THE PORN EPIDEMIC
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INTRODUCTION

“How Many Porn Addicts are in Your Church?”

“A. Could half of Christians men have a problem with porn, as so many of the statistics say? Porn is reported to be a 12 billion dollar industry in the U.S….50 percent of men viewed pornography within one week of attending a Promise Keepers stadium even…54 percent of pastors (http://www.crosswalk.com/church/pastors-or-leadership/) said they viewed porn within the past year in a Pastors.com survey…in a 2003 Focus on the Family (http://www.crosswalk.com/family/) poll 47 percent of respondents said porn is a problem in their home.”

“… 50 percent…half. My eyes glaze over at numbers like this. Are we supposed to buy into the idea that half of the men in the church are porn addicts? Maybe it’s just more sensational rhetoric meant to rouse us for battle against the culture.”

“Certainly half the men in my church couldn’t have a problem with porn. Most the men in our body of 600 are in their late 30’s to early 40s, married, and the father of little ones. They have successful careers making good money and are involved in ministry. I couldn’t picture so many of these men I sit next to every Sunday leering at porn.”

“Wanting to prove the numbers wrong, in the spring of 2004 I approached the leadership of our church and asked if we could survey the men on the topic of pornography. Our numbers will be different; ‘half’ can’t be true here, I thought. Of those who responded, 25 percent had looked at porn within the past 30 days, 44 percent within six months, and 61 percent within the year. The real statistic is probably higher; I heard later that a number of men didn’t fill out the survey ‘because they were afraid of how it would be used. – Mike Genung struggled with sex addiction for 20 years before God set Him free in 1999. He is the director of blazinggrace.org (http://www.blazinggrace.org/), a ministry to the sexually broken which also helps churches deal with the black plague of porn. You can email Mike at mike@blazinggrace.org (mailto:mike@blazinggrace.org).”
“B. Ted Roberts, a pastor who’s ministered to many caught in the bondage of sexual addiction recounts the following story *Pure Desire*:

“I was speaking in the Bible Belt not too long ago. When I asked the gracious pastor what he wanted me to share about during the weekend service, he said, ‘just tell them about the great work God is doing in your church.’”

“I said, ‘I would love to do that, but I will end up talking about real life – about the bondage, addiction and trauma that so many people are struggling with today. And I will challenge them to open up these areas of their lives to God so He can heal them and set them free.’

“The expression on his face changed a bit and he commented, ‘Well, I don’t think we have a lot of folks dealing with the depth of issues that you’re talking about. This isn’t just the Bible belt part of the country. We call it the *buckle* of the Bible Belt.’

“But that pastor gave me the green light, so I didn’t pull any punches. Then, at the end of the service, I gave an altar call for people struggling with sexual issues. No one moved at first. Then the dam broke, and they lined up three to four deep at the altar…”

“C. A few years ago a friend of mine told me of a small men’s retreat he attended in Idaho. When the men were challenged in the area of sexual purity, the biggest, toughest looking guy in the room stood up and said, ‘I’m struggling with porn and I know some of you guys are too, so stand up if you are and let’s deal with this!’”

“Half of the forty men in the room came to their feet.

“D. Accepting the fact that at least half of Christian men (pastors, music ministers, missionaries and those in children’s ministry included) have an issue with porn is a big pill to swallow. We want to see the church in a positive light; we don’t want to picture little Jenny’s daddy ‘relieving himself’ to pictures of naked women (or men, if his bent is with homosexuality). We
don’t want the problem to be this big, because the church is in serious trouble if it is.”

“E. The following excerpt is from an open letter Chuck Swindoll posted on his Insight for Living Website not long ago:

“The most recent studies available suggest that one out of every two people—that’s 50 percent of the people sitting in our pews, are looking at and/or could be addicted to Internet pornography…Truth be told, that statistic could be even higher…”

“Stop and imagine the ugly but very real possibility of some of your own elders and deacons leaving your meetings and going home to surf porn. Think about youth leaders viewing it one minute, and leading a small group with our kids thirty minutes later. It’s ruining marriages, destroying relationships, harming youth, and hurting the body of Christ. You hardly need to be reminded that fallen pastors and priests did not ‘suddenly’ fall. More often than not, pornography played a role in their downward spiral.”

“My friend, it’s time to do something about it. In fact, we need to start today. Making a difference required action…Our churches are in trouble. This is no time to simply wait and pray.”


“The Barna Group in the U.S. in 2014, 79% of men and 76% of women aged 18-30 say they viewed pornography at least once a month. In that same age group, 63% of men and 21% of women say they viewed pornography several times a week.”

(The Effects of Pornography – Taylor Counseling Group Article, site link not working 9.22.17, https://taylorcounselinggroup.com/the-effects-of-pornography/)

“Research in the United States has shown that 66% of men and 41% of women consume pornography on a monthly basis.³ An estimated 50% [Josh note: most stats show 30%] of all Internet traffic is related to sex.⁴
These percentages illustrate that pornography is no longer an issue of minority populations but a mass phenomenon that influences our society.”


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57% of pastors admit to struggling with porn. (http://puredesire.org/images/resources/pure-desire-promo.mp4)

30% of pastors report they have had an affair or a sexual encounter with a parishioner. (http://www.intothyword.org/apps/articles/?articleid=36562)

60% of Christian men and 40% of Christian women struggle with porn. (http://puredesire.org/images/resources/pure-desire-promo.mp4)

79% of men and 76% of women ages 18-30 view porn at least monthly. (https://taylorcounselinggroup.com/the-effects-of-pornography/)

70% of those addicted to porn have suicidal thoughts.

90% of children have seen porn. 43% of global internet users regularly view porn. (From just1clickaway)

56% of divorces report a spouse’s porn use as a primary factor (https://www.lifesitenews.com/news/porn-use-can-lead-to-divorce-study)

“Porn viewers have the opportunity to browse through as much new porn-‘new mates’ – as they wish, for as long as they wish. This provides a constant source of novelty.” (“The Nofap Experiment: A Voyage Through Porn Addiction, Support, and Recovery,” Project Know, September 30, 2013, http://www.projectknow.com/discover/taking-a-whack-at-porn-addiction/#.VcppB_IVhBc)

“70 percent of porn viewing occurs during normal business hours.”(5) (“Is It Bad To Watch Porn? – The Impact of Pornography Addiction”,

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“…around 1/3 lose their jobs as the result of their addiction.” (2) (“Is It Bad To Watch Porn? – The Impact of Pornography Addiction”, http://www.socialcostsofpornography.org, Accessed 4.27.17)
(2) http://www.frc.org/onepagers/the-effects-of-pornography-on-individuals-marriage-family-and-community)


“3,000 data points in evangelical churches. These are not self reported; these are clinical evaluations. We’ve discovered that 60-72% of men in the church are sex addicts. 50-58% of pastors are sex addicts. 24-30% of women are sex addicts.” (Dr. Ted Roberts as quoted April 5, 2016, Greensboro, NC.)

“…87 percent say that no one in their lives is helping them avoid pornography. And 54 percent of those couldn’t even think of anyone who could help them.” (The Porn Phenomenon Study, 2016, 112.)

“71 percent of teenagers ages thirteen through seventeen come across Internet porn without even looking for it.” (The Porn Phenomenon Study, 2016, 41.)

(“This 2014 ProvenMen Barna survey showed, tragically, that the number of Christian men involved with pornography mirrors the world. 77% of Cristian men between the ages of 18 and 30 say they look at pornography at least monthly.) 64% of Christian men between the ages of 31 and 49 say they view pornography at least monthly. 36% of 18-30 year-old Christian men say they view porn at least daily and at least 32% of that age group admit to being addicted. 18% of Christian men ages 31-49 admit to


“Pornography is a rampant problem in our society. Some studies suggest that 70 percent of men ages 18 to 24 visit pornography websites in a typical month. (http://www.sync- blog.com/sync/2010/06/internet-porn-stats-should-parents-be-concerned.html) Forty-seven percent of families in the United States say pornography is a problem in their home. (http://www.safefamilies.org/sfStats.php ) A survey conducted in 2008 found that nearly nine out of ten (87%) young men and nearly one third (31%) of young women report using pornography. (Generation XXX: Pornography Acceptance and Use Among Emerging Adults) The average age at which children first see online pornography is eleven. (www.healthymind.com/s-porn) Although statistics are not specifically available for the LDS population, it is estimated they are similar.” (“Safety Net – Resources to Protect Your Family from Pornography,” Healthy Sandy Partnership, www.healthysandy.org/fileadmin/downloads/healthy_sandy/Ecclesiastical_Packet.pdf)

“Dr. Jason Carroll and his colleagues published a widely cited paper in the Journal of Adolescent Research that brings to light the scope of this problem. According to this paper, which reviewed data from five universities, 87 percent of college males and 31 percent of females view pornography. This data crosses all religious, educational, and social
“Is this sound thinking? If our brains have evolved to drive us toward food and sex, shouldn't we be a bit more cautious about inundating ourselves with hyper-stimulating versions of them? Already, ‘about 17% of individuals who view porn on the Internet meet criteria for sexual compulsivity. That translates to a lot of people, given that about 12% of all the Internet traffic is porn and nearly 90% of the young male population (about 30% of the young female population) view pornography,’ says Professor Steven C. Hayes.” (“Intoxicating Behaviors: 300 Vaginas = A Lot of Dopamine”, Your Brain on Porn, Accessed March 9, 2016, http://www.yourbrainonporn.com/book/export/html/37)


“The survey also found that 59% of the respondents watched porn between four and 15 hours every week, that 42% of male college students said they visited porn sites regularly, 64% said that their tastes in porn 'have become more extreme or deviant,' while many admitted to suffering from premature ejaculation or being disinterested in their real life partners.” (Kirsten Anderson, “GQ Magazine tells men: Quit watching porn before it ruins your sex life”, Life Site News, December 13, 2013, https://www.lifesitenews.com/news/gq-magazine-tells-men-quit-watching-porn-before-it-ruins-your-sex-life)

“One independent web-tracking company clocked 58 million monthly U.S. visitors to adult sites in February 2006. Ten years later the number was 107 million. One of the world's largest adult sites, Pornhub, an explicit-video-sharing site, says that it gets 2.4 million visitors per hour and that in 2015 alone, people around the globe watched 4,392,486,580 hours of its content, which is more than twice as long as Homo sapiens has spent on earth. The Internet is like a 24-hour all-you-can-eat buffet restaurant that serves every type of sex snack.”
“Researcher Patric Fagan, Ph.D. completed a major study of pornography…56% of divorces had one partner with an obsessive interest in porn…I believe well over 90% of the men that will read this (including the one writing it) have viewed porn on the internet.” (“The Effects of Porn on Marriage”, All Pro Dad, Accessed October 19, 2015, http://www.allprodad.com/the-effects-of-porn-on-marriage/)

“The Science: What Happens to the Teens Brain”


“813 students (500 women), 18–26 across 6 colleges answering an online questionnaire on pornography, sexual values, substance use, family values; 67% of men and 49% of women said pornography is acceptable with 87% of men and 31% of women saying they were users.” (Judith A. Reisman, PhD, “Restructuring the Immature Brain”, Dr. Judith Reisman.com, 2008, http://www.drjudithreisman.com/archives/2011/03/restructuring_t.html)

“In 2008 there were 1.9 million cocaine users. According to the Central Intelligence Agency, there are an estimated 2 million heroin users in the United States, with some 600,000 to 800,000 considered hardcore addicts. Compare these numbers to the 40 million regular users of online pornography in America.” (Morgan Bennett, “The New Narcotic”, Public Discourse, October 9, 2013, http://www.thepublicdiscourse.com/2013/10/10846/)

“…current pornography use is around 87 percent for young adult males and 31 percent for young adult females, and roughly 50–60 percent of both genders find pornography use “acceptable.” (Morgan Bennett, “Internet Pornography & the First Amendment,” The Public Discourse.com, October 10, 2013, http://www.thepublicdiscourse.com/2013/10/10998/)
“According to Pornhub, the internet’s largest porn site, 78.9 billion porn videos were viewed in 2014 on their website alone.” (“Is It Bad To Watch Porn? – The Impact of Pornography Addiction”, http://www.socialcostsofpornography.org, Accessed 4.27.17)


“It’s important to understand that women can be porn addicts too. While 83 percent are male, 17 percent of porn addicts are female.” (3) (“Is It Bad To Watch Porn? – The Impact of Pornography Addiction”, http://www.socialcostsofpornography.org, Accessed 4.27.17) (3) http://www.mind-armor.com/staggering-statistics


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“As sinners, it is the idols of the heart that so often drive a preoccupation with porn. In his book, Closing the Window, Tim Chester describes six core motivations that commonly fuel porn addiction:"


5. “Revenge – When our anger at life or God or our spouse gets out of control, porn can become our tantrum at a world that isn’t catering to our desires.” (Luke Gilkerson, “Hot Bods, the Bible, and the Brain: Understanding Porn Addiction”, Covenant Eyes, February 10, 2015, http://www.covenanteyes.com/2014/02/10/hot-bods-bible-brain/)


“These are core desires of the heart that must be addressed if someone desires to break free from the grip of pornography.” (Luke Gilkerson, “Hot Bods, the Bible, and the Brain: Understanding Porn Addiction”, Covenant Eyes, February 10, 2015, http://www.covenanteyes.com/2014/02/10/hot-bods-bible-brain/)

“How Porn Really Affects Relationships”

“Imagine a drug so powerful it can destroy a family simply by distorting a man’s perception of his wife. Picture an addiction so lethal it has the potential to render an entire generation incapable of forming lasting marriages and so widespread that it produces more annual revenue — $97 billion worldwide in 2006 — than all of the leading technology companies combined. Consider a narcotic so insidious that it evades serious scientific study and legislative action for decades, thriving instead under the ever-

“How big of a problem is pornography?” Internet pornography use was reported by 76% of men in the last year, 61% used hardcore Internet pornography in the last year, with 56% using hardcore Internet pornography in the last month. During the last year, 65% of the women viewed Internet pornography, 42% viewed hardcore Internet pornography, with 21% viewing hardcore Internet pornography during the last month.” (John D. Foubert and Andrew Rizzo, “Integrating Religiosity and Pornography Use into the Prediction of Bystander Efficacy and Willingness to Prevent Sexual Assault,” Journal of Psychology & Theology, 2013, Vol. 41, No. 3, 242-251, https://www.researchgate.net/publication/258631508_Integrating_religiosity_and Pornography_use_into_the_prediction_of_bystander_efficacy_and_willingness_to_prevent_sexual_assault)

An Unwelcome Intruder

“Pornography is making itself at home in too many Christians’ lives. Ezekiel 20:7”

“In the early 1990s, a friend of mine took a pastoral training course at the Master’s College in Santa Clarita, California. The class met once a week, surveying many of the topics one would expect in such a setting. But the professor also spotlighted a less popular subject: sexual sin. Every week, without exception, he recounted the story of a friend who had been disqualified for ministry by moral failure.”

“The failure could be an affair or an addiction to pornography. The saddest part, the professor said, was how easy it was to come up with such stories. He had more than enough to fill a semester.”

“According to an oft-cited statistic, the average child today is exposed to pornography by age 11. Christian musician Clay Crosse says he first saw a —girlie magazine—in fourth grade. I suppose I should feel fortunate. I didn’t encounter pornography until age 12 or 13.”
“The first movie I watched, a tape of the Debbie Does variety, made me sick. The second one electrified me. It was the most exciting, magnetic thing I’d ever seen. Throughout high school, whenever I was at a friend’s house with cable, I felt drawn, irresistibly, to search for porn.”

“In the 1989 movie Parenthood, Keanu Reeves’s character reassures a 15-year-old boy (and his mother) that the boy’s obsessive pornographic viewing and masturbation is normal. —That’s what little dudes do,‖ he says. It was only later—as a rededicated Christian talking with friends about how to resist sexual sin—that I discovered how true Reeves’s statement was. If there is a Christian man who doesn’t have a problem with lust, often pornography, I’ve never met him.”

“Of course, it’s not just —little dudes‖ who consume porn. Consider the following statistics, compiled by Proven Men, a ministry of sexual purity and transformation:”

- “60 percent of Christian men have sought some form of pornography.”
- “16 percent of married Christian men use pornography to masturbate.”
- 25 million Americans spend one to ten hours a week viewing Internet pornography.”
- Half of the country’s cybersex addicts are women, who often prefer explicit chat rooms to images.”
- 70 percent of Internet porn viewing is done during business hours.”
- In 2002, the adult video industry produced 11,000 titles—20 times more than Hollywood—and brought in $4 billion.”
- Total pornography revenue in 2001 was between $10 billion and $20 billion, more than the revenue of any professional sport.”

“Pornography can no longer be considered a —man’s issue.‖ Nor are pastors less susceptible than parishioners. In —Tangled in the Worst of the Web‖ Christine Gardner reported that 33 percent of pastors polled,
compared to 36 percent of laity, admitted visiting a sexually explicit website.”

“When my wife and I first moved to Florida, we visited one of our area’s leading churches. Dynamic and growing, it needed a police officer to regulate the crush of traffic leaving its services. The senior pastor was a sincere and persuasive teacher, unafraid to speak boldly against sin, including sexual sin. Yet several years later, we learned he’d been fired for an entanglement with lust and pornography.”

“No one is invulnerable, it seems, to porn’s allure. And though many blame the Internet for multiplying the temptation, it’s not like porn was hard to find pre–World Wide Web. In 1988, a LEADERSHIP editor, writing an intro for ‘The War Within Continues,’ bemoaned the new accessibility of video pornography: ‘The VCR, barely known five years ago, has made sexually oriented material much more easily available and brought it into many homes for the first time.’”

“For Christians seeking to avoid explicit imagery, it’s becoming harder and harder to find a safe haven. Beyond the video stores, cable pay-per-view menus, Internet sites, and even cell phones that peddle hard-core porn, there’s the quasi-porn on display on billboards, primetime television, and the magazine rack at Borders. As Amy Sohn concluded in her New York Times review of the book Pornified, ‘The real proof of our culture’s decline may not be that so much pornography is available these days, but that you no longer have to look at pornography to get porn.’”

“Despite porn’s ubiquity, however, Christians seeking to rise above it have reason for hope. For me, the following story provides an apt image. In 1999, a church called Jesus in the City took over the building of an adult video store in Minneapolis. ‘We do relish the fact that right in the very offices where they handled this business, we’re now having prayer meetings,’ said Steve Harrison, one of the church’s ministry partners.”

“As Christians striving to live lives of purity, we cannot escape our pornographic culture—or our own proclivity toward lust. Not completely. Not yet. But we can create enclaves of prayer and recaptured innocence within
it; we can invite God’s Spirit into places where sexual sin once paid the rent.”

MISCELLANEOUS

“In 2012, Tru Research conducted 2,017 online interviews with teens, ages 13-17, and parents of teens.55

➢ “71% of teens have done something to hide what they do online from their parents (this includes clearing browser history, minimizing a browser when in view, deleting inappropriate videos, lying about behavior, using a phone instead of a computer, blocking parents with social media privacy settings, using private browsing, disabling parental controls, or having e-mail or social media accounts unknown to parents).”
➢ “32% of teens admit to intentionally accessing nude or pornographic content online. Of these, 43% do so on a weekly basis. Only 12% of parents knew their teens were accessing pornography.”

“According to an anonymous survey published in the Journal of Adolescent Health in August 2009.62

➢ “96% of teens interviewed had Internet access, and 55.4% reported that they had visited a sexually explicit website.”

“In 2010, 14-16-year-olds from a north London secondary school were surveyed. The found.64

➢ “Nearly a third looked at sexual images online when they were 10 years old or younger.”
➢ “81% look at porn online at home.”
➢ “75% said their parents had never discussed Internet pornography with them.”

“According to a 2007 study among 813 students from six U.S. schools.85

➢ “66.5% of young men and 48.7% of young women said viewing pornographic materials is an acceptable way to express one’s sexuality.”
“21.3% of young men said they view pornographic material every day or almost every day.”

“An additional 27.1% of young men said they view pornographic material 1 or 2 days a week.”

“An additional 21% of young men said they view pornographic material 2 or 3 days a month.”

“An additional 16.8% of young men said they view pornographic material once a month or less.”

“Only 13.9% of young men said they never view pornography.”

“31% of young women said they view pornographic material.”

“In 2009, Michael Leahy released results of a survey of 29,000 individuals at North American universities.86

“51% of male students and 32% of female students first viewed pornography before their teenage years (12 and younger).”

“35% of all students’ first exposure was Internet or computer-based (compared to 32% from magazines, 13% from VHS or DVD, and 18% from Cable or pay-per-view).”

“64% of college men and 18% of college women spend time online for Internet sex every week.”

“42% of male students and 20% of women said they regularly read romance novels, sexually explicit magazines, or regularly visited sexually explicit websites or chat rooms.”

“In 2003, a study of 474 human resource professionals conducted by Business & Legal Reports concluded:87

“Two-thirds said they have discovered pornography on employee computers.”

“43% of these said they had found such material more than once.”


“A. On a recent out-of-state business trip, I encountered a young teenage woman who was wearing a pink tank top that read, ‘Future Porn Star’ across the chest.”

“B. The pink tank top symbolically underscored the fact that the impact of pornography in today’s social milieu, and on women in particular, is complex, multifaceted and unprecedented.”

“C. Pornography has long since left the seedy back alley world of the pre-Hugh Hefner era to take a socially and economically legitimized place in mainstream popular culture and the global economy (Morais, 1999).”

“D. Pornography, it could be argued, is altering the cultural zeitgeist in ways we may not come to appreciate or identify until society has paid significant social costs.”

“A 2002 Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation Report found that 70 percent of youth ages 15 to 17 reported accidentally coming across pornography online, and 23 percent of those youth said this happens ‘very’ or ‘somewhat’ often.”

“Considering cable television and the Internet are the most common ways adolescents access sexual content (Häggström-Nordin et al., 2005).”

“For men, ‘pornography use is as common as drinking is among college-age men’, and a significant number report ‘binging’ on pornography with a similar frequency and intensity than those who binge drink (Carroll et al., 2008, pe.23).”
“Online Pornography Seeking Behaviors”


“Pornography’s Effect on Men Under Study”

Table 1.2 Frequency of Pornography Viewing by Self-Identified Christian Men

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Image source: Proven Men Ministries/Barna Group
Another study broke this down by age ranges. Among men 18-30 years old, 63% viewed pornography more than once per week, 79% viewed pornography at least monthly. Among 18-30 year old women, 19% viewed porn more than once a week, 34% viewed it at least monthly. (John D. Foubert, “How Pornography Harms”, John Foubert.com, April 2016, http://www.johnfoubert.com/how-porn-harms)


“A survey by Canadian researchers shows that U.S. states with the greatest religious and politically conservative affiliation are apt to search the most for sex online.” (The Daily Beast, October 11, 2014)

“The US produces 89% of the world’s pornography.” (Note: the latest stat on this is Benny Bernardo, ‘Internet Pornography Statistics: How is Porn Affecting you?’, Feb. 18, 2015)

“Of a survey of 1000 people, … 64% regularly access it in some way.” (Huffington Post, Free Porn Continues to be a Problem for the Porn Industry, 4-10-13)

“Orlando is the porn capital of the U.S.A. Las Vegas was #2, Wilmington, NC was #3, Raleigh, NC was #4 and Charlotte, NC was #5.” (Daily Mail, May 8, 2012)

“Pornhub: The most searched term: Teen
23% of Pornhub’s viewers are women
The U.S. is Number 1 in per capita page views.
45% of porn is viewed on smartphones, 44% on desktop PCs. (Pornhub, 2014 year in review, January 7, 2015)

• “50% of Pornhub’s 38 million users are viewing porn via mobile devices.”
  (TimesLive, June 5, 2014)

• “90% of therapists see more problems related to porn use.
  94% of therapists have seen a rise in people addicted to porn.
  70% of 18 to 34 year olds use porn once a month.” (From a Cosmopolitan survey, as quoted by Medical Daily, January 20, 2013)
Pornography is a rampant problem in our society. Some studies suggest that 70 percent of men ages 18 to 24 visit pornography websites in a typical month. Forty-seven percent of families in the United States say pornography is a problem in their home. A survey conducted in 2008 found that nearly nine out of ten (87%) young men and nearly one third (31%) of young women report using pornography. The average age at which children first see online pornography is eleven. Although statistics are not specifically available for the LDS population, it is estimated they are similar.”

“Forty-seven percent of families in the United States say pornography is a problem in their home. Every second, more than 28,000 individuals are looking at pornography on the internet. Pornography is a worldwide industry, generating $97 billion annually. Every second consumers spend $3,075.64 on pornography.”  


(Generation XXX: Pornography Acceptance and Use Among Emerging Adults)  

“11 Porn Industry Stats That Really Need To Change:

1. “Porn sites receive more regular traffic than Netflix, Amazon, & Twitter combined each month.” (Porn Sites get more Visitors each Month than Netflix, Amazon and Twitter Combined”, HuffPost, December 6, 2017, https://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/05/03/internet-porn-stats_n_3187682.html)


5. “At least 30% of all data transferred across the internet is porn-related.” (Porn Sites get more Visitors each Month than Netflix, Amazon and Twitter Combined”, HuffPost, December 6, 2017, https://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/05/03/internet-porn-stats_n_3187682.html)

6. “The most common female role in porn is women in their 20’s portraying teenagers. (Jon Millward.) (In 2013, Millward conducted the largest personal research study on the Porn Industry in the U.S. He interviewed 10,000 porn stars about various aspects of the business.)” (“18 Shocking Stats About the Porn Industry and its Underage Consumers”, Fight the New Drug, September 5, 2017, https://fightthenewdrug.org/10-porn-stats-that-will-blow-your-mind/)


10. “Porn is a global, estimated $97 billion industry, with about $12 billion of that coming from the U.S.” (“18 Shocking Stats About the Porn Industry and its Underage Consumers”, Fight the New Drug, September 5, 2017, https://fightthenewdrug.org/10-porn-stats-that-will-blow-your-mind/)

11. “In 2016 alone, more than 4,599,000,000 hours of porn were watched on the world’s largest porn site. (PH Analytics)” (“18 Shocking Stats About the Porn Industry and its Underage Consumers”, Fight the New Drug, September 5, 2017, https://fightthenewdrug.org/10-porn-stats-that-will-blow-your-mind/)

12. “Eleven pornography sites are among the world’s top 300 most popular Internet sites. The most popular such site, at number 18, outranks the likes of eBay, MSN, and Netflix.” (“18 Shocking Stats About the Porn Industry and its Underage Consumers”, Fight the New Drug, September 5, 2017, https://fightthenewdrug.org/10-porn-stats-that-will-blow-your-mind/)

“Viewing Stats That Are Hard To Believe (from NCOSE):

13. “64% of young people, ages 13-24, actively seek out pornography weekly or more often.” (Chiara Sabina, Janis Wolak, and David Finkelhor, “The Nature and Dynamics of Internet Pornography Exposure for Youth,” CyberPsychology & Behavior 11, no. 6 (2008):691–693.)

