

**# Region VIII Youth Today**  
RISK BEHAVIORS OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN EASTERN VISAYAS  
**PART 2**

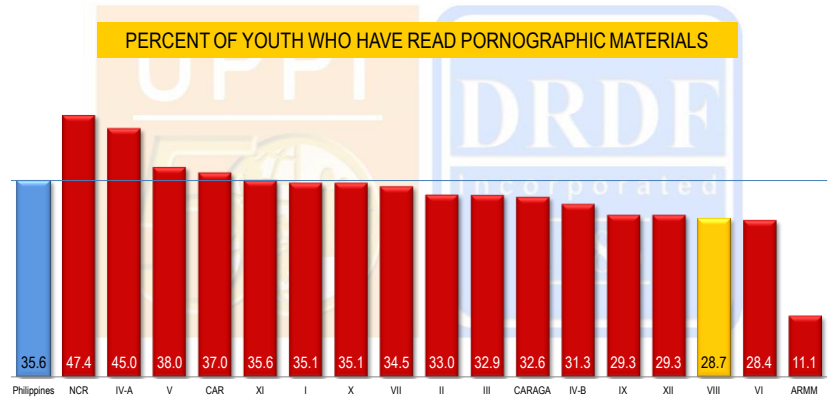
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## OUTLINE

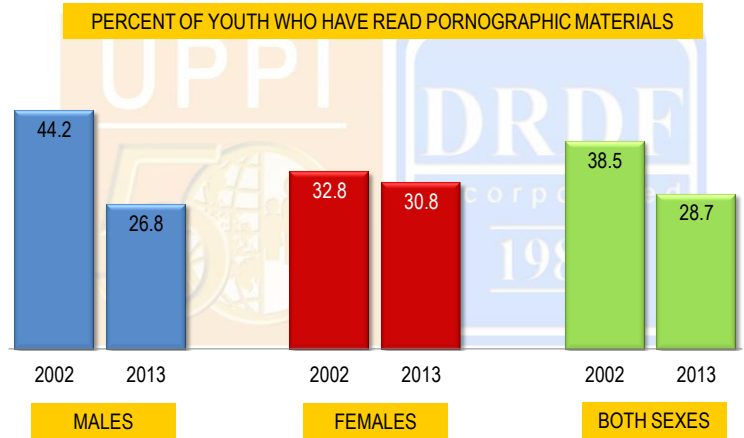
- Sex and media
- Sexual activities
- Teenage fertility
- Knowledge of HIV/STDs
- Summary and conclusions



**Proportion of Region VIII youth who have read pornographic materials is the 3<sup>rd</sup> lowest in the country**



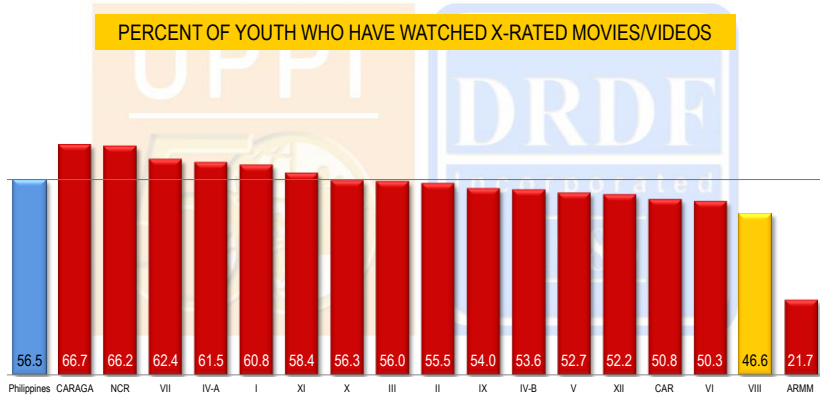
## Decline in the prevalence of reading of pornographic materials in the past decade



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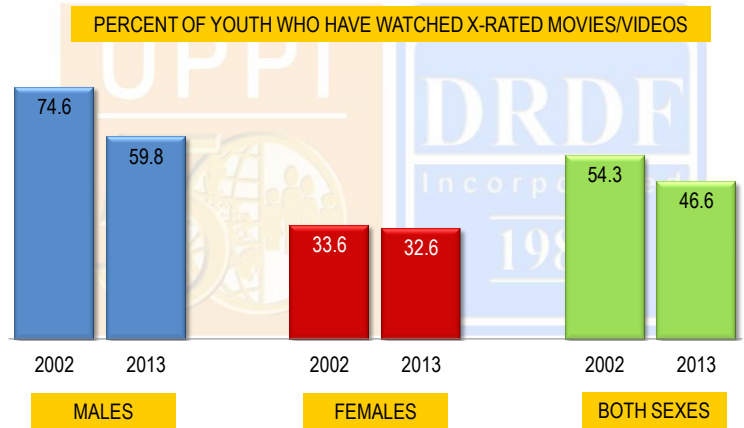
## Level of watching x-rated videos is 2<sup>nd</sup> lowest among Region VIII youth



