

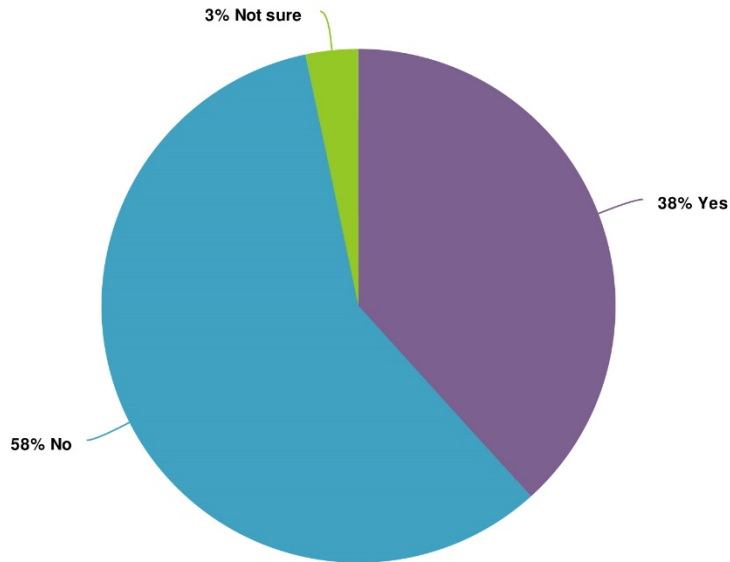
Your Voice Mattered

Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) survey shows-

You are the informed majority.

Ten thousand (10,000) Washington State citizens participated in a survey regarding the teaching of the sexually explicit Comprehensive Sex Education (CSE). Fifty-eight percent (58%) opposed teaching CSE. These Washington State citizens DO NOT want CSE.

5. Should comprehensive, age-appropriate, medically accurate sexual health education be required for all students in grades K-12?



Value	Percent	Responses
Yes	38.3%	3,869
No	58.4%	5,894
Not sure	3.3%	329

Totals: 10,092

The majority of individuals responding to the survey were the age-range for having school-aged children.

Should comprehensive, age-appropriate, medically accurate sexual health education be required for all students in grades K-12?	18 and younger	19-30	31-50	51-70	71 and older	Prefer not to answer
Yes	123	371	2223	983	232	23
No	105	513	2768	1850	475	286
Not Sure	3	19	154	111	35	11
Totals	231	903	5145	2944	742	320

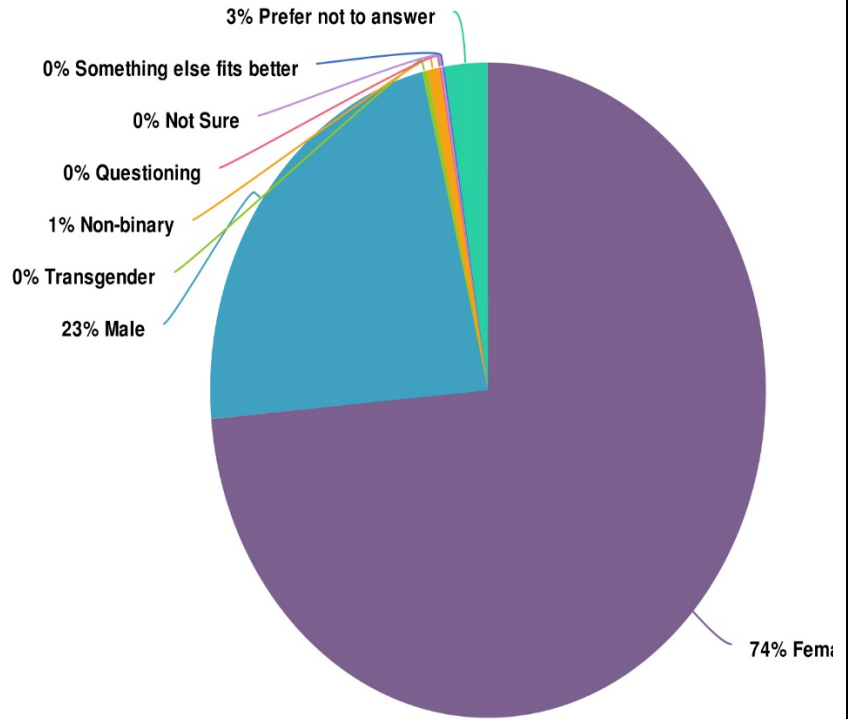
Parents

Informed parents were the majority of participating responders. These parents (83%) were very or somewhat informed about the educational standards for CSE within the state. More than 1/3 of the responders wanted changes to the Healthy Youth Act as it stands today. Currently, schools have a choice and K-12 is not mandatory.