14. “Teenage girls and young women are significantly more likely to actively seek out porn than women 25 years old and above.” (Chyng Sun, Ana Bridges, Jennifer Johnson, and Matt Ezzell, “Pornography and the Male Sexual Script: An Analysis of Consumption and Sexual Relations,” Archives of Sexual Behavior 45, no. 4 (May, 2016): 983–94.)

15. “A study of 14 – to 19 – year- olds found that females who watched pornographic videos were at a significantly greater likelihood of being victims of sexual harassment or sexual assault.” (Barna Group, The Porn Phenomenon: The Impact of Pornography in the Digital Age, (Ventura, CA: Josh McDowell Ministry, 2016).)

16. “A Swedish study of 18-year-old males found that frequent users of pornography were significantly more likely to have sold and bought
sex than other boys of the same age.” (Pornhub, “Pornhub’s 2016 Year in Review,” (2016).)

17. “A 2015 meta-analysis of 22 studies from seven countries found that internationally the consumption of pornography was significantly associated with increases in verbal and physical aggression, among males and females alike.” (Pornhub, “Pornhub’s 2016 Year in Review,” (2016).)

18. “A recent UK survey found that 44% of males ages 11-16 who viewed pornography reported that online pornography gave them ideas about the type of sex they wanted to try.” (Jonathan Marciano, “Top 300 Biggest Websites: Based on Both Mobile and Desktop Data for the First Time!” Similar Web (July 19, 2016), https://www.similarweb.com/blog/new-website-ranking)

“What These Numbers Mean”

“These issues aren’t going away as long as society continues to deny the real, proven harms of porn and a vast majority of people believe the lie that it’s harmless.”

“Right now, the porn industry is simply supplying what people are demanding. The only way this changes is if people stop, re-examine reality, get educated about the real harmful effects of porn, and make a change in their lives that doesn’t include porn.”


“Of all consumers of online pornography, 71.61% are male and 28.39% are female. Nearly 9 out of 10 (87%) young men and nearly one third (31%) of young women report viewing pornography. Forty million Americans regularly visit porn sites. Seventy percent of men between the ages of eighteen and twenty-four visit porn sites in a typical month. The average age at which a child first sees online porn is eleven years old. In 1998, 45% of the Protestant clergy surveyed reported using pornography.” (“Safety Net – Resources to Protect Your Family from Pornography,” Healthy Sandy Partnership, www.healthysandy.org/fileadmin/downloads/healthy_sandy/Ecclesiastical_Packet.pdf)
“2014 PORNOGRAPHY SURVEY OF CHRISTIAN MEN: SHOCKING NEW NATIONAL SURVEY REVEALS HIGH LEVELS OF PORNOGRAPHY USE AND RAMPANT EXTRAMARITAL AFFAIRS AMONG CHRISTIAN MEN”

“The statistics for Christian men between 18-30 years old are particularly striking:”

- “77% look at pornography at least monthly;”
- “36% view pornography at least daily;”
- “32% admit being addicted to pornography (and another 12% think they may be).”


“The statistics for middle-aged Christian men (ages 31-49) are no less disturbing:”

- “77% looked at pornography while at work in the past 3 months;”
- “64% view pornography at least monthly; and”
- “18% admit being addicted to pornography (and another 8% think they may be).”


“Even married Christian men are falling prey to pornography and extra-marital sexual affairs at alarming rates:”

- “55% look at pornography at least monthly; and”
- “35% had an extra-marital sexual affair while married.”

“These statistics knock the wind right out of you. They also confirm what we already know; that there definitely is a problem with pornography and affairs among Christians men and that they are starving for the church to step forward with solutions,’ according to Joel Hesch, who sponsored the survey and is the founder of a non-profit biblically-based organization named Proven Men Ministries. Hesch adds, ‘The purpose of the survey was not to point fingers, but to get a better grasp on the scope of the problem in light of ready access to pornography in this Internet era.’” (Joel Hesch, “2014 Pornography Survey of Christian Men: Shocking new national survey reveals high levels of pornography use and rampant extramarital affairs among Christian Men”, Proven Men, October 24, 2014, http://www.provenmen.org/press-releases/2014-pornography-survey-of-christian-men-shocking-new-national-survey-reveals-high-levels-of-pornography-use-and-rampant-extramarital-affairs-among-christian-men/)


“Those who identify themselves as born-again Christians have similar struggles with pornography and affairs:"

- “95% admit that they have viewed pornography;”
- “54% look at pornography at least once a month;”
- “44% viewed pornography at work in the last 90 days;”
- “31% had a sexual affair while married;”
- “25% erase Internet browsing history to conceal pornography use;”
    and”
• “18% admit being addicted to pornography (and another 9% think they may be).”


“United States”

“64% of American men view porn at least monthly, the percentage of Christian men is nearly the same.
79% of men ages 18-30 view porn at least monthly.
67% of men ages 31-49 view porn at least monthly.
55% of married men view porn at least monthly.” (Digital Journal, August 14, 2014)

“This 2014 ProvenMen survey showed, tragically, that the number of Christian men involved with pornography mirrors the world. 77% of Christian men between the ages of 18 and 30 say they look at pornography at least monthly. 64% of Christian men between the ages of 31 and 49 say they view pornography at least monthly. 36% of 18-30 year-old Christian men say they view porn at least daily and at least 32% of that age group admit to being addicted. 18% of Christian men ages 31-49 admit to addiction.” (“Pornography: Destroying Marriages & Families,” Wisconsin Family Connection Transcript, February 10, 2015, http://wifamilycouncil.org/pornography-destroying-marriages-families-2/)
“The prevalence or integration of pornography into our society was evident from the onset. ‘We started our research seeking men in their twenties who had never consumed pornography. We couldn’t find any,’ says Simon Louis Lajeunesse, a postdoctoral student and professor at the School of Social Work.” (Rick Nauert, “Pornography’s Effect on Men Under Study”, PsychCentral, December 2, 2009, http://psychcentral.com/news/2009/12/02/pornographys-effect-on-men-under-study/9884.html)


“Roughly 80% of college men and 34% of co-eds use porn on campus or off, sanctioned by ‘free speech.’” (Judith Reisman and Mary E. McAlister, “The Sexual
A representative of a large missionary organization which sends out about 4000 short term missionaries (all university students) stated, “Josh, we have to reject 85% of our applicants because of pornography.”

Notwithstanding differences in the age ranges sampled, studies of exposure across the lifetime of children and young people report considerable exposure and access rates across time and countries, from approximately 43 per cent to 99 per cent (for example, Häggström-Nordin et al., 2009; Kim, 2001, 2011 - Also see Kraus & Russell, 2008; Flood, 2007; Rideout, 2001; Tydén & Rogala, 2004; Wallmyr & Welin, 2006; YouGov, 2009.). Some Swedish studies report the highest rates; for example, 99 per cent of a sample of 16 to 24-year-olds had been exposed to pornography (Tydén & Rogala, 2004). Exposure and access rates for male children and young people range from 83 per cent to 100 per cent and reported rates for females are from 45 per cent to 80 per cent (Corne et al., 1992; Cowan & Campbell, 1995; Cowell & Smith, 2009 - Also see Fleming et al., 2006; Johansson & Hammarén, 2007; Romito & Beltramini, 2011.).

A. MILITARY

“And sexual victimization of males occurs in the military today, not just in prisons. Well over 14,000 in 2012, ‘[a]ccording to the Pentagon, thirty-eight military men are sexually assaulted every single day. So, it’s not just more reporting. Is it possible pornography is training a rape culture?’” (Judith Reisman and Mary E. McAlister, “The Sexual Revolution’ Gave Us ‘The Rape Culture’”, Breitbart, January 1, 2016, http://www.breitbart.com/big-government/2016/01/01/the-sexual-revolution-gave-us-the-rape-culture/)

“Pornography has become the new drug of many Airmen, and the service must help its members deal with this addictive new health hazard.” (Kenneth Artz and Peter J. Smyczek, “Sexual Assaults in the Military: Porn is Part of the Problem”, Public Discourse, June 14, 2013, http://www.thepublicdiscourse.com/2013/06/10360/)

“The thermonuclear missile base, Francis. E. Warren Air Force Base, is located on the windswept grassy plains of eastern Wyoming. A few years back, the base was struck by a rash of child pornography cases among its ranks. Numerous Airmen were prosecuted for possession of child pornography after local authorities discovered that they had downloaded images and videos from file sharing websites. The legal office spent years prosecuting these tragic cases.” (Kenneth Artz and Peter J. Smyczek, “Sexual Assaults in the Military: Porn is Part of the Problem”, Public Discourse, June 14, 2013, http://www.thepublicdiscourse.com/2013/06/10360/)
“Pornographic consumption and addiction are believed to be much higher in the military, the general population, though, because of the largely young male population and frequent deployments.” (Kenneth Artz and Peter J. Smyczek, “Sexual Assaults in the Military: Porn is Part of the Problem”, Public Discourse, June 14, 2013, http://www.thepublicdiscourse.com/2013/06/10360/)

“In fact, in an interview with the Army Times, Navy Lt. Michael Howard, a licensed therapist and military chaplain, believes that at least 20 percent of the military is addicted to online pornography. The common theme among many military chaplains is that addiction to internet pornography is one of the biggest, if not the biggest, personal problem facing our military members today.” (Kenneth Artz and Peter J. Smyczek, “Sexual Assaults in the Military: Porn is Part of the Problem”, Public Discourse, June 14, 2013, http://www.thepublicdiscourse.com/2013/06/10360/)
B. WOMAN RAPE MYTH

“While not a meta-analysis, Corne, Briere, and Esses’s (1992) study is an important contribution to our understanding of pornography and rape myth acceptance. This study examined women’s rape myths as a function of early exposure to pornography. A total of 187 female university students responded to a questionnaire regarding: (a) childhood exposure to pornography, (b) current sexual fantasies, and (c) endorsement of rape-supportive attitudes. Eighty-six (46 percent) of the respondents reported direct exposure to pornography as a child, and statistical analysis showed that this exposure significantly related to rape fantasies and rapesupportive beliefs in adulthood. The researchers suggest early contact with pornography affects female socialization by not only normalizing sexual aggression, but also portraying it as culturally desirable to women.” (Corne, S., Briere, J., & Esses, L. M. (1992). Women’s attitudes and fantasies about rape as a function of early exposure to pornography. Journal of Interpersonal Violence, 7(4), 458.) (Jill C. Manning, “The Impact of Internet Pornography on Marriage and the Family: A Review of the Research”, Amazon News, November 10, 2005, http://s3.amazonaws.com/thf_media/2010/pdf/ManningTST.pdf) (Jill C. Manning, “The Impact of Internet Pornography on Marriage and the Family: A Review of the Research”, Amazon News, November 10, 2005, s3.amazonaws.com/thf_media/2010/pdf/ManningTST.pdf)

“According to a report by Edward Donnerstein [Donnerstein, Edward. Unpublished Transcript of Testimony to the Public Hearings on Ordinances to Add Pornography as Discrimination Against Women. Committee on Government Operations. City Council. Minneapolis, MN, pp. 4-12.], over 25% of male college students selected at random admitted that there was some likelihood they would rape a woman if they could be assured of getting away with it. The proportion of potential rapists increased to 57% after the young men were exposed to sexually violent images, especially those of women shown as enjoying being raped.” (Christopher Carmouche, “The Scope and Detrimental Effects of worldwide Pornography”, The World Congress of Families, June 2, 2010, http://worldcongress.org/wcfreg.spkrs/wcf.reg.uk.carmouche.htm)

• “Given that the content of pornography today reinforces the script that women do not resist when hit during a sexual encounter (Bridges et al., 2010), it stands to reason that exposure to pornography sends the message that women enjoy physical aggression during sex. If women


“Dr. Victor B. Cline is a psychologist at the University of Utah with a private practice as a psychotherapist specializing in family marital counseling and sexual addiction. He has counseled numerous couples where one of the partners has a sexual addiction to pornography.” (Christopher Carmouche, “The Scope and Detrimental Effects of worldwide Pornography”, The World Congress of Families, June 2, 2010, http://worldcongress.org/wcfreg.spkrs/wcf.reg.uk.carmouche.htm)

“In this work, Dr. Cline says:”

“As a clinical psychologist, I have treated, over many years, approximately 300 sex addicts, sex offenders, or other individuals (96% male) with sexual illnesses. This includes many types of unwanted compulsive sexual acting out plus such things as child molestation, voyeurism, sadomasochism, fetishism, and rape. With only several exceptions, pornography has been a major or minor contributor or facilitator in the acquisition of their deviation or sexual addiction…” (Christopher Carmouche, “The Scope and Detrimental Effects of worldwide Pornography”, The World Congress of Families, June 2, 2010, http://worldcongress.org/wcfreg.spkrs/wcf.reg.uk.carmouche.htm)

“Cline concludes: ‘In my clinical experience, however, the major consequence of being addicted to pornography is not the probability or possibility of committing a serious sex crime (though this can and does
occur), but rather the disturbance of the fragile bonds of intimate family and marital relationships. This is where the most grievous pain, damage, and sorrow occur. There is repeatedly an interference with or even destruction of healthy love and sexual relationships with long-term bonded partners. If one asks if porn is responsible or causes any sex crimes, the answer is unequivocally, ‘Yes,’ but that is only the tip of the iceberg.” (Christopher Carmouche, “The Scope and Detrimental Effects of worldwide Pornography”, The World Congress of Families, June 2, 2010, http://worldcongress.org/wcfreg.spkrs/wcf.reg.uk.carmouche.htm)

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“Sexual violence is an issue that impacts the lives of many. Research has consistently shown that one in four college women have experienced rape or attempted rape at some point in their lives (Fisher, Cullen, & Turner, 2006). By the time they turn 18, one in six males have experienced sexual abuse (Dube, Anda, Whitfield, et al., 2005).”


“The Federal Violence Against Women Act of 2005 states that ‘nearly 1/3 of American women report physical and sexual abuse by a husband or boyfriend at some point in their lives’. In Minnesota, a 2007 MN Department of Health study stated that sexual assault alone cost Minnesota nearly $8 billion in 2005. In 2006 37,010 Minnesota women and children sought community advocacy services due to domestic abuse (76% of which were females over 13 years old) and 11,474 were provided emergency shelter.” (Chuck Derr, “The Sexualization of Harm in Contemporary Pornography”, Men as Peacemakers, July 17, 2009, http://webcache.googleusercontent.com/search?q=cache:cgpdxrzl-fMJ:www.menaspeacemakers.org/s/The-Sexualization-of-Harm-in-Contemporary-Pornography-7-17-09.doc+&cd=1&hl=en&ct=clnk&gl=us)
C. PORN WEBSITES

“However, this farcical honor system fails at protecting youth from inappropriate material because:


“To make matters worse, unsuspecting youth are commonly tricked into opening pornographic websites by attaching misspelled words to pornographic pages or by making it difficult to shut down or get out of a site once opened, a strategy referred to as “mouse trapping.” In fact, Mitchell, Finkelhor, and Wolak found that in 26 percent of unwanted exposure incidents, youth reported being exposed to another sex site while they were trying to exit another.” (Mitchell, K. J., Finkelhor, D., & Wolak, J. (2003). The exposure of youth to unwanted sexual material on the Internet: A national survey of risk, impact, and prevention. Youth & Society, 34(3), 330–358.) (Jill C. Manning, “The Impact of Internet Pornography on Marriage and the

“The number of porn pages is estimated at 700m-800m; one of the biggest sites claims to get 80 billion video views a year. … It is shaping their expectations of sex and what they go on to do.” (“Generation XXX”, Economist, September 26, 2016, http://www.economist.com/news/leaders/21666614-free-pornography-ever-more-plentiful-online-right-response-involves-better-sex)


“2016 = 87.8 Billion (87,800,000,000 (B) views” [That is 11 videos for every man, woman, child or baby alive on planet earth] (“Pornography”, Enough is Enough, Accessed 3.20.2017, http://www.enough.org/stats_porn_industry)

“Furthermore, a survey conducted by SurfControl (2000) revealed 59 percent of Internet use at the office is not work related, and Goldberg’s
work (1998) revealed adult content websites were the fourth most visited category on the Internet while at work during the month of April 1998.”


“Hussey, who specializes in addiction, said access is a key component in the problem with porn. ‘When most people go to their jobs, alcohol is not there, cocaine is not on the job, but porn could be on the job,’ he said. ‘Because of access, it becomes very difficult to get away from it.’” (Heather Schroering, “The Porn Problem,” Chicago Tribune, July 14, 2015, www.chicagotribune.com/news/redeye-porn-addiction-20150714-story.html#page=1)

“42% of male college students report that they regularly visit porn sites, one in five feel controlled by their own sexual desires and 12% of them spend 5 or more hours watching internet porn every week.” (“The Nofap Experiment: A Voyage Through Porn Addiction, Support, and Recovery”, Project Know, September 30, 2013, http://www.projectknow.com/discover/taking-a-whack-at-porn-addiction/#.VcppB_lVhBc)
D. GOOGLE = SEX ED

“Henry J. Kaiser Foundation’s 2001 report indicated 70 percent of youth aged 15 to 17 have used the Internet to look up general health information and that 40 percent of adolescents have specifically looked up sexual health topics (e.g., pregnancy, HIV, and sexually transmitted diseases), it is important to ascertain how efforts to increase Internet safety may unwittingly hinder access to useful information.” (Rideout, V. (December 2001). Generation Rx.com: How young people use the Internet for health information. Menlo Park, CA: Henry J. Kaiser Foundation.) (Jill C. Manning, “The Impact of Internet Pornography on Marriage and the Family: A Review of the Research”, Amazon News, November 10, 2005, http://s3.amazonaws.com/thf_media/2010/pdf/ManningTST.pdf)


“By simply typing a few keywords into a search engine (e.g., Google), it is extremely easy to search for pornography on the internet. It is so easy that it has been speculated that every second, 372 individuals are typing pornographic keywords into a search engine. Altogether, it is estimated that up to 25% of all internet search engine requests are for pornography.” (Ropelato, J. (2006). Internet pornography statistics. Retrieved November 6, 2009 from TopTenReviews Web site: http://internet-filterReview.topenenreviews.com/internetpornography-statistics.html) (Patrick M. Markey, Charlotte N. Markey, “Online Pornography Seeking Behaviors,” accessed March 17, 2016, http://interpersonalresearch.weebly.com/uploads/1/0/4/0/10405979/online_pornography_seeking_behaviors_-_markey_markey_4-11-11.pdf)

“Instead of asking individuals about their online pornography behaviors,
Researchers have also examined the keyword searches individuals use to find pornography. Keywords are the words individuals enter into various search engines in order to find something online. For example, a person might type in the word ‘porn’ or ‘sex’ into the Google search engine when attempting to find pornography. Given the multitude of keyword searches for pornography, such a method provides researchers with an extremely large data set they can utilize to examine various hypotheses. One useful resource for researchers interested in examining online pornography keyword searchers (or any keyword search) is Google Trends.” (Ropelato, J. (2006). Internet pornography statistics. Retrieved November 6, 2009 from TopTenReviews Web site: http://internet-filterReview.toptenreviews.com/internetpornography-statistics.html) (Patrick M. Markey, Charlotte N. Markey, “Online Pornography Seeking Behaviors,” accessed March 17, 2016, http://interpersonalresearch.weebly.com/uploads/1/0/4/0/10405979/online_pornography SEEKING BEHAVIO RS_-_markey__markey_4-11-11.pdf)
E. PORN AND SEXUAL PRACTICES

A group of Swedish researchers (2005) recently examined the association between pornography consumption and sexual practices among 718 high school students from 47 different high school classes. They found that:

- Internet and cable television were the most common sources of pornography.
- 83 percent of the youth watched pornography at home.
- 71 percent believed pornography influenced others’ sexual behavior.
- 29 percent reported pornography had influenced their own sexual behavior. However, in a previous Swedish study (2004), 53 percent of young men reported that pornography had impacted their sexual behavior by “inspiring” them.170
- Males considered “high pornography consumers” and men with an early age of first sexual intercourse (15 years) were more likely than low male consumers and women to engage in sexual activities such as oral sex, group sex, and anal intercourse.
- Engaging in anal intercourse was significantly associated with high consumption of pornography.
- Engaging in sexual intercourse with a friend (i.e., someone with whom they were not having a loving relationship) was also significantly associated with high consumption of pornography.


“With 9% of U.S. citizens admitting that their online sexual behavior is out of control and 14% admitting that they have been confronted about their Internet sexual behavior, this issue may be more common than once thought (Cooper et al., 2004).” (John D. Foubert, Matthew W. Brosi and Sean Bannon,

“Both girls and boys who watch pornography become more likely to have oral sex and intercourse in their youth (Brown & Engle, 2009)” (John D. Foubert and Ana J. Bridges, “What is the Attraction? Pornography Use Motives in Relation to Bystander Intervention”, Oklahoma State University, 2015, https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/26209307)


- “Males considered ‘high pornography consumers’ and men with an early age of first sexual intercourse (15 years) were more likely than low male consumers and women to engage in sexual activities such as oral sex, group sex, and anal intercourse.” (Jill C. Manning, “The Impact of Internet Pornography on Marriage and the Family: A Review of the Research”, Amazon News, November 10, 2005, http://s3.amazonaws.com/thf_media/2010/pdf/ManningTST.pdf)

- “Engaging in anal intercourse was significantly associated with high consumption of pornography. Engaging in sexual intercourse with a friend (i.e., someone with whom they were not having a loving relationship) was also significantly associated with high consumption

- “Shere Hite found that of the men who read pornographic magazines, 67% admitted that they had wanted to rape a woman while only 19% said that they had never wanted to rape a woman.” (Christopher Carmouche, “The Scope and Detrimental Effects of worldwide Pornography”, The World Congress of Families, June 2, 2010, http://worldcongress.org/wcfreg.spkrs/wcf.reg.uk.carmouche.htm)

- “Per The Aurora Center for Advocacy and Education at the University of Minnesota; Two-thirds (67%) of offenders who committed any of the types of Internet sex crimes against minors possessed child pornography.” (Christopher Carmouche, “The Scope and Detrimental Effects of worldwide Pornography”, The World Congress of Families, June 2, 2010, http://worldcongress.org/wcfreg.spkrs/wcf.reg.uk.carmouche.htm)


“Aggressors don’t need pornography to be violent and addicts can be addicted to drugs, alcohol, gaming and asocial cases are pathological. If pornography had the impact that many claim it has, you would just have to show heterosexual films to a homosexual to change his sexual orientation.” (Rick Nauert, “Pornography’s Effect on Men Under Study”, PsychCentral, December 2, 2009, http://psychcentral.com/news/2009/12/02/pornographys-effect-on-men-under-study/9884.html)

“A recent study found that 88% of top-rated porn scenes contain physical aggression and 49% verbal aggression, with 94% of the targets of that aggression being female.” (“Pornography: A Public Health Crisis”, National Center on Sexual Exploitation, July 14, 2015, http://psychcentral.com/news/2009/12/02/pornographys-effect-on-men-under-study/9884.html)
“50 films – 304 scenes”

“3,376 different acts of verbal and physical abuse utilizing the Perpetrator Action Target (PAT) scale. (This scale counts as one act of aggression that which takes place when all three elements are present and unchanged. For example a man (P) slaps (A) a woman (T) 10 times. Because each element is unchanged this constitutes one act of aggression. If anyone of the three elements, P, A or T changes, another act of aggression is counted. For example, if another man (P) enters the scene and slaps (A) the same woman (T) three times, those acts are counted as one event. So in this example, the woman would have been slapped 13 times but the scale would have recorded it as two separate incidents only).”

“11.5 acts of aggression per scene”

“0-128 acts per scene”

“Aggression rewarded 68% of the time”

“Neutral response to aggression 32% of the time”

“Discouraged 0% of the time”

“Positive sexual behavior represented just 10% of all actions”


“This analysis included 46 published studies, most of which were done in the United States and ranged in dates from 1962 to 1995. In their conclusion they state, ‘The results are clear and consistent; exposure to pornographic material puts one at increased risk for developing sexually deviant tendencies, committing sexual offenses, experiencing difficulties in

“The research indicates pornography consumption is associated with the following six trends, among others:"

1. “Increased marital distress, and risk of separation and divorce,”

2. “Decreased marital intimacy and sexual satisfaction,”

3. “Infidelity”

4. “Increased appetite for more graphic types of pornography and sexual activity associated with abusive, illegal or unsafe practices,”

5. “Devaluation of monogamy, marriage and child rearing,”

6. “An increasing number of people struggling with compulsive and addictive sexual behavior.”


“Current sexual assault prevention training can best be described as changing conditions without changing people. This is a recipe for failure.” (Kenneth Artz and Peter J. Smyczek, “Sexual Assaults in the Military: Porn is Part of the Problem”, Public Discourse, June 14, 2013, http://www.thepublicdiscourse.com/2013/06/10360/)
“In 1988, the FBI reported that 81 percent of violent sexual offenders regularly read or viewed violent pornography. A twenty-year FBI study indicates that 81 percent of sex murderers name pornography as their most significant sexual interest, and police investigators routinely find porn in the homes of sex-crime suspects.” (Kenneth Artz and Peter J. Smyczek, “Sexual Assaults in the Military: Porn is Part of the Problem”, Public Discourse, June 14, 2013, http://www.thepublicdiscourse.com/2013/06/10360/)

“They may believe pornography is victimless and in fact can be healthy for their sex lives, or even serve as a cure for loneliness while being away from one’s family.” (Kenneth Artz and Peter J. Smyczek, “Sexual Assaults in the Military: Porn is Part of the Problem”, Public Discourse, June 14, 2013, http://www.thepublicdiscourse.com/2013/06/10360/)

“Porn use creates the impression that aberrant sexual practices are more common than they really are, and that promiscuous behavior is normal. For example, in a 2000 meta-analysis of 46 published studies put out by the National Foundation for Family Research and Education at the University of Calgary, regular exposure to pornography increased risk of sexual deviancy (including lower age of first intercourse and excessive masturbation), increased belief in the ‘rape myth’ (that women cause rape and rapists are normal), and was associated with negative attitudes regarding intimate relationships (e.g., rejecting the need for courtship and viewing persons as sexual objects).” (Elizabeth Paolucci, Mark Genuis and Claudio Violato, “A Meta-Analysis of the Published Research on the Effects of Pornography, The Journal of Psychology: Interdisciplinary and Applied, Volume 135, Issue 1, 2001, http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/pdf/10.1080/00223980109603677) (“National Review: Getting Serious on Pornography”, NPR, March 31, 2010, http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyid=125382361)


“Some really interesting changes in search trends took place in America this year. For instance, ‘lesbian’ overtook ‘teen’ in 1st place for
the most searched term throughout the country over the course of the year, making an impressive 15 place climb. Incidentally, 2014 was also a huge year for gay marriage in the States, with 19 states having ruled in favor of legalizing gay marriage.” (Pornhub, 2014 year in review, January 7, 2015)

“If Pornhub users all over the world are thirsty for one thing in particular, it’s teen-themed porn, as ‘teen’ was the most searched term in the world both this year and last. Coming in at number 2 with an impressive 7 place gain is ‘lesbian,’ with ‘MILF” taking a slight hit, falling into 3rd place and down from last year’s 2nd. Some interesting gainers here are the step-family themed searches, with ‘step mom’ climbing up 14 slots to land in at 4th place, and ‘step sister’ reaching up 53 spots to land in at this year’s 13th place. Group themed porn searches like ‘threesome’ and ‘gangbang’ also made some impressive leaps, having climbed 31 and 14 positions respectively. The world witnessed some interesting get-togethers on Pornhub this year!” (“2014 Year in Review”, Porn Hub Insights, January 7, 2015, http://www.pornhub.com/insights/2014-year-in-review)

The most prolific researchers in this field, Peter and Valkenburg from the Netherlands, published a series of relevant studies between 2007 and 2011 with the following findings:

- Exposure to sexually explicit online films was significantly related to the belief that women are sex objects (when exposure to other forms of sexual content was controlled for) (Peter & Valkenburg, 2007).