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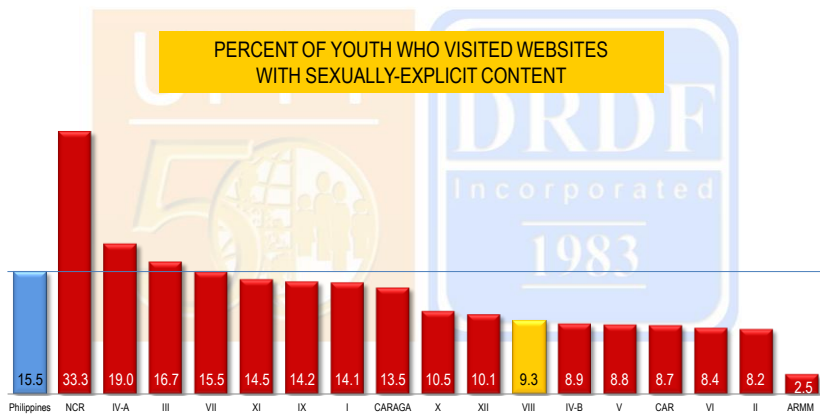
## Decline in the prevalence of watching x-rated movies/videos in the past decade



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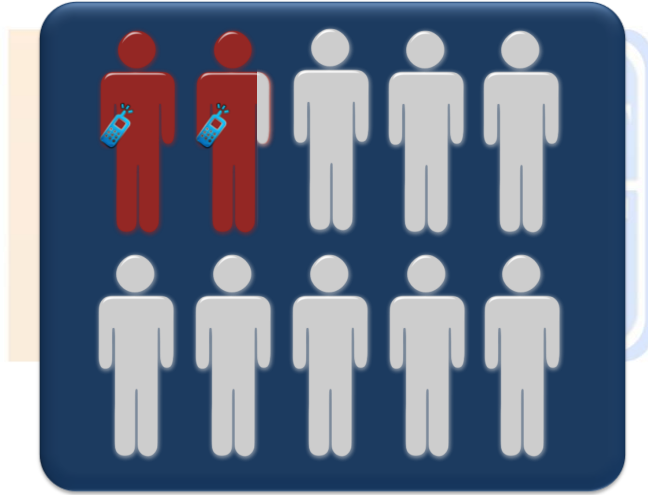
## Relatively low proportion of youth who have visited websites with sexually-explicit content



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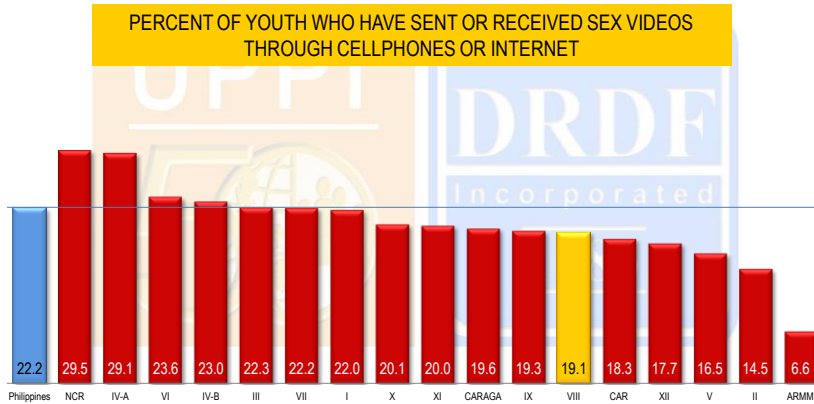
Nearly 2 out of 10 Region VIII youth have sent or received sex videos through cell phones or the internet



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Relatively low proportion of Region VIII youth who have shared sex videos through cell phones or internet



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

- 1% have recorded himself/herself having sex
  - Philippines: 0.8%
- 3.2% have engaged in sex with someone they met online or through text messages
  - Philippines: 3.7%
- 5.6% have engaged in phone sex
  - Philippines: 5.8%