The majority (79%) of responses were parents of public-school children (42.4%) while others were parents with K-12 students in private schools, (6.3%), parents with K-12 students being home schooled (6.6%) and parents of former students (23.7%). Parents (58%) did not want the state to require comprehensive, age-appropriate, medically accurate sexual health education for all students in grades K-12.

Moms

More moms than dads took the survey. Half of the respondents were of parenting age (31-50 years old). The majority were women, 74%. Parents were the majority of participating responders. The majority (79%) of responses were parents of public-school children (42.4%) while others were parents with K-12 students in private schools, (6.3%), parents with K-12 students being home schooled (6.6%) and parents of former students (23.7%). Parents (58%) did not want the state to require comprehensive, age-appropriate, medically accurate sexual health education for all students in grades K-12.



Dads

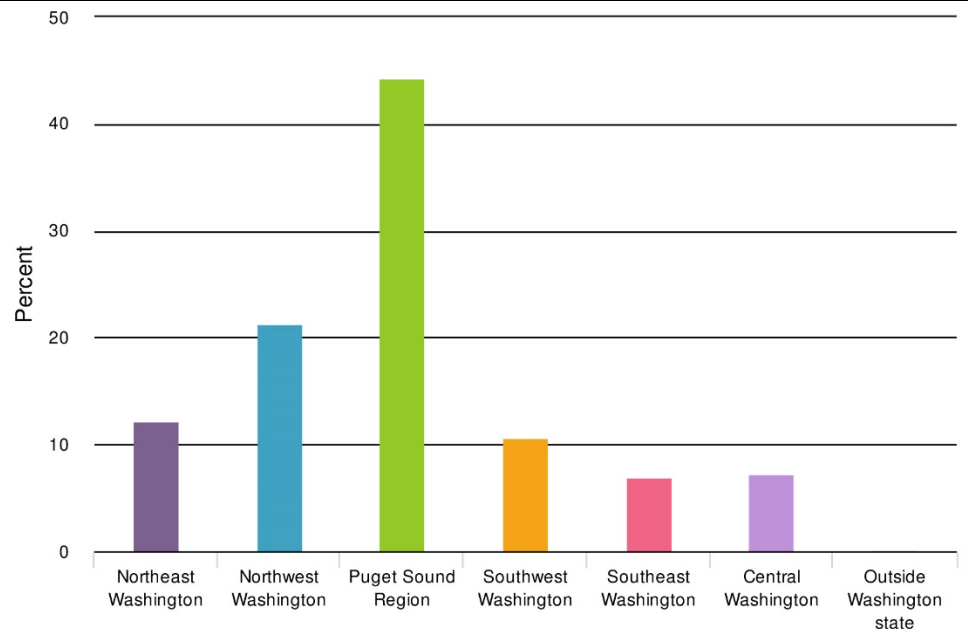
Males (23% of respondents) were more cohesive in their objection to CSE than women. Of the 2,377 males, 73% opposed CSE.

Male Female Other

Should comprehensive, age-appropriate, medically accurate sexual health education be required for all students in grades K-12?	Female	Male	Trans-Gender	Non-Binary	Questioning	Not Sure	Something else fits better	Prefer not to answer
Yes	3176	635	30	67	6	1	8	34
No	4086	1675	3	2	1	6	3	218
Not Sure	257	67	0	1	0	0	1	7
Totals	7519	2377	33	70	7	7	12	259

