Almost 70 percent of 12th graders today report that they have had sexual intercourse. Less than half reported using condoms. A sexually active teenager who does not use contraception has a 90 percent chance of pregnancy within one year.
Source: American Academy of Pediatrics

A recent survey found that 85% of girls and 76% of boys experience sexual harassment during their school years. The harassment happens in the hallway (66%), in a classroom (50%), on the school grounds (43%), in the cafeteria (34%), on the school bus (26%), in the parking lot (23%), and in the locker room (13%).
Source: American Association of University Women's report, "Hostile Hallways"

In 1999, one-half of all high school students had been sexually active
Source: The Center for Disease Control and Prevention

In 1999, among currently sexually active students, 58% used a condom during their last sexual intercourse. The proportion of students using condoms decreased with grade level, from 67% of 9th grade students to 40% of those in 12th grade. Condoms are very effective at preventing transmission of STDs and HIV, but are less effective than some other contraceptive methods at preventing pregnancy.
Source: The Center for Disease Control and Prevention

Sexually active adolescents have an increased risk of HIV infection, other sexually transmitted diseases (STD's), and unintended pregnancy.
Source: The Center for Disease Control and Prevention

Sexually transmitted diseases (STD's) are the most commonly reported infectious diseases among sexually active adolescents.
Source: The Center for Disease Control and Prevention

Chlamydia, gonorrhea, and syphilis are the most common bacterial causes of STD's and are curable with antimicrobials.
Source: The Center for Disease Control and Prevention

Approximately 1 million teenagers become pregnant in the United States each year.
Source: American Academy of Pediatrics
Source: The Center for Disease Control and Prevention

Approximately 51% of all teenage pregnancies end in live births, 25% end in induced abortions, and 14% result in a miscarriage or stillbirth.
Source: American Academy of Pediatrics

Greater than 90% of 15- to 19- year olds describe their pregnancies as being unintended.
Source: American Academy of Pediatrics

Psychosocial problems implicated in adolescent pregnancy include school interruption, persistent poverty, limited vocational opportunities, separation form the child's father, divorce, and repeat pregnancy.
Source: American Academy of Pediatrics