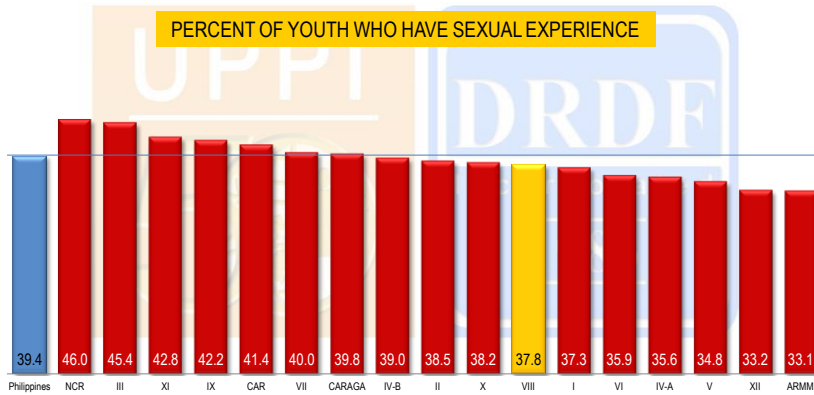
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**# SexyTime**  
SEXUAL ACTIVITIES

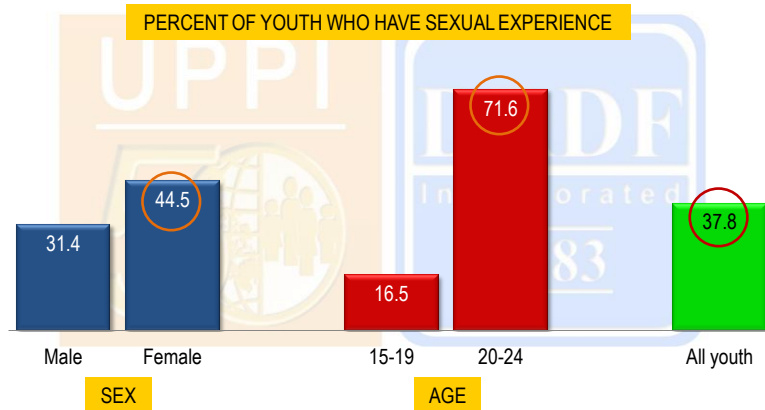
## Proportion of Region VIII who have sexual experience is below the national level



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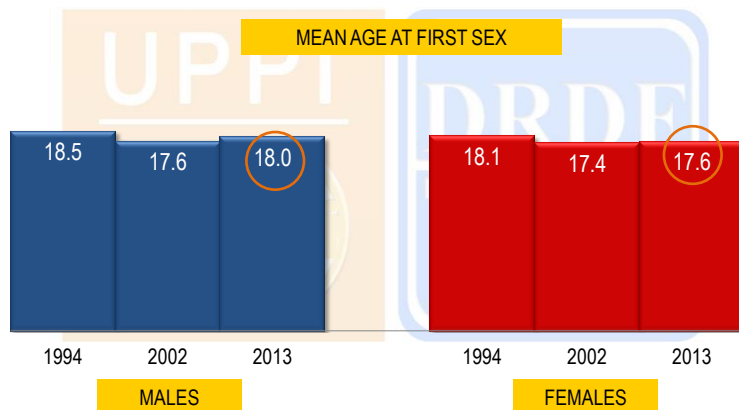
## Nearly 2 in 5 youth in Region VIII have sexual experience



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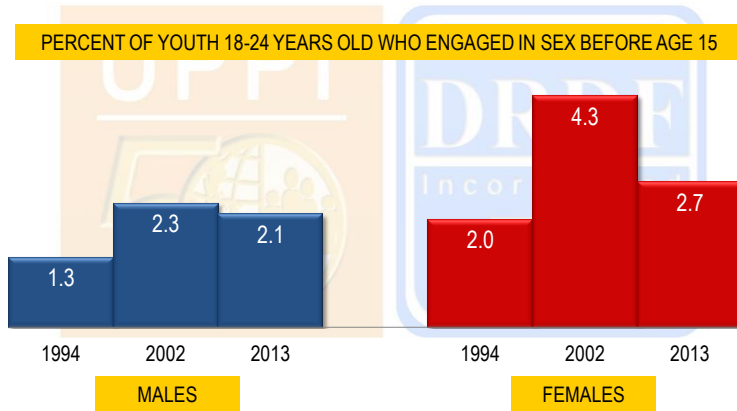
**Slight rise in the mean age at sexual debut for both sexes during the past decade**



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**...but proportion who have engaged in sex before age 15 declined particularly for females**

