

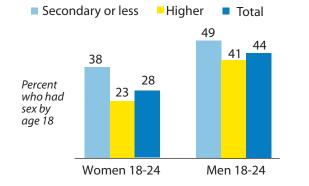
Key Findings on Youth from the 2007 Ukraine Demographic and Health Survey (2007 UDHS)

The 2007 Ukraine Demographic and Health Survey provides up-to-date information on the population and health situation in Ukraine. The 2007 UDHS is the first national demographic and health survey conducted here. The UDHS includes information on fertility and family planning, maternal and child health, HIV knowledge, women's status, spousal violence, and other adult health issues, such as tuberculosis and hypertension.

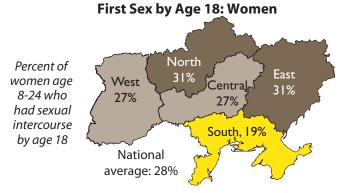
The survey is based on a nationally representative sample. It provides estimates for the rural and urban areas of the country and for each of the 5 regions. 6,841 women and 3,178 men age 15-49 were interviewed for the UDHS.

Findings on Youth

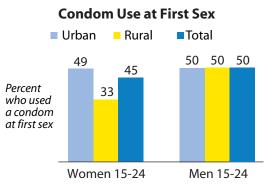




Overall, 28 percent of young women and 44 percent of young men age 18-24 had had sex by age 18. Youth with more education wait longer to initiate sexual activity—only 23 percent of women with higher education had had sex by age 18 compared to 38 percent of those with secondary education or less.

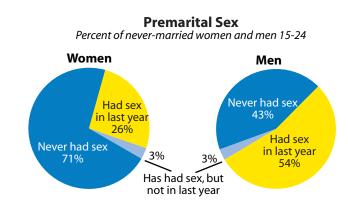


Almost one-third of young women in North and East Regions had had sex by age 18 compared to only 19 percent in South Region. For men, first sex by age 18 ranges from 34 percent in West Region to 58 percent in Central Region.



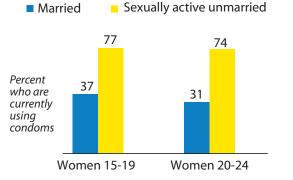
Almost half of young people used a condom at first sex. Among women, condom use is more common in urban areas, while young men in rural areas are just as likely to use a condom as those in urban areas.

More than 96 percent of youth know a condom source.



One-quarter of unmarried young women and more than half of unmarried young men had sexual intercourse in the 12 months before the survey.

Current Use of Condoms as Contraceptive Method

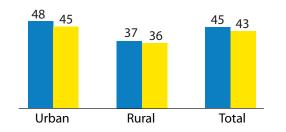


Many young women report that they are using condoms as their contraceptive method. Condom use is most common among sexually active unmarried women.

Comprehensive Knowledge about HIV/AIDS

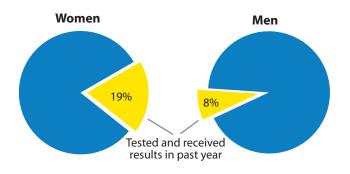
Women 15-24 Men 15-24

Percent of youth who: know that consistent use of condom and having just one uninfected partner can reduce the chance of getting HIV/AIDS; know a healthy-looking person can have the AIDS virus ; reject the 2 most common local misconceptions about AIDS transmission



Slightly less than half of youth have comprehensive knowledge about HIV/AIDS. Youth in rural areas are less likely to be knowledgeable about HIV/AIDS than youth in urban areas.

> **HIV Testing** Percent of youth 15-24 who were tested for HIV and received results in the 12 months before the survey



19 percent of young women and only 8 percent of young men were tested for HIV and received the results in the 12 months before the survey.

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