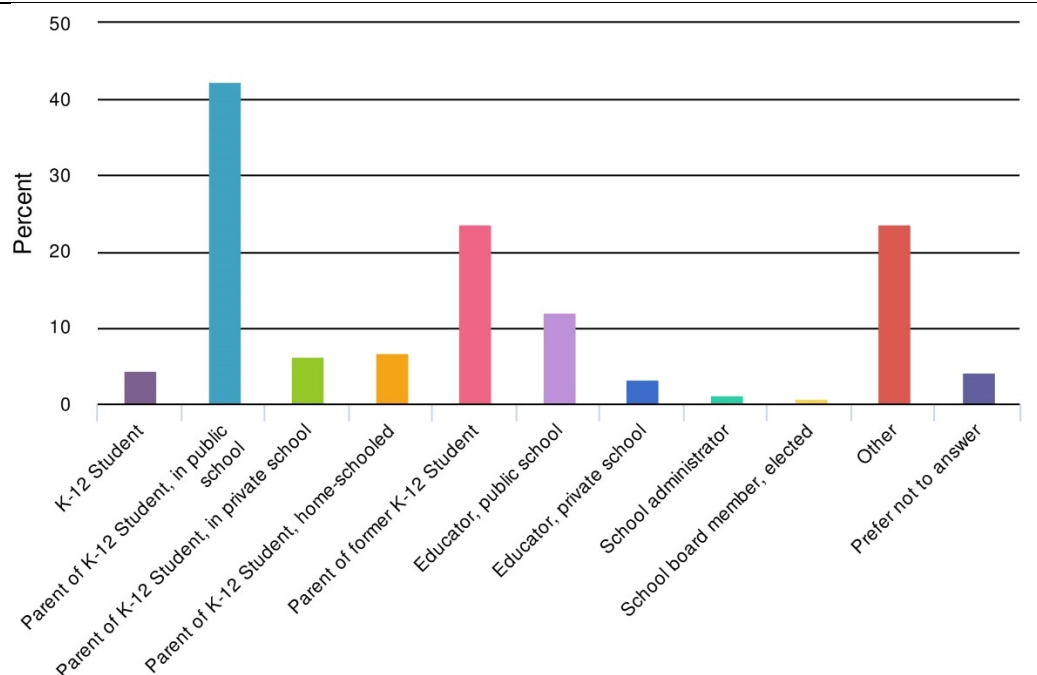
Geographic Locations

By far the largest number of respondents lived in the Puget Sound Region. The other regions were represented fairly close to the distribution of population in their regions with Northeast Washington at 12% of the total respondents. Other regions were, Northwest Washington at 21%, Southwest Washington at 11%, both Southeast and central Washington at 7%. Only 14 respondents were from outside of Washington.



Public Educators differ from the General Public

Public-school educators, school board members were the only categories that had more wanting *mandated* CSE. Parents of current or former public-school students, home school educators and private school educators were overwhelmingly against mandatory CSE (67%). The ‘other’ category that didn’t identify their role had only slightly more opposed to CSE.



Background

This survey is not a one-time rejection. It is a pattern. Since 2016, parents in many districts have been objecting to latest learning requirements from OSPI. Some schools have chosen not to teach anything about sexuality/relationships to avoid the community disapproval. In the 2019 legislative session, a mandatory K-12 Sex Education bill was proposed. It was tabled until this year because approximately 5,000 citizens in two different hearings objected. Then in the budget, a study of the effectiveness of CSE was commissioned. The Health Impact study declared that there was no evidence that CSE education would reduce teen pregnancies or sexually transmitted infections. The next step was to hand pick a committee from across the state to show support for CSE that would help pass the mandatory sex ed in the upcoming session. This committee did a survey, sent to the members of the researched CSE study and the members of the committee. Planned Parenthood paid for Facebook ads targeted at youth and school families. However, 58% said, “NO” to CSE. But

it didn't stop there. Currently, OSPI and a team of selected public-school employees are writing a curriculum to facilitate the mandated K-12 requirement for CSE.

Action Items

Contacts:

- The legislative Hotline – 800-562-6000 Let your Representatives and Senate know your concerns. Plan on attending upcoming hearings in Olympia
- OSPI – Laurie Dils works on the Sex Education issues. 360-725-6364 laurie.dils@k12.wa.us
- State Board of Education member contacts are found at <https://www.wssda.org/AboutUs/HowWeAreGoverned/WSSDAbyRegions.aspx>
- Contact your school board members with this information as they try to accountable to your community standards and OSPI mandates. Their contact information is generally on the school district web site.
- Help your schools meet the researched needs in your area.
- Contact Teen-Aid.com to fortify your teen in defending your family values and achieving the optimal health outcomes using *The Alternative* for 8-12th graders.

