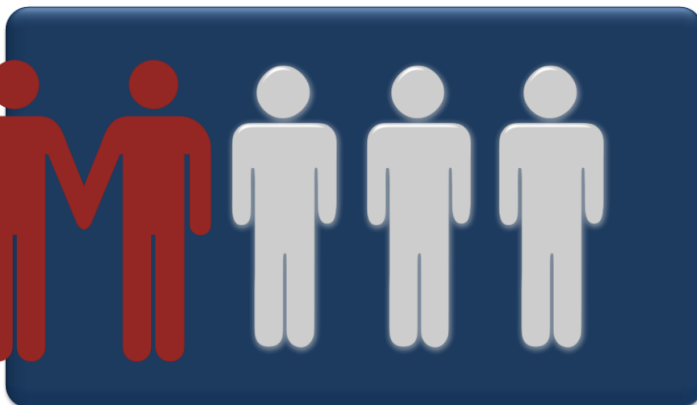
Nearly a quarter of Region XII youth
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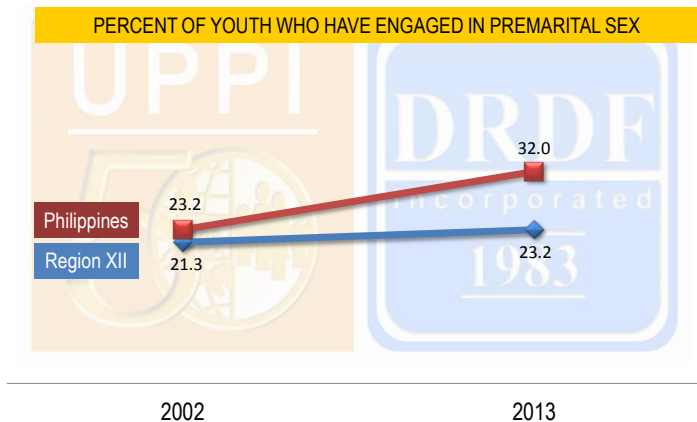
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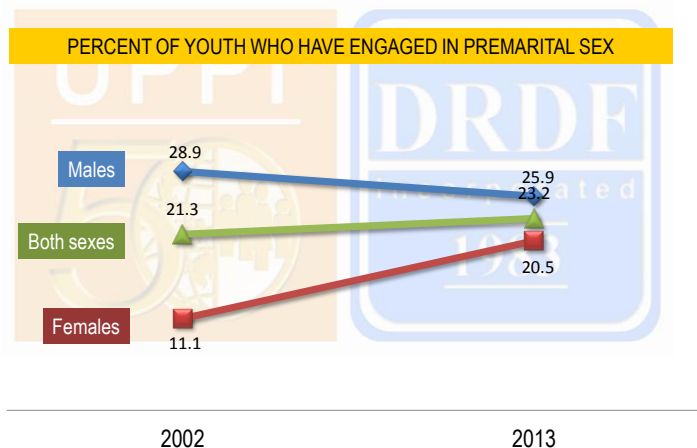
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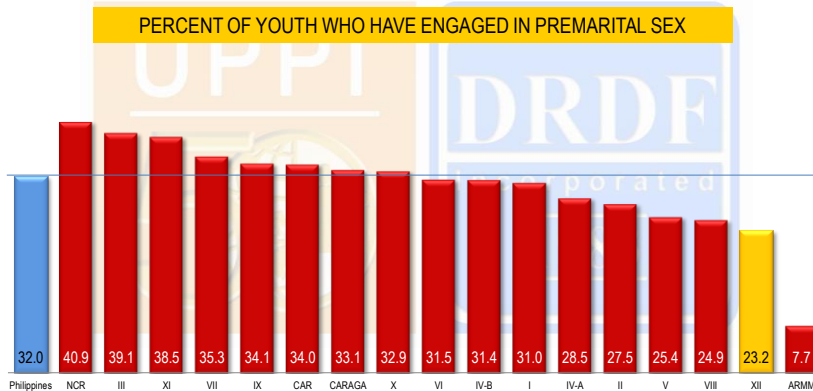
Narrowing gap between male and female premarital sex activity