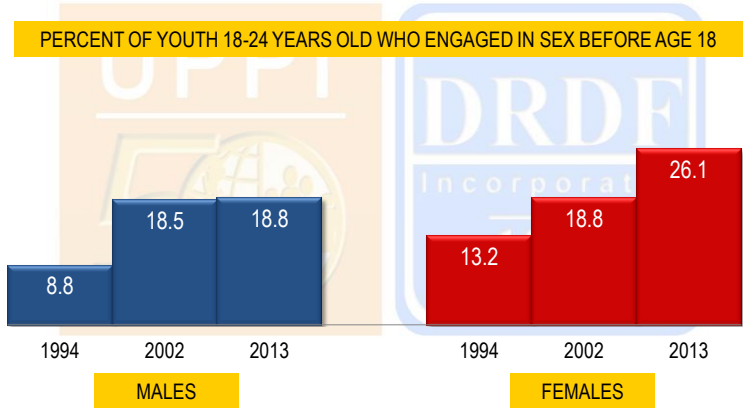


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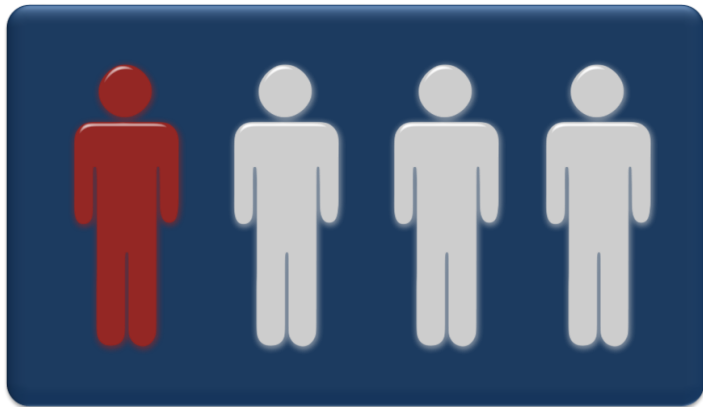
**Increasing proportion of youth who have engaged in sex before age 18 particularly for females**



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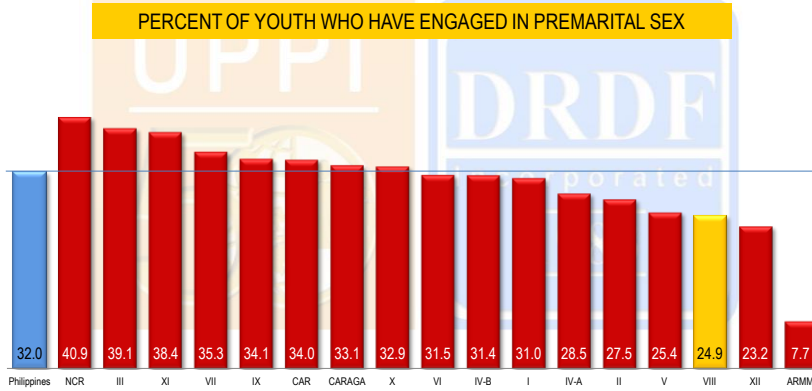
**1 in 4 Region VIII youth has engaged in premarital sex**



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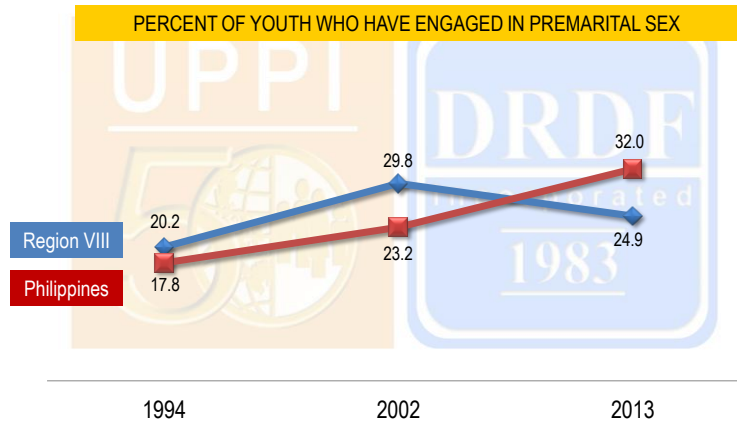
**Region VIII has the 3<sup>rd</sup> lowest proportion of youth who have engaged in premarital sex**



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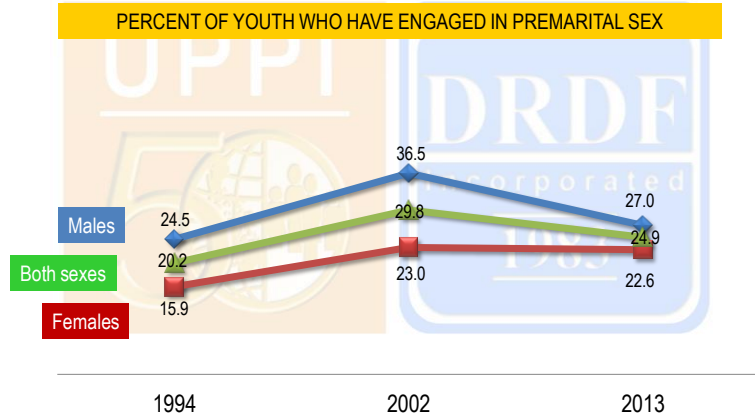
**Decline in the prevalence of premarital sex among Region VIII youth**



