

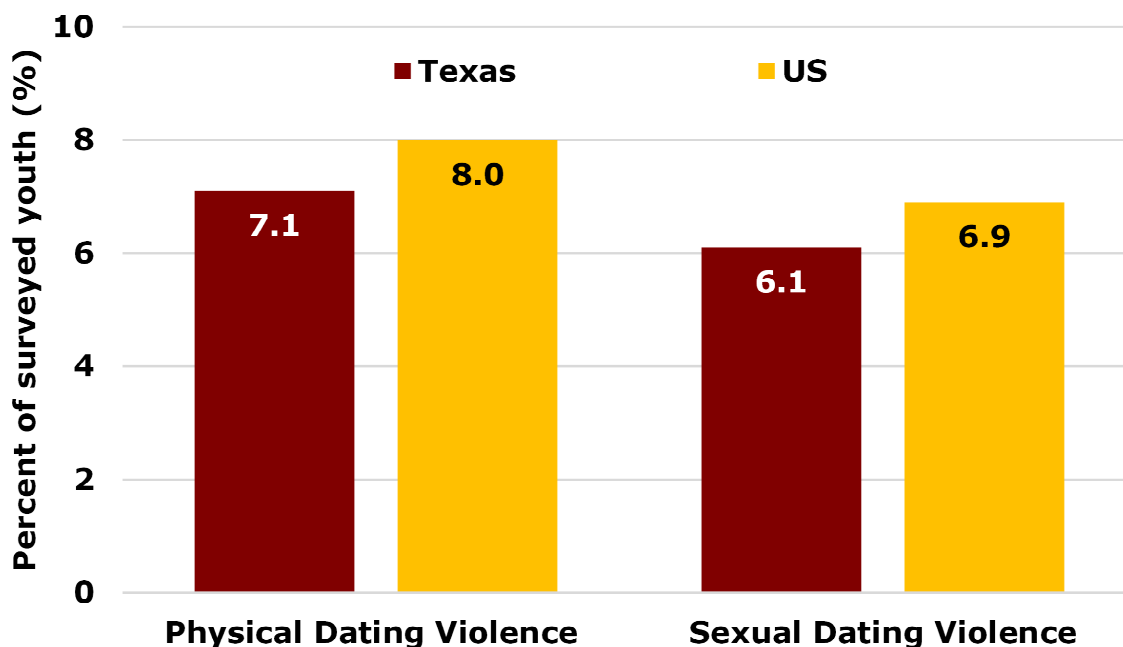
TARRANT COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DATA BRIEF



TEEN DATING VIOLENCE

Teen Dating Violence (TDV)– unhealthy actions or threats that occur in a teenage dating relationship with a current or previous partner. It is a type of intimate partner violence and can occur in-person or electronically.

Teen dating violence reported in the Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) by type of violence and geographical location, 2017



Types of TDV

- Digital- using technology to track, bully, or control a partner
- Financial- controlling or abusing a partner's money or job
- Physical- using physical force to harm a partner on purpose
- Psychological Aggression- verbal and non-verbal communication that harms a partner's mental and emotional health
- Sexual- forcing sex and related acts (kissing, sexting, touching, etc.) without a partner's consent
- Stalking- undesired contact or attention causing a partner to experience fear, anxiety, and feeling unsafe

44,246 Tarrant County students attended violence prevention classes from SafeHaven of Tarrant County in 2017

Among high school students in 2017:

- A significantly higher percentage of female students reported **sexual dating violence** compared to male students in both the United States (**10.7%** female and **2.8%** male) and Texas (**8.8%** female and **3.1%** male)
- A significantly higher percentage of female students (**9.1%**) reported **physical dating violence** compared to male students (**6.5%**) in the United States; however, in Texas these differences were not significant (**7.6%** female and **6.1%** male)

All significant differences detected at the 95% confidence level

Teen Dating Violence increases the risk of:

The infographic consists of seven icons arranged in a circular pattern, each with a corresponding text label. Starting from the top and moving clockwise: a bottle and glass icon for 'Substance Use'; a tombstone with 'RIP' for 'Thinking about Suicide'; a scale for 'Eating Disorders'; a smartphone for 'Antisocial Behavior'; a head with a lightning bolt and rain for 'Depression and Anxiety'; a broken heart for 'Domestic Violence in Adulthood'; and a couple icon for 'Risky Sexual Behaviors'.

Education and Prevention

- Break the Cycle [breakthecycle.org]
- Green Dot [alteristic.org]
- loveisrespect [loveisrespect.org]
- One Love [joinonelove.org]
- That's Not Cool [thatsnotcool.com]

Smartphone applications:

- *Aspire News*[†]
- *Circle of 6*[†]
- *LiveSafe*[†]
- *myPlan*[†]
- *Respect Effect*[‡]

Resources and Support

- SafeHaven* of Tarrant County:
Call **1-877-701-7233**
[safehaventc.org]
- loveisrespect* National Teen Dating Abuse Hotline:
Call **1-866-331-9474**
or Text 'loveis' to **22522**
[loveisrespect.org]
- National Domestic Violence Hotline:
Call **1-800-799-7233**
[thehotline.org]

[†]Recommended by Youth Tech Health; [‡]Recommended by That's Not Cool; All smartphone applications are free of charge
Data sources: CDC, loveisrespect, Youth Tech Health
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