

UNDERAGE PORN CONSUMPTION & SEXUAL VIOLENCE AMONG ADOLESCENTS



"The following themes emerged from interviews with 23 youth: (1) Youth primarily reported watching pornography that featured one-on-one sexual intercourse but also reported having seen extreme pornography; (2) youth reported watching pornography on home computers or smartphones, and that pornography was frequently watched in school; (3) youth reported watching for entertainment, for sexual stimulation, instructional purposes, and to alleviate boredom; many copied what they saw in pornography during their own sexual encounters; (4) pressure to make or to imitate pornography was an element of some unhealthy dating relationships; and (5) parents were generally described as unsupportive of youth's use of pornography but underequipped to discuss it."



“A lot of parents worry that talking to their children about this content is going to introduce them to the concept. Wouldn't you rather be the one to introduce them to this and tell them that it is not okay for them, and that you do not agree with it, and that they are not allowed to see it, as opposed to having their cousins, or their friends, or their older brother's or sister's friends introduce them to this without your knowledge?”

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