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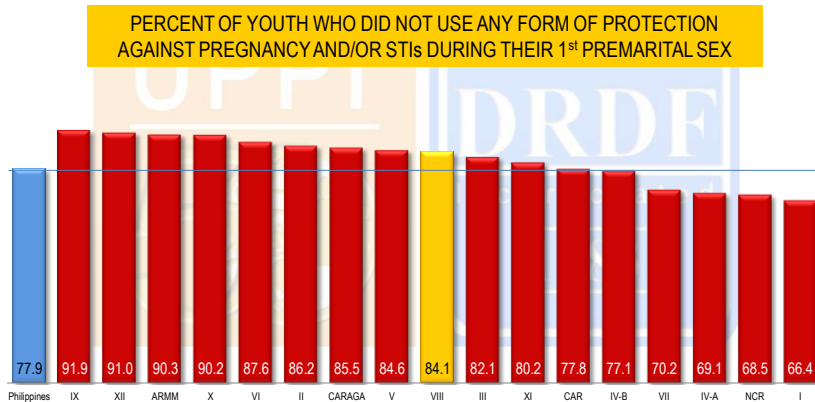
## Narrowing gap between male and female youth's premarital sex activity



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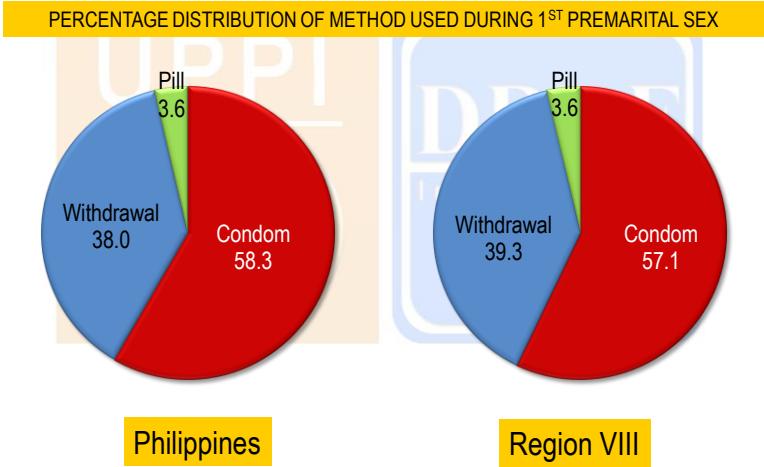
## More than 4 in 5 of Region VIII youth's 1<sup>st</sup> premarital sex were unprotected against pregnancy and/or STIs



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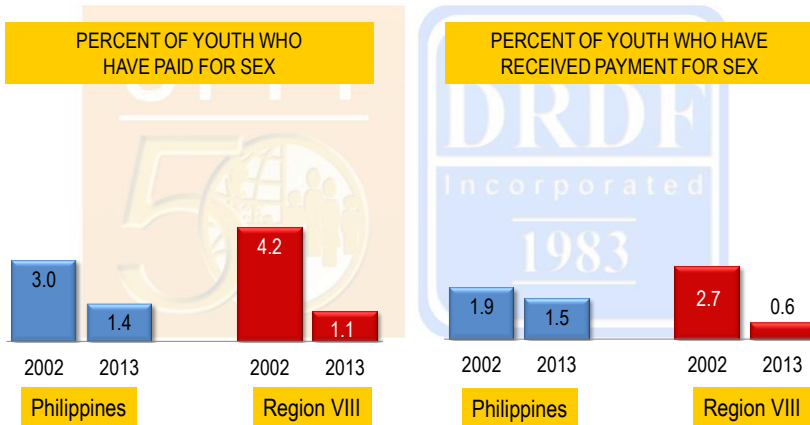
## Condom use during 1<sup>st</sup> PMS is less popular among Region VIII youth



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## Decline in the proportions of Region VIII youth who have paid and have been paid for sex



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## Region VIII youth have also engaged in other risky sexual activities

- 4.4% have engaged in casual sex (Philippines: 5%)
- 1.8% have FUBU experience (Philippines: 4%)
- 3.6% of male youth have MSM experience (Philippines: 5%)
- 0.3% 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

