

Key Data for Understanding the Sexual and Reproductive Health of Opportunity Youth

Opportunity youth are young people ages 16 to 24 who are not working nor enrolled in school. They are a diverse group who come from different backgrounds, races/ethnicities, and communities and who have varying strengths, resources, and needs. This infographic highlights key findings from Activate's analysis of the sexual and reproductive health (SRH) of opportunity youth using the National Survey of Family Growth. Learn more through Activate's research brief, "Understanding the Sexual and Reproductive Health of Opportunity Youth."

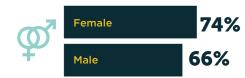
Sexual and Reproductive Health Outcomes

Much like their connected peers (who are in school and/or working), most opportunity youth are sexually active.

Were sexually active in the past year



Had an opposite sex partner



Had a same sex partner



Most opportunity youth use effective contraception and the majority of female opportunity youth access sexual and reproductive health care services.





Female opportunity youth who accessed SRH services in the past year



Female opportunity youth are more than twice as likely as their connected peers to have experienced a pregnancy and to have a child.

Opportunity youth Connected peers 20%

Ever been pregnant

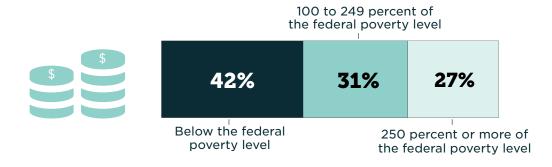
Have a child*

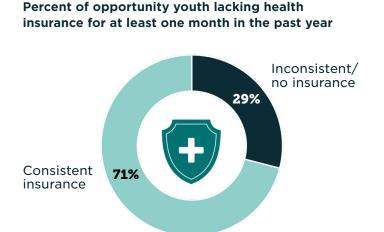




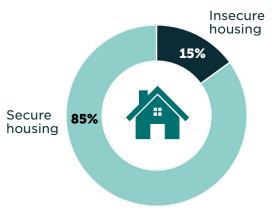
Opportunity youth have access to, and may need, different types of supports.

Percent of opportunity youth by household income





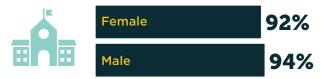
Percent of opportunity youth who had insecure housing in the past year*



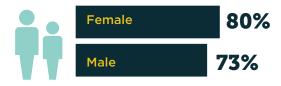
*Lacked a permanent place to stay at least one night in the past year

Most opportunity youth have received information about sexual and reproductive health through both formal education (school or community-based) and informal conversations.*

Received formal sex education in school or a community setting



Have talked to their parents about SRH



*Topics may have included condom use, where to get birth control, HIV/AIDS, and/or STIs. We do not know the timing or quality of the information.

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