- How much children and young people liked internet pornography was a mediating factor in the relationship between exposure and the belief that women are sex objects. They also found the reverse relationship (the impact of the belief that women are sex objects on exposure to internet pornography is also mediated by a liking for internet pornography). Therefore, exposure to internet pornography is both a
potential cause and a consequence of viewing women as objects (Peter & Valkenburg, 2009).

- Frequent use of internet pornography was linked with more frequent thoughts about sex, more frequent distractions because of sex and a stronger interest in sex. Peter and Valkenburg (2008) suggest that there may be a greater sex-related memory association as a result of sexual arousal caused by exposure to internet pornography and that may eventually lead to chronically accessible sex-related cognitions (i.e. sexual preoccupation).

- If children and young people perceive sexually explicit content to be similar to real-world sex and if they see it as useful, then they are more likely to have attitudes towards sex that are casual and hedonistic rather than affectionate or relationship-based (Peter & Valkenburg, 2010a).

- More frequent internet pornography use increased children and young people’s sexual uncertainty (e.g. the extent to which they are unclear about their sexual beliefs and values) (Peter & Valkenburg, 2010b).

F. CHILD PORN


“The Internet Watch Foundation identified more than 57,000 websites containing child sexual abuse images.”  (Nicole Winfield, AP News, October 6, 2017, “Pope denounces porn and corruption of kids’ minds, bodies”, https://www.apnews.com/09009a6b3934453187fba0ad9c04f40b/Pope-denounces-porn-and-corruption-of-kids’-minds,-bodies)


“In a study of convicted child molesters, 77 percent of those who molested boys and 87 percent of those who molested girls admitted to the habitual use of pornography in the commission of their crimes. (Take Action Manual (Washington, D.C.: Enough is Enough, 1995-96), 9.) Besides stimulating the perpetrator, pornography facilitates child molestation in several ways. For example, pedophiles use pornographic photos to demonstrate to their victims what they want them to do. They also use them to arouse a child or to lower a child's inhibitions and communicate to the unsuspecting child that a particular sexual activity is okay: ‘This person is enjoying it; so will you.’”  (Donna Rice Hughes, “How Pornography Harms Children”, Protect Kids, 2001, http://www.protectkids.com/effects/harms.htm)

Still, among 50-68 year olds, 49% of men and 5% of women view pornography at least once a month.  (2014 ProvenMen.org Pornography Addiction Survey (conducted by Barna Group). The survey results are located at www.provenmen.org/2014pornsurvey/pornography-use-and-addiction.) Despite the fact that it is illegal for them to access pornography, the average child sees Internet pornography for the first time at age 11.  (Dines, G. (2010).  Pornland: How porn has hijacked our sexuality. Boston, MA: Beacon Press.) (DeKeseredy, W. S. & Corsianos, M. (2016). Violence Against Women in Pornography. New York: Routledge.) Scholars I interviewed for this book suggest that if a study was done today on the age
G. YOUTH AND PORN


• “According to a survey of freshmen and sophomores in American universities, 93% of boys and 62% of girls said they saw porn online before they turned 18. In fact, 69% of boys and 23% of girls surveyed said they have spent at least 30 consecutive minutes viewing Internet porn on at least one occasion.” (Chiara Sabina, Janis Wolak, and David Finkelhor, “The nature and dynamics of Internet pornography exposure for youth,” CyberPsychology and Behavior 11 (2008): 691-693.) (Luke Gilkerson, “When Your Child is Looking at Porn”, Covenant Eyes, 2013, http://www.covenanteyes.com/when-your-child-is-looking-at-porn/)

• “83% of boys and 57% of girls see group sex online.” (Luke Gilkerson, “When Your Child is Looking at Porn”, Covenant Eyes, 2013, http://www.covenanteyes.com/when-your-child-is-looking-at-porn/)

• “32% of boys and 18% of girls see bestiality online. (Luke Gilkerson, “When Your Child is Looking at Porn”, Covenant Eyes, 2013, http://www.covenanteyes.com/when-your-child-is-looking-at-porn/)


“In 2012, Tru Research conducted 2,017 online interviews with teens, ages 13-17, and parents of teens.55

➢ “71% of teens have done something to hide what they do online from their parents (this includes clearing browser history, minimizing a browser when in view, deleting inappropriate videos, lying about behavior, using a phone instead of a computer, blocking parents with social media privacy

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settings, using private browsing, disabling parental controls, or having e-mail or social media accounts unknown to parents)."

- “32% of teens admit to intentionally accessing nude or pornographic content online. Of these, 43% do so on a weekly basis. Only 12% of parents knew their teens were accessing pornography.”

“A According to an anonymous survey published in the Journal of Adolescent Health in August 2009:62

- “96% of teens interviewed had Internet access, and 55.4% reported that they had visited a sexually explicit website.”

“In 2010, 14-16-year-olds from a north London secondary school were surveyed. The found:64

- “Nearly a third looked at sexual images online when they were 10 years old or younger.”
- “81% look at porn online at home.”
- “75% said their parents had never discussed Internet pornography with them.”

“A According to a 2007 study among 813 students from six U.S. schools:85

- “66.5% of young men and 48.7% of young women said viewing pornographic materials is an acceptable way to express one’s sexuality.”
- “21.3% of young men said they view pornographic material every day or almost every day.”
- “An additional 27.1% of young men said they view pornographic material 1 or 2 days a week.”
- “An additional 21% of young men said they view pornographic material 2 or 3 days a month.”
- “An additional 16.8% of young men said they view pornographic material once a month or less.”
- “Only 13.9% of young men said they never view pornography.”
- “31% of young women said they view pornographic material.”
“In 2009, Michael Leahy released results of a survey of 29,000 individuals at North American universities.86

➢ “51% of male students and 32% of female students first viewed pornography before their teenage years (12 and younger).”
➢ “35% of all students’ first exposure was Internet or computer-based (compared to 32% from magazines, 13% from VHS or DVD, and 18% from Cable or pay-per-view).”
➢ “64% of college men and 18% of college women spend time online for Internet sex every week.”
➢ “42% of male students and 20% of women said they regularly read romance novels, sexually explicit magazines, or regularly visited sexually explicit websites or chat rooms.”

“In 2003, a study of 474 human resource professionals conducted by Business & Legal Reports concluded:87

➢ “Two-thirds said they have discovered pornography on employee computers.”
➢ “43% of these said they had found such material more than once.”


Between 2008 and 2011, exposure to porn among boys under the age of 13 jumped from 14% to 49%. Daily use among this group more than doubled. (Sun, C., Bridges, A., Johnson, J., & Ezzell, M. (2014). Pornography and the male sexual script: An analysis of consumption and sexual relations. Archives of sexual behavior, 1-12.) Before teens get to college, 93% of boys and 62% of girls have seen online pornography. The circumstances surrounding viewing pornography tend to differ based on whether one is a boy or a girl. Boys tend to seek it

“Statistics are staggering. Nine out of 10 boys and six out of 10 girls are exposed to porn before the age of 18. The first exposure to porn for men is 12 years old, on average. Sixty-eight percent of young adult men watch porn at least once a week.” (Frank Powell, “8 Lies we Believe About Porn”, Relevant Magazine, August 7, 2015, [https://relevantmagazine.com/life/8-lies-we-believe-about-porn](https://relevantmagazine.com/life/8-lies-we-believe-about-porn))

Dr. Kevin Skinner is a therapist who counsels teens addicted to pornography. He notes that most begin their involvement with pornography between ages 10 and 14. He further reports that parents of porn addicted teens tend to be either very rigid and controlling or completely disinterested and disengaged. Teens with controlling parents tend to experience shame, which lead them to behaviors they find comforting to lessen the feeling of rejection by their parents. He further notes that addiction is a likely result for kids who use pornography and are either isolated or feel lonely. (Skinner, K.B. (2005). *Treating pornography addiction: The essential tools for recovery*. Provo, UT: GrowthClimate, Inc.) (John D. Foubert, “How Pornography Harms”, John Foubert.com, April 2016, [http://www.johnfoubert.com/how-porn-harms](http://www.johnfoubert.com/how-porn-harms))


“Well over two-thirds of 15-17 year old adolescents have seen porn websites when they did not intend to access them.” (Kaiser Family Foundation. Generation Rx.com: how young people use the Internet for health information. Menlo Park
“Though today’s generation of young people have more access to pornography than any generation before them, boys didn’t just start looking at pornography when the Internet was created. In the 1980s, the average age a boy saw Playboy magazine was 11. By age 15, over 9 out of 10 had seen it. Of course, Playboy magazine depicted images that are far less violent than what exists in today’s mainstream pornography, so much so that, in 2015, Playboy abandoned showing nude models as they couldn’t compete with material online. However, even in the 1980s, by the time boys reached the 13-15 year old age range, 9 out of 10 had seen an X rated movie.” (Bryant J & Brown D. (1989). Uses of pornography. In: Zillmann D, Bryant J, editors. Pornography: Research advances and policy considerations. Hillsdale (NJ) 7 Erlbaum; p. 25–55.) (John D. Foubert, “How Pornography Harms”, John Foubert.com, April 2016, http://www.johnfoubert.com/how-porn-harms)


Dr. DeKeseredy what he thought the 11 year old boy of today would be like when he grew up, “He’s going to be cruel, he’s going to have unrealistic expectations, I think relationships are going to fall apart. I predict that divorce rates are going to increase significantly because of deep-rooted unhappiness.” (John D. Foubert, “How Pornography Harms”, John Foubert.com, April 2016, http://www.johnfoubert.com/how-porn-harms)

**2008 YouGov survey of nearly 1500 youths:**


5. “32% of boys and 18% of girls have seen bestiality (sex between a person and an animal) online.” (Matt Fradd, “Trust Your Kids. Just Don’t Trust the Internet...Ever,” Lifesite, February 24, 2015, https://www.lifesitenews.com/blogs/your-kids-might-not-be-looking-for-porn.-but-porn-is-definitely-looking-for#_ftn1)


8. “28% of 16-17 year olds have been unintentionally exposed to porn online.” (Matt Fradd, “Trust Your Kids. Just Don’t Trust the Internet...Ever,” Lifesite, February 24, 2015, https://www.lifesitenews.com/blogs/your-kids-might-not-be-looking-for-porn.-but-porn-is-definitely-looking-for#_ftn1)


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“A survey of thousands of young Canadian students across the country found a ‘concerning pattern’ of teenage boys seeking out pornography regularly, according to the non-profit organization MediaSmarts, while accounts of ‘sexting’ were also commonplace.” (Jim Liebelt, “Teen Boys Online Porn Viewing Behavior is Reason for Concern”, Home Word, June 4, 2014, [https://homeword.com/2014/06/04/teen-boys-online-porn-viewing-behavior-is-reason-for-concern/#.VuB7EPkrK70](https://homeword.com/2014/06/04/teen-boys-online-porn-viewing-behavior-is-reason-for-concern/#.VuB7EPkrK70))

“Almost 40% of British boys ages 14 to 17 said they regularly watch, according to a February 2015 study by the University of Bristol. Chyng Sun, an associate professor of media studies at New York University, says nearly half of the 487 men she surveyed in one study had been exposed to porn before they’d turned 13. A study in the Journal of Sex Research puts first exposure at, on average, 12 years old for young men.”

“Reports showed that 1.4 million unique visitors to adult sites in Britain were under the age of 18 in May 2015, after Internet providers' opt-in filters were in place.” (Belinda Luscombe, March 31, 2016, Time, “Porn and the Threat to Virility”, [http://time.com/4277510/porn-and-the-threat-to-virility/](http://time.com/4277510/porn-and-the-threat-to-virility/))
“Nine out of 10 boys and six out of 10 girls are exposed to porn before the age of 18. Sixty-eight percent of young adult men watch porn at least once a week.”


“…despite legal restrictions against minors accessing sexually explicit material, exposure to Internet pornography prior to the age of 18 is normative in the United States. Among today’s college students, 93% of men and 62% of women report that they were exposed to Internet pornography before they turned 18 (Carroll et al., 2008). In a 2-year longitudinal study of 13-year-olds, 66% of boys and 39% of girls had seen pornography during the last year (Brown & Engle, 2009). Consistent with this finding, a study with an older sample of urban adolescents age 12 to 22 found that 86% of boys and 50% of girls had been to an Internet pornography site during the previous year (Braun-Courville & Rojas, 2009)”


“What's the percentage of Internet addicts according to the research?”

“Although the questionnaire studies use somewhat different terminology (‘addiction’ ‘problematic Internet use’ ‘maladaptive Internet use’), rates
range from 8 percent to as high as 21 percent in young people. Moreover, in a study that reported addiction rates by gender, a quarter of the male university students tested were diagnosed as addicts—as compared with less than ten percent of female students.” ("Recent Internet Addiction Brain Studies Include Porn", Your Brain on Porn, January 13, 2013, http://yourbrainonporn.com/recent-internet-addiction-brain-studies-include-porn)

“Of the juvenile victims identified in conjunction with pornography crimes, 62 percent were female, 25 percent were members of the offender’s family, 59 percent were teens (12-17 years old), 28 percent were elementary school age (6-11 years old), and 13 percent were preschoolers (younger than 6 years old).” (David Finkelhor and Richard Ormrod, “Child Pornography: Patterns From NIBRS,” Juvenile Justice Bulletin, December 2004, www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ojjdp)

“YOUNG BRITISH TEENS ARE WORRIED THEY’RE ADDICTED TO PORN, SURVEY FINDS”
“One in ten British teenagers aged 12-13 years old are worried they're addicted to pornography, according to a new survey published Tuesday.” (Blathnaid Healy, “Young British teens are worried they're addicted to porn, survey finds”, Mashable, March 31, 2015, http://mashable.com/2015/03/31/pornography-britain-teenagers/)

“The poll carried out by NSPCC Childline surveyed 700 12-13 year-olds in the UK, it was part of a wider survey of 2,000 children between 11 and 17, conducted last month.” (Blathnaid Healy, “Young British teens are worried they're addicted to porn, survey finds”, Mashable, March 31, 2015, http://mashable.com/2015/03/31/pornography-britain-teenagers/)

“Childline said it has heard from children who say watching porn has made them depressed, given them body image issues or made them feel pressured to engage in sexual acts they weren't ready for.” (Blathnaid Healy, “Young British teens are worried they're addicted to porn, survey finds”, Mashable, March 31, 2015, http://mashable.com/2015/03/31/pornography-britain-teenagers/)

“I'm always watching porn and some of it is quite aggressive,' one teen told Childline.” (Blathnaid Healy, “Young British teens are worried they're addicted to porn, survey finds”, Mashable, March 31, 2015, http://mashable.com/2015/03/31/pornography-britain-teenagers/)
“I didn't think it was affecting me at first but I've started to view girls a bit differently recently and it's making me worried. I would like to get married in the future but I'm scared it might never happen if I carry on thinking about girls the way I do.” (Blathnaid Healy, “Young British teens are worried they're addicted to porn, survey finds”, Mashable, March 31, 2015, http://mashable.com/2015/03/31/pornography-britain-teenagers/)

“Pornhub was among the top five favourite websites of British boys between the ages of 11 and 16.” (Blathnaid Healy, “Young British teens are worried they're addicted to porn, survey finds”, Mashable, March 31, 2015, http://mashable.com/2015/03/31/pornography-britain-teenagers/)


TEEN BOYS ONLINE PORN VIEWING BEHAVIOR IS REASON FOR CONCERN

“MediaSmart, the Ottawa-based digital literacy outfit...a CRTC initiative... 5,436 students in grades 4 through 11” (Jim Liebelt, “Teen Boys Online Porn Viewing Behavior is Reason for Concern”, Home Word, June 4, 2014, https://homeword.com/2014/06/04/teen-boys-online-porn-viewing-behavior-is-reason-for-concern/#.VclqflVhBc)

“Forty per cent of the boys admitted to looking for porn online...” (Jim Liebelt, “Teen Boys Online Porn Viewing Behavior is Reason for Concern”, Home Word, June 4, 2014, https://homeword.com/2014/06/04/teen-boys-online-porn-viewing-behavior-is-reason-for-concern/#.VclqflVhBc)

“...a third of the boys who admitted to viewing porn said they did so daily, another third said they did so at least once a week...one in five said it was at least once a month.” (Jim Liebelt, “Teen Boys Online Porn Viewing Behavior is Reason for Concern”, Home Word, June 4, 2014, https://homeword.com/2014/06/04/teen-boys-online-porn-viewing-behavior-is-reason-for-concern/#.VclqflVhBc)
“Broken down into grade groupings, about one in 10 of the seventh grade boys reported they looked for porn online, while nearly one in three eighth graders, almost half of the ninth graders, and close to two-thirds of the tenth and eleventh graders said the same.”

“Only seven percent of the girls polled said they had sought out pornography online.” (Jim Liebelt, “Teen Boys Online Porn Viewing Behavior is Reason for Concern”, Home Word, June 4, 2014, https://homeword.com/2014/06/04/teen-boys-online-porn-viewing-behavior-is-reason-for-concern/#.VclqjflVhBc)

“42% of male college students report that they regularly visit porn sites, one in five feel controlled by their own sexual desires and 12% of them spend 5 or more hours watching internet porn every week.” (“The Nofap Experiment: A Voyage Through Porn Addiction, Support, and Recovery”, Project Know, September 30, 2013, http://www.projectknow.com/discover/taking-a-whack-at-porn-addiction/#.VcppB_lVhBc)

Teens are watching more porn and seeking it out more than any other generation.

- Among ages 13-17: 8% daily; 18% weekly; 17% once or twice a month.
- Among ages 18-24: 12% daily; 26% weekly; 19% once or twice a month.
- 83% of boys and 57% of girls have seen group sex online; 32% of boys and 18% of girls have viewed bestiality online. (Covenant Eyes)
- 88.2% of top-rated porn scenes contain physical aggression (spanking, gagging, slapping, etc.); 48.7% contain verbal aggression (name calling). Perpetrators were usually male, 94% of the targets were women (Psychology of Women Quarterly)

(Donna Rice Hughes, Typed from CRU Mail Article, “Just Harmless Fun”, June 13, 2017)

“THE NATURE AND DYNAMICS OF INTERNET PORNOGRAPHY EXPOSURE FOR YOUTH”

“Considerable numbers of boys and girls had seen images of paraphilic or criminal sexual activity, including child pornography and sexual violence, at
least once before the age of 18. Girls were significantly more likely than boys (42.3% of girls; 6.8% of boys, p 0.001) to report never looking for pornography on purpose, indicating they were involuntarily exposed.” (Chiara Sabrina, Janis Wolak, David Finkelhor, “The Nature and Dynamics of Internet Pornography Exposure for Youth”, University of New Hampshire, 2008, http://www.unh.edu/ccrc/pdf/CV169.pdf)
## Table 1. Characteristics of Exposure to Internet Pornography before Age 18

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<td>Curious about different things people do sexually***</td>
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<td>Wanted information about sex***</td>
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*Response choices were none, 1, 2–5 times, 6–10 times, 11–20 times, and more than 20 times. Each category was then recoded to its midpoint for number of times participant viewed pornography for 30 minutes or more (i.e., 0, 1, 3, 5, 8, 15.5, and 25.5).

**To be coded as never looking for pornography on purpose, participants must have endorsed this item and indicated no other reason for looking at Internet pornography.

†Response choices were never, 1–5 times, 6–10 times, 11–20 times, 21–30 times, and more than 30 times. Each category was then recoded to its midpoint for number of images seen (i.e., 0, 3, 6, 11.5, 15.5, 25.5, and 35.5).

*p < 0.05; **p < 0.01; ***p < 0.001.

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“The study found an increasing trend for the distribution of sexually explicit content produced by younger children using laptop webcams…”
- “17.5% of content depicted children aged 15 years or younger.”
- “85.9% of content depicting children aged 15 or younger was created using a webcam.”
- “93.1% of the content depicting children aged 15 or younger featured girls.”

“10-13 year old boys who came just after me – those born after, say, 1992 – and all 10-13 year old boys since: any one of them can see more naked women in 10 minutes than most grown men in history saw in their entire lifetimes.” (Sam Parker, “Why Thousands of Young Men are Giving Up Pornography


“…53% of males reported sexually explicit media use, while only 28% of females did … both male and female adolescents who had engaged in oral sex and sexual intercourse were much more likely to be using sexually explicit media than teens who had never engaged in these sexual behaviors.” (Jane D. Brown, Kelly L. L’Engle, “X-Rated, Sexual Attitudes and behaviors Associated with U.S. Early Adolescents’ Exposure to Sexually Explicit Media”, Communications Research, Volume 36 No. 1, February 2009, http://crx.sagepub.com/content/36/1/129.abstract)

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“With the rise of the Internet and mobile devices, pornography can be accessed almost everywhere, all the time, and thus pornography use has skyrocketed. In a 2008 study titled ‘Generation XXX,’ researchers recruited 813 university students from six U.S. college campuses to complete online questionnaires regarding their attitude toward and use of pornography. Their study found that two thirds of young men and half of young women agree that viewing pornography is acceptable. Nine out of ten young men and almost one third of young women reported using pornography.” (Lara Updike, “Research Confirms Pornography Harms”, Family Policy Institute, January 21, 2015, http://www.fpiw.org/blog/2015/01/21/research-confirms-pornography-harms/)

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“15% of cell-owning teens (ages 12-17) say they have received sexually suggestive nude or nearly nude images of someone they know. This percentage steadily climbs the older youth get, (Amanda Lenhart, “Teens and Sexting,” Pew Internet and American Life Project, 2009) and is as high as 46% among young adults (ages 20-26).” (The National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy and CosmoGirl.com “Tech: Results from a Survey of Teens and Young Adults” 2008.) (“Pornography among Youth: Problems, Roadblocks and Solutions”, Covenant Eyes, 2011, http://www.covenanteyes.com/lemonade/wp-content/uploads/2011/10/pornography-among-youth.pdf) 

“According to the Globe & Mail, a survey showed that 40% of Canadian teenage boys in grades 7 to 11 frequently view porn. Kids no longer have to be 18 years or older to access adult sites. And when they grow up surrounded by it, it becomes normalized.”(Site accessed 10.19.17, http://fightthenewdrug.org/these-major-companies-are-now-using-porn-sites-to-advertise-their-product/)

“The Nature and Dynamics Of Internet Pornography Exposure For Youth”
“Considerable numbers of boys and girls had seen images of paraphilic or criminal sexual activity, including child pornography and sexual violence, at
least once before the age of 18. Girls were significantly more likely than boys (42.3% of girls; 6.8% of boys, p 0.001) to report never looking for pornography on purpose, indicating they were involuntarily exposed.” (Chiara Sabrina, Janis Wolak, David Finkelhor, “The Nature and Dynamics of Internet Pornography Exposure for Youth”, University of New Hampshire, 2008, http://www.unh.edu/ccrc/pdf/CV169.pdf)

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“Because it’s so accessible, young people are growing up with it, meaning that their brains are too: ‘Your brain keeps developing until about age 24,’ Hussey said. ‘So if you start masturbating and watching porn at age 12 or 13 and you have 10 years of brain development, and let’s say you have a guy who every time he masturbates he watches porn, ... he is now developing sexuality to be trained to need porn.’” (Heather Schroering, “The Porn Problem,” Chicago Tribune, July 14, 2015, www.chicagotribune.com/news/redeye-porn-addiction-20150714-story.html#page=1)

“Rewired by Porn”
“Needless to say, it isn’t kept out of their hands. Statistics – and the experience of youth workers – suggests that children and young people are accessing pornography from an early age and then consistently through their teenage years. An ICM/BBC3 survey conducted last April revealed that one in four young people had viewed online porn by the age of 12, with around 7% saying they were under ten when they were first exposed to it.” (Martin Saunders, “Grey Matter: 50 Shades, pornography and the shaping of our brains”, Premier Christianity, 2014, https://www.premierchristianity.com/Past-Issues/2015/February-2015/Grey-Matter-50-Shades-pornography-and-the-shaping-of-our-brains)

Worldview training seminars attract the finest youth from our churches. Recently, the director of one of the top three seminars told me that through their surveys, they discovered that 70% of guys and 40% of girls watch pornography. He was shocked because they are the top Christian kids.

During a large youth convention in Mexico recently, I asked the director of the ministry if they talked to the kids about porn. He replied, “No, but we need to”. I asked why they didn’t and he replied, “We did a survey of all our youth groups and 90%+ of all the students watch porn.”
Recently, when I called a potential presenter for the Set Free Summit, who is extremely accomplished in psychotherapy and the head of the department in a major East Coast university, he told me, “Josh, in our research we almost never come across a teenager who hasn’t watched porn. What we have discovered is that when they reach the first year in the university, their viewing of pornography rapidly increases. It is very difficult to do any scientific studies of university students’ involvement in porn because we can’t find a control group of men and women who don’t watch porn. Josh, porn is now at the level of a tsunami among our youth. I will be at the Set Free Summit … it is a deep calling in my life. I fear for our youth, our families and our churches.”


