

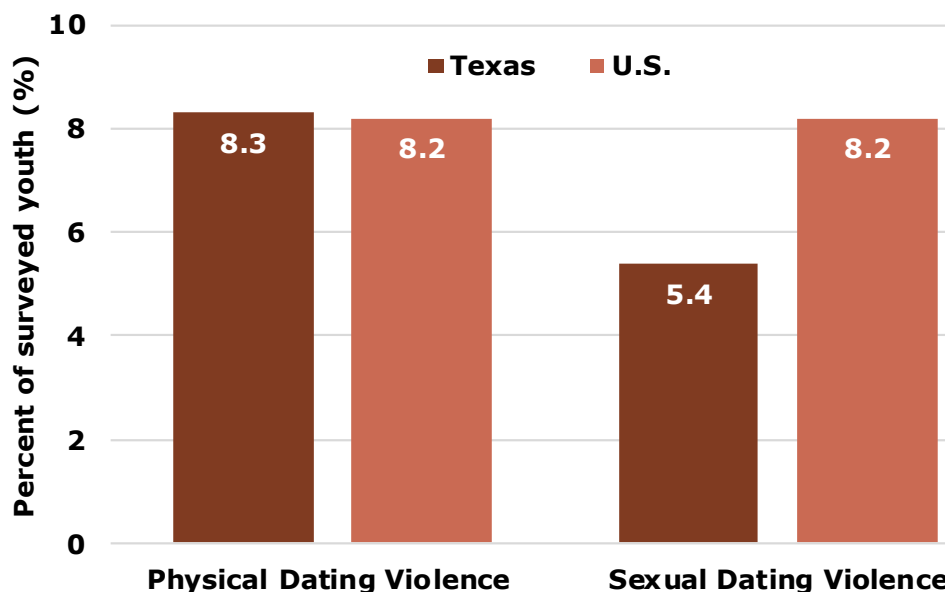


TEEN DATING VIOLENCE

Teen Dating Violence (TDV)

Unhealthy actions or threats that occur in a teenage dating relationship with a current or previous partner. TDV is a type of *intimate partner violence (IPV)* and can occur in several ways: 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. These forms of TDV can occur in-person and electronically. TDV happens in heterosexual and same-sex relationships and among all gender identities. TDV is considered an adverse childhood experience (ACE).

Teen dating violence reported by high school students in the Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) by type of violence and geographical location, 2019



A significantly higher percentage of female students reported sexual dating violence compared to male students in both the U.S. (12.6% female and 3.8% male) and Texas (8.2% female and 2.5% male)

TDV that Texas victims reported to the 'love is respect' hotline in 2019:



96%

Emotional or Verbal Abuse



46%

Physical Abuse



25%

Digital Abuse



24%

Economic or Financial Abuse



22%

Sexual Abuse

Teen Dating Violence increases the risk of:



Antisocial Behavior



Depression and Anxiety



Eating Disorders



Intimate Partner Violence in Adulthood

Risky Sexual Behaviors



Substance Use



Thinking about Suicide

From October 2021 - September 2022, 9,573 Tarrant County students attended violence prevention classes from SafeHaven of Tarrant County

Education and Prevention

- Break the Cycle [breakthecycle.org]
- Dating Matters [cdc.gov/violenceprevention/intimatepartnerviolence/datingmatters/index.html]
- Green Dot [alteristic.org/services/green-dot/]
- love is respect [loveisrespect.org]
- One Love [joinonelove.org]
- That's Not Cool [thatsnotcool.com]

Smartphone Applications:

- *Aspire News*[†]
- *myPlan*[†]
- *respect effect*[‡]
- *Tech Safety*[†]

Resources and Support

- love is respect* (Teen Dating Abuse Hotline)
Call 1-866-331-9474 TTY 1-800-787-3224
Text 'LOVEIS' to 22522
[\[loveisrespect.org\]](http://loveisrespect.org)
- SafeHaven of Tarrant County
Call 1-877-701-7233 (24/7 hotline)
[\[safehaventc.org\]](http://safehaventc.org)
- National Domestic Violence Hotline
Call 1-800-799-7233 TTY 1-800-787-3224
Text 'START' to 88788 [\[thehotline.org\]](http://thehotline.org)
- National Sexual Assault Hotline
Call 1-800-656-4673 [\[rainn.org\]](http://rainn.org)

[†]Recommended by Safety Net Project; [‡]Recommended by That's Not Cool; All smartphone applications are free
 Data sources: CDC, love is respect, SafeHaven of Tarrant County, Safety Net Project
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