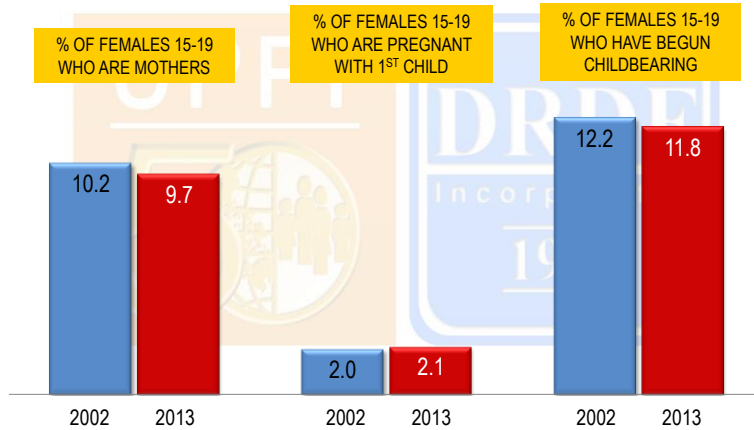
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**# Batangina**  
TEENAGE FERTILITY

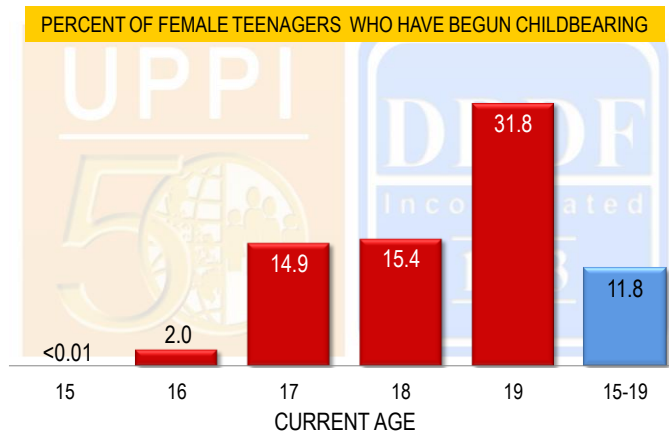
## Slight decline in teenage fertility in the past decade



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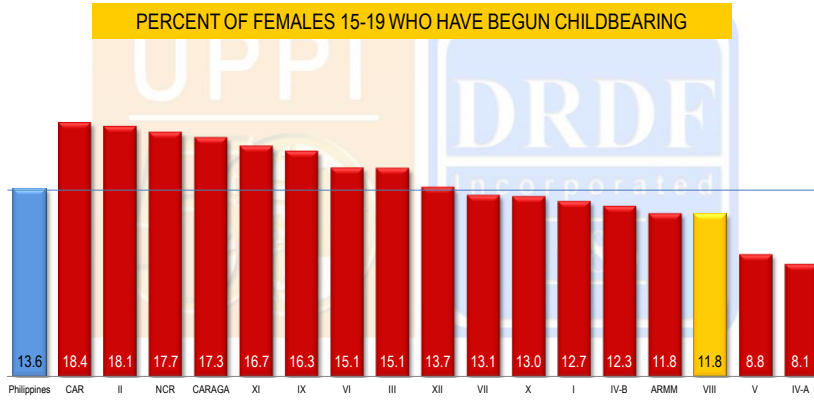
## The proportion of teenage females in Region VIII who have begun childbearing increases with age



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## Teenage fertility in Region VIII is the 3<sup>rd</sup> lowest in the country



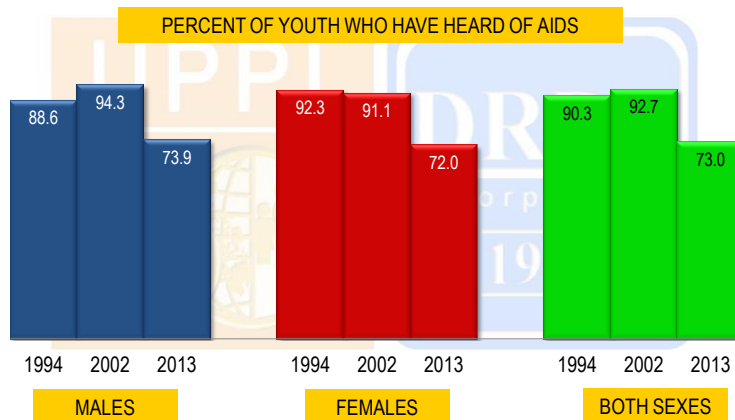
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KNOWLEDGE OF HIVs/STDs