“By the end of 2004, 420 million pages of pornography existed on the internet. It is estimated that 13.97% of online pornography consumption is by children ages two to seventeen. Some 83% of youth watch pornography at home. Approximately 70% of youth ages fifteen to seventeen reported accidentally coming across pornography online, and 23% of those youth said this happens ‘very’ or ‘somewhat” often.’” (“Safety Net – Resources to Protect Your Family from Pornography,” Healthy Sandy Partnership, www.healthysandy.org/fileadmin/downloads/healthy_sandy/Ecclesiastical_Packet.pdf)


“‘We know from the young people who contact ChildLine that viewing porn is a part of everyday life, and our poll shows that one in [20%] five 12 to 13-year-olds thinks that watching porn is normal behaviour.’” (Patrick Howse, “Pornography addiction worry’ for tenth of 12 to 13 year-olds”, BBC News, March 31, 2015, http://www.bbc.com/news/education-32115162?ocid=socialflow_facebook)

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women), 18-26 across 6 colleges answering an online questionnaire on pornography, sexual values, substance use, family values; 67% of men and 49% of women said pornography is acceptable with 87% of men and 31% of women saying they were users. These findings cite implications of pornography use and addiction in youth. A high correlation of pornography use with alcohol and drug use reflects the multiple addiction pattern with high risk conduct for both emerging adult women and men, including binge drinking and marijuana use.” (Judith A Reisman, PhD, The Institute for Media Education & California Protective Parents, Assoc., “Restructuring the Immature Brain1 http://www.drjudithreisman.com/archives/Restructuring_the_Immature_Brain.pdf)

“By age 15, children are more likely than not to have seen online pornography, according to an extensive study of adolescents in the UK by Middlesex University. These young people were as likely to find pornography by accident as to find it deliberately. However, 46 percent of the 1,001 children and young people studied reported searching for it actively.” (Shimi Kang, M.D., Contributor, January 16, 2017, U.S. News, “Why Parents Need to Talk to Their Kids About Porn”, http://www.drshimikang.com/2017/01/16/why-parents-need-to-talk-to-their-kids-about-porn-2/)

“In a 2008 University of New Hampshire survey, 93 percent of male college students and 62 percent of female students said they saw online porn before they were 18.” (Maggie Jones, “What Teenagers are Learning from Online Porn”, NY Times, February 7, 2018, https://www.nytimes.com/2018/02/07/magazine/teenagers-learning-online-porn-literacy-sex-education.html)
H. TIME SPENT ONLINE

“ Teens are spending more than one-third of their days using media...nearly nine hours on average [63 hours per week], according to Common Sense Media. For tweens, those between the ages of 8 and 12, the average is nearly six hours per day. [42 hours per week]” (Hayley Tsukayama, “Teens Spend Nearly Nine Hours Every Day Consuming Media,” Washington Post, November 3, 2015, https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/the-switch/wp/2015/11/03/teens-spend-nearly-nine-hours-every-day-consuming-media/)

“...Kaiser Family Foundation's 2010 study, which estimated an average of five-and-a-half hours of media use for those ages 8-10, 8 hours and 40 minutes for those aged 11-14, and just under 8 hours for 15-18 year-olds.” (Hayley Tsukayama, “Teens Spend Nearly Nine Hours Every Day Consuming Media,” Washington Post, November 3, 2015, https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/the-switch/wp/2015/11/03/teens-spend-nearly-nine-hours-every-day-consuming-media/)


“Research data collected some 5 years ago already revealed that 9 of 10 college-age men (and about one third of the women) were using Internet porn.” (Gary Wilson, “Porn Addiction is not Sex Addiction - - And Why it matters”, Your Brain on Porn, November 22, 2011, http://yourbrainonporn.com/porn-addiction-not-sex-addiction-and-why-it-matters)


“...of all the age ranges, young adults between 18 years old and 24 years old are the most likely to come across porn on a regular basis.” (Peter Kenny, “Study finds adult concern at US teens and young adults use of porn, Barna finds”, Ecumenical News, January 29, 2016, http://www.ecumenicalnews.com/article/study-finds-adult-concern-at-us-teens-and-young-adults-use-of-porn-barna-finds/37867.htm)

“College students, both men and increasingly women, report viewing pornography at high rates. Research has shown that between 76% and 87% of college men view pornography every year, and 48% view it weekly (Boies, 2002; Carroll et al., 2008). As for college women, one third now view pornography annually, although weekly use remains rare (3%, Carroll et al., 2008; Yoder, Thomas, & Amin, 2005).” (John D. Foubert and Ana J. Bridges, “What is the Attraction? Pornography Use Motives in Relation to Bystander Intervention”, Oklahoma State University, 2015, https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/26209307)


“On college campuses, 25% of women experience either a rape or an attempted rape during their four years in college. By the time a female is eighteen years old, 38% have been sexually molested.”

“College men’s exposure to pornography is nearly universal, with growing viewing rates nationwide. Substantial research documents the harmful effects of mainstream, sadomasochistic, and rape pornography on men’s attitudes and behavior related to sexual assault. The present study surveyed 62% of the fraternity population at a Midwestern public university on their pornography viewing habits, bystander efficacy, and bystander willingness to help in potential rape situations. Results showed that men who view pornography are significantly less likely to intervene as a bystander, report an increased behavioral intent to rape, and are more likely to believe rape myths.” (John D. Foubert, Matthew W. Brosi and Sean Bannon, “Pornography Viewing among Fraternity Men: Effects on Bystander Intervention, Rape Myth Acceptance and Behavioral Intent to Commit Sexual Assault”, Sexual Addiction and Compulsivity, November 28, 2011, https://media.wix.com/ugd/9e4c55_334edae0a4e64f078b8b0479f7c9cb56.pdf)

“Multiple studies have shown that pornography viewing is most prevalent among men who are 18–25 years old (Boies, 2002; Buzzell, 2005; Carrol et al., 2008). Research finds that between 76 and 87% of college men view pornography every year; 48% view it weekly (Boies, 2002; Carrol et al., 2008). As for college women, one third now view pornography annually with one in six describing a level of pornography use that rises to a level of an addiction (Carroll et al., 2008; Yoder, Thomas & Amin, 2005). (John D. Foubert, Matthew W. Brosi and Sean Bannon, “Pornography Viewing among Fraternity Men: Effects on Bystander Intervention, Rape Myth Acceptance and Behavioral Intent to Commit Sexual Assault”, Sexual Addiction and Compulsivity, November 28, 2011, https://media.wix.com/ugd/9e4c55_334edae0a4e64f078b8b0479f7c9cb56.pdf)

Today’s pornography is described by researchers as far more shocking and extreme than ten or twenty years ago (Eberstadt & Layden, 2010; Jensen, 2007a, 2007b; Malerek, 2009).” (John D. Foubert, Matthew W. Brosi and Sean Bannon, “Pornography Viewing among Fraternity Men: Effects on Bystander Intervention, Rape Myth Acceptance and Behavioral Intent to Commit Sexual Assault”, Sexual Addiction and Compulsivity, November 28, 2011, https://media.wix.com/ugd/9e4c55_334edae0a4e64f078b8b0479f7c9cb56.pdf)


“A University of New Hampshire study found that two thirds of junior high school students surveyed looked at porn on the internet when they were supposed to be studying. About 34% go on to have a problem with internet porn. As many as 40% of those who have problems with sex addiction from online interactions are women.” (Rochester City Newspaper, 9-28-11)

“90% of teenagers have viewed porn. 80% of 15-17 year olds have been exposed to hard core porn. 67% of men and 59% of women said that porn was acceptable. Campus Crusade for Christ staff.” (Christian Post, 7-16-2011)

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“…internet porn allows its viewers to remain safely anonymous…100 million page views a day and serves 4,000 VIDEOS a second during its...

I. “THE PORN PHENOMENON”

“Today, our team had the privilege of launching a new nationwide study about pornography. It is a massive research project examining teenagers, young adults, and Americans in general as well as pastors and youth pastors – more than 3,000 interviews in total across a range of questions.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEulrK70)


“The official release of the full study will come in April, when we launch a report on the topic, called The Porn Phenomenon. (You can pre-order a discounted copy here.)” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEulrK70)

“This study is sure to stir up a conversation about porn in our society and within the Christian community – and we hope it leads to healthy, meaningful change. Because a lot of what we have been doing to help address porn in a digital culture doesn’t seem to be working very well.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEulrK70)

“Because our team is still working on the detailed analysis of the data, you’ll have to wait a few months for the final report. If you’re a member of the media, please contact us for detailed findings or for an interview with me or Roxanne Stone.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEulrK70)

“Until then, here are some of the top-level findings.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEulrK70)

• “62% of teens and young adults have received a sexually explicit image and 41% have sent one (usually from/to their boy/girlfriend or friend).” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEuIrK70)

“The fact that half of young adults estimate that ‘all’ or ‘most’ of their friends regularly look at porn, compared to only one-third of teens, supports this case.” (David Kinnaman & Roxanne Stone, “The Porn Phenomenon – The Impact of Pornography in the Digital Age”, Barna Group, April 4, 2016, http://barna-resources.myshopify.com/products/porn-phenomenon)

“PARENT TIPS: THE POWER OF PORN”

• “The majority of teens and young adults (63%) report receiving a nude image from someone else via text, email, social media or app. (David Kinnaman & Roxanne Stone, “The Porn Phenomenon – The Impact of Pornography in the Digital Age”, Barna Group, April 4, 2016, http://barna-resources.myshopify.com/products/porn-phenomenon)

• “Self-pornification is a result of teens and young adults coming of age in an increasingly pornified American culture that ‘encourages and rewards the pornographic impulse.” (David Kinnaman & Roxanne Stone, “The Porn Phenomenon – The Impact of Pornography in the Digital Age”, Barna Group, April 4, 2016, http://barna-resources.myshopify.com/products/porn-phenomenon)
“What’s the solution?”

(David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna Group, 2016)
(David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna Group, 2016)
J. GIRLS AND PORN


“…a study with an older sample of urban adolescents age 12 to 22 found that 86% of boys and 50% of girls had been to an Internet pornography site during the previous year (Braun-Courville & Rojas, 2009)” (John D. Foubert and Ana J. Bridges, “What is the Attraction? Pornography Use Motives in Relation to Bystander Intervention”, Oklahoma State University, 2015, https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/26209307)

The research study was conducted by Barna Group, a visionary research and resource company focused on the intersection of faith and culture. The study has been commissioned by Josh McDowell Ministries, a Cru ministry based in Plano, Texas.

(New York, NY – January 19, 2015) – In the most comprehensive, ground-breaking, in-depth and wide-ranging study to date on pornography among the American population and the Church — research reveals a younger exposure to pornography, increased desensitization and an escalating usage of pornography. These results are particularly evident among teens and young adults—and reach into the Christian Church as well.
“Pornography violates all relational values between the individual and self, the individual and society, the unity of our families and our moral fabric and fiber as a nation,” said Josh McDowell. “When we objectify and demean life by removing the sanctity of the human person, our future is at risk.”

TEENS AND YOUNG ADULTS

Teens and young adults have a cavalier attitude toward porn

- When they talk about pornography with friends, 90% of teens, and 96% of young adults say they do so in an either neutral, accepting, or encouraging way.
- Only one in 20 young adults and one in 10 teens say their friends think viewing pornography is a bad thing

Teens and young adults consider “not recycling” more immoral than viewing pornography

- Less than one-third (32%) say viewing porn is “usually or always wrong” compared to the more than half (56%) who say not recycling is “usually or always wrong”

Young adults are watching more porn and seeking it out more than any other

- Among ages 13-17: 8% daily; 18% weekly; 17% once or twice a month
- Among ages 18-24: 12% daily; 26% weekly; 19% once or twice a month
- Among ages 25-30: 8% daily; 17% weekly; 20% once or twice a month

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And their friends are too:
• Half of young adults say “most” (32%) or “all” (17%) of their friends regularly look at porn. An additional 21% say about “half” their friends do.

More than half of young adults say they come across porn at least once a week—even when they aren’t seeking it out.

• Whether they are seeking it out or not, 16% of young adults say they come across porn daily and 32% do so weekly; an additional 23% say they do once or twice a month.
• 8% of teens say they come across porn daily and 21% do so weekly; an additional 21% say they do so once or twice a month.

Teenage girls and young women are significantly more likely to actively seek out porn than women over age 25

• 33% of women, ages 13-24 seek out porn at least once a month compared to 12% of women over age 25

Most teens are “sexting” – either on the receiving or sending end of sexually explicit images

• 66% of teens and young adults have received a sexually explicit image and 41% have sent one (usually from/to their boy/girlfriend or friend)

70% of Christian youth pastors have had at least one teen come to them for help in dealing with porn in the past 12 months

21% of youth pastors and 14% of pastors admit they currently struggle with using porn.

• About 12% of Youth Pastors and 5% of Pastors say there are addicted to porn
• 87% of pastors who use porn feel a great sense of shame about it
• 55% of pastors who use porn say they live in constant fear of being discovered
Half of daily users watch porn for fun

- 54% of people who actively seek out porn on a daily basis, do so because “it’s just fun.”

Pornography has gone almost completely digital.

- 71% of adults, 85% of teens and young adults who have viewed pornography did so using online videos
- Magazines, graphic novels, on-demand videos and cable or rented/purchased DVDs have almost completely lost the market share, with each scoring less than 10% (aside from a slightly higher percentage of 50+ adults using DVDs)

“I know it when I see it.” Porn is notoriously difficult to define. So, how do Americans define it? Turns out, it’s more a question of function than form. If it’s used for sexual arousal, it’s porn. Simple as that.

- When asked the question, “What makes something porn?” The top two reasons given were:
  …70%: if it’s watched/listened to/or read specifically for the purpose of sexual arousal
  …60%: if you masturbated while watching/listening to/or reading it

“Girls were significantly more likely than boys (42.3% of girls; 6.8% of boys) to report never looking for pornography on purpose, indicating they were involuntarily exposed.” (Chiara Sabina, Ph.D., Janis Wolak, J.D., and David Finkelhor, Ph.D., “The Nature and Dynamics of Internet Pornography Exposure for Youth,” CyberPsychology & Behavior, Volume 11, Number 6, 2008, http://www.unh.edu/ccrc/pdf/CV169.pdf)

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“Males, who are generally more stimulated by sight than females, will always be the main consumers of pornography. But in our sex-saturated culture, pornography is becoming a problem for females as well.” (Dennis and Barbara Rainey, FamilyLife, site accessed 2.20.18, http://www.familylife.com/articles/topics/life-issues/challenges/pornography/helping-your-child-avoid-the-pornography-trap)

“FamilyLife received a message from a man who had been married for many years before he found out that his wife was addicted to suggestive literature and a harmful, compulsive sexual behavior.” (Dennis and Barbara Rainey, FamilyLife, site accessed 2.20.18, http://www.familylife.com/articles/topics/life-issues/challenges/pornography/helping-your-child-avoid-the-pornography-trap)

“This problem isn’t discussed much in the Christian community, because women trapped in pornography see this as such a shameful sin for a woman.” (Dennis and Barbara Rainey, FamilyLife, site accessed 2.20.18, http://www.familylife.com/articles/topics/life-issues/challenges/pornography/helping-your-child-avoid-the-pornography-trap)

“Since girls are sexually influenced more through their emotions than by visual stimuli, a gate opener for a future problem with pornography may be a girl’s exposure to romance novels and the fantasy orientation of most television soap operas and many movies.” (Dennis
“When Ashley was in junior high, I (Barbara) bought her some Christian novels because they contained historical information. Ashley became more and more interested in reading these books. Looking through the novels, I discovered that he plot was centered around a romantic relationship.” (Dennis and Barbara Rainey, FamilyLife, site accessed 2.20.18, http://www.familylife.com/articles/topics/life-issues/challenges/pornography/helping-your-child-avoid-the-pornography-trap)

“I finally had to talk to Ashley about reading some of these books. They were making her think too much about ‘being in love’ and having a guy pay her special attention. She was too young to be preoccupied with romance; it just wasn’t healthy for her. When you’re trying to keep a daughter from early dating and being too focused on guys, there is enough combat in the culture without dealing with the Christian version of the same thing.” (Dennis and Barbara Rainey, FamilyLife, site accessed 2.20.18, http://www.familylife.com/articles/topics/life-issues/challenges/pornography/helping-your-child-avoid-the-pornography-trap)

“Of course this type of Christian literature would not be considered pornography. But some Christian novels can stir up romantic or even sexual emotions.” (Dennis and Barbara Rainey, FamilyLife, site accessed 2.20.18, http://www.familylife.com/articles/topics/life-issues/challenges/pornography/helping-your-child-avoid-the-pornography-trap)

“A good verse to share with your daughter on this issue is Proverbs 4:23: ‘Watch over your heart with all diligence, for from it flow the spring of life.’ As parents we are commissioned by God to protect these young hearts by helping them develop their own convictions about what they will listen to, read, and watch.” (Dennis and Barbara Rainey, FamilyLife, site accessed 2.20.18, http://www.familylife.com/articles/topics/life-issues/challenges/pornography/helping-your-child-avoid-the-pornography-trap)

“The percentage of 18 to 24-year-old women who reported trying anal sex rose to 40 percent in 2009 from 16 percent in 1992 according to the largest survey on American sexual behavior in decades, co-authored by Herbenick and published in the Journal of Sexual Medicine… a 2016 Swedish study of nearly 400 16 year-old girls, the percentage of girls who had tried anal sex
K. CHILDREN AND PORN

“The internet security company Bitdefender claims that **one in ten visitors to porn sites is under the age of 10.**”

“Sadly, the stories I hear from parents confirm that shocking report. One mom, a sex addiction therapist, did everything she knew to keep her 6 year old son from being exposed to pornography. But she was devastated to find out that another 6 year old Kindergarten classmate (at their private Christian school) showed him a porn video on his cell phone. Six. Years. Old. With a cell phone!”

“A full 22% of kids under 18 who visit porn sites are under the age of 10. And these sites are not just repositories of nude photos or even ‘vanilla porn’ (one man and one woman having sexual intercourse). According to Fight the New Drug, sites like PornHub distribute videos in the following categories: extreme brutal gang bang, sleep assault, domestic discipline, and crying in pain. (Believe me, these are some of the tamer titles- and kids are not just seeing the titles!).”

![Online video porn consumption](image)
• “42% 15-18 years”
• “36% 10-14 years”
• “22% less than 10 years old”

(Kristen Jenson, August 24, 2017, Protect Young Minds, “Kids Under 10 Make Up 10% of Porn Site Visitors”, https://protectyoungminds.org/2017/08/24/one-in-ten-visitors-to-porn-sites-age-10-or-under/)


Numerous studies indicate that porn is a very significant problem in the U.S. In fact, the Justice Department estimates that 9 out of 10 children between 8 and 16 have seen online porn. (“Fighting the New Drug: Pornography”, First Things, Accessed September 26, 2017, http://firstthings.org/fighting-the-new-drug-pornography/)

• “32% of girls and 40% of boys were exposed to pornography by someone else, almost always another child.” (Kristen Jenson, October 6, 2016, Protect Young Minds.org, “5 Proven Ways Porn Harms Kids that No One Talks About”, https://protectyoungminds.org/2016/10/06/5-proven-ways-porn-harms-kids/)
• “48% of girls and 49% of boys reported one or more other children were involved in their initial exposure. (We have many reports of kids being exposed by other kids at school or on a school bus.)” (Kristen Jenson, October 6, 2016, Protect Young Minds.org, “5 Proven Ways Porn Harms Kids that No One Talks About”, https://protectyoungminds.org/2016/10/06/5-proven-ways-porn-harms-kids/)

“Kids go back for more. Children who are accidentally exposed to porn go back in high numbers to look for more. In Bentley’s study, nearly 80% of those exposed went back to look for more pornography.”(Kristen Jenson, October 6, 2016, Protect Young Minds.org, “5 Proven Ways Porn Harms Kids that No One Talks About”, https://protectyoungminds.org/2016/10/06/5-proven-ways-porn-harms-kids/)

“In Great Britain, The News Telegraph reported recent research by the Institute of Public Policy Research. A year-long study of 30 families and responses from pupils and teachers in 10 schools found ‘net porn seen by nine out of ten children’ in the UK, with roughly half solicited for by an adult for an apparent sexual meeting. As confirmed in similar research in the
USA, the child who, using an innocent sounding word to search for information or pictures was instead guided to stealth ‘sex sites.’

Sonia Livingstone, a professor of social psychology at the LSE, who conducted the research, said that such experiences were common. ‘From my research, nearly all – 90 per cent - of the children had seen some kind of pornographic content. The numbers engaging in chat with people they had never met was about half.’” (The News Telegraph from the United Kingdom, November 25, 2001.) (Judith A. Reisman, PhD, “The Psychopharmacology of Pornography: A Clear & Present Danger”, The Institute for Media Education, January 2000, In Set Free Resources – Unavailable online)

“According to studies, 90 percent of children ages 8 through 16 have viewed pornography online, and children 12 through 17 are the largest single group of users of Internet porn.” (Gerald Korson, “Overcoming Obstacles, Pornography”, For Your Marriage, Accessed December 22, 2015, http://www.foryourmarriage.org/everymarriage/overcoming-obstacles/pornography/)


“And around one in five (18%) said they have seen porn images that have shocked or upset them.” (“One in ten children aged 12 and 13 ‘involved in...
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“A report by charity ChildWise in 2013/14 revealed that website Pornhub was among the top five favourite sites named by boys aged 11-16. And young people post approximately 18,000 messages regarding exposure to porn on the ChildLine discussion forums every month.” (“One in ten children aged 12 and 13 ‘involved in sexually explicit videos’”, The Telegraph, March 30, 2015,
“Impact on Children and Adolescents”


“One study conducted by the Los Angeles Police Department found that in 60 percent of the child molestation cases over a 10-year period, pornography was used to make the children less resistant to the advances of the pedophile.” (Mark Kastleman, Children as Victims, NetNanny, www.netnanny.com/learn_center/article/144 (last visited Sept. 27, 2013) (“Marriage & Family: Harms of Pornography,” The Policy Pages from Center for Arizona, January 2014, http://azpolicypages.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/12/Marriage-Family_HarmsofPornography.pdf)

“Ninety-two percent of American children have an online presence before the age of 2. Parents post nearly 1,000 images of their children online before their fifth birthday.” (Nancy jo Sales, “American Girls”, Time Magazine, February 2016, http://time.com/americangirls/)

“They shared their sexual history starting with their first contact with pornography, which was in early adolescence. Not one subject had a pathological sexuality. In fact, all of their sexual practices were quite conventional,’ says Lajeunesse.” (Rick Nauert, “Pornography’s Effect on Men Under Study”, PsychCentral, December 2, 2009, http://psychcentral.com/news/2009/12/02/pornographys-effect-on-men-under-study/9884.html)

“Lajeunesse found most boys seek out pornographic material by the age of 10, when they are most sexually curious. However, they quickly discard what they don’t like and find offensive. As adults, they will continue to look for content in tune with their image of sexuality. They also rarely consume pornography as a couple and always choose what they watch.” (Rick Nauert, “Pornography’s Effect on Men Under Study”, PsychCentral, December 2, 2009, http://psychcentral.com/news/2009/12/02/pornographys-effect-on-men-under-study/9884.html)

“…33 million males between the ages of ten to twenty-four. It is my belief that we are approaching nearly 100% exposure of that group.” (“Pornography: A Public Health Crisis”, National Center on Sexual Exploitation, July 14, 2015, http://shop.endsexualexploitation.org/collections/frontpage/products/pornography-a-public-health-crisis-


“Christian highlighted ten findings of the NoFap survey that he said are strong indicators that porn may be giving people more problems than pleasure. These included the fact that 53% of respondents said they developed a porn habit between the tender ages of 12 and 14, while another 16% started watching smut before they even turned 12.” (Kirsten Anderson, “GQ Magazine tells men: Quit watching porn before it ruins your sex life”, Life Site News,

“We examined exposure to Internet pornography before the age of 18…Ninety-three percent of boys and 62% of girls were exposed to online pornography during adolescence.” (Chiara Sabina, Ph.D., Janis Wolak, J.D., and David Finkelhor, Ph.D., “The Nature and Dynamics of Internet Pornography Exposure for Youth,” CyberPsychology & Behavior, Volume 11, Number 6, 2008, http://www.unh.edu/ccrc/pdf/CV169.pdf)

“72.8% of participants (93.2% of boys, 62.1% of girls) had seen online pornography before age 18. Most exposure began when youth were ages 14-17…” (Chiara Sabina, Ph.D., Janis Wolak, J.D., and David Finkelhor, Ph.D., “The Nature and Dynamics of Internet Pornography Exposure for Youth,” CyberPsychology & Behavior, Volume 11, Number 6, 2008, http://www.unh.edu/ccrc/pdf/CV169.pdf)
more information and to read complete article, please visit The Nofap Experiment: A Voyage Through Porn Addiction, Support and Recovery.

“We know from the young people who contact ChildLine that viewing porn is a part of everyday life, and our poll shows that one in [20%] five 12 to 13-year-olds thinks that watching porn is normal behaviour.” (Patrick Howse,

“Nine out of ten children between the ages of eight and sixteen have viewed pornography on the internet, in most cases unintentionally. Every thirty-nine minutes, a new pornographic video is created in the United States. Twelve percent of the websites on the internet are pornographic (approximately 24,644,172).” (“Safety Net – Resources to Protect Your Family from Pornography,” Healthy Sandy Partnership, www.healthysandy.org/fileadmin/downloads/healthy_sandy/Ecclesiastical_Packet.pdf)

“We know they are frequently stumbling across porn, often unintentionally, and they are telling us very clearly that this is having a damaging and upsetting effect on them.” (“One in ten children aged 12 and 13 ‘involved in sexually explicit videos’”, The Telegraph, March 30, 2015, http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/health/children/11505252/One-in-ten-children-aged-12-and-13-involved-in-sexually-explicit-videos.html)


“A study in the southeastern U.S. found that 53 percent of boys and 28 percent of girls (ages 12-15) reported use of sexually explicit media. The Internet was the most popular forum for viewing. (Brown, J. & L'Engle, K. 2009, Communications Research, 36(1), 129-151, X-Rated: Sexual attitudes and behaviors associated with U.S. early adolescents’ exposure to sexually explicit media).”

“But it is striking to see sexual behaviors and attitudes that were uncommon now becoming part of the accepted, mainstream experience of young people.” The Vice President of the Barna Group added, ‘We expect to see this mindset of sexual entitlement translate into increased appetites for pornography, unfiltered acceptance of sexual themes and content in media, and continued dissolution of marriages due to infidelity. It seems entirely possible that current events such as the Mark Foley scandal, instances of abuse by clergy, and the sexually oriented school shootings of recent months are not mere aberrations, but symptoms of a sexually unrestrained society.” (The Barna Group; A New Generation of Adults Bends Moral and Sexual Rules to Their Liking)"

SILENCE ABOUT PORNOGRAPHY puts kids at risk

CAN YOU PREDICT WHEN EXPOSURE WILL HAPPEN?
In today’s digital age, every time a child interacts with technology, or with people who interact with technology; that child is put at risk!

WHEN A CHILD STUMBLES ACROSS PORNOGRAPHY, THEY CAN FEEL:
Extreme shock. Fear. Shame.
An inability to verbalize. Loneliness.

THE BENEFITS OF GIVING KIDS AN EARLY WARNING!
Here’s the GOOD news!
Kids who are warned early:
1. EXPERIENCE LESS SHOCK
2. FEEL MORE TRUSTED
3. HAVE MORE CONFIDENCE
4. CAN SAFELY REPORT THEIR EXPERIENCE
5. FEEL CONNECTED

HOW SURE ARE YOU?
Does your child have a plan?
It’s never too early or too late to talk to your kids! We are here to help you.