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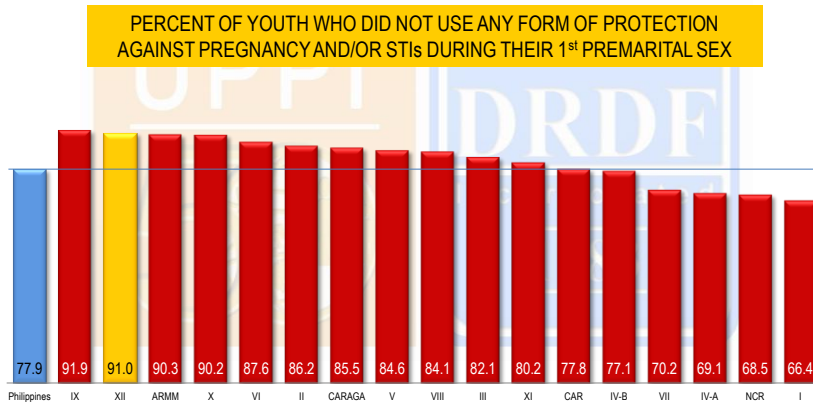
Region XII has the 2nd lowest proportion of youth who have engaged in PMS



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... But it has the 2nd highest proportion of youth who had unprotected 1st PMS

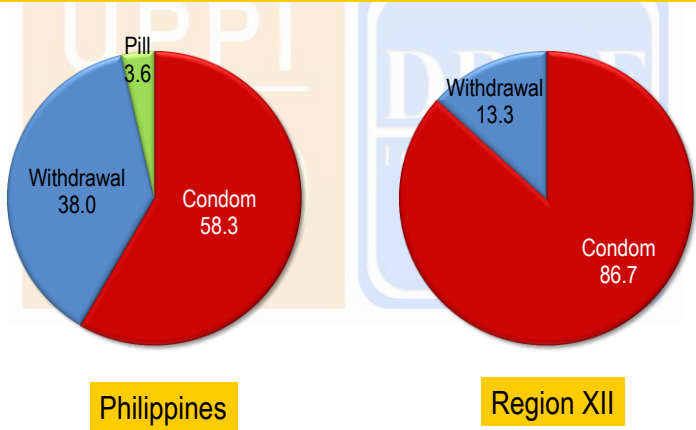


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Condom is the most popular contraceptive method used during the 1st premarital sex

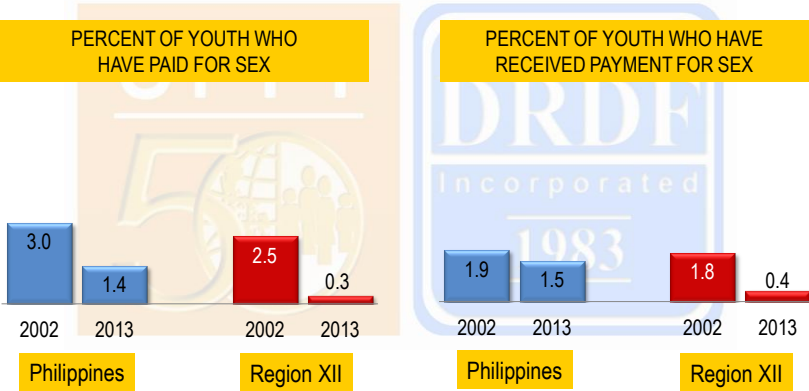
PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION OF METHOD USED DURING 1ST PREMARITAL SEX



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Declining levels in commercial sex activities



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Region XII youth have also engaged in other risky sexual activities

- 2.2% have engaged in casual sex (Philippines: 7%)
- 1.4% have FUBU experience (Philippines: 4%)
- 2.3% of males have had sex with a fellow male (MSM) (Philippines: 5%)
- 1% 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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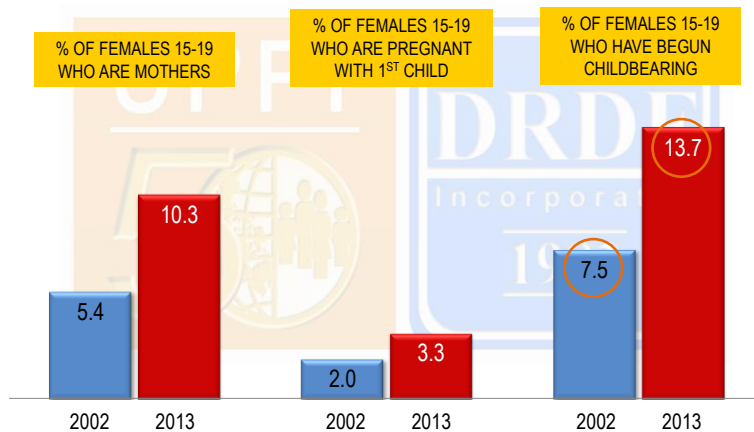
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TEENAGE FERTILITY

