

Sexual Health Snapshot

DORCHESTER COUNTY TEENS

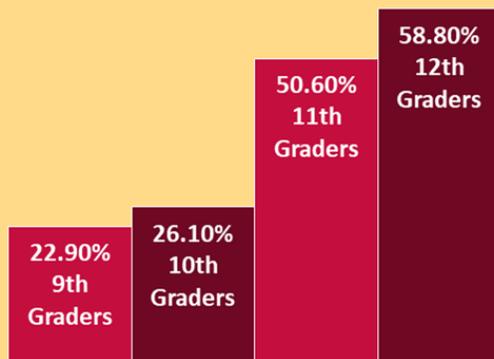


50% of all new sexually transmitted infections (STIs) in the U.S. each year are in teens and young adults¹

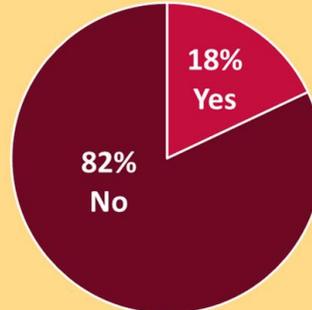
57 cases of chlamydia
15 cases of gonorrhea
in Dorchester County teens²

Most STIs have no symptoms and without treatment can cause serious health problems

Dorchester County high school students who reported ever having sex³



Having an STI increases the risk of getting HIV



Dorchester County high school students who reported drinking alcohol or using drugs the last time they had sex³

Alcohol and drug use may impair decision-making about having sex, condom use and consent

48% of Dorchester County high school students reported using a condom the last time they had sex³

33 births to Dorchester County teens⁴

Talk to your doctor or county health department about STI testing and treatment

Teens: ages 15-19; Young Adults: ages 20-24

Data sources:

1. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 2018
2. Maryland Department of Health, Center for STI Prevention, 2018
3. Maryland Department of Health, Youth Risk Behavior Survey, 2018
4. Maryland Department of Health, Vital Statistics Administration, 2018

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