SOURCE:
https://protectyoungminds.org/2017/03/09/warn-kids-about-pornography/
“The American College of Pediatricians is working hard to recommend resources for both pediatricians and parents. Here’s their recent endorsement of the Good Pictures Bad Pictures series of books:”

“I whole-heartedly recommend Good Pictures Bad Pictures Jr. and Good Pictures Bad Pictures: Porn-Proofing Today’s Young Kids to parents, grandparents, teachers and pediatricians alike. In a tech-savvy age, with even pre-schoolers at risk of exposure to our pornified culture, the greatest gift we can give our children is an internal filter. The Good Pictures Bad Pictures books, and other resources available from www.ProtectYoungMinds.org, help parents do just that.” (Michelle A. Cretella, MD, FCP, President, American College of Pediatricians)

“As a pediatrician and mother of four, I can attest that open communication about the beauty and inviolability of our bodies, from the time children first ask questions, is key to instilling moral character and protecting them from our sexually exploitative culture. In very positive, clear and simple language, and with beautiful illustrations, these books and resources will help parents do just that.” (Michelle A. Cretella, MD, FCP, President, American College of Pediatricians)


(Marilyn Evans: “Marilyn Evans lives east of Toronto with her husband and five sons. Concerned with the ease of access to online pornography, she began searching for ways to address this subject with her own children. Frustrated with the lack of resources and information available to parents at the time she began speaking out about the harms of porn anyone who would listen. After a concerted but somewhat futile effort to gain the attention of her school board Marilyn felt her voice would be better served in the blogosphere. Over the past two years she has written regular articles for Parents Aware, as well as guest posting for Strength to Fight, and recently published an opinion article in Education Canada. She is thrilled to add her voice to the community at Protect Young Minds.”)
“How Many People are Watching Porn”

“A study done in 2008 found that 93% of boys and 62% of girls were exposed to pornography in their early adolescent years.”

“…research by security technology company Bitdefender found that kids under the age of 10 now account for 22% of online porn consumption among the under 18 age.”

L. WOMEN AND PORN


“Forty-nine percent of college women describe pornography viewing as an acceptable expression of sexuality and 31% now use pornography (Carroll et al., 2008; Yoder, Virdin, & Amin, 2005). College-aged women are becoming more likely to view pornography (Boies, 2002), reflecting efforts by the pornography industry to develop materials specifically targeting female audiences (Dines, 2010).” (Matthew W. Brosi, John D. Foubert, R. Sean Bannon, and Gabe Yandell, “Effects of Sorority Members’ Pornography Use on Bystander Intervention in a Sexual Assault Situation and Rape Myth Acceptance”, The Research Journal of the Association of Fraternity/Sorority Advisors, Fall 2011, https://media.wix.com/ugd/9e4c55_eb27aa6c92c549f38282792e32195332.pdf)


“Most studies (as opposed to presumably inflated porn industry reports) have found that about one-third of young women view pornography. A 2008 study found that 31% of college-age women use pornography. (Carroll, J. S., Padilla-Walker, L. M., Nelson, L. J., Olsen, C. D., McNamara, B. C., & Madsen, S. D. (2008). Generation XXX: Pornography acceptance and use among emerging adults. Journal of Adolescent Research, 23, 6-30) A study of U.S. women nationwide conducted by a research team led by Dr. Paul Wright of Indiana University found that before the Internet, when women’s pornography use was measured, rates varied a great deal from year to year. After the Internet was introduced in the 1990s, women’s overall use rose slightly and remained more stable year-to-year. For women age 18-30, approximately 34% view pornography.

“Here are some other figures on women and pornography from IFR:”

“70 percent of women keep their cyber activities secret”

“17 percent of women struggle with pornography addiction”

“Women favor chat rooms more than men by a 2:1 ratio”

“One-third of all visitors to adult websites are women”

“9.4 million women access adult websites each month”

“13 percent of women admit to accessing pornography at work”

(Copyright © 2015, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. All rights reserved. 3211 4th Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20017-1194, (202) 541-3000 © USCCB) (“Woman and Online Pornography”, For Your Marriage, Accessed March 9, 2016, http://www.foryourmarriage.org/women-and-online-pornography/)


“Pornography hasn’t changed their perception of women or their relationship which they all want as harmonious and fulfilling as possible. Those who could not live out their fantasy in real life with their partner simply set aside the fantasy. The fantasy is broken in the real world and men don’t want their partner to look like a porn star,’ says Lajeunesse.” (Rick Nauert, “Pornography’s Effect on Men Under Study”, PsychCentral, December 2, 2009, http://psychcentral.com/news/2009/12/02/pornographys-effect-on-men-under-study/9884.html)

“Lajeunesse refutes the perverse effect often attributed to pornography.” (Rick Nauert, “Pornography’s Effect on Men Under Study”, PsychCentral,
“While porn has typically been a man’s domain, its usage among young women seems to have become more common, perhaps due to digital access.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEuIrK70)

“Teenage girls and young women are significantly more likely to actively seek out porn than women over age 25, which is similar to men.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEuIrK70)

“However, more than half of women 25 and under ever seek out porn (56% versus 27% among women 25-plus) and one-third seek it out at least monthly (33% versus just 12% among older men).” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEuIrK70)

“In contrast, among teen and young adult men, 81% ever seek it out and 67% at least monthly. Among men ages 25-plus, the comps are 65% and 47” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEuIrK70)


“Caroline is not alone. While it’s accepted that women are watching – and enjoying – porn more and more, it’s less recognised that some are also finding it hard to stop. At Quit Porn Addiction, the UK’s main porn counselling service, almost one in three clients are women struggling with their own porn use, says founder and counsellor Jason Dean. Two years ago, there were none. While more than six out of 10 women say they view web porn, one study in 2006 by the Internet Filter Review found that 17% of women describe themselves as ‘addicted’.” (Tanith Carey, “Why more and more women are using pornography”, The Guardian, April 7, 2011, http://www.theguardian.com/culture/2011/apr/07/women-addicted-intemet-pornography)

“Dean says: ‘I remember getting my first woman contacts about two years ago and thinking that was fairly unusual. Now I’m hearing from about 70 women a year who are coming for their own reasons, not because their

“While pornography use is currently not as common among women as it is for men, the number of women who view pornography is rapidly increasing. Seventy percent of new pornography websites are geared towards women. Pornography addiction in women frequently takes different forms than for men. For example, men tend to respond to visual images, while women initially tend to be more drawn to verbal and written forms of pornography such as graphic romance novels, explicit chat rooms, or online romantic role playing. Many women are drawn into social media relationships that can lead to the production of self-pornography for dissemination to individuals they meet online. Some women agree to watch pornography with their boyfriend or husband as a way to “spice up” the relationship or in an ineffective attempt to keep him from viewing it alone. In many cases, women can become addicted to the pornographic material. The same dangers of addiction and the same process of recovery that apply to men also apply to women.” (“Safety Net – Resources to Protect Your Family from Pornography,” Healthy Sandy Partnership, www.healthysandy.org/fileadmin/downloads/healthy_sandy/Ecclesiastical_Packet.pdf)

“Women were asked whether they had viewed three different kinds of pornography during the past 12 months: hardcore pornography, sadomasochistic pornography, and rape pornography. Among sorority women who completed surveys in this study, 46% had viewed hardcore pornography, 27% had viewed rape pornography, and 21% had viewed sadomasochistic pornography. Survey results were analyzed using SPSS version 17. This section presents results organized by dependent variable alongside with discussion and considerations to enable more direct interpretation.” (Matthew W. Brosi, John D. Foubert, R. Sean Bannon, and Gabe Yandell, “Effects of women’s pornography use on bystander intervention in a sexual assault situation and rape myth acceptance”, The Research Journal of the Association of Fraternity/Sorority Advisors, 2011, https://works.bepress.com/john_foubert/8/)

“Pornography Statistics: Who Uses Porn?”

- 13% of women admit to accessing porn at work
- 70% of women keep their cyber activities secret
- 17% of all women struggle with porn addiction
- Women favor chat rooms 2x more than men.
- 1 of 3 visitors of all adult web sites is a woman.

Pornography generally deal with objectification, whereas erotica forms a relational connection.

It is a common misconception that pornography is only a problem for men. Pornography is a people problem and it affects everyone.


“At the time of the study in 2006, 68% of those who viewed porn online were men while women only made up 13.6%. … analytics released by popular porn site Pornhub, women are 113% more likely to search the term “hardcore” than men. They are also over 105% more likely to seek out genres of porn like “gangbang” and “rough sex.”

“A study of 14- to 19-year-olds found that females who watched pornographic videos were at a significantly greater likelihood of being victims of sexual harassment or sexual assault.” (“18 Shocking Stats About the Porn Industry and Its Underage Consumers”, Fight the New Drug, September 5, 2017, https://fightthenewdrug.org/10-porn-stats-that-will-blow-your-mind/)

“With men’s viewing of mainstream pornography during the last 12 months, which 83% of participants reported, such men indicated a greater behavioral intent to rape as shown by their answers to questions about their likelihood of committing rape and likelihood of committing sexual assault if they could be assured of not being caught or punished than men who chose not to view pornography. The result that 83% of the sample in this study reported viewing pornography is concerning given its connection to sexual violence. Though this does not mean that all men who view pornography will commit rape, it does raise concern about the increased risk that viewing mainstream pornography has for men’s intent to commit sexual violence. Whether this connection exists has been the subject of debate (Allen et al., 1995; Hald et al., 2010). The results of the present study helps establish the pornography and sexual assault connection more decisively, particularly with the type of pornography discussed below. This finding helps move the debate closer to not whether but why the connection exists.” (John D. Foubert, Matthew W. Brosi and Sean Bannon, “Pornography Viewing among Fraternity Men: Effects on Bystander Intervention, Rape Myth Acceptance and Behavioral Intent to Commit Sexual Assault”, Sexual Addiction and Compulsivity, November 28, 2011, https://media.wix.com/ugd/9e4c55_334edae0a4e64f078b8b0479f7c9cb56.pdf)

“Among the 27% of men using sadomasochistic pornography during the past 12 months, men who viewed sadomasochistic pornography reported significantly less bystander efficacy to intervene in a rape situation, greater belief in rape myths, and a greater behavioral intent to commit rape as measured by questions asking about their likelihood of committing sexual assault and likelihood of committing rape if they could be assured of not being caught or punished.” (John D. Foubert, Matthew W. Brosi and Sean Bannon, “Pornography Viewing among Fraternity Men: Effects on Bystander Intervention, Rape Myth Acceptance and Behavioral Intent to Commit Sexual Assault”, Sexual Addiction and Compulsivity, November 28, 2011, https://media.wix.com/ugd/9e4c55_334edae0a4e64f078b8b0479f7c9cb56.pdf)
### Proven Men & Porn Phenomenon – Study Comparison

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“Almost all (90%) of the males who said they had had oral intercourse and 88% of those who had had sexual intercourse had used sexually explicit media in the past year.” (Jane D. Brown, Kelly L. L’Engle, “X-Rated, Sexual Attitudes and behaviors Associated with U.S. Early Adolescents’ Exposure to Sexually Explicit Media”, Communications Research, Volume 36 No. 1, February 2009, http://crx.sagepub.com/content/36/1/129.abstract)

“When men reported viewing rape pornography, effects were serious. Compared to the 81% of men who did not view rape pornography, those exposed during the past 12 months reported significantly less bystander willingness to intervene in a rape related situation, greater belief in rape myths, and a greater behavioral intent to rape through questions assessing likelihood of committing sexual assault and likelihood of committing rape. Such men reported lower efficacy for intervening in a rape situation, although this difference was not significant.” (John D. Foubert, Matthew W. Brosi and Sean Bannon, “Pornography Viewing among Fraternity Men: Effects on Bystander Intervention, Rape Myth Acceptance and Behavioral Intent to Commit Sexual Assault”, Sexual Addiction and Compulsivity, November 28, 2011, https://media.wix.com/ugd/9e4c55_334edae0a4e64f078b8b0479f7c9cb56.pdf)

Once college begins, most students have seen, and are likely affected by, pornography with nearly all men and two thirds of women having been exposed (Brown & Engle, 2009). Experimental and correlational research has shown that use of Internet and other types of pornography is associated with a variety of sexually violent behavior (Kingston et al., 2009). A meta-analysis found that men’s use of pornography is strongly associated with acceptance of sexual violence (Hald, Malamuth, & Yuen, 2010). In addition, a comprehensive literature review of more than 50 studies found that men who frequently use pornography are more likely to have perpetrated rape and other forms of sexual aggression (Malamuth et al., 2000). High pornography use adds significant predictive capacity to the
ability to determine whether men will be sexually aggressive, over and above other predictive factors (Vega & Malamuth, 2007). It appears that men who have attitudes supporting sexual violence seek out violent pornography and that the two are mutually reinforcing (Malamuth, Hald, & Koss, 2012). (John D. Foubert and Ana J. Bridges, “What is the Attraction? Pornography Use Motives in Relation to Bystander Intervention”, Oklahoma State University, 2015, https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/26209307)

“Whether it is recognized as an addiction or not, people are talking about the trouble with porn. It’s interfering with users’ lives, and Chicago psychotherapist Jens Hussey believes that it is ‘the fastest-growing addiction that’s out there right now,’ particularly in younger men.” (Heather Schroering, “The Porn Problem,” Chicago Tribune, July 14, 2015, www.chicagotribune.com/news/redeye-porn-addiction-20150714-story.html#page=1)


“In thousands of cases that I have counseled, only about one-percent of the men have come to us voluntarily and preemptively. Ninety-nine percent of the men were caught.” (Harry Schaumburg, “Sexual Sin in the Ministry”, Desiring God, March 6, 2012, http://www.desiringgod.org/articles/sexual-sin-in-the-ministry)

“…68% of churchgoing men and 30% of women reported viewing porn on a regular basis in a five-year, national survey of churches.”

“Even four years ago, … porn sites were receiving more traffic than Amazon, Netflix and Twitter combined.” (Luke Gibbons, “6 things the porn industry doesn’t want you to find out”, Premier Christianity, September 13, 2017, https://www.premierchristianity.com/Blog/6-things-the-porn-industry-doesn-t-want-you-to-find-out)


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interviewed for this book suggest that if a study was done today on the age boys first see porn, it would be under 10 years old. (John D. Foubert, “How Pornography Harms”, John Foubert.com, April 2016, http://www.johnfoubert.com/how-porn-harms)

“Another challenge is to find men who aren’t using porn. A Canadian researcher, for example, couldn’t find any male college students on his campus who weren’t using porn. Somehow this seemed to indicate to him that porn was obviously harmless, however, it could show just how powerful its effects on the brain are. (‘All men watch porn, and it is not bad for them: study’ www.grandslamnews.com/article/All%20men%20watch%20porn%2C%20and%20it%20is%20not%20bad%20for%20them%3A%20study/?k=j83s1y12h94s27k02) (Marnia Robinson, “Pornography and Addiction: Brain Chemistry Research and Porn”, Scribd, April 28, 2010, http://www.scribd.com/doc/32712148/Pornography-and-Addiction-Brain-Chemistry-Research-and-Porn-by-Marnia-Robinson#scribd)

“Harvard: Of the 758 who responded (half of the senior class), a recent survey of Harvard’s graduating class of 2014 revealed the following: 48% of men watch porn multiple times a week.” (Harvard Crimson, May 2014)

“Cosmopolitan A survey of 4000 men and 4000 women found that more than 30% of the men watched porn daily. 71% of men 18-34 watch it at least once a month.” (Cosmopolitan Magazine, February 20, 2014)


“Research Patrick Fagan, Ph.D…’I believe well over 90% of the men that will read this (including the one writing it) have viewed porn on the internet.” (Gary Abernathy, “Pornography: The Quiet Family Killer,” Charisma News, October 5, 2014, http://www.charismanews.com/opinion/45636-pornography-the-quiet-family-killer)

“This 2014 ProvenMen survey showed, tragically, that the number of Christian men involved with pornography mirrors the world.”
“77% of Christian men between the ages of 18 and 30 say they look at pornography at least monthly.”

“64% of Christian men between the ages of 31 and 49 say they view pornography at least monthly.”

“36% of 18-30 year-old Christian men say they view porn at least daily”

“At least 32% of that age group admit to being addicted.”

“18% of Christian men ages 31-49 admit to addiction.”


“Men and women use pornography differently. Men are more than six times as likely to view pornography as females, and more likely to spend more time viewing it.”

N. DIVORCE AND PORN


“‘But the wife whose marriage has been destroyed by her spouse’s pornography addiction has little interest in whether the latest research studies confirm that pornography might have harmful effects. To the men and women whose lives have been damaged by pornography, this is not an academic issue.’” (Christopher Carmouche, “The Scope and Detrimental Effects of worldwide Pornography", The World Congress of Families, June 2, 2010, http://worldcongress.org/wcfreg.spkrs/wcf.reg.uk.carmouche.htm)

“MARRIAGE & FAMILY – HARMS OF PORNOGRAPHY”


“Impact on Adults”
“In a study published in *Sexual Addiction and Compulsivity*, Schneider found that among the 68 percent of couples in which one person was addicted to Internet porn, one or both had lost interest in sex. Results of the same study, published in 2000, indicated that porn use was a major contributing factor to increased risk of separation and divorce. This finding is substantiated by results of a 2002 meeting of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, during which surveyed lawyers claimed that ‘an obsessive interest in Internet pornography’ was a significant factor in 56 percent of their divorce cases the prior year.” (Jennifer P. Schneider, Effects of cybersex addiction on the family: Results of a survey*, Sexual Addiction and Compulsivity, Vol. 7, Issue 1-2, 2000, http://www.jenniferschneider.com/articles/cybersex_family.html) (“National Review: Getting Serious on Pornography”, NPR, March 31, 2010, http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=125382361)

**“PORNOGRAPHY – DESTROYING MARRIAGES & FAMILIES”**

“That’s staggering. That means across the country, with about one million divorces each year, we have 500,000 divorces annually where pornography is a major player.” (“Pornography: Destroying Marriages & Families,” Wisconsin Family Connection Transcript, February 10, 2015, http://wifamilycouncil.org/pornography-destroying-marriages-families-2/)


**“THE IMPACT OF PORNOGRAPHY ON MARITAL RELATIONSHIPS”**

“Researcher Patrick Fagan, Ph.D. completed a major study of pornography…56% of divorces had one partner with an obsessive interest in porn…I believe well over 90% of the men that will read this (including the one writing it) have viewed porn on the internet.” (“The Effects of Porn on Marriage”, All Pro Dad, Accessed October 19, 2015, http://www.allprodad.com/the-effects-of-porn-on-marriage/)

“…married men who watch pornography tend to be less satisfied with their sexual relationship and lack an emotional attachment to their partners. When couples in this situation were questioned, both reported feeling that viewing pornography was tantamount to infidelity and often a precursor to
divorce. 56 percent of those addicted to watching porn end up losing their spouse, according to the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers.”

(1) http://www.roadtograce.net/current-porn-statistics/)

“Pornography use may eventually lead to divorce. Statistically, fifty-five percent of divorces are related to pornography. Nevertheless, a large number of couples are able to find recovery and healing through recognition of this addiction and by seeking appropriate help. Several factors influence the probability of healing the relationship:” (“Safety Net – Resources to Protect Your Family from Pornography,” Healthy Sandy Partnership, www.healthysandy.org/fileadmin/downloads/healthy_sandy/Ecclesiastical_Packet.pdf)

“‘But the wife whose marriage has been destroyed by her spouse’s pornography addiction has little interest in whether the latest research studies confirm that pornography might have harmful effects. To the men and women whose lives have been damaged by pornography, this is not an academic issue.’” (Christopher Carmouche, “The Scope and Detrimental Effects of worldwide Pornography”, The World Congress of Families, June 2, 2010, http://worldcongress.org/wcfreq.spkrs/wcf.reg.uk.carmouche.htm)
O. PORN VIDEOS

“The United States has become the world’s largest producer of hard-core videos with more than 150 titles produced per week.”

(Social Science Quarterly, Volume 85, Number 1, March 2004 ©2004 by the Southwestern Social Science Association)

“Per Audiovisual Magazine in 2005, hardcore video rentals increased from 75 million annually in 1985 to 490 million in 1992, and to 665 million in 1996. By 1978, 100 hard-core films were released. By 1996, 8,000 hard-core films were released. By 2002, 11,300 hard-core films were released, compared with only 470 Hollywood features released that same year.”

(Christopher Carmouche, “The Scope and Detrimental Effects of worldwide Pornography”, The World Congress of Families)

“US$ 12 billion by 2005 (Adult video News [AVN], 2006). Currently, more than 13,000 adult videos are produced annually in the United States, an increase of 60% over the same 10-year period (AVN, 2006). By comparison, the major Hollywood studios released 507 new titles in 2005.”


“The United States alone produces 10,000 pornographic movies each year. The Free Speech Coalition, a porn industry – lobbying group, estimates that the adult video/DVD sales and rentals amount to at least $4 billion per year. The Internet is a rich source, with 40 million adults regularly visiting porn Web sites, and more than one quarter of regular users downloading porn at work. And it’s not just men who are interested: Nelsen/Net reports that 9.4 million women in the United States accessed online pornography Web sites in the month of September 2003. … Family Safe Media, the porn industry makes more money than the top technology companies combined, including Microsoft, Google, Apple, and Amazon.”


“Juniper Research recently forecast that a whopping 136 billion adult videos will have been watched in 2015 alone — a figure that Juniper
expects to skyrocket to 193 billion by 2020. On a global scale, each smartphone user of adult content is expected to watch an average of 348 videos this year, with the biggest growth expected to occur in the U.S., where video views are predicted to grow by almost 55% by 2020, according to the report.” (Jennifer Booton, “Porn Industry's billion-dollar new frontier”, Market Watch, July 20, 2015, http://www.marketwatch.com/story/how-the-future-of-virtual-reality-depends-on-porn-2015-07-15?page=1)

“The research concluded that 90 percent of pornography is consumed on the Internet, while 10 percent comes from video stores. On average, single men watch pornography three times a week for 40 minutes. Those who are in committed relationships watch it on average 1.7 times a week for 20 minutes.” (Rick Nauert, “Pornography’s Effect on Men Under Study”, PsychCentral, December 2, 2009, http://psychcentral.com/news/2009/12/02/pornographys-effect-on-men-under-study/9884.html)

“In a 2007 presentation, Robert Wosnitzer, Ana Bridges, and Michelle Chang released the results of their study of the 50 top selling adult DVDs. After analyzing 304 distinct scenes in these films, they found 3,376 acts of verbal or physical aggression— that’s an act of aggression every minute and a half. About 90% of scenes contained at least one act of aggression. Verbal aggression, such as name-calling, was present in about half of adult video scenes. In 73% of instances, men were the aggressors, and when women were the aggressors, most of the time they were being aggressive to another woman. In 95% of the scenes, the person receiving the aggression reacted neutrally or positively to it. Positive or healthy sexual acts, such as kissing or compliments, were found in only 10% of scenes.” (“Mapping the Pornographic Text: Content Analysis Research of Popular Pornography,” Presentation by Robert Wosnitzer, Ana Bridges, and Michelle Chang at the National Feminist Antipornography Conference, Wheelock College, Boston, March 24, 2007.) (Luke Gilkerson, “Your Brain on Porn”, Covenant Eyes, Accessed July 29, 2016, http://www.covenanteyes.com/brain-ebook/)

“Researchers assessing the most popularly purchased and rented pornography videos today found 88% of the scenes in them included physical aggression toward women such as spanking, open-hand slapping, hair pulling, choking, and bondage. Among the most recent trends, in 41% of the most popular mainstream pornography movies today are scenes in

“However, in 1970 15% reported seeing a pornographic movie whereas in 1985 this dropped to 7%. Although such results are interesting, the exact meaning of them is somewhat unclear.” (Patrick M. Markey, Charlotte N. Markey, “Online Pornography Seeking Behaviors,” accessed March 17, 2016, http://interpersonalresearch.weebly.com/uploads/1/0/4/0/10405979/online_pornography.seeking.behaviors._markey__markey_4-11-11.pdf)

P. TIME ON INTERNET AND PORN


“Her statement is far from an exaggeration. A recent survey of 29,000 people at North American universities shows 51% of men and 16% of women spend up to five hours per week online for sexual purposes, and another 11% of men spend anywhere from five to 20 hours per week.” (Luke Gilkerson, “Your Brain on Porn”, Covenant Eyes, Accessed July 29, 2016, http://www.covenanteyes.com/brain-ebook/)


“29% of working U.S. adults watch porn on their computer at the office.” (BetaBeat, November 12, 2013)

“Research indicates that 70% of the hits on Internet sex sites occur between 9-5 on business computers…my clinical experience supports that 40% of sex addicts will lose their spouse, 58% will suffer severe financial losses, and 27-40% will lose their job or profession.” (Dr. Judith Reisman, Dr. Jeffrey Stainover, Dr. Mary Anne Layden & Dr. James B. Weaver, III, “Hearing on the Brain Science Behind Pornography Addition and the Effects of Addiction on Families and Communities”, CCV.org, November
“…the number of hours spent on the Internet gives us a continuous measure of intensity of usage, the mean being 5.44 hours per week. (The variable on pornography usage does ask about the number of times it was used during the last 30 days (in 3 levels of usage categories), but frequency of use is presumably reported even less truthfully. In any case, we ran the regressions in the paper using an index of intensity of pornography usage rather than a dummy and the results were not much different.)”  (Michael Malcolm, George Naufal, “Are Pornography and Marriage Substitutes for Young Men?” The Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), November, 2014, http://www.iza.org/en/webcontent/publications/papers/viewAbstract?dp_id=8679)

“American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers meeting, two-thirds of the attendees said excessive interest in online pornography contributed to more than half their divorce caseload. A leading Fortune 500 company study found that men spent 62 percent of their computer time on cybersex
“Here are additional statistics:”

- “More than 25 million Americans visit cybersex sites weekly and 60 percent of all website visits are sexual in nature, according to the Sexual Recovery Institute of Los Angeles.”

- “According to a May 2004 Internet traffic study by Internetweek.com, people visit porn sites three times more often than Google, Yahoo! and MSN Search combined.”

- “About 3 to 6 percent of Americans (20 million people) are sexual addicts, according to Dr. Patrick Carnes at the International Institute for Trauma and Addiction Professionals.”