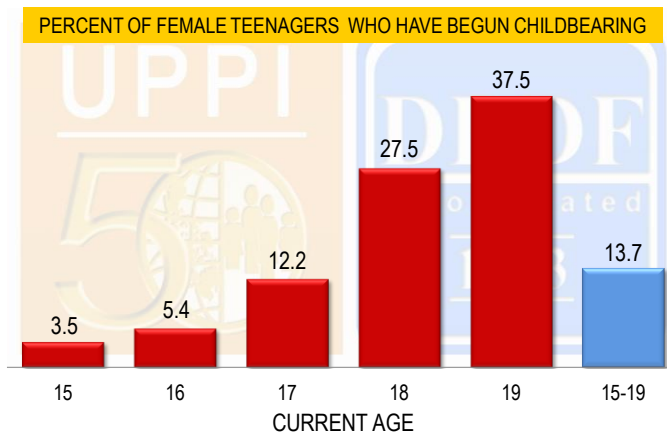
Sharp increase in Region XII teenage fertility in the past decade



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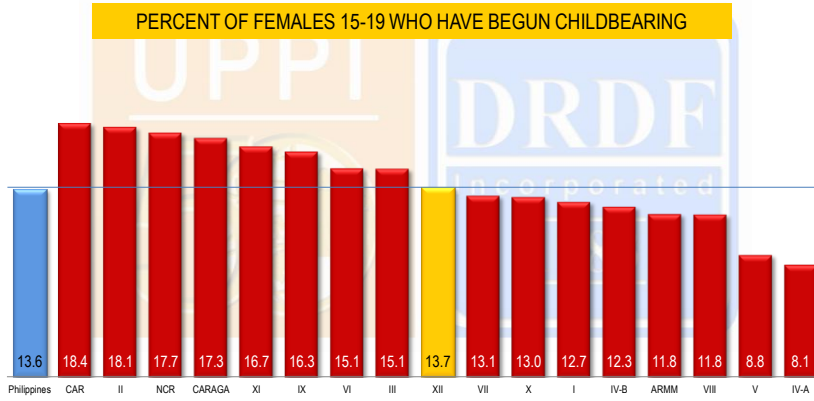
Teenage fertility increases with age



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1 in 7 teen females in Region XII has already begun childbearing



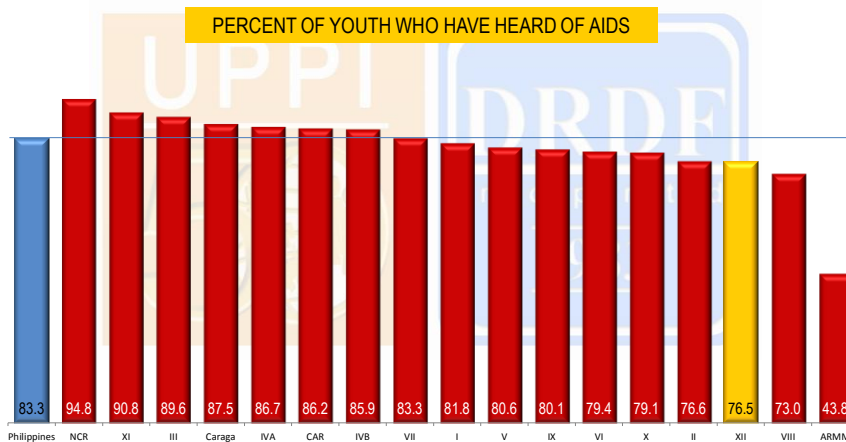
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KNOWLEDGE OF HIV/AIDS

