

# In 2017, Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Students Were at Greater Risk of Experiencing Several Risk Factors

	U.S. high school students who:	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual (LGB)	Not Sure	Heterosexual	Increased Risk for LGB vs. Heterosexual Students
Sexual Behavior	Had 4 or more partners during their life	14.7%	9.9%	9.1%	62% more likely
	Used a condom and effective hormonal birth control	4.4%	3.7%	9.6%	54% less likely
	Used a condom at last sex	39.9%	44.1%	56.1%	29% less likely
	Ever had sex	48.4%	28.4%	39.1%	24% more likely
	Used effective hormonal birth control	24.4%	18.8%	30.3%	19% less likely
	Were currently sexually active	33.7%	19.8%	28.5%	18% more likely
Substance Use	Ever injected illegal drugs	3.4%	6.1%	1.0%	> 3x more likely
	Ever misused prescription opioids	24.3%	17.7%	12.9%	88% more likely
	Ever used illicit drugs	23.1%	26.8%	12.3%	88% more likely
Violence Victimization	Were forced to have sex	21.9%	13.1%	5.4%	> 4x more likely
	Experienced sexual dating violence	15.8%	14.1%	5.5%	~ 3x more likely
	Experienced physical dating violence	17.2%	14.1%	6.4%	~ 3x more likely
	Were electronically bullied	27.1%	22.0%	13.3%	> 2x more likely
	Were bullied at school	33.0%	24.3%	17.1%	~ 2x more likely
	Were threatened or injured with a weapon at school	9.4%	11.1%	5.4%	74% more likely
	Did not go to school because of safety concerns	10.0%	10.7%	6.1%	64% more likely
Mental Health and Suicide	Were injured in a suicide attempt	7.5%	5.6%	1.7%	> 4x more likely
	Attempted suicide	23.0%	14.3%	5.4%	> 4x more likely
	Made a suicide plan	38.0%	25.6%	10.4%	> 3x more likely
	Seriously considered suicide	47.7%	31.8%	13.3%	> 3x more likely
	Felt sad or hopeless	63.0%	46.4%	27.5%	> 2x more likely

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention