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## Zoom In, Zoom Out:

 FILIPINO YOUTH IN FOCUSNational Dissemination Forum for the 2021 Young Adult Fertility and Sexuality Study (YAFS5)

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## Getting to know the Kabataang Pinoy:

## The YAFS5

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## Why study the Kabataang Pinoy?

- Youth is the period of transition from childhood to adulthood
- "Dense" period, overlapping transitions such as leaving school, getting a job, first serious relationship, first marital union, first pregnancy and so forth that could have lasting effects in later life
- Important to examine their status to help identify key areas to ensure better health and well-being which in turn can contribute to their families, communities and the country in the long run


## Age-sex structure of the Philippine population, 2020



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## The Filipino youth

## 20.2 million <br> Population age <br> 15-24 in 2021*

* From Official Population projections based on the 2015 POPCEN


## 9.8 million

## 10.3 million

male youth

## ABOUT YAFS

YAFS is the largest series of cross-sectional surveys in the Philippines on the 15 to 24 age group
(1982, 1994, 2002, 2013)
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## RESEARCH DESIGN

YAFS5 employed a two-stage sampling design:

- $1^{\text {st }}$ stage: randomly selected 974 sample barangays;
- $2^{\text {nd }}$ stage: field team randomly chose a target of 15 households in every sample barangay




## Survey materials include:

- Lenovo Tablets
- HH Questionnaire
- Individual Questionnaire
- Consent Form
- YAFS5 Field Manual
- Flashcards
- Identification cards, YAFS5 t-shirts, umbrella
- PPEs (face masks, face shield, alcohol)
- Letters to the Mayors and to the Brgy. Captains
- Endorsement letters from DOH and DILG

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## YAFS5 can produce relevant indicators in the SDGs



The COVID-19
Situation

In the Philippines, from 3 January 2020 to 5:01pm CEST, 12 October 2022, there have been $\mathbf{3 , 9 7 1 , 4 4 5}$ confirmed cases of COVID-19 with 63,329 deaths, reported to WHO. As of 21 September 2022, a total of $164,981,870$ vaccine doses have been administered.

Philippines Situation

## 3,971,455

confirmed cases
Survey data collection:
Aug 2021- Jan 2022


Source: https://covid19.who.int/region/wpro/country/ph; 13 October 2022
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Change, Continuity, and Context:
The Young Adult Fertility and Sexuality Study in the Philippines


## Outline of the presentations

Part 1

- Ang awit ng Kabataan: The sociodemographic characteristics of the Filipino youth
- The struggle is real, but life goes on: School, work, and life in lockdown
- Quick repairs to cope: Mental health and non-sexual risk behaviors

Part 2

- 34+35: Sexual behavior
- Balita ko'y may anak ka na: Fertility and maternal health
- We're safe and sound: Family planning and reproductive health


## Ang awit ng Kabataan:

The Sociodemographic
Characteristics of the Filipino Youth

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## Quick repairs to cope

Mental health and non-sexual risk behaviors

YAFS5 Research Associate


## Depressive symptoms



Percent of youth who, in the past week, "often" felt the depressive symptoms from the Center for Epidemiological Studies - Depression (CES-D) Scale: 2013 and 2021

## Suicide ideation

have ever thought of committing suicide, a third of whom experienced suicide ideation more than once.

- higher among female youth
- 2013-2021 increase reverses the gains from 2002 to 2013



## Suicide attempt

## 7\%

have ever thought of committing suicide, a third of whom
experienced suicide attempt more than once.

- $44 \%$ of those who had suicidal ideation acted on this thought
- higher among female youth


# Percent of youth who have ever thought of committing suicide 



## Timing of first suicide attempt

Percent of youth who experienced their first suicide attempt, by number of years before the YAFS surveys
-2002 YAFS - 2013 YAFS - 2021 YAFS

## Pandemic times

Incidence of first suicide attempts have been increasing than usual even before the pandemic.


## Common reasons for suicide attempt



## Help-seeking behavior

Only $11 \%$ of all youth know of any suicide prevention program or service.

62\% did not reach out to anyone about their ideations.


## Engagement in vices



- The average age started smoking is 16 years.
- More than a quarter first tried smoking before turning 15 years.
- Current smokers finish an average of 5 sticks every day



## Vaping

- $16 \%$ ever tried vaping
- $3 \%$ are current vapers
- Vaping is more common among youth who are:
- older (20-24) (3.3\%)
- Male youth (4.5\%)



## Cigarette smoking and vaping

Among those who have ever tried smoking...
$46 \%$ ever tried vaping


7\% are currently vaping

## Trend in drinking



## Patterns of drinking

$61 \%$ of current drinkers often drink hard liquors; 44\% often drink beers

Youth in Central Visayas has the highest level of youth drinkers (48\%); in contrast, very few youth in BARMM (2\%) are current drinkers


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Drug use among youth declined from $2.4 \%$ in 2002 to almost nil ( $0.1 \%$ ) in 2021.

## Quitting vices

Among those currently engaged in vices...
$75 \%$ want to
stop smoking
$48 \%$ want to stop vaping

$54 \%$ want to
stop drinking

$79 \%$ want to stop using drugs

## Experience of violence

## Physical violence



## Physical violence

Physical violence is experienced by more male and older youth than their counterparts, regardless as a perpetrator or the victim.