“Rarely does someone’s participation remain at just looking at porn,” says Dr. Mark Laaser, author of The Pornography Trap. “They begin with looking at porn, then they move to self-stimulation and then onto pursuing the things they are looking at. There is definitely a progression from soft porn to harder porn.” ("Fighting the New Drug: Pornography", First Things, Accessed September 26, 2017, http://firstthings.org/fighting-the-new-drug-pornography/)
Q. THE INTERNET AND PORN

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(internettlivestats.com)

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18.35 BILLION TOTAL VISITS

2.1M VISITS PER HOUR
35K VISITS PER MINUTE
5.8K VISITS PER SECOND

1,044,659 COMMENTS IN 2014
“LOVE” MOST COMMON WORD ON COMMENTS

TOP TEN COUNTRIES WITH PER CAPITA PAGEVIEWS

1. USA 123
2. CANADA 119
“THE BARE BASICS”

“Overall, Pornhub saw a whopping 78.9 billion video views through 2014, which considerably surpasses last year’s 63.2 billion. Specifically, this breaks down to 18.35 individual visits to the site over the course of the year, translating to about 5800 visits per second. However you look at it, that’s a lot of people getting busy on Pornhub. (“2014 Year in Review”, Porn Hub Insights, January 7, 2015, http://www.pornhub.com/insights/2014-year-in-review)

“With the launch of the internet and with increasing popularity of smartphones, porn has now become a 5 billion dollar worldwide industry. 7 out of 10 men and 5 out of 10 women view porn regularly; this statistic is


“In 2014, just one of the many available gateway websites reported that people viewed 79 billion videos through their site that year. To put that into perspective, that is 11 videos for every person on earth. Thus, those actually accessing the site are viewing massive quantities of porn, very frequently. In 2014, over 18 billion visits were made to their site; 5,800 per second. The United States had more users on the site than any other nation. In one year, there were 123 page views for every person in the United States.” (John D. Foubert, “How Pornography Harms”, John Foubert.com, April 2016, http://www.johnfoubert.com/how-porn-harms)

“…the number one search term in 2014 was “teen.” “Teen” was followed by ‘lesbian’ and several other terms referring to pornography where young males engage in sex with women old enough to be their mother. The search term ‘lesbian’ was used more often by female visitors to the site than it was used by the males.” (John D. Foubert, “How Pornography Harms”, John Foubert.com, April 2016, http://www.johnfoubert.com/how-porn-harms)


“From this analysis, the 10 most frequently occurring, non-domain specific, pornography keywords (e.g., “xvideos,” “porn,” “xxx,” etc.) were selected.” (Charlotte N. Markey, “Online Pornography Seeking Behaviors”, Interpersonal Research, April 11, 2011, http://interpersonalresearch.weebly.com/uploads/1/0/4/0/10405979/online_pornography寻求行为_markey_markey_4-11-11.pdf)

“‘Penthouse’ Discontinues Print Magazine Due to Rise of Internet Porn”
“This time around, however, the repercussions are much more detrimental for the affected party. After 51 years of publication, Penthouse is forced to discontinue its print department in order to counteract the rise of web-based mediums providing the same content via increasingly accessible avenues. To abed the process, there will a transition period regarding the move from online to digital. This move is unsurprising as fellow adult title, Playboy, has also been struggling of late to remain competitive with the rise of online porn.” (Zarah Cheng, “‘Penthouse’ Discontinues Print Magazine Due to Rise of Internet porn”, Hypebeast, January 17, 2016, http://hypebeast.com/2016/1/penthouse-discontinues-print-magazine)

“Research in the United States has shown that 66% of men and 41% of women consume pornography on a monthly basis.” (Paul P. Pornified. New York, NY: Times Books; 2007) (Simone Kühn, PhD; Jürgen Gallinat, PhD, “Brain Structure and Functional


“30% of all internet traffic is pornography. The world’s largest porn site transfers 29 petabytes of porn a month In the U.S., 52% of pornography is accessed on smartphones; 10% on tablets. Worldwide, 51% of porn is accessed on desktop computers; 49% on smartphones and tablets.” (The Inquisitr, December 26, 2013)

“By simply typing a few keywords into a search engine (e.g., Google), it is extremely easy to search for pornography on the internet. It is so easy that it has been speculated that every second, 372 individuals are typing pornographic keywords into a search engine. Altogether, it is estimated that up to 25% of all internet search engine requests are for pornography.”


Approximately 13% of the US population regularly views internet pornography and the majority of these individuals (75%) are men.”


A few small studies of U.S adolescents’ exposure to sexually explicit magazines and movies in the 1980s found that even then exposure was
almost universal by the end of high school. The average age of first
exposure to Playboy was 11 years for males and 12 for females; by 15
years old, most had also seen an X-rated film. Appetite for sexually explicit
media has been a primary driver for the success of the Internet.” (Bryant, J., &
advances and policy considerations (pp. 25-55). Hillsdale, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum) (Jane D. Brown, Kelly
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http://crx.sagepub.com/content/36/1/129.abstract)

“Pornography has gone almost completely digital.” (David Kinnaman, “The
Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-
kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEuIrK70)

“Example: 71% of adults, 85% of teens and young adults who have
viewed pornography did so using online videos” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn
Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-
kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEuIrK70)

“Magazines, graphic novels, on-demand videos and cable or
rented/purchased DVDs are a very small part of the ‘market.” (David
media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEuIrK70)

“81% of adults between the ages of 18 and 29 are wireless Internet
users. By comparison, 63% of 30-49 year-olds and 34% of those ages
50 and older access the Internet wirelessly.” (“The Internet and Pornography”, The
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Accessed March 9, 2016,
http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child-and-youth-
protection/resources/upload/InternetPornography-Slattery.pdf)

“Roughly half of 18-29 year-olds have accessed the Internet wirelessly
on a laptop (55%) or on a cell phone (55%), and about one quarter of
18-29 year-olds (28%) have accessed the Internet wirelessly on another
device such as an e-book reader or gaming device.” (“The Internet and
Pornography”, The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Accessed March 9, 2016,
http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child-and-youth-
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“A Google Trends analysis indicates that searches for “Teen Porn” have
more than tripled between 2005–2013. Total searches for teen–related
porn reached an estimated 500,000 daily in March 2013 — one–third of

“30% of the Internet industry is pornography.[19] Stephen Yagielowicz, “The Internet Really is Porn,” http://www.xbiz.com/news/146703 (accessed 6/11/14). “Anthony compiled data from Google’s DoubleClick Ad Planner to reveal that XVideos is currently the largest adult website, boasting 4.4 billion page views per month; with other adult sites, such as LiveJasmin, YouPorn, Tube8 and Pornhub all commanding vast expanses of market share, ‘that dwarf almost everything except the Googles and Facebooks of the Internet.’” “. . . that sets adult sites apart from non–adult sites; with Anthony comparing a 15–20 minute average porn site visit to a three–to–six minute visit on a news site as evidence of adult’s stickiness. . . . Anthony states that’s while the amounts vary, typical adult websites contain 50 to 200 terabytes of porn and are responsible for nearly a third of all Internet traffic.” “Anthony stated, ‘It’s probably not unrealistic to say that porn makes up 30 percent of the total data transferred across the Internet.’” (See Sebastin Anthony, “Just how big are porn sites?” Extreme Tech (Apr.4 2012), http://www.extremetech.com/computing/123929–just–how–big–are–porn–sites.) (“Pornography”, Enough is Enough, Accessed 3.20.2017, http://www.enough.org/stats_porn_industry)


“Findings from the Youth Internet Safety Survey indicate that 15% of 12-17 year olds have purposefully looked at x-rated material online.” (“Pornography”, Enough is Enough, Accessed 3.20.2017, http://www.enough.org/stats_porn_industry)
“Data from the PEW Internet and American Life Project suggest that 70% of 15-17 year old Internet users accidently view pornography "very" or "Somewhat" often.” (“Pornography”, Enough is Enough, Accessed 3.20.2017, http://www.enough.org/stats_porn_industry)


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“…the Internet is not subject to regulations; it has emerged as a vehicle for circulation of pornography.” (Simone Kühn, PhD; Jürgen Gallinat, PhD, “Brain Structure and Functional Connectivity Associated with Pornography Consumption,” JAMA Psychiatry. 2014;71(7):827-834, http://archpsyc.jamanetwork.com/article.aspx?articleid=1874574)

“Here are evidenced-based suggestions of how to make Internet safety education materials more consistent with current research (Crimes Against Children Lab, University of New Hampshire).”


• “According to research looking at crimes ending in arrest, violence occurred in only 5% of cases. In most encounters, victims meet offenders voluntarily and expect sexual activity, because they feel love or affection for the person they have been corresponding with. Typically, they have sex with the adult on multiple occasions. Most of these crimes are statutory rather than forcible rape.” (“The Internet and Pornography”, The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Accessed March 9, 2016, http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child-and-youth-protection/resources/upload/InternetPornography-Slattery.pdf)

“Internet use is near ubiquitous among teens and young adults. In the last decade, the young adult Internet population has remained the most likely to go online.” (“The Internet and Pornography”, The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Accessed March 9, 2016, http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child-and-youth-protection/resources/upload/InternetPornography-Slattery.pdf)

• “93%-100% of teens ages 12-17 go online, as do 93% of young adults ages 18-29. One quarter (74%) of all adults ages 18 and older go online.” (“The Internet and Pornography”, The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops,
“Over the past 10 years, teens and young adults have been consistently the two groups most likely to go online, even as the Internet population has grown and even with documented larger increases in certain age cohorts (e.g. adults 65 and older).” ("The Internet and Pornography", The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Accessed March 9, 2016, http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child-and-youth-protection/resources/upload/InternetPornography-Slattery.pdf)


“Additionally, texting on a cell phone is a major problem especially when not supervised by parents. Early data suggest that just limiting the use and limiting when children use their phone prevents use in the middle of the night; it thus prevents prolonged periods of sleep deprivation, which many link to higher suicide rates in teens; controlling the use, timing and access to cell phones is crucial data here.” ("The Internet and Pornography", The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Accessed March 9, 2016, http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child-and-youth-protection/resources/upload/InternetPornography-Slattery.pdf)


“Before Internet porn, users were limited to the analog stuff, consuming magazines and videos in lesser quantity. But today, the Internet has helped
put porn into the hands of anyone who wants it, as much as they want it. With Internet access and a viewing device, anyone has the ability to watch thousands of naked strangers anywhere at any time—in the car, in the bathroom at work, before even getting out of bed in the morning.” (Heather Schroering, “The Porn Problem,” Chicago Tribune, July 14, 2015, www.chicagotribune.com/news/redeye-porn-addiction-20150714-story.html#page=1)

“‘Back then I could only look at a picture of a naked girl, and what did I know about sex, when I was 12 or 13?’ said Wilson, who also runs the website yourbrainonporn.com. ‘But now ... imagination has been replaced by what’s on the screen. You become a voyeur to watch and click and surf, conditioning sexuality—that this is the way you do sex, this is how you have it...because it’s real people having what you think is real sex.’” (Heather Schroering, “The Porn Problem,” Chicago Tribune, July 14, 2015, www.chicagotribune.com/news/redeye-porn-addiction-20150714-story.html#page=1)


“Given the expansion in internet pornography as a business and the vast number of individuals who engage in internet pornography use, it is important for researchers to understand different ways to assess this behavior. Past research examining traditional media pornography consumption (e.g., pornographic magazines, movies, etc.) has relied almost exclusively on self-report assessments. Unfortunately, assessing changes in pornography consumption across time using these self-reports has proven difficult.” (Patrick M. Markey, Charlotte N. Markey, “Online Pornography Seeking Behaviors,” accessed March 17, 2016, http://interpersonalresearch.weebly.com/uploads/1/0/4/0/10405979/online_pornography_seeking_behaviors_-_markey__markey_4-11-11.pdf)

“First, not only did these studies utilize samples which were drawing from different populations, but these studies also worded the questions about pornography consumption differently.” (Brown, D., & Bryant, J. (1989). The manifest content of pornography. In D. Zillmann & J. Bryant (Eds.), Pornography: Research advances and policy considerations (pp. 3-24). Hillsdale, NJ: ErlbaumDingfelder, S. F. (2004). Solutions to resolution dilution. Monitor on Psychology, 35,34) (Smith, T. W. (1987). The polls – a review: The use of public opinion data

“For example, in 1970 participants were asked about the purchase of sexually explicit magazines in the ‘past year’ whereas in 1985 they were asked if a purchase for such material had ‘ever’ occurred. It would be much more informative if researchers were able to examine changes in pornography consumption across time using a standard methodology.” (Patrick M. Markey, Charlotte N. Markey, “Online Pornography Seeking Behaviors,” accessed March 17, 2016, http://interpersonalresearch.weebly.com/uploads/1/0/4/0/10405979/online_pornography SEEKING_Behaviors.pdf)


“In China, a church of 25,000 has 4,000 active participants in their 24-34-year-old group. During my visit, the two coordinators of this group came to me and were troubled. They said, “Almost 100% of our young adults watch porn on the internet…we can hardly ever find a young adult in our church who does not watch porn.” Have you told the pastor? “Yes, but he doesn’t believe us and says ‘we don’t have that problem…you are not to talk about it.’” (J1CA-Porn Research, “China Porn Question Letter”)

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“Playboy…has been losing readers for years, according to the Alliance of Audited Media, largely thanks to the rise of Internet pornography.” (Tia Ghose, “5 Ways Porn Affects the Brain”, Fox News Health, October 14, 2015, http://www.foxnews.com/health/2015/10/14/5-ways-porn-affects-brain.html)

“Sexual stimuli have morphed too. For at least half a dozen years, those with high-speed Web access have been able to consume free, ever-novel online erotica. Like today's junk-food, it is uniquely stimulating in the annals of human history. Result? In young males, porn use nearly equates with online access. Indeed research data collected some 5 years ago already revealed that 9 of 10 college-age men (and about one third of the women) were using Internet porn. Old models of addiction risk are based on substances, not on today's supernormal versions of food and sex, so most experts are still taught that all sex addictions are rare.” (Gary Wilson, “Porn Addiction is not Sex Addiction – and Why it Matters”, Your Brain on Porn, November 22, 2011, http://yourbrainonporn.com/porn-addiction-not-sex-addiction-and-why-it-matters)


“The Week quoted the results of a survey where 65% of American men said porn is morally unacceptable, but then highlighted that 30% of all internet traffic is porn, concluding that ‘Americans look at porn but feel bad about it.’” (The Week, March 6, 2014)

“One of the largest porn sites in the world receives 4.4 billion page views a
month by 350 million unique visitors, 3 times the page views of CNN or ESPN.” (As provided by Google’s Double Click Ad Planner, quoted by Extreme Tech. 4-9-12)

“…internet porn allows its viewers to remain safely anonymous…[at one site] 100 million page views a day and serves 4,000 VIDEOS a second during its peak hours…2% of the internet’s totally traffic.” (“The Nofap Experiment: A Voyage Through Porn Addiction, Support, and Recovery”, Project Know, September 30, 2013, http://www.projectknow.com/discover/taking-a-whack-at-porn-addiction/#.VcppB_IvhBc)

“Not only is porn more accessible in the digital context, but unsolicited porn has increased substantially as well.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEuIrK70)

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- “Nearly three-quarters of young adults (71%) and half of teens (50%) come across what they consider to be porn at least once a month, whether they are seeking it or not.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEuIrK70)

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- Some 34,376,000 unique users (23.68% of all Internet users) visit pornography websites and view an average of 239 pornographic web pages each day.” (“Safety Net – Resources to Protect Your Family from Pornography,” Healthy Sandy Partnership, www.healthysandy.org/fileadmin/downloads/healthy_sandy/Ecclesiastical_Packet.pdf)
“In our generation where porn has become so mainstream, porn has been cited by some as the reason for the rapid growth of the internet. According to tech site Gizmodo, the world’s top porn sites are on par with Google and...
Facebook for web traffic. One site alone averages 4.4 billion-page views per month – triple what CNN gets. It's not unrealistic to say up to 30% of the traffic on the Internet is porn-related. The U.S. ranks #1 for page views.” (Site accessed 10.19.17, http://fightthenewdrug.org/these-major-companies-are-now-using-porn-sites-to-advertise-their-product/)

“Mindgeek is the biggest online porn company in the world. They control eight of the top 10 busiest porn sites on the worldwide web. Equivalent to Amazon in book selling. According to Mindgeek, three of its tops websites attract close to 100 million.” (Site accessed 10.19.17, http://fightthenewdrug.org/these-major-companies-are-now-using-porn-sites-to-advertise-their-product/)

“The Parents Television Council in the U.S. reported a 407% increase in the incidents of full nudity on TV compared to the previous year.” [Josh note: Why? Competition of the Internet] (Site accessed 10.19.17, http://fightthenewdrug.org/these-major-companies-are-now-using-porn-sites-to-advertise-their-product/)

“The one thing advertiser are always in search of is an audience. In this digitally splintered world, it gets harder and harder to find big audiences. That’s why events like the Super Bowl are so desirable, and so expensive. Where else can you find 100 million people in one place at one time? [Well...there is another place: Porn sites.]” (Site accessed 10.19.17, http://fightthenewdrug.org/these-major-companies-are-now-using-porn-sites-to-advertise-their-product/)

“85% of porn was viewed between 7pm and 3am.” (Site accessed 10.19.17, http://fightthenewdrug.org/these-major-companies-are-now-using-porn-sites-to-advertise-their-product/)

“The first four months over two million people from 117 countries had watched the videos. The strategy, according to the fashion company, was to create notoriety.” (Site accessed 10.19.17, http://fightthenewdrug.org/these-major-companies-are-now-using-porn-sites-to-advertise-their-product/)

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**A Parent’s Primer on Internet Pornography**

“In 2006:
- “42.7% of Internet users viewed pornography.”
- “34% of internet users received unwanted exposure to sexual material.”
• “83% of boys and 57% of girls have viewed group sex on the internet.”
• “69% of boys and 55% of girls have seen pornography depicting same-sex intercourse.”
• “39% of boys and 23% of girls have seen online sex acts depicting bondage.
• “32% of boys and 18% of girls have viewed bestiality on the internet.”
• “18% of boys and 10% of girls have seen depictions of rape and/or sexual violence on the internet.”
• “15% of boys and 9% of girls have seen child pornography.”
• “Only 3% of boys and 17% of girls have never seen internet pornography.”
• “64% of college men and 18% of college women spend time online for internet sex every week.”

“Christian Men, Women, and Pornography…”

• “One survey indicates that 50% of Christian men and 20% of Christian women are addicted to pornography.”
• “60% of the women who answered the survey admitted to having significant struggles with lust.”
• “40% of the women who answered the survey admitted to being involved in sexual sin in the last year.”

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“In 2001, about 40% of adolescents (14-17 years old) in Taiwan reported some exposure to Internet pornography.” (Jane D. Brown, Kelly L. L’Engle, “X-Rated, Sexual Attitudes and behaviors Associated with U.S. Early Adolescents’ Exposure to Sexually Explicit Media”, Communications Research, Volume 36 No. 1, February 2009, http://crx.sagepub.com/content/36/1/129.abstract)

“In the Netherlands, more than half (55%) of adolescents (13-18 years old) had seen at least one of five types of sexually explicit content on the Internet with an average frequency of less than once a month.” (Peter, J., & Valkenburg, P. M. (2006a). Adolescents’ exposure to sexually explicit material on the Internet. Communication Research, 33(2), 178-204) (Jane D. Brown, Kelly L. L’Engle, “X-Rated, Sexual Attitudes and behaviors Associated with U.S. Early Adolescents’ Exposure to Sexually Explicit Media”, Communications Research, Volume 36 No. 1, February 2009, http://crx.sagepub.com/content/36/1/129.abstract)

“Australia”

“A University of Sydney, Australia, study found that:
70% of Australian men view porn online (the article quotes that some surveys show the number as high as 90%). 80% of 15 to 17 year olds have had multiple exposures to hard core porn.” (Newcastle Herald, September 12, 2014)

“64% of Australian children are learning about sex from pornography.” (WA Today Australia, July 22, 2013)

“2/3 of Australian men view porn, some up to 5 hours a day. 20% of porn addicts prefer porn to sex with their wives. 30% admit their performance at work suffers because of porn.” (News.com.au, September 13, 2012)

“An Australian ISP blocked 84,000 requests for child porn in the first 3 months after it initiated a voluntary porn filter.” (ZD Net, October 19, 2011)

“A recent University of Sydney study, in which two professors surveyed more than 800 men, found that excessive porn consumption was reported by almost half the respondents (85 per cent of whom were married or in a relationship), and was harming
“Great Britain”
“The numbers were dramatic: 47 per cent of the male subjects watched between 30 minutes to three hours of porn per day, one in three said it harmed their work efforts, and one in five would rather watch porn than have sex with their partners.” (Naomi Wolf, “How Porn is Destroying Modern Sex Lives, Feminist Writer Naomi Wolf has an Unsettling Explanation for why Britons are Having Less Sex,” Your Brain on Porn.com, December 12, 2013, http://www.yourbrainonporn.com/how-porn-destroying-modern-sex-lives-feminist-writer-naomi-wolf-has-unsettling-explanation-why)

“Canada”
“40% of Canadian boys grades 4 – 11 are viewing porn; 1/3 of these, every day.” (Business Standard, June 13, 2014)

“Denmark”
“75% of Danish men and 1/3 of Danish women watch porn according to a 2014 survey by the women’s magazine Q.” (The Local DK, 10-31-14)

“India”
“80% of college students in India watch porn; 40% watch rape porn. 76% said that watching rape porn leads to the desire to rape a woman.” (ABP Live, India, July 24, 2014)

“Of a survey of 8,000 girls and women in India, 49% said they learned about sex from watching porn videos.” (India.com. June 25, 2014)

“More than 80% of Indian high school students have been exposed to porn.” (The New Indian Express, July 30, 2013)

“30% of all data transferred across the internet is porn. 70% of men watch it, while 30% of women do.” (ZeeNews India, May 5, 2013)

“A year long survey found that 75% of pre-university students in rural
areas of India were addicted to porn.” (The Indian Express, 2-27-13)

“In a survey of 300 children under the age of 13 in India, 67% admitted to accessing porn sites, most by their cell phones.” (Cathnews India, October 12, 2011)

In a survey of 400 students in India:
- 70% of boys began watching porn at age 10
- 93% of boys said that porn was addictive as drugs
- 86% said that porn led to sexual activity
(Times of India, July 25, 2015)

“Ireland”
“From a survey of 1,002 internet users, 83% of men and 56% of women have viewed porn.” (Irish News, January 17, 2015)

“Ireland’s internet porn use has increased 77% since 2010. Most porn use occurs between 10pm and 1:00am.” (Irish Mirror, February 9, 2014)

“80% of boys and 40% of girls in Ireland admitted to viewing porn in a Unicef survey.” (November 26, 2011, Irish Independent, “Sex and the Irish Teen.”)

“Singapore”
“836 13 to 15 year olds found that 50% have watched or read sexually explicit materials, some as early as age 7.” (Asiaone, Singapore, September 8, 2014)

“South Africa”
“In a survey of more than 4,400 men, 67% view porn.” (New24.com, South Africa, March 19, 2015)

“90% of eight to 16 year olds have viewed porn online.” (Independent Online, 9-27-11, Johannesburg)

“Sweden”
“Taipei”
“90% of 1,676 respondents surveyed by the Taipei Women’s Rescue Foundation said they started watching porn as a minor. 79% view porn weekly; 22% watch it every day.” (WantChinaTimes, May 25, 2014)

“Taiwan”
“In 2001, about 40% of adolescents (14-17 years old) in Taiwan reported some exposure to Internet pornography.” (Jane D. Brown, Kelly L. L’Engle, “X-Rated, Sexual Attitudes and behaviors Associated with U.S. Early Adolescents’ Exposure to Sexually Explicit Media”, Communications Research, Volume 36 No. 1, February 2009, http://crx.sagepub.com/content/36/1/129.abstract)

“The Netherlands”
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“Trinidad”
“52% of women admitted to watching porn in a survey, in addition to 79% of men.” (Trinidad Express, October 18, 2014)

“United Kingdom”
“In a survey of 2,500 school and university students, 60% view porn.” (The Guardian, January 29, 2015)

“75% of Christian men view porn at least monthly.
41% of Christian men admit to being addicted to pornography.
30% of church leaders view porn regularly
90% of Christians believe the church does not adequately support those struggling with porn.” (The Way, UK, January 20, 2015)

“80% of UK teens say porn is ‘too easy’ to access or stumble upon on the internet.
70% said porn was seen as normal by their peers at school.
1 in 10 told their parents about stumbling on to porn on the internet.” (DailyMail, UK, August 19, 2014)

“Of a survey of 248 Oxford (UK) students:
71.8% of all students said they view porn;
91% of men vs 51% of women.” (The Oxford Student, June 12, 2014)

“A survey of 3000 UK families found that children as young as age two had been exposed to pornography, and the average age of first exposure was four. 19% said their children got on the internet at age 2, 38% said their kids were 3 or older. Yet 74% of parents surveyed were unaware of options to filter porn from their computers, smart phones, or tablets.” (The Scotsman, April 3, 2014)

“A survey of youth in the UK showed 50% of 11-14 year olds had viewed porn.” (UK Daily Mail Online, January 19, 2014)

“From a survey of 177 young men aged 16 to 20 in the UK:
97% had viewed porn
23% said they had tried to stop watching it but could not (‘74% addicted in UK’ – Josh)
13% said they were watching content that was ‘more extreme.’” (Independent.ie, September 30, 2013)

“A recent survey in London of 800 young people showed:
Most teenage boys view it 2-3 times per week, on their phone or bedroom computer.
2/3 of those between 11 and 13 had viewed porn
83% stumbled on it accidentally.” (IOL Lifestyle, September 3, 2013)

“In the UK, porn websites are accessed more than social media or shopping.” (The Business Standard, July 30, 2013)

“100% of 9th grade boys and 50% of girls surveyed by the Deputy Children’s Commissioner in the UK were found to be accessing
porn. 4,500 children had committed sexual offenses.” (HuffPost Lifestyle, May 7, 2013)

“1 in 3 visitors of porn sites are women.” (Policymic, 3-9-13)

“Investigations of sex offences by minors increased by 38% from 2009/2010 to 2011/2012 in the UK.” (UK Daily Mail, 3-3-13)

“One in three ten-year-olds have been exposed to pornography online; the largest group of internet porn consumers: 12 to 17 year olds.” (Daily Mail, August 31, 2012)

“Four out of five 16 year old boys and girls regularly access porn online, while one in three ten year olds have seen it. 60% of 11-16 year olds have internet access in their room.” (UK Mail Online, 4-18-12)

“British teens spend an average of 87 hours a year looking at porn. 70% of all porn traffic occurs between 9:00am and 5pm during the work week.” (Independent Online, October 31, 2011)


10% of U.K. 12 and 13 year olds fear they are addicted to porn. 12% of 12 to 13 year olds admitted to participating in a sexually explicit video. One girl told the story of when she was 12, her then 12 year old “boyfriend” sexually assaulted her. (BBC News, March 31, 2015)

“INDEPENDENT PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY INTO ONLINE CHILD PROTECTION”
“Since the early days of the World Wide Web, pornography has been one of the most widely available forms of internet content.”

“…‘the whole history of human sexual perversion is only a few clicks away.’ …our children, with their natural curiosity and superior technological skills, are finding and viewing these images.” ("Independent Parliamentary Inquiry into Online Child Protection", Media March, May, 2012, http://www.mediamarch.org.uk/Images/final-report.pdf)

“…so called device-level filters – rather than blocking content at a network level. … in tackling child abuse imagery by collectively … with the IWF to block sites known to contain illegal abuse images.”