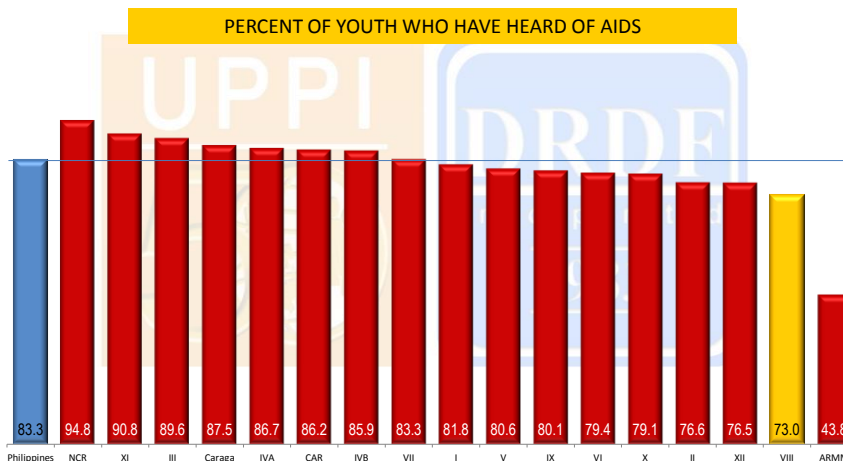
## Awareness of AIDS among Region VIII youth has sharply decreased



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## Level of AIDS awareness among the youth is 2<sup>nd</sup> lowest in Region VIII

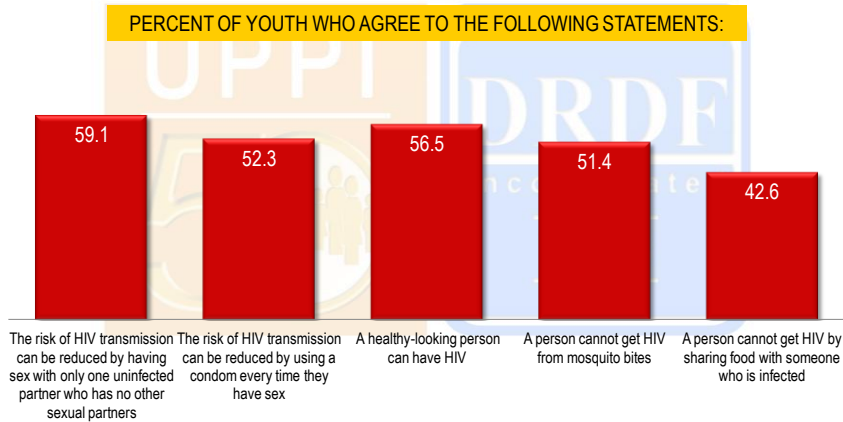


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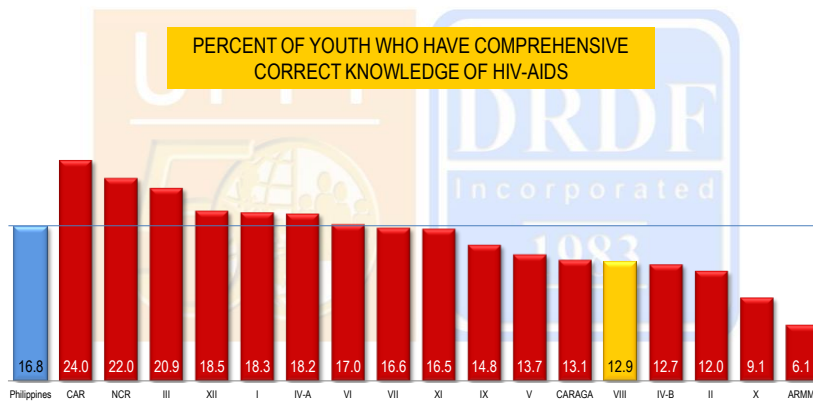
## Moderate level of knowledge regarding HIV transmission prevention methods



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## Only 13 in 100 youth have comprehensive and correct knowledge of HIV-AIDS