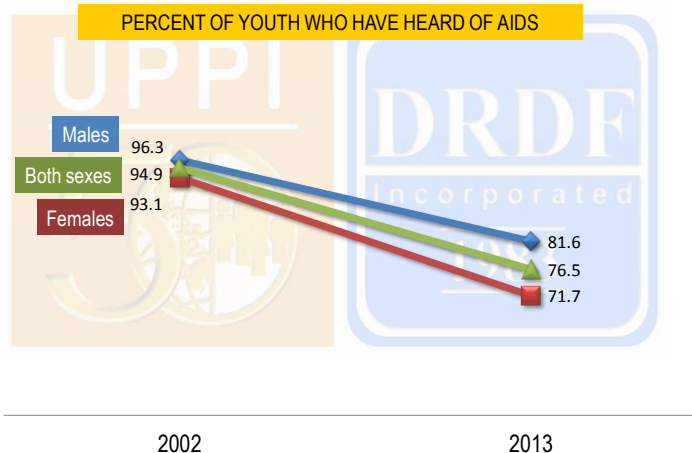
Region XII has the 3rd lowest level of AIDS awareness



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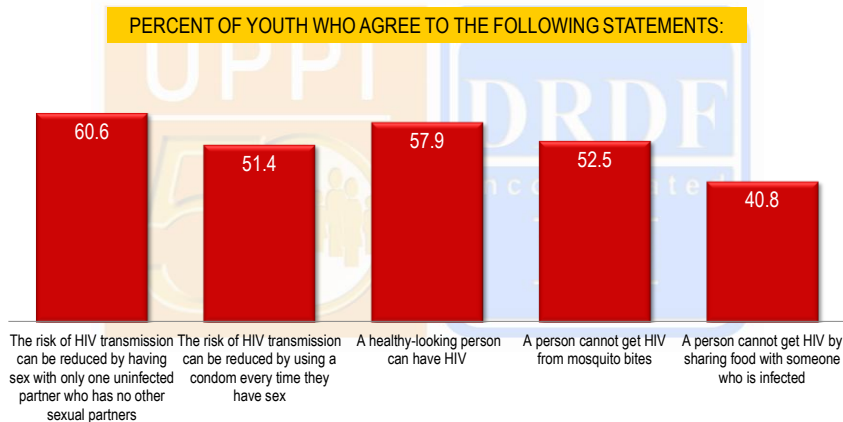
Awareness of AIDS among Region XII youth has declined sharply in the past decade



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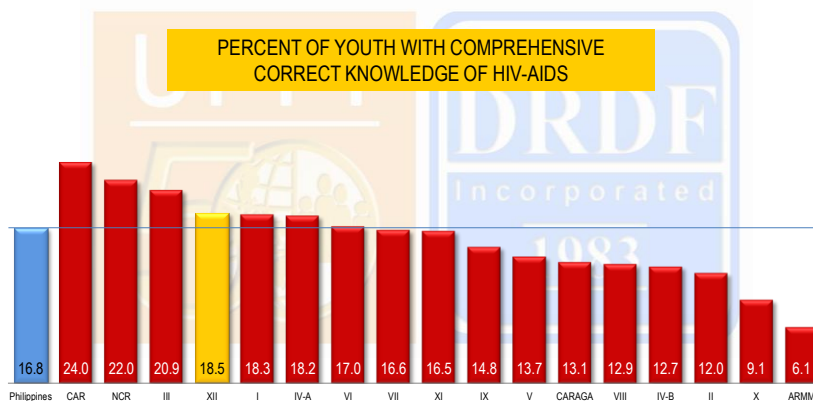
Misconceptions about HIV transmission are common among Region XII youth



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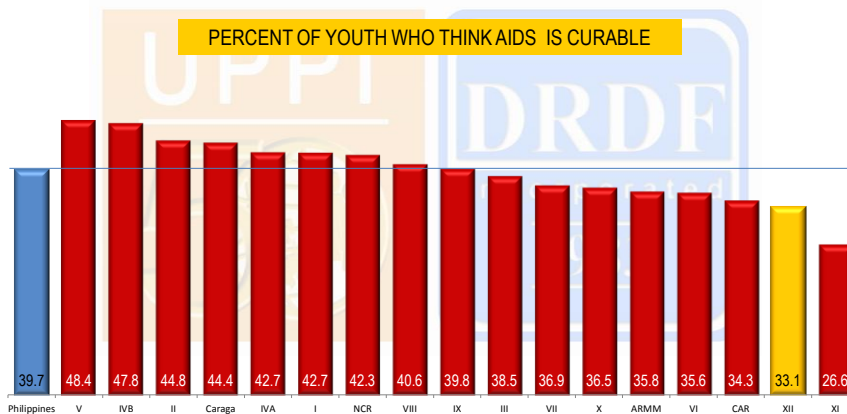
Low level of knowledge about HIV among Region XII youth



