POLL SURVEY

PERCEPTIONS OF YOUTH IN LOWER INCOME SETTLEMENTS:

- I) THE YOUTH ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT FUND;
- II) SEX EDUCATION AND CONTRACEPTIVES.

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Dates of Field Work	12 th – 25 th August 2016
Sample Size	390
Sampling Error	At 95% confidence level, the margin of error for this survey is +/-5
Sampling Methodology	Systematic Random Sampling
Population Universe	Youths in Low Income Areas (18-35 years)
Data Collection Methodology	Face to face Interviews

SAMPLE STRUCTURE

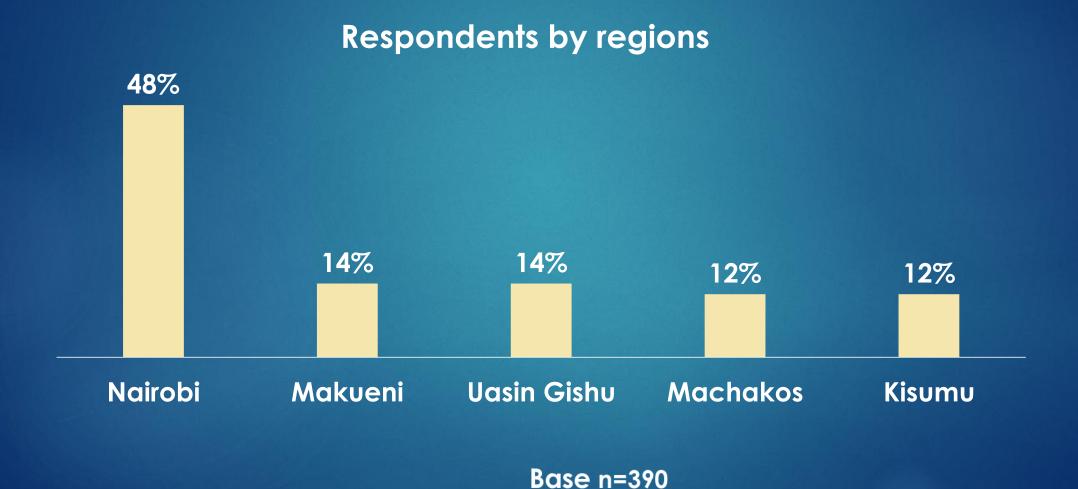
County	Area/Town	Survey Sample	%
Nairobi	Kibera; Mathare; Mukuru	186	48%
Uasin Gishu	Huruma; Langas; Munyaka	56	14%
Makueni	Nunguni; Wote	55	14%
Machakos	Kangundo; Machakos town	48	12%
Kisumu	Nyalenda; Obunga	45	12

Quality Control Measures

- In order to ensure the collection of quality data PARS Research monitors the research process continually to ensure the quality standards are adhered to. Our standard quality checks are:
 - \checkmark 100 % of questionnaires are checked for logic and completeness;
 - ✓ 20 % of fieldwork accompanied by a supervisor;
 - 20 % of fieldwork back checked by a supervisor; and
 - ✓ A double-entry data capture system that assures 100% accuracy in data entry



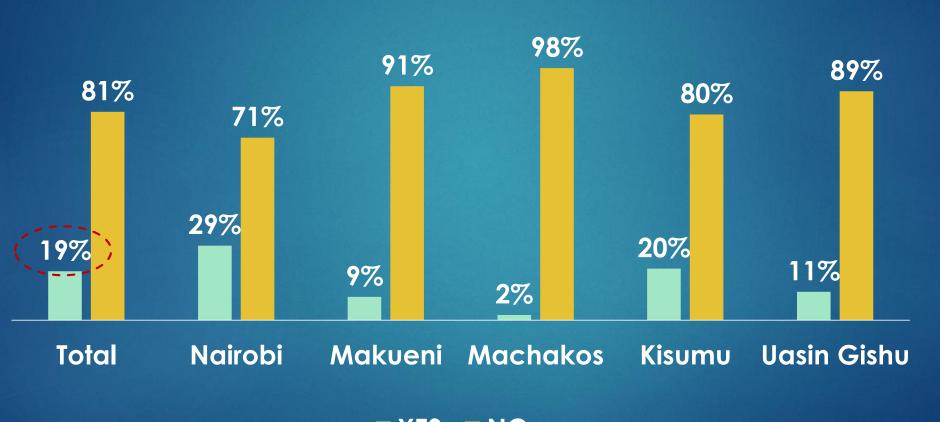
Demographic Profile



UTILIZATION OF THE YOUTH ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT FUND



Have you ever utilized Youth Enterprise Development Funds?



Only less than one fifth of the youth in these areas stated they had ever utilized the funds. Highest percentages of those not utilizing the funds were in Machakos and Makueni

■ YES ■ NO

Base n=390

If NO, why haven't you ever utilized the funds?