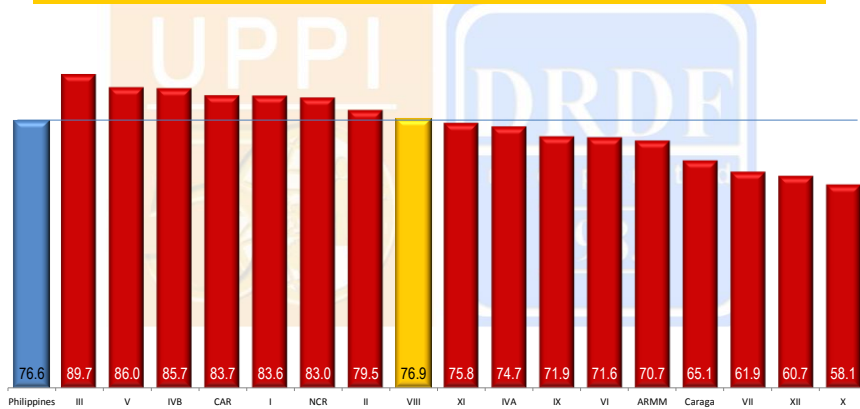


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**Proportion of Region VIII youth who feel invincible to AIDS is at par with the national level**

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

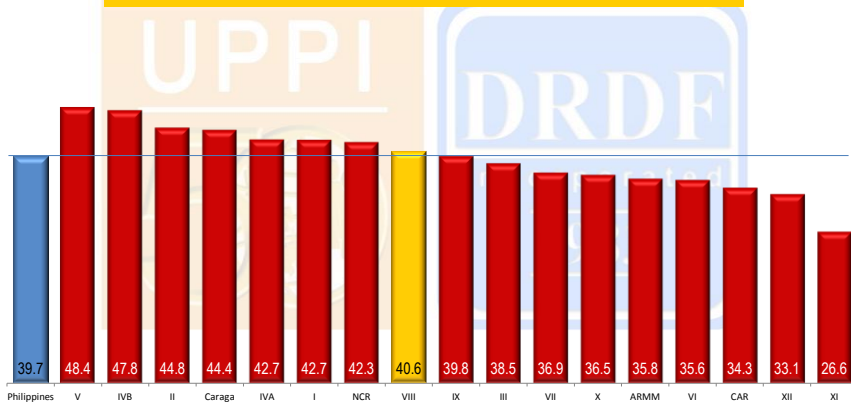


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**2 in 5 Region VIII youth erroneously believe that AIDS is curable**

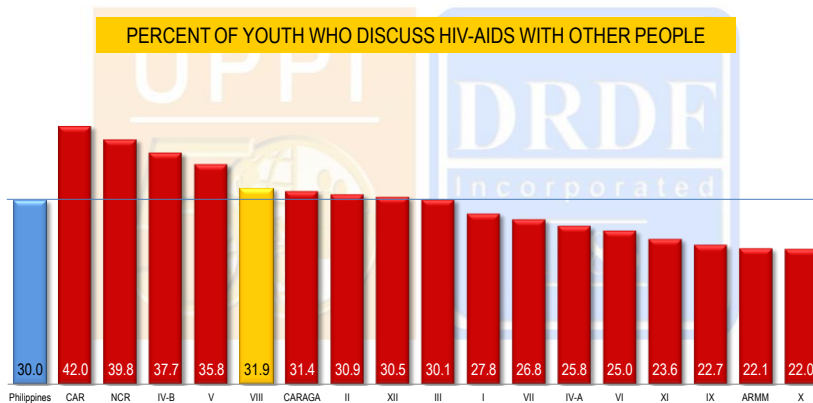
PERCENT OF YOUTH WHO THINK AIDS IS CURABLE



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



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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)
- These new technologies have given rise to new forms of sexual activity and new means of meeting sexual partners that could increase the risk of adverse consequences, especially under a context of low prevalence in the use of protection

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- The prevalence of sexual activity in various forms may indicate new normative standards regarding sex
  - Norms around marriage may also be changing as indicated by a higher proportion of the living-in than the formally married not only in Region VIII but in the rest of the country as well
  - However, relatively low prevalence of accessing sexually explicit media and decline in premarital sexual activity among the youth are likely contributors to a decreased teenage fertility in the region

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## SUMMARY & CONCLUSIONS

- Awareness of AIDS is still high but the level has sharply declined in the past decade
- Poor knowledge of HIV-AIDS as misconceptions about HIV transmission are still common among the youth
  - Region VIII has the 2<sup>nd</sup> lowest proportion of youth who have heard of AIDS and the 5<sup>th</sup> lowest proportion of youth who have comprehensive correct knowledge of HIV-AIDS

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Of the estimated 824,485 youth in Region VIII in 2013,

- More than 205,000 youth have engaged in premarital sex
  - Of these, nearly 173,000 did not use any form of protection during their 1<sup>st</sup> premarital sex
- Around 9,000 have paid for sex; Around 5,000 have been paid for sex
- Around 36,000 youth have casual sex experience
- Around 15,000 youth have FUBU experience

Of the 437,488 male youth, around 16,000 have MSM experience

Of the 223,417 females age 15-19, more than 26,000 have begun childbearing

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