“Children spend increasing amounts of time online, are often more ‘tech savvy’ and knowledgeable than their parents and know how to circumvent or avoid device filters.” ("Independent Parliamentary Inquiry into Online Child Protection", Media March, May, 2012, http://www.mediamarch.org.uk/Images/final-report.pdf)

“A network-level ‘Opt-In’ system, maintained by ISPs, that delivered a clean internet feed to customers as standard but allowed them to choose to receive adult content, would preserve consumer choice but provide an additional content barrier that protected children from accessing age inappropriate material. This model would emulate the system already used by most major UK mobile phone companies, where access to adult content is blocked until an age verification check is conducted by the network operator, and could use the filtering technology already operating in all schools and on some public Wi-Fi hubs.” ("Independent Parliamentary Inquiry into Online Child Protection", Media March, May, 2012, http://www.mediamarch.org.uk/Images/final-report.pdf)

“Many parents report feeling left behind by the evolution of technology and that they lack the knowledge and skills to educate their children about internet safety. Parents are also concerned

“30% of all internet traffic is pornography. The world’s largest porn site transfers 29 petabytes of porn a month. In the U.S., 52% of pornography is accessed on smartphones; 10% on tablets. Worldwide, 51% of porn is accessed on desktop computers; 49% on smartphones and tablets.” (The Inquisitr, December 26, 2013)

“Worldwide”
“According to a survey of 19,000 parents, kids begin viewing porn as early as age 6.” (ABC News10, May 15, 2013)

“The U.S. is the worldwide King of Porn.
60% of all porn pages are hosted in the U.S.
26% are hosted in the Netherlands
7% are hosted in the UK
1% are hosted by Germany
California is the engine of the U.S. Porn industry, churning out 66% of all porn made in the U.S.” (IBT Times UK, ‘World Porn League; UK Sits Not So Proudly in Third Place,’ August 13, 2013)


“As part of the research for this article, I compiled a simple anonymous survey. It asked respondents to identify as being UK-based and to clarify whether they defined themselves as practising Christians. It is not a statistically perfect piece of research, but with more than 500 responses collated it is surely indicative. Here are just some of the results:” (Martin Saunders, “Grey Matter: 50 Shades, pornography and the shaping of our brains”, Premier Christianity, February, 2015, http://www.premierchristianity.com/Past-Issues/2015/February-2015/Grey-Matter-50-Shades-pornography-and-the-shaping-of-our-brains)
• “30% Church leaders who access porn on the Internet more than once a month”

• “42% Christian men who say they have a ‘porn addiction’”

• “90% Christians who believe the Church does not adequately support those who struggle with pornography use”

• “75% Christian men who view pornography on a monthly or less regular basis”

• “10% Christian men who say they have paid for sex”


“In China, a church of 25,000 has 4,000 active participants in their 24-34-year-old group. During my visit, the two coordinators of this group came to me and were troubled. They said, “Almost 100% of our young adults watch porn on the internet…we can hardly ever find a young adult in our church who does not watch porn.” Have you told the pastor? “Yes, but he doesn’t believe us and says ‘we don’t have that problem…you are not to talk about it.’” (J1CA-Porn Research, “China Porn Question Letter”)

1. In an Eastern European country, I spoke to 2,300 high school and college students (ages 16-24). During this talk, 373 indicated they trusted Christ as Savior and Lord. At the follow-up appointment, CRU staff asked each student: “What is the greatest barrier or obstacle for you to follow Jesus?”

Their answer came back to me in an email I received on March 24, 2016:

Josh, you will find this hard to believe: Out of all 373 students, every one of them said, “I have a problem with pornography and I need help”.

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2. In a Middle East country, at one of the most prestigious, elite Christian schools, there are 331 students 13- to 15- years old. After I spoke on sex and love, the school designed a survey. Incorporated into the survey were two critical questions:

a) Do you watch porn on the internet?

b) If you do, do you want help/counseling to stop?

An email was sent to me stating:

Josh, your stats on our students and pornography staggered us. We didn’t think they could be true of our school. So we took a survey. Josh, every one of our Christian students (331), answered “yes” to “Do you watch porn on the internet?” and “no” to “Do you want help/counseling?”

“Gary Wilson, author of ‘Your Brain on Porn: Internet Pornography and the Emerging Science of Addiction,’ said there are no official statistics or surveys on porn addicts because the addiction hasn’t been acknowledged yet. But a few polls on the subject were taken by organizations last year, including one by Proven Men Ministries, a Christian-focused organization that offers help to those who identify as porn and sex addicts. The nonprofit surveyed 1,000 adults, both men and women of various ages, races and geographical locations; a breakdown of those demographics, including religious backgrounds, could not be provided. It found that 33 percent of men ages 18–30 think they are addicted to pornography or are unsure if they’re addicted. Overall, 18 percent of all men said the same.” (Heather Schroering, “The Porn Problem,” Chicago Tribune, July 14, 2015, www.chicagotribune.com/news/redeye-porn-addiction-20150714-story.html#page=1)

“But in some ways, both arguments are moot: Whether or not you think it’s moral, the fact is, people like porn. Various international studies have put porn consumption rates at 50 percent to 99 percent among men, and 30 percent to 86 percent among women, according to Gert Martin Hald, PhD, and colleagues in The APA Handbook of Sexuality and Psychology (Vol. 2).” (Kirsten Weir, “Is Pornography Addictive”, American Psychological Association, April 2014, http://www.apa.org/monitor/2014/04/pornography.aspx)
“How big of a problem is pornography?”

“The following are statistics from various studies regarding pornography. Although more accurate information is needed, the following reflects the magnitude of the problem:” ("Safety Net – Resources to Protect Your Family from Pornography," Healthy Sandy Partnership, www.healthysandy.org/fileadmin/downloads/healthy_sandy/Ecclesiastical_Packet.pdf)

“In 1997, approximately one out of every six Internet searches related to sex. Each day there are 23 to 60 million unique visitors to pornography websites. Revenues from pornography now exceed the combined revenues of all professional football, baseball, and basketball franchises. Some 34,376,000 unique users (23.68% of all Internet users) visit pornography websites and view an average of 239 pornographic web pages each day.” ("Safety Net – Resources to Protect Your Family from Pornography," Healthy Sandy Partnership, www.healthysandy.org/fileadmin/downloads/healthy_sandy/Ecclesiastical_Packet.pdf)

“By the end of 2004, 420 million pages of pornography existed on the internet. It is estimated that 13.97% of online pornography consumption is by children ages two to seventeen. Some 83% of youth watch pornography at home. Approximately 70% of youth ages fifteen to seventeen reported accidentally coming across pornography online, and 23% of those youth said this happens ‘very’ or ‘somewhat” often.’” ("Safety Net – Resources to Protect Your Family from Pornography," Healthy Sandy Partnership, www.healthysandy.org/fileadmin/downloads/healthy_sandy/Ecclesiastical_Packet.pdf)

“Of all consumers of online pornography, 71.61% are male and 28.39% are female. Nearly 9 out of 10 (87%) young men and nearly one third (31%) of young women report viewing pornography. Forty million Americans regularly visit porn sites. Seventy percent of men between the ages of eighteen and twenty-four visit porn sites in a typical month. The average age at which a child first sees online porn is eleven years old. In 1998, 45% of the Protestant clergy surveyed reported using pornography.” ("Safety Net – Resources to Protect Your Family from Pornography," Healthy Sandy Partnership, www.healthysandy.org/fileadmin/downloads/healthy_sandy/Ecclesiastical_Packet.pdf)

“Forty-seven percent of families in the United States say pornography is a problem in their home. Every second, more than 28,000 individuals are looking at pornography on the internet. Pornography is a worldwide industry, generating $97 billion annually. Every second consumers spend $3,075.64 on pornography.” ("Safety Net – Resources to Protect Your Family from Pornography," Healthy Sandy Partnership, www.healthysandy.org/fileadmin/downloads/healthy_sandy/Ecclesiastical_Packet.pdf)
“Nine out of ten children between the ages of eight and sixteen have viewed pornography on the internet, in most cases unintentionally. Every thirty-nine minutes, a new pornographic video is created in the United States. Twelve percent of the websites on the internet are pornographic (approximately 24,644,172).” ("Safety Net – Resources to Protect Your Family from Pornography," Healthy Sandy Partnership, www.healthysandy.org/fileadmin/downloads/healthy_sandy/Ecclesiastical_Packet.pdf)

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Digital Natives

Bryan Roberts & Heather Kolb, “Digital Natives”, Pure Desire Ministries, January 2018

“65% of graduating High School seniors have engaged in sexual intercourse.” (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (2013). “Youth Risk Behavior Survey.” U.S. Department of Health and Human Services)


“Only 3 percent of college freshman who are males and 17 percent of females have never seen Internet pornography.” (Sabina, C., Wolak, J. & Finkelhor, D. (2008). ‘The Nature and Dynamics of Internet Pornography Exposure for Youth.” CyberPsychology and Behavior, 11(6), 691-693.)

“In 2006, reported revenues in merely sixteen countries, however incomplete, were estimated at $97 billion.” Max Waltman, Stockholm University, Sweden, Political Research Quarterly 63, no.1 (2010): 218-37 (contributor-created version), http://journals.sagepub.com/doi/pdf/10.1177/1065912909349627)
S. PASTORS AND PORN

“Clergy across faiths and across cultures are well aware of the struggles of their parishioners, students, and all those that they serve. Seminarians and clergy themselves are not immune to this problem. There is little research at this time to suggest any hard facts. However, initial impressions from some other denominations seem to indicate that those who struggle with other addictions might be more vulnerable – about 56% of clergy with other addictive disorders, 88% of these men report problematic use of the Internet, about 51% of working pastors from other faiths report being tempted by Internet pornography. Additionally, in this same sample, 37% of pastors report cyber-porn as being a current struggle. About 57% self-report compulsive cyber-porn use. The most significant signs of this vulnerability are issues related to loneliness and isolation, the lack of self-care, higher expectations of themselves, entitlement, and lack of education about this aspect of the Internet, and a significant ability to compartmentalize themselves - split between self-image and image of God, feelings of shame, hypocrisy, and unworthiness. If this data is supported in future research, it seems to suggest that clergy in the Roman Catholic Church will need better training and education on this issue.” (“The Internet and Pornography”, The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Accessed March 9, 2016, http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child-and-youth-protection/resources/upload/InternetPornography-Slattery.pdf)

“Most pastors (57%) and youth pastors (64%) admit they have struggled with porn, either currently or in the past.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEuIrK70)


“About 12% of youth pastors and 5% of pastors say they are addicted to porn” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEuIrK70)


“The vast majority of faith leaders who struggle with porn say this has significantly affected their ministry in a negative manner. It is not clear why, but youth pastors are twice as likely as pastors to report this kind of unfavorable impact.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEulrK70)

“There is a big difference of opinion between faith leaders and congregants when it comes to the consequences for pastors who struggle with porn.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEulrK70)

“Only 8% of pastors think that a pastor should resign his/her position if s/he is struggling with porn. Most pastors think s/he should deal with the struggle through counseling or accountability.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEulrK70)

“In contrast, 41% of adult Christians think that pastors should be fired or asked to resign if they are found to be using porn. Younger Christians are more likely to take a grace-filled approach.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEulrK70)

“The vast majority of the faith community, including leaders and laity, believe pornography is a bigger problem in the Church than it was two decades ago. But many do not know what to do about it.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEulrK70)

“93% of pastors and 94% of youth pastors say it is a much bigger or somewhat bigger problem than it was in the past.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEulrK70)
“More than half of youth pastors have had at least one teen come to them for help in dealing with porn in the past 12 months.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrVEuIrk70)

“Although teens seeking help are mainly teen boys, there is still a significant amount of teen girls seeking help from youth pastors.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrVEuIrk70)

“Men of all ages and stages, but especially married men, are coming to pastors for help with pornography struggles.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrVEuIrk70)

“Despite the awareness of the problem, most churches do not have programs specifically designed to assist those struggling with porn use.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrVEuIrk70)

“Until then, as a Christian community, what can we do to take action on research like this? We would do well to consider and pray for the very personal stories and struggles that form these numbers. In what ways can you address the challenges of the phenomenon of porn in your context today?” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrVEuIrk70)


“Just two out of five say porn use is a major (3%) or significant (35%) problem.” (David Kinnaman & Roxanne Stone, “The Porn Phenomenon – The Impact of Pornography in the Digital Age”, Barna Group, April 4, 2016, http://barna-resources.myshopify.com/products/porn-phenomenon)


“The remaining pastors believe it’s not really an issue for their church.” (12%) (David Kinnaman & Roxanne Stone, “The Porn Phenomenon – The Impact
“Whether porn is a bigger problem for the Church now than in the past, it’s clear that a practicing Christian faith has a profound influence on a person’s porn habits. Among every age group and gender, practicing Christians seek porn less often than those who do not practice Christianity.” (David Kinnaman & Roxanne Stone, “The Porn Phenomenon – The Impact of Pornography in the Digital Age”, Barna Group, April 4, 2016, http://barna-resources.myshopify.com/products/porn-phenomenon)

“Don’t assume that porn isn’t a problem in the church. One evangelical leader was skeptical of survey findings that said 50 percent of Christian men have looked at porn recently. So he surveyed his own congregation. He found that 60 percent had done so within the past year, and 25 percent

of male college students report that they regularly visit porn sites

within the past 30 days. Other surveys reveal that one in three visitors to adult websites were women.” (Timothy C. Morgan, “Porn’s Stranglehold”, Christianity Today, March 7, 2008, http://www.christianitytoday.com/ct/2008/march/20.7.html)

“In 2002, of 1351 pastors surveyed, 54% said they had viewed Internet pornography within the last year, and 30% of these had visited within the last 30 days.” (Pastors.com Survey, Qtd. In “Wounded Clergy.” Hope & Freedom Counseling Services, Media A-Team, Inc., March 2002.)

“We recently surveyed 8,000 Desiring God readers. Our study found that ongoing pornography use is not only dreadfully common, but increasingly higher among younger adults. More than 15% of Christian men over age sixty admitted to ongoing use. It was more than 20% for men in their fifties, 25% for men in their forties, and 30% for men in their thirties. But nearly 50% of self-professing Christian men, ages 18-29, acknowledged ongoing use of porn. (The survey found a similar trend among women, but in lesser proportions: 10% of females, ages 18-29; 5% in their thirties; increasingly less for forties, fifties, and sixty-plus). (Trip Lee, “Hope and Help for the Porn Addict”, Desiring God, June 30, 2015, http://www.desiringgod.org/articles/hope-and-help-for-the-porn-addict)

“67% of men and 49% of women say porn is acceptable. One youth minister states that 90% of the kids who come to him for help… all who are from Christian families… are addicted to porn. 21% of Christian teenage girls admit to texting a naked photo of themselves.” (12-3-12: CBN News)

“In a recent ChristianMingle study, 50% percent of female Christians and 39 percent of Christian males said they went to church at least once a month. Of the 716 Christians surveyed, 90 percent said they would be comfortable with premarital sex; 61 percent of these said without any strings attached.” (Christian Post, February 13, 2014)

“50% of pastors regularly view porn.” (As quoted from a pastormark.tv survey, 3-27-12)

“A Christian missions agency is reported as saying that 80% of their applicants admit to struggles with porn.” (Harry Schaumberg in Christian Post, 3-8-12)

“From a survey of 1,000 pastors: (Baptist Press, November 15, 2011, quoting Lifeway Research and Education Database survey results.)

69% say porn has adversely affected the church when asked to estimate how many of their church members view porn on a weekly basis:

43% of these pastors did not respond. Of those who did:

62% of pastors said less than 10% of congregants view porn weekly
24% of pastors said that the 10-24% of their members view porn weekly

10% of pastors said that 25-49% of their members view porn weekly

4% of pastors said that 50% or more of their members view porn weekly

43% of internet users view porn

70% of 18-24 year olds visit porn sites monthly.”

(Baptist Press, November 15, 2011, quoting Lifeway Research and Education Database survey results.)

“Firstly, a reality check – if one is still needed – for anyone who thinks the Church doesn’t have an issue with porn. My December 2014 survey (something of a straw poll, but sufficiently quantitative to hold some weight) suggested that around 55% of Christian men view Internet porn more than once a month, with a further 20% admitting that they succumb to temptation every so often. That’s 75% of Christian men engaging with pornography on, let’s say, a monthly basis. Among women the figure was much, much lower. Just 15% said they viewed porn online more than once a month, with a further 20% visiting porn sites occasionally.” (Martin Saunders, “Grey Matter: 50 Shades, pornography and the shaping of our brains”, Premier Christianity, February, 2015, http://www.premierchristianity.com/Past-Issues/2015/February-2015/Grey-Matter-50-Shades-pornography-and-the-shaping-of-our-brains)
T. JIHADIST AND PORN

“JIHADISTS COMPUTERS 80 PERCENT FULL OF PORN, EX-OFFICIAL SAYS”


“…a despicable foe, one who would rape and pillage women and children, boys and girls, … all while watching pornography on their laptops,’ … at one point, we determined that 80 percent of the material on the laptops we were capturing was pornography.” (al-Qaeda. ISIS)

“Some of it was really bad, and it was all over the map. Some of it was kids, animals,”

“…a huge stash of pornography was found by U.S. Navy SEALs during the raid that killed Osama bin Laden in Abbottabad, Pakistan, in May 2011… was hidden away in a wooden box in the al-Qaeda leader’s bedroom.”

“…a senior law enforcement official … terrorism cases involving al-Qaeda and ISIS in the U.S. and abroad said, ‘There has yet to be a case where some crazy porn stuff hasn't come up … It never fails.’”

“… perverse private habits like the viewing of extreme pornography … case of ISIS, codified sexual abuse of female slaves.”

U. MORALITY AND PORN

“One of the favorable realities uncovered by the research is the degree of transparency respondents display on the topic.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEuIrK70)

“Porn is a much more readily ‘researchable’ topic than it was two decades ago. It’s a subject that does not have the same social taboo that it once did. When respondents were allowed to ‘opt-out’ of questions of a personal nature, more than 90% continued through the survey questions, indicating data reliability.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEuIrK70)

“Most Americans believe porn is ‘bad for society,’ but those attitudes are shifting toward neutrality or ‘good for society’ among younger generations.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEuIrK70)


“Teens are most likely age segment to experience feelings of guilt, although it’s still a minority of teenagers.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEuIrK70)

“Practicing Christians are twice as likely as others to experience guilt.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEuIrK70)


“When they talk about porn with friends, 89% of teens, and 95% of young adults say they do so in a neutral, accepting, or encouraging way.
That is, only one in 20 young adults and one in 10 teens say their friends think viewing pornography is a bad thing.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEulrK70)


“32% say viewing porn is ‘usually or always wrong’ compared to 56% who say not recycling is ‘usually or always wrong.” (David Kinnaman, “The Porn Phenomenon”, Barna, January 19, 2016, https://www.barna.org/blog/culture-media/david-kinnaman/the-porn-phenomenon#.VvrvEulrK70)

“Yet while the ‘dirty secret’ about porn is well and truly out, Christians still haven’t made much of a dent in the problem. In fact, porn use is rife among Christians and Christian leaders. In putting this article together I conducted a simple online survey of British Christians (see the box for more details) and, even knowing what we do about the prolificacy of porn, the results make for surprising reading.” (Martin Saunders, “Grey Matter: 50 Shades, pornography and the shaping of our brains”, Premier Christianity, 2014, https://www.premierchristianity.com/Past-Issues/2015/February-2015/Grey-Matter-50-Shades-pornography-and-the-shaping-of-our-brains)

V. CULTURE AND PORN

CULTURAL OBSERVATIONS


“The proliferation [self-pornification] of digital tools has blurred the lines between porn producers, distributors and consumers. Barriers to entry and transaction costs—such as the affordability of video equipment, for example, or the abundance of user-friendly online platforms and services—have fallen and “enabled consumers to produce and distribute their own pornography.” (Johannes Grenzfurthner, Gunther Friesinger and Daniel Fabry, Pronnovation: Pornography and Technological Innovation (San Francisco: Re Search, 2008), p 49.) (David Kinnaman & Roxanne Stone, “The Porn Phenomenon – The Impact of Pornography in the Digital Age”, Barna Group, April 4, 2016, http://barna-resources.myshopify.com/products/porn-phenomenon)

“…the morality of porn is rarely discussed or even considered.” (David Kinnaman & Roxanne Stone, “The Porn Phenomenon – The Impact of Pornography in the Digital Age”, Barna Group, April 4, 2016, http://barna-resources.myshopify.com/products/porn-phenomenon)

“Half of young adults (49%) and one-third of teens (32%) say all or most of their friends regularly view porn.” (David Kinnaman & Roxanne Stone, “The Porn Phenomenon – The Impact of Pornography in the Digital Age”, Barna Group, April 4, 2016, http://barna-resources.myshopify.com/products/porn-phenomenon)

“Short of total isolation, the American society you live in today is going to influence how your children make moral choices in one way or another. Stop and think about it. What are the voices of society telling your children about the choices they are about to make? What is the central theme that today’s culture emphasizes over and over again? If you were to reduce it to a single sentence, it might look like this: You have the right to choose for yourself what is right for you and what is wrong for you – and no one should judge that choice.” (Josh D. & Sean McDowell, The Beauty of Intolerance, p185) (David Kinnaman & Roxanne Stone, “The Porn Phenomenon – The Impact of Pornography in the Digital Age”, Barna Group, April 4, 2016, http://barna-resources.myshopify.com/products/porn-phenomenon)

“In 2015 you uploaded a video that draws a straight line between porn and human trafficking, pointing out the irony that Millennials fight sex trafficking more than any other generation—and they also consume more porn. (David Kinnaman & Roxanne Stone, “The Porn Phenomenon – The Impact of Pornography in the Digital Age”, Barna Group, April 4, 2016, http://barna-resources.myshopify.com/products/porn-phenomenon)


“This inward-oriented search for truth or purpose also leads nine out of 10 adults to agree ‘the best way to find yourself is by looking within yourself’ (91%).” (David Kinnaman & Roxanne Stone, “The Porn Phenomenon – The Impact of Pornography in the Digital Age”, Barna Group, April 4, 2016, http://barna-resources.myshopify.com/products/porn-phenomenon)

“86 percent to say ‘to be fulfilled in life, you should pursue the things you desire the most.’” (David Kinnaman & Roxanne Stone, “The Porn Phenomenon – The Impact of Pornography in the Digital Age”, Barna Group, April 4, 2016, http://barna-resources.myshopify.com/products/porn-phenomenon)

“When it comes to the sexual expression of that desire, nearly nine out of 10 Americans believe ‘each person has to decide his or her own sexual boundaries’ (88%).” (David Kinnaman & Roxanne Stone, “The Porn Phenomenon – The Impact of Pornography in the Digital Age”, Barna Group, April 4, 2016, http://barna-resources.myshopify.com/products/porn-phenomenon)


“The University of Montreal was commissioned to study the implications of porn on 18 to 25-year-olds. They had to terminate the study after several months. They couldn’t establish a control group of students in Canada who

Josh McDowell Ministry 2018

“We are a small missions organization … about 200 missionaries (about 100 families). We are being gutted by porn. Last month we had to bring home five families.”

“Once upon a time, porn wasn’t so common. It wasn’t an issue that affected millions of people, much less an entire society. It wasn’t a topic that needed to be discussed. Well, wake up call.” (“10 Porn Stats that Will Blow Your Mind”, Fight the New Drug, March 3, 2015, http://www.fightthenewdrug.org/10-porn-stats-that-will-blow-your-mind/)
W. CHILD SEX TRAFFICKING AND PORN

“With this growth in the pornography industry, the demand for fresh merchandise has outstripped the supply, leading pornographers to turn to sex trafficking in order to have an ample supply of women and girls for their online and video materials (MacKinnon, 2007; Malarek, 2009). Furthermore, as the pornography industry seeks to satisfy its growing customer base, it has continuously innovated its products toward more violent, “edgy,” material, often featuring underage or nearly underage actors and scenes depicting a variety of dehumanizing behaviors not heretofore seen (Eberstadt & Layden, 2010; Jensen, 2007a, 2007b; Manning, 2006)” (John D. Foubert, Matthew W. Brosi and Sean Bannon, “Pornography Viewing among Fraternity Men: Effects on Bystander Intervention, Rape Myth Acceptance and Behavioral Intent to Commit Sexual Assault”, Sexual Addiction and Compulsivity, November 28, 2011, https://media.wix.com/ugd/9e4c55_334edae0a4e64f078b8b0479f7c9cb56.pdf)
X. VIDEO GAMES & PORN

“Phillip Zimbardo, 82, is a psychologist and a professor emeritus at Stanford University. He is perhaps best known for his 1971 experiment in which students were asked to play the roles of 'guards' and 'prisoners' in a mock prison. Intended to continue for two weeks, the experiment was aborted in less than a week as the initially normal 'guards' eventually became sadistic and the 'prisoners' became submissive and depressed. Zimbardo has also written introductory psychology books, textbooks for college students, and other notable works, including The Lucifer Effect and the The Time Cure. Zimbardo is the founder and president of the Heroic Imagination Project.” (“Porn and video game addicts risk 'masculinity crisis', says Stanford Professor”, RT Question More, May 10, 2015, https://www.rt.com/news/257269-porn-gaming-study-youth/)


“‘Our focus is on young men who play video games to excess, and do it in social isolation - they are alone in their room,’ Zimbardo, who just released a book on the subject, entitled 'Man (Dis)Connected,' told the BBC in an interview.” (“Porn and video game addicts risk 'masculinity crisis', says Stanford Professor”, RT Question More, May 10, 2015, https://www.rt.com/news/257269-porn-gaming-study-youth/)

“‘Now, with freely available pornography - which is unique in history - they are combining playing video games, and as a break, watching on average, two hours of pornography a week.’” (“Porn and video game addicts risk 'masculinity crisis', says Stanford Professor”, RT Question More, May 10, 2015, https://www.rt.com/news/257269-porn-gaming-study-youth/)

“Zimbardo says ‘excessive’ use of video games and pornography is not necessarily a matter of specific time, but rather the psychological change in mindset that such isolated activities produce, where the individual begins to feel he’d rather be doing that particular activity than anything else.” (“Porn and
“When I'm in class, I'll wish I was playing World of Warcraft. When I'm with a girl, I'll wish I was watching pornography, because I'll never get rejected,” he explained. The brains of young men are actually becoming ‘digitally rewired’ by these new pastimes.”

“You have this paradox - they're watching exciting videos that should be turning them on, and they can't get turned on.”

While playing video games and watching pornography are not necessarily bad activities, they can begin to have a negative effect on the social development of individuals if used in excess, the psychologist said.

He believes that parents need to take more control of the situation by taking simple steps, like keeping a journal for tracking how much time is being set aside for a variety of different activities, like doing homework, reading and writing.

At the same time, schools need to rethink their sexual education requirements, and instead of placing excessive emphasis on the physical side of relations, talk more about communication and expressing emotions, he said.

“We need to set standards of excellence, and be aware that there is a problem in the first place,” Zimbardo said.