## Cyber harassment

Percent of youth who have been cyber
harassed: 2013 and 2021
Percent of youth who have cyber harassed someone: 2013 and 2021


## 34+35 <br> Sexual Behavior

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## Sexual experience



Among youth with sexual experience, 87\% of male youth and $67 \%$ of female youth's sexual initiation happened prior to marriage. sexual experience

## Premarital sex



Percentage of youth aged 15-24 with premarital sex experience

## Sexual initiation before age 18



Median age at first sex
Male youth: 18 years
Female youth: 18 years

## Wantedness of premarital sexual initiation



Percent distribution of the wantedness of the 1st premarital sex of youth aged 15-24

## Use of protection during sexual initiation




Percentage of youth aged 15-24 who used any form of protection during 1st premarital sex

## Multiple sexual partnership




Percentage of youth aged 15-24 who have engaged with multiple sexual partners

## Transactional sex



Percentage of youth aged 15-24 who have engaged in transactional sex

## Potentially high-risk sexual activities



Males who have sex with males (MSM)


Percentage of youth aged 15-24 who engaged in potentially high-risk sexual activities

## Condom use during high-risk sexual activities

Percentage of male youth aged 15-24 who used male condom...


## Sexual coercion

SDG 16.1.3

Proportion of population subjected to sexual violence in the previous 12 months

## Sexual coercion

Percentage of youth aged 18-24 who experienced coercive sex by age 18

## SDG 16.2.3

Proportion of young women and men aged
18-29 years who
experienced sexual
violence by age 18


## Sex \& ICT

## Exposure to pornographic or sexually explicit content in media

Percentage of youth aged 15-24 who have been exposed
to pornographic or sexually explicit content

- Male youth
-Female youth

32


Intentional


Incidental

Intentional exposurein the last three months prior to the survey three months prior to the survey


## Use of ICTs for sex-related activities



Percentage of youth aged 15-24 who have engaged in ICT-mediated sexual activities

## Sources of information about sex



## Material sources of information about sex



Percentage of youth aged 15-24's material sources of information about sex

## Persons male youth will most likely consult for questions about sex



Percentage of male youth's top five persons to consult for questions about sex

## Persons female youth will most likely consult for questions about sex



## Discussion of sex at home



Percentage of youth aged 15-24 who ever discussed sex at home

## Discussion of sex at home

Western Visayas (20\%)
National Capital Region (20\%) CALABARZON (18\%)

Davao (5\%)
Caraga (5\%)
Central Luzon (6\%)


## Balita ko'y may anak ka na:

Fertility \& Maternal Health

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## Experience of childbearing


$19 \%$ have begun childbearing
$17 \%$ already had a live birth
$3 \%$ currently pregnant
2\% pregnant with their first child


## Teenage fertility

Percentage of female youth aged 15-19 who have begun childbearing: 2002-2021



## Male Teen Fertility



Percentage of male youth aged 15-19 who


## Fertility preferences



## Unintended pregnancies



Percent distribution of wantedness of pregnancies, by birth order

has done something
to terminate any of her pregnancies early

never-married females
(10.7\%)
formally married
(2.1\%)

12


2013
2021

Percent of ever-pregnant females who did something to end pregnancy early

## Induced abortion



Percent of youth who express specific beliefs and attitudes about abortion


MATERNAL HEALTH

## Antenatal Care

- Nine out of ten pregnancies resulting in live birth received antenatal care (ANC)
- $61 \%$ of ANC visits happened in the first trimester of pregnancy, representing a $10 \%$ increase from 2013.
- $73 \%$ had at least four ANC visits.


## Pregnancy Complications

One in 10
live births had complications during pregnancy that require treatment.


## Childbirth

Major birth delivery indicators (last birth): 2013 and 2021


## Healthcare challenges

Four in $\mathbf{1 0}$ female youth who had a live birth encountered at least one challenge in accessing prenatal or postnatal health care services. The


Human resource-related
(6\%)

## We're safe and sound

## Family Planning \& Reproductive Health

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## Family Planning



## Current contraceptive user

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## Trend in current contraceptive use of currently married youth




## Reasons for non-use of FP methods

The most cited reasons:


## Access to male condoms

One-third of the youth could get male condoms if they wanted to.


## 46\%

male youth could get male condoms if they wanted to
 $22 \%$
female youth
could get male
condoms if they
wanted to

## Sources of male condoms



Other sources, 3
Percent of youth who said they can buy or ask for a male condom from various sources

## Emergency contraceptive (EC) pills

Awareness of EC pills is low.
$17 \%$ males and $20 \%$ females


If $E C$ pills were made available, $31 \%$ of males and $24 \%$ of females would consider using or let partner use these pills.

## Beliefs and attitudes towards contraceptives and condoms

## 60\%

agreed that government health centers should provide contraceptive services to minors

## 67\%

agreed that government health centers should provide contraceptive services to minors
if there is parental consent

## Reproductive <br> Health



## Age at circumcision and at menarche



## Reproductive health problems




Consulted a medical professional 28


Did not consult a medical professional, 73

## Top RH problems


$31 \%$ males changes in the color of their urine.

Other top RH problems reported by males:

- Pain during urination (23\%)
- itching in genital area (13\%)
- Abnormal breast mass or enlargement (5\%)

Other top RH problems reported by females:

- Changes in the color of the urine (28\%)
- Pain during urination (25\%)
- Irregular menstrual period (25\%)


## Awareness about Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs)



## Trends in awareness of HIV and/or AIDS

Percent of youth who are aware of HIV and/or AIDS: 1994-2021


ㄴMale $\quad$ 다Female

Awareness of HIV and/or AIDS

| Youth who have heard |
| :---: |
| about HIV and/or AIDS: |
| Highest in Central |
| Visayas |
| (87\%) |
| Lowest in BARMM |
| (39\%) |

## Knowledge of HIV and/or AIDS



Percent of youth with incorrect knowledge of HIV and/or AIDS prevention and transmission, Philippines 2021

## Knowledge of HIV and/or AIDS

■2013
2021


Percent of youth with comprehensive knowledge of HIV and/or AIDS prevention and transmission, by sex: Philippines 2021



