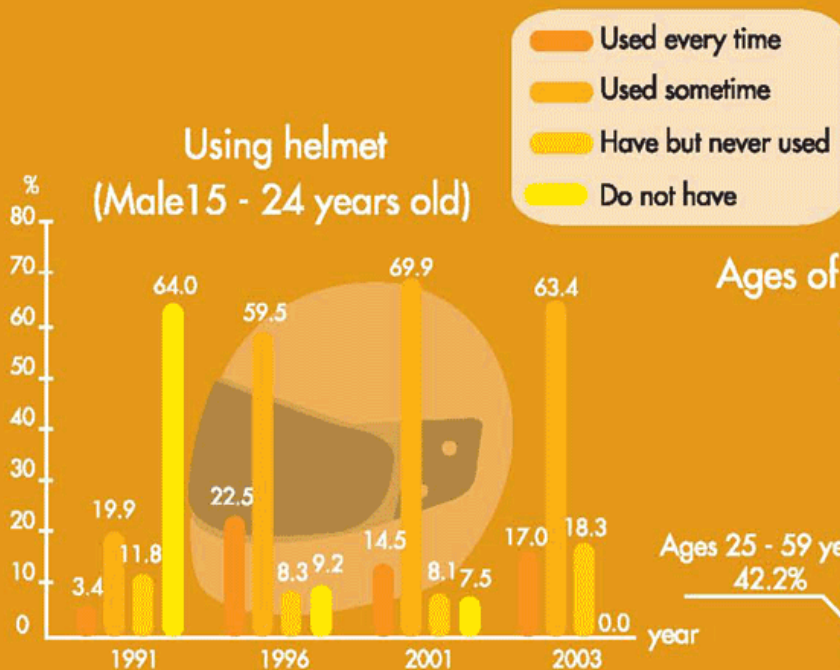


Half of all deaths among teenagers are caused by HIV/AIDS and road accidents

# Teenagers

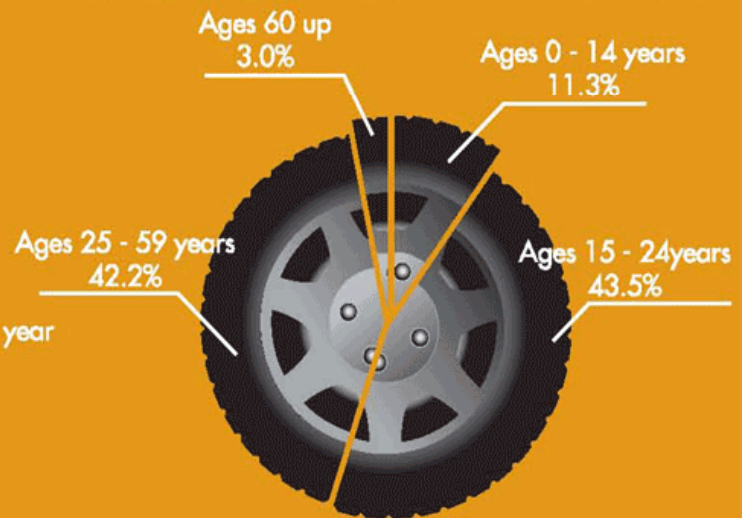
Drink driving, not wearing seatbelts, and not wearing motorbike helmets are still important causes of traffic injuries among teenagers

For many years, holidays such as the New Year have implied sights such as dangerous driving and drunk teenagers on motorbikes. The number of teenage males who have never worn a seatbelt is increasing, and one in five teenage males does not use a motorbike helmet. The result is that teenagers have the highest rates of traffic accidents. Teenagers race each other on public roads, which frequently leads to deaths of innocent bystanders. High spirits, competition, alcohol, and lack of concentration all lead to death, injury, and disability among teenagers. Stricter enforcement of the road code may not, on its own, be enough to reduce these problems. Campaigns to change teenagers' attitudes and provide information also require urgent attention.



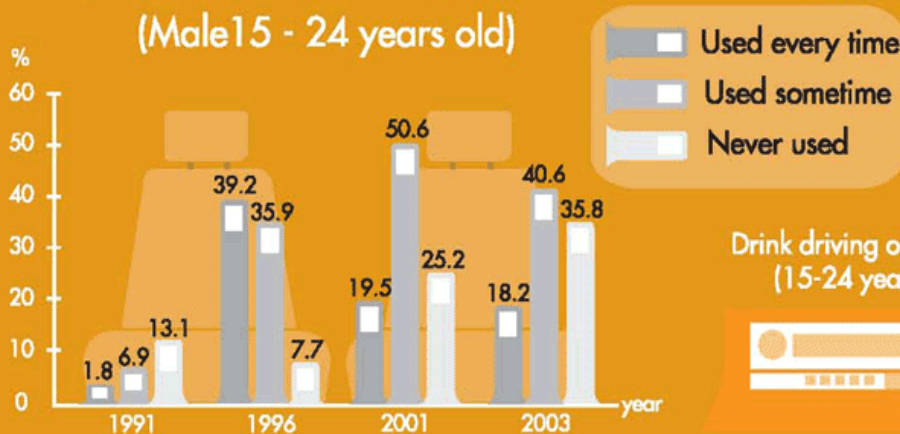
Source: Report of 2003 Health and Welfare Survey, 2003