Marshall also found that, in a study of outpatient sex offenders treated over a six-year period, one-third reported they had used...
Pornography immediately before at least one of their crimes.”

**Porn Is A “Catalyst (Crime Rate)”**

“And there is most definitely appears to be a correlation between the availability of pornography and crime.” (Christopher Carmouche, “The Scope and Detrimental Effects of worldwide Pornography”, The World Congress of Families, June 2, 2010, http://worldcongress.org/wcfreg.spkrs/wcf.reg.uk.carmouche.htm)


- “Indianapolis, IN - 1984-1986 - Between 1978-1982, crime in study areas was 46% higher than for the city as a whole. Sex related crimes were four times greater when sexually orientated businesses were located near residential areas vs. commercial areas. [National Law Center for Children and Families (1997). NLC summary of ‘SOB land use’ studies.]” (Christopher Carmouche, “The Scope and Detrimental Effects of worldwide Pornography”, The World Congress of Families, June 2, 2010, http://worldcongress.org/wcfreg.spkrs/wcf.reg.uk.carmouche.htm)


- “Whittier, CA - Two residential areas were compared between 1970-1973 before sexually orientated businesses, and 1974-1977 after sexually orientated businesses, malicious mischief increased 700%, assault increased 387%, prostitution increased 300%, and all theft increased 120%. [National Law Center for Children and Families...

• “Oklahoma City: During the years 1984 to 1989, Oklahoma City closed 150 out of 163 sexually oriented businesses. During the same period, reported rapes declined 27% in Oklahoma City while rising 19% in the remainder of the state. Law officers were aware of no other likely cause of the difference.” (Christopher Carmouche, “The Scope and Detrimental Effects of worldwide Pornography”, The World Congress of Families, June 2, 2010, http://worldcongress.org/wcfreg.spkrs/wcf.reg.uk.carmouche.htm)

• “Numerous studies have found strong evidence of a direct relationship between the circulation rates of sex magazines and rape rates within the given state.” (Christopher Carmouche, “The Scope and Detrimental Effects of worldwide Pornography”, The World Congress of Families, June 2, 2010, http://worldcongress.org/wcfreg.spkrs/wcf.reg.uk.carmouche.htm)

• “Various studies by a researcher, John Court, led him to the following conclusion of what happens on a national level when constraints against the distribution of pornography are lifted: ‘As the constraints on the availability of pornography were lifted... the rates of rape in those countries increased. For example, in two Australian states between 1964 and 1977, when South Australia liberalized its laws on pornography and Queensland maintained its conservative policy... over the thirteen-year period, the number of rapes in Queensland remained at the same low level while South Australia’s showed a six-fold increase.’” (John Court, Criminal Neglect: Why Sex Offenders Go Free (Toronto: Doubleday, p.141) (Christopher Carmouche, “The Scope and Detrimental Effects of worldwide Pornography”, The World Congress of Families, June 2, 2010, http://worldcongress.org/wcfreg.spkrs/wcf.reg.uk.carmouche.htm)

• “In 1969, Denmark lifted restrictions against pornography and although many reported that rape went down, according to Court: ‘The trend since 1969 indicates that there has been a new level higher than anything in the previous decade.’” (International Journal of Criminology & Penology, 5, p. 129, John H. Court) (Christopher Carmouche, “The Scope and Detrimental Effects of worldwide Pornography”, The World Congress of Families, June 2, 2010, http://worldcongress.org/wcfreg.spkrs/wcf.reg.uk.carmouche.htm)
Y. PORN & CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR

“FBI findings. The Federal Bureau of Investigation found that eighty percent (29 of 36) of recent mass murderers used pornography extensively and used it as an integral part of their murderous sexual activity, which often included serial rape-murders.” (“Pornography: one of the greatest enemies of the family today”, April 2, 2012, http://www.tldm.org/News6/purity2.htm)

“Other researchers have confirmed that 64 percent of all homosexual child molesters and 86 percent of all rapists used pornography at or immediately before the time of their crimes.” (“Pornography: one of the greatest enemies of the family today”, April 2, 2012, http://www.tldm.org/News6/purity2.htm)

“One of the most disturbing impacts of young people’s use of pornography is the influence it has on sexual violence. Much of the research on adolescents, pornography, and sexual violence shows that there is a portion of boys who are particularly susceptible to the violence-inducing effects of pornography. In a study examining the link between adolescent viewing of pornography and sexual assault, researchers found that for boys who are predisposed to be sexually aggressive, if they frequently consume pornography, they are four times more likely to commit sexual violence than their friends who infrequently use porn. (Ybarra, M. L., & Mitchell, K. J. (2005). Exposure to Internet pornography among children and adolescents: A national survey. CyberPsychology and Behavior, 8, 473–486.) Later, members of the same research team extended this line of research. They followed a group of adolescents for 3 years, and found that those who intentionally viewed violent pornography were six times more likely to commit acts of sexual violence than those who did not view such pornography.” (Ybarra, M. L., Mitchell, K. J., Hamburger, M., Diener-West, M., & Leaf, P. J. (2011). X-rated material and perpetration of sexually aggressive behavior among children and adolescents: Is there a link? Aggressive Behavior, 37, 1–18.) (John D. Foubert, “How Pornography Harms”, John Foubert.com, April 2016, http://www.johnfoubert.com/how-porn-harms)

“Pornography’s Relationship to Rape and Sexual Violence
According to one study, early exposure (under fourteen years of age) to pornography is related to greater involvement in deviant sexual practice, particularly rape. Slightly more than one-third of the child molesters and
Rapists in this study claimed to have at least occasionally been incited to commit an offense by exposure to pornography. Among the child molesters incited, the study reported that 53 percent of them deliberately used the stimuli of pornography as they prepared to offend.” (W. L. Marshall, "The Use of Sexually Explicit Stimuli by Rapists, Child Molesters, and Nonoffenders," The Journal of Sex Research 25, no.2 (May 1988): 267-88.) (Donna Rice Hughes, "How Pornography Harms Children", Protect Kids, 2001, http://www.protectkids.com/effects/harms.htm)

“Austin, TX - 1986 - in four study areas with sexually orientated businesses, sexually related crimes were 177% to 482% higher than the city’s average. [National Law Center for Children and Families (1997). NLC summary of ‘SOB land use’ studies.]” (Christopher Carmouche, “The Scope and Detrimental Effects of worldwide Pornography”, The World Congress of Families, June 2, 2010, http://worldcongress.org/wcfreg.spkrs/wcf.reg.uk.carmouche.htm)

“Indianapolis, IN - 1984-1986 - Between 1978-1982, crime in study areas was 46% higher than for the city as a whole. Sex related crimes were four times greater when sexually orientated businesses were located near residential areas vs. commercial areas. [National Law Center for Children and Families (1997). NLC summary of ‘SOB land use’ studies.]” (Christopher Carmouche, “The Scope and Detrimental Effects of worldwide Pornography”, The World Congress of Families, June 2, 2010, http://worldcongress.org/wcfreg.spkrs/wcf.reg.uk.carmouche.htm)


“Oklahoma City: During the years 1984 to 1989, Oklahoma City closed 150 out of 163 sexually oriented businesses. During the same period, reported rapes declined 27% in Oklahoma City while rising 19% in the remainder of the state. Law officers were aware of no other likely cause


“And according to one of the most extensive and exhaustive sex studies ever - conducted by William Marshall, ‘Report on the Use of Pornography by Sexual Offenders,’ Report to the Federal Department of Justice, Ottawa, Canada, 1983 - 87 percent of child molesters studied were regular consumers of hardcore pornography.” (Christopher Carmouche, “The Scope and Detrimental Effects of worldwide Pornography”, The World Congress of Families, June 2, 2010, http://worldcongress.org/wcfreg.spkrs/wcf.reg.uk.carmouche.htm)

We may never have a direct, definitive answer to the question of whether pornography viewing causes rape. Indeed, we can’t say that pornography is a direct cause of rape for every person, because many more men have watched pornography than have committed rape. (2014 ProvenMen.org Pornography Addiction Survey (conducted by Barna Group). The survey results are located at www.provenmen.org/2014pornsurvey/pornography-use-and-addiction) (Swartout, K.M, Koss, M.P., White, J.W., Thompson, M.P., Abbey, A., & Bellis, A. (2015) Trajectory Analysis of the Campus Serial Rapist Assumption. Journal of the American Medical Association: Pediatrics, doi:10.1001/jamapediatrics.2015.0707) However, there are over a hundred (100+) studies showing that pornography use is both correlated with and is the cause of a wide range of violent behaviors; about 50 studies show a strong connection between pornography and sexual violence. (Malamuth, N.
Z. PORN AND BUSINESS

“In February 2010, the number of people using a work computer to visit sexually oriented website was as high as 28%, according to research conducted by The Nielsen Company. The average visit to a pornography site from a work computer was about 13 minutes, and the average worker spent one hour and 38 minutes on such sites during that month.” (“Internet pornography by the numbers; a significant threat to society”, Webroot, Accessed 4.10.2018, https://www.webroot.com/us/en/home/resources/tips/digital-family-life/internet-pornography-by-the-numbers)

“If we leverage data extracted on: March 30, 2012, from the Bureau of Labor Statistics we can use their average hourly earnings of $23.23 multiplied by 1hr.38min = a loss of ~$38/month per employee watching pornography at work. Multiplying the monthly total by 12 months shows a loss of $456 dollars each year from every employee that views pornography.” (“Internet pornography by the numbers; a significant threat to society”, Webroot, Accessed 4.10.2018, https://www.webroot.com/us/en/home/resources/tips/digital-family-life/internet-pornography-by-the-numbers)

‘The number of U.S. employees reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics as of March 30th, 2012 was 132 million. If we divide this to represent 28% of employees using a work computer to visit pornographic sites up to ~37million employees viewing pornography. (There are many ways to pare down this number, for example by excluding some labor categories, but for the sake of the exercise we’re keeping it simple).” (“Internet pornography by the numbers; a significant threat to society”, Webroot, Accessed 4.10.2018, https://www.webroot.com/us/en/home/resources/tips/digital-family-life/internet-pornography-by-the-numbers)

“Thus, if 37 million employees are viewing the average amount of pornography cited by the Nielsen Company, the annual productivity loss to companies is a staggering $16.9 Billion dollars.” (“Internet pornography by the numbers; a significant threat to society”, Webroot, Accessed 4.10.2018, https://www.webroot.com/us/en/home/resources/tips/digital-family-life/internet-pornography-by-the-numbers)
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The Porn Epidemic Facts, Stats and Solutions

“Impact on Adolescents”

“Harm to young Brains”:

“A survey of 813 teens and young adults [13-15], found that 26% of adolescents aged 13-17 actively seek out pornography weekly or more often”. 26(Barna Group, The Porn Phenomenon: The Impact of Pornography in the Digital Age, [Ventura, CA: Josh McDowell Ministry, 2016].


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Women & Pornography

“30 percent of all data transferred across the Internet is porn”. 2(“Porn Sites Get More Visitors Each Month Than Netflix, Amazon And Twitter Combined,” HuffPost, May 4, 2013, accessed June 1, 2018, https://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/05/03/internet-porn-stats_n_3187682.html.)


“Porn sites get more visitors each month than Netflix, Amazon, and Twitter combined.” 4(HuffPost, 2013.)

“76% of 18 to 30-year-old American women report that they watch porn at least once a month.” 5(“How Many People Are On Porn Sites Right Now? (Hint: It’s A Lot),”“Fight the New Drug, April 2, 2018, accessed June 1, 2018, https://fightthenewdrug.org/by-
“Three percent of all women say they either thought they might be addicted or are unsure if they are addicted to pornography. This equates to three million women.” 6(Heather Schroering, “The porn problem,” Chicago Tribune, July 14, 2015, accessed June 1, 2018, http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/redeye-porn-addiction-20150714-story.html.)

“…The accessibly of pornography in our hypersexualized culture …”

“…Porn’s easy accessibility and cultural acceptance …”

“Porn Use Among Women is Growing”

“It is now no longer uncommon for women to say they started watching pornography to please their boyfriend or husband, thinking that this would enhance their romantic life. Women have also said that they use porn to fill periods of loneliness with sexual fantasies, or seek it out simply out of sexual curiosity, with the impression that this behavior is sexually empowering because it doesn’t require the natural presence of a male.”


“According to a 2017 report from a popular porn site, the number one search was “Porn for Women” – “a term that saw 359 percent growth among female users between 2016 and 2017.” 12( “Current Porn Statistics,” The Road to Grace, accessed June 1, 2018, http://www.roadtograce.net/current-porn-statistics/.)

“This porn site also reported that females accounted for 26 percent of visitors to the site.”13 (“Current Porn Statistics,” The Road to Grace, accessed June 1, 2018, http://www.roadtograce.net/current-porn-statistics/.)

“The most specifically searched for content on the site was “lesbian.”14 (“The Most Viewed Porn Categories Of 2017 Are Pretty Messed Up,” Fight the New Drug,


“25 percent of married women say they watch porn at least once a month.”

“A survey of more than 11,000 college-age women revealed that more than half were exposed to sexually explicit material by the age of 14.” (18 Gilkerson, 2013.) (Luke Gilkerson, “How Many Women are Hooked on Porn? 10 Stats that May Shock You,” Covenant Eyes, August 30, 2013, accessed June 1, 2018, http://www.covenanteyes.com/2013/08/30/women-addicted-to-porn-stats/.)

“According to one study, 15 percent of Christian women view pornography at least once a month, which is about one-half of the national average.” 19 (“Pornography Statistics – 2015 Edition.”)

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What Teenagers are Learning from Online Porn

“In a 2008 University of New Hampshire survey, 93 percent of male college students and 62 percent of female students said they saw online porn before they were 18.”


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“Congressional Fund to Cover-up Sexual Harassement”

“…Harvey Weinstein…”.

“…Congressman John Conyers…”

“Since 1997, there have been more than 200 secret payouts, totaling $17 million. While not every payout in the fund is for sexual misconduct…”

“Surveys indicate 79 percent of American men between the ages of 18 and 30 admit to watching porn regularly. 67 percent of men between 31 and 49 admit to it. And concerning men from 50 to 68, 50 percent confess to regular porn viewing. One in three porn users is a woman.”

“The only thing more reprehensible than a Congressional cover-up fund for sexual allegations is the sheer existence of such a fund. Budgets reveal values and demonstrate foresight…”

“Our budget not only anticipates reprehensible behavior by our elected officials and their staff, they also plan to keep it private. Some can’t keep their hands to themselves but want to keep these despicable actions to themselves.”

(J. Nick Pitts PhD, “My Faith Notes Newsletter”, (VIA email from Mike Huckabee to Josh, December 7, 2017),
https://www.myfaithvotes.org/congressional-fund-to-cover-up-sexual-harassment/)

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Porn’s “Butterfly Effect”: A New Podcast Exposes Porn’s Unexpected Consequences”

“…over 40 percent of children ages ten to seventeen have been exposed to porn online, many accidentally. By college, according to a survey of more than 800 students entitled ‘Generation XXX,’ 90 percent of men and a third of women had viewed porn during the preceding year.”

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Porn Addict Says 'Wrong Click Changed My Life' as a Teen, Exposing Her to Abusive, Animal-Like Sex G1 7.10.18

“And 76 percent of 18- to 30-year-old American women report that they watch porn at least once a month.”


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Korea and USA Porn

1. Korea (188 responses)

   Males – 96% Intentionally access porn
   Every day – 13%
   2 or more times a week – 37%
   Once a week – 9%
   2 or more times a month – 11%
   Once a month – 16%
   Once in a few months – 11%

   Females 71% Intentionally access porn
   Every day – 1%
   2 or more times a week – 14%
   Once a week – 8%
   2 or more times a month – 13%
   Once a month – 13%
   Once in a few months – 21%

2. USA (88 responses)
Males – 85% Intentionally access porn
Every day – 21%
2 or more times a week – 21%
Once a week – 13%
2 or more times a month – 13%
Once a month – 8%
Once in a few months – 10%

Females 51% Intentionally access porn
Every day – 2%
2 or more times a week – 8%
Once a week – 2%
2 or more times a month – 10%
Once a month – 10%
Once in a few months – 18%

• 85% never spoke to a parent
• 66% no one to help them quit
• 63% tried to quit but unable.

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The link Between Pornography, Sex Trafficking, and Abortion


“Furthermore, since the 1980’s, the largest consumers of pornography have been teenage boys between the ages of 12 and 17 who are not even included in the Barna Group data.” (10 “Internet Statistics,” GuardChild, accessed November 10, 2017, https://www.guardchild.com/statistics/.)


“Pornography use can be addictive, and 18 percent of all men (21 million) in this country think that they are, or may be, addicted to viewing pornography.” (13 Elwood D. Watson, “Pornography Addiction Among Men is On The Rise,” Huffington Post, October 14, 2014, accessed November 9, 2017, https://www.huffingtonpost.com/elwood-d-watson/pornography-addictionamongmen_b_5963460.html.)


“Google is the leading search engine choice for people seeking adult content, with 83.48 percent of all the global adult site internet traffic originating there due to its familiarity for internet users.” (15 Matthew Hussey, “Who are the biggest consumers of online porn?” The Next Web, March 24, 2015, accessed November 9, 2017, https://thenextweb.com/market-intelligence/2015/03/24/who-are-the-biggest-consumers-of-online-porn/#tnw_xAnJh0IM.)

“Additionally, 61 percent of all pornography is now consumed on mobile devices.” (16 “10 Ugly Numbers Describing Pornography Use in 2017,” Challies, April 11,

“There are 11 pornographic sites that are in the top 300 most popular sites globally, with Pornhub.com coming in at number 23 grossing 1.1 billion visits monthly”. (18 “Top 300 Biggest Websites: Based on Both Mobile and Desktop Data for the First Time!” SimilarWeb News, July 19, 2016, accessed November 9, 2017, https://www.similarweb.com/blog/new-website-ranking.)

“Many of these are pay-per-view websites, accounting for 69 percent of the total pay-per-view internet content market—more than all other sources combined.” (19 “Pornography Statistics: 2015 Report,” Covenant Eyes.)

“People spend more money for online pornography than for all online news, sports, video games, and all other content combined.” (20 “Pornography Statistics: 2015 Report,” Covenant Eyes.)


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My Little Angel (the Porn Addict)

“By some estimates, there are around 1 billion websites…”

“…between 4-14% of all websites are pornographic.”

“…somewhere between 38-140 million inappropriate places…”

“..and the Internet allows them to make bad choices with blazing speed and ease. Yes, even your kids.”
“…A balance between filtering, monitoring, accountability and conversation…”

“… Mobicip…”

“…downloadable internet safety sheets for parents…”

“…contact me at protectyoungeyes@gmail.com.”

(Chris McKenna, “My Little Angel (the Porn Addict)”, Seedbed.com, January 19, 2016, https://www.seedbed.com/little-angel-porn-addict/)

Internet Pornography by the Numbers; A significant Threat to Society

Every Day:

- 37 pornographic videos are created in the United States.
- 2.5 billion emails containing porn are sent or received.
- 68 million search queries related to pornography- 25% of total searches- are generated.
- 116,000 queries related to child pornography are received.


Data Proves Kids “Watch Porn No Matter What Parents Do

“The trouble arises when children and young teens, access pornography online and come to think of the behavior they’re seeing as normal. This is a growing problem that has no clear solution. Studies have shown that strict rules and even web filters cannot dissuade curious, internet-savvy children. Similarly concerning, studies suggest that adult males who consume porn experience body dissatisfaction and relationship problems.”
“One 2005 study demonstrated that adolescents who admit to looking at porn online are no more or less likely to live in homes that forbid it, or insist on internet filters. If anything, there was a slight correlation between porn use and anti-porn rules at home! “None of the three safeguards examined in the current study however (i.e., rules, blocking software, checking the history function), differentiate between pornography-seeking and non-seeking youth,” the authors write. “Certainly, parental involvement is important, but additional actions may be necessary.”
“Researchers Explore Pornography’s Effect on Long-term Relationships”

Just one leading pornography website says people spend 4.5 billion hours per year there.


“Nine out of ten Children between the ages of eight and sixteen have viewed pornography on the internet, in most cases unintentionally.”


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Porn Apps

Hidden Porn: Apps with Dangerous Doors to the Internet

“… over 3 million apps in Google Play and 2 million in the Apple App Store…”

“We’ve written extensively about these app store risks and how to turn off both the App Store and Google Play in our blog post: 3 Reasons to Turn Off (Disable)The App Store.”

“Reddit:”

“Marketing itself as “the front page of the Internet,” Reddit is a popular app and website that aggregates similar web-based content into communities
(subreddits) for faster access. It’s a treasure-trove of information on any topic you can imagine. And it’s simple to create an account, lie about your age, indicate, “I am over 18 and willing to view adult content,” and then login to the app and search for porn —lots of it.”

“Imgur:”

“Using GIFs, images and comments, Imgur is the content backbone of many other websites, including Reddit. And like any platform that allows users to upload their own content, it’s full of inappropriate media (including porn if you know how to find it).”

“GIPHY:”

“We haven’t found any pornographic GIFs, but each GIF includes a link to the website where the animated image is hosted, which allows easy in-app access to Reddit, Imgur, and other websites, without ever leaving the GIPHY app.”

“I can access a hidden Google search through five of these six apps (see above) on any iOS device (iPhone, iPad, iPod Touch). The only one that prevents me from accessing a hidden search is Pokémon Go! And here’s the kicker! —Even if you’ve enabled “Limit Adult Content” in the Restrictions on an iPhone, these hidden Google searches do not obey those parameters! It’s a completely unfiltered web experience.”

“Tip for parents: Recently, Covenant Eyes (affiliate link) released a new…”

“Snapchat:”

“It’s well-documented that the Discover section of Snapchat contains content that is not appropriate for children, and yet there’s no way to turn it off. (This is where Snapchat makes its money.)”

“Instagram:”

“With almost a billion monthly users, Instagram has a serious hidden porn problem. With six clicks that take less than four seconds, you can find hardcore, streaming pornography. Users call it Instaporn. With zero
parental controls on the app parents can never know what their kids are searching for…”

“Pinterest:”

“Just below the surface of the recipes and crafts are entire boards of pornographic content. Again, without any parental controls, parents have no idea if kids are browsing for the not-so-hidden porn…”

“ What’s the Right Age to Give my Kid Social Media.”

“Parents often lament about how difficult it is to raise responsible kids in the digital age. Yet it is parents who usually give their kids access to smartphones and tablets?”


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Hidden Porn: Apps with Dangerous Doors to the Internet

“…over 3 million apps in Google Play and 2 million in the Apple App Store.”

“Tip for parents: “No app store access until you get the driver’s license.”

“This means turning off the App Store and Google Play, or at a minimum, using Family Sharing on iOS devices,…”

“Tip for parents: Regularly check the app inventory on your child’s phone. “

“Instructions:”

“For iPhone: Go to the App Store app, select “Updates” in the lower right corner, then tap “Purchases” at the top, and this will show a complete inventory of every app that has been downloaded from the App Store with the Apple ID that the device is using.”
“For Android: Open the Google Play store app and tap the menu button (three lines). In the menu, tap “My Apps & Games” to see a list of apps currently installed on your device.”

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“Pinterest: Just below the surface of the recipes and crafts are entire boards of pornographic content. Again, without any parental controls, parents have no idea if kids are browsing for the not-so-hidden porn…”

“Talk open and often: If your children have these apps, speak openly and often to your children about what they are experiencing. Have they seen porn on Instagram? Ask them!”


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He started viewing porn at 8-years-old. He just explained why he fights porn for his job

“I experienced a good amount of healing from pornography a couple years into my marriage…”

“…with over 80% of males…”

“…looking at porn at very minimum monthly…”

“I think pornography is a very efficient [form of] escapist behavior. Speaking from my own example, I started turning to porn when I was 8 and I didn’t stop until I was about 29. And what that ends up being is a way to escape negative emotion.”
“When we feel lonely, or frustrated or emasculated or rejected, or you know, just things seem out of control, we turn to pornography and it just gives us a quick fix.”

(Jonathon Van Maren, “He started viewing porn at 8-years-old. He just explained why he fights porn for his job”, LifeSite August 8, 2018, (https://thebridgehead.ca/2018/08/08/he-started-viewing-porn-at-8-years-old-now-he-fights-porn-as-a-career/)

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Ben grew up in Virginia Beach, Virginia and met Christ at an early age. After being heavily involved in Cru throughout college, and developing a great desire to see college students transformed by the gospel, he joined their staff in 2011.

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For more than fifty years, Josh McDowell has been at the forefront of cultural trends and groundbreaking ministry. Ben will serve alongside Josh, writing, speaking and shining the light of Christ into the darkest places, and helping believers be prepared to share with confidence, knowing the reason why Christianity is reliable, relational and relevant to our lives.

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- Overcoming Sin & Setbacks
- You, Me, We
- Wholeness in a Sex Saturated World
- Relevant, Reliable, Relational: The Bible?
WHO’S TALKING ABOUT BEN?

“Ben speaks from personal experience of the freedom Christ offers each and every troubled heart. It is such a delight for me to hear Ben speak for his generation in such a relevant, reliable, and relational way.”

-Dr. Ted Roberts // Pastor, Counselor, and Founder of Pure Desire Ministries

“While many young people today struggle with hurt, mental health issues, and addictions, few have a story of freedom to share like Ben’s that renews hope, gives a roadmap to healing, and inspires next steps. I’ve personally benefited greatly from what Ben has to share and I think many people in all walks of life will too.”

-Karl Armentrout // Cru National Conference and Events Director

“My hidden sin had me imprisoned in silence, guilt, and secrets for years. When I attended Ben’s session, he shared his journey of liberty from sin, and I felt the Holy Spirit moving and convicting me. Through Ben’s personal encouragement and passion for sharing the love of God, I shared my darkest sin with others and began the journey of healing and freedom through Jesus and His wonderful people. Thank you Ben.”

-Marylyn // Texas College Student

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WHO’S TALKING ABOUT JAKE?

Jake is wholesome, invigorating and smart. His ability to speak is only surpassed by his contagious love for Christ and the Scripture. He wins the hearts and minds of students through stories.”

-Josh D. McDowell // Author/Speaker

Jake communicates with compassion for the wounded and broken and has an authentic desire to see people healed and set free. God’s work through his message has been a beacon of hope that has empowered struggling students to find freedom and live wholehearted.

-Sherry Brosame // Field Director of People & Culture, CRU

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-Austin Adams // Family Pastor, Crossroads Community Church

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"Alex is a winsome and effective communicator who understands how skeptics view the gospel and the questions they raise...I enthusiastically recommend his work."
—Ravi Zacharias, Ravi Zacharias International Ministry

"Alex's ministry has been immensely beneficial to the church in helping to train, equip and prepare God's people for the task of bringing the gospel to the world and the world to Christ."
—Wayne Sutton, Senior Pastor, Carrubbers Christian Centre, Edinburgh, Scotland.

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—Peter Thomas, National Director, Capernwray Bible School, Australia

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