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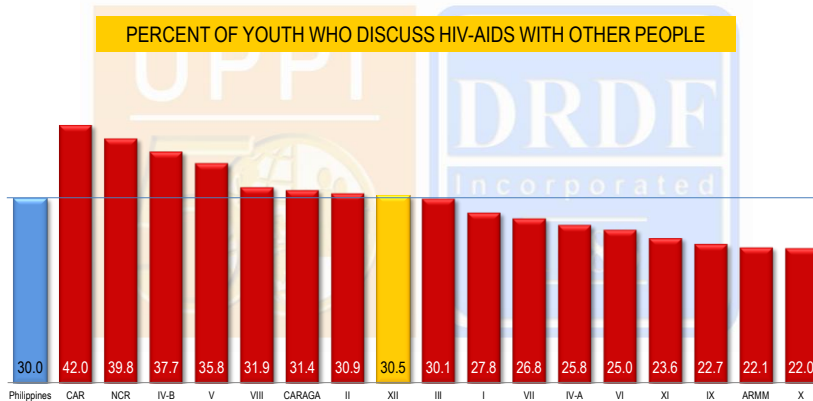
Region XII youth are the 2nd most knowledgeable about the incurability of AIDS



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Only 3 in 10 Region XII youth discuss HIV-AIDS with other people

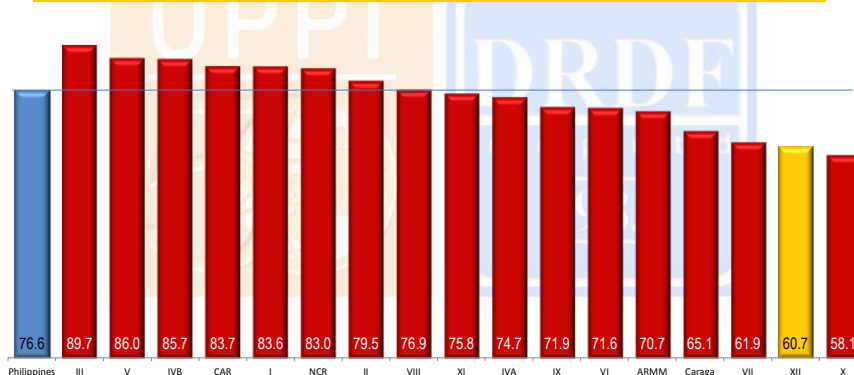


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3 in 5 Region XII youth feel invincible to AIDS

PERCENT OF YOUTH WHO THINK THAT THERE IS NO CHANCE OF HIM/HER GETTING AIDS



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SUMMARY & CONCLUSIONS

- There is a heightened, bolder, and wider range of sexual behaviors among the Filipino youth including those that use new forms of information and communication technology (ICT)
 - However, these risky sexual activities are not as pervasive among Region 12 youth compared to their counterparts in other regions
- Younging age of sexual initiation particularly for males
 - Increase in the levels who have engaged in sex before age 15 and 18

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SUMMARY & CONCLUSIONS

- Most of the sexual activities are unprotected against the risk of unplanned pregnancy and STIs
 - 9 in 10 Region XII youth did not use any form of protection during their 1st premarital sexual initiation
- The narrowing of the gap in the prevalence of premarital sexual (PMS) activity between young men and women, amidst increasing PMS prevalence in general, is likely a major contributor to the sharp increase in teenage fertility
 - Of the estimated 250,000 females age 15-19 in Region XII, more than 33,000 have already begun childbearing

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SUMMARY & CONCLUSIONS

- Low and declining awareness of AIDS in Region XII in the past decade
 - Region XII youth posted the 3rd lowest level of AIDS awareness
- 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 913,000 youth in Region XII,

- Nearly 212,000 youth have engaged in premarital sex
 - Of these, nearly 193,000 did not use any form of protection during their 1st premarital sex
- Around 3,600 youth have commercial sex experience
- Around 20,000 youth have casual sex experience
- Nearly 13,000 youth have FUBU experience
- More than 10,500 male youth have MSM experience

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SUMMARY & CONCLUSIONS

Future interventions for the youth in Region 12 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 12 youth are, based on empirical results from a survey with a rigorous methodology.

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