## Ages of those with serious traffic accident



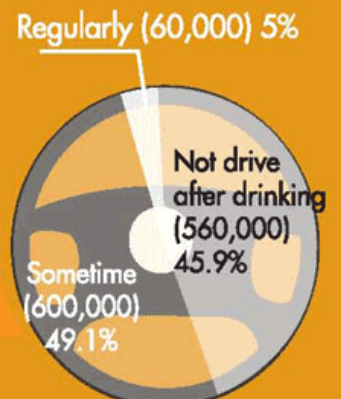
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\*Not able to take daily activities or required treatment

## Using seat belt while driving of teenagers (Male 15 - 24 years old)

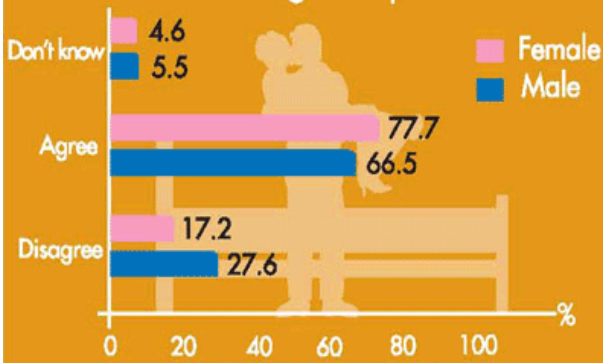


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## Drink driving of teenager (15-24 years old)



## Attitudes that men and women should not live together prior to marriage



Source: Chayovan et al., 2003

## Condom use rate of Grade 11 students



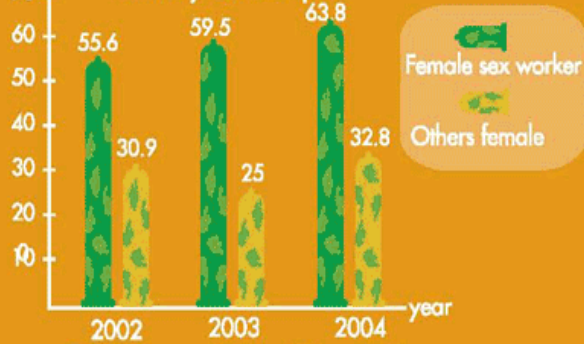
Source: Bureau of Epidemiology, 2004

## People with AIDS deaths aged 10-24 year (Estimated figures)



Source: The Working group on HIV/AIDS Projection, 2001

## Condom use rate among military conscripts



Source: Bureau of Epidemiology, 2004

## Sexual behaviors of students



Source: Chayovan et al., 2003

## Visit to commercial sex worker of men aged 20-24 years old

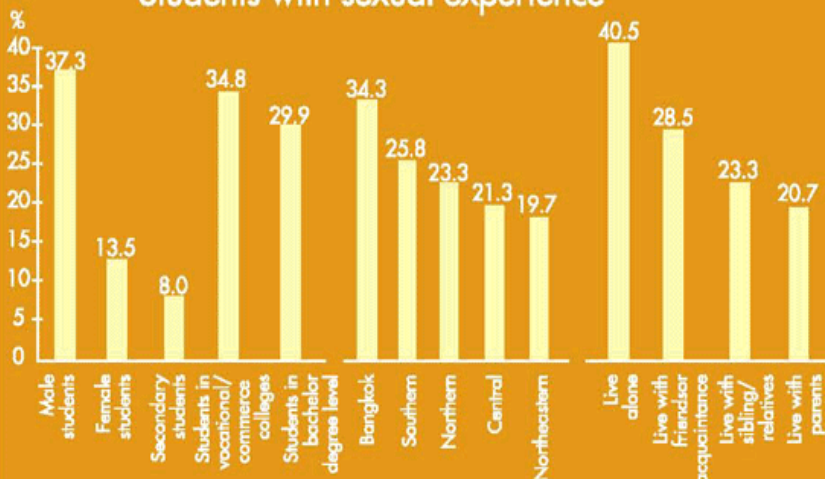


Although the number of AIDS deaths among teenagers is falling, it is important to ask how recent trends in teenagers' sexual behavior will affect AIDS deaths in the future

It needs to be recognized that teenagers now regard sex as normal. Conversations among teenagers are about who did what to whom, who is unfaithful, and who is going out with who. Only one in four teenage males buys sex.

But almost half of teenage males believe that it is acceptable for unmarried women to have sex, and over one in four believe that it is acceptable to live together before marriage. It is worrying that one in five males and females aged 15-19 use condoms, which is a very low rate. How can we be sure that AIDS will not spread among male and female teenagers?

## Students with sexual experience



Source: ABAC Poll, 2004