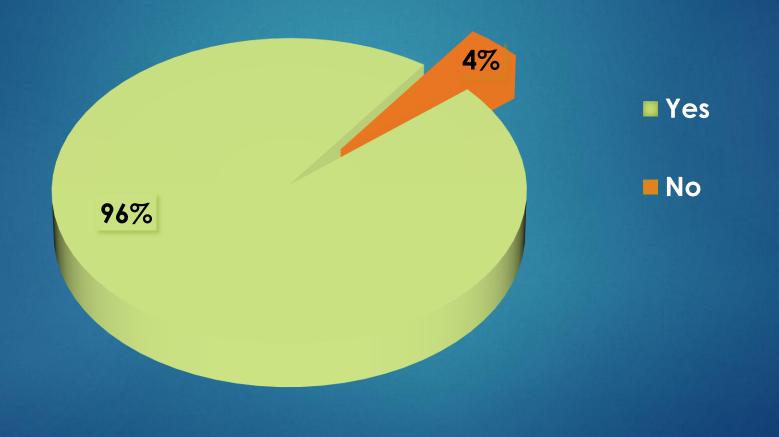
Reasons for not utilizing the funds	Percentile
Don't know about the fund/procedures for application	54%
Tedious and long application process and requirements	15%
Not interested/ no specific project to invest the funds in	12%
It's a corrupt system	9%
Others (e.g. Capital given is too little; fear of repayments; find the whole process expensive; stiff competition from many other groups applying for the same funds)	10%

Main reason for not utilizing the funds is lack of awareness of the fund as well as the procedures for application mentioned by more than half of the youth (54%). At least 15% felt the process was tedious

SEX EDUCATION AND CONTACEPTIVES

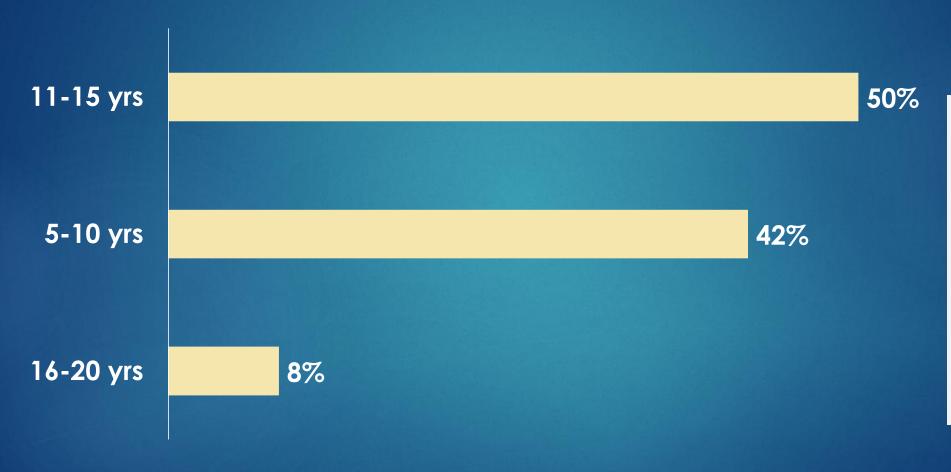


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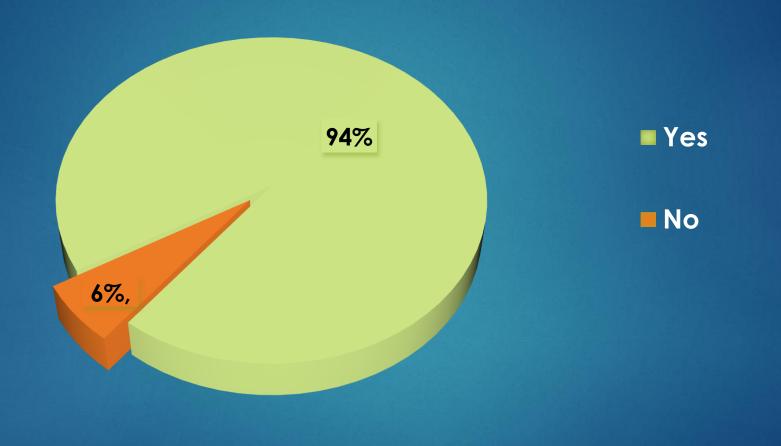
Majority of youth believe parents should discuss sexual issues with their children

At what age should sex education start?



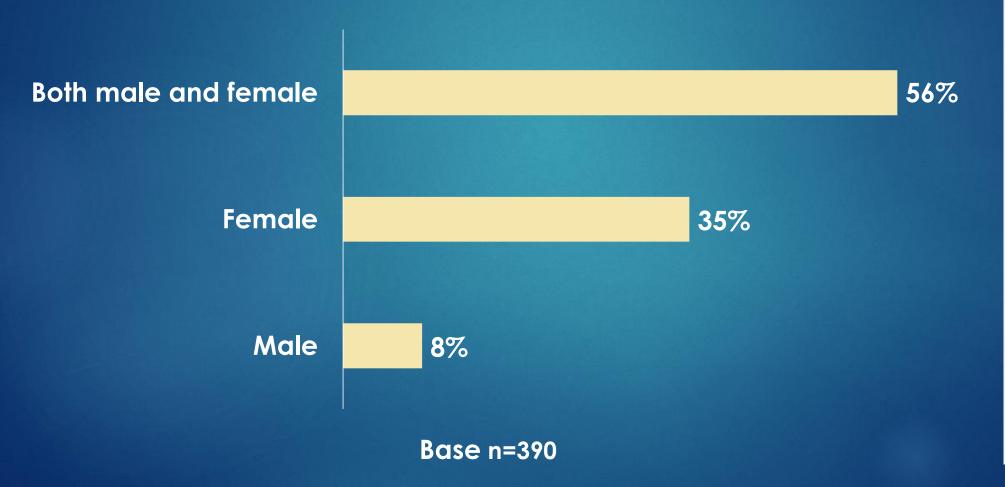
Sex education according to the youth should start before 16 years and as early as 5 years with 50% indicating 11-15 years and 42% suggesting 5-10 years

Should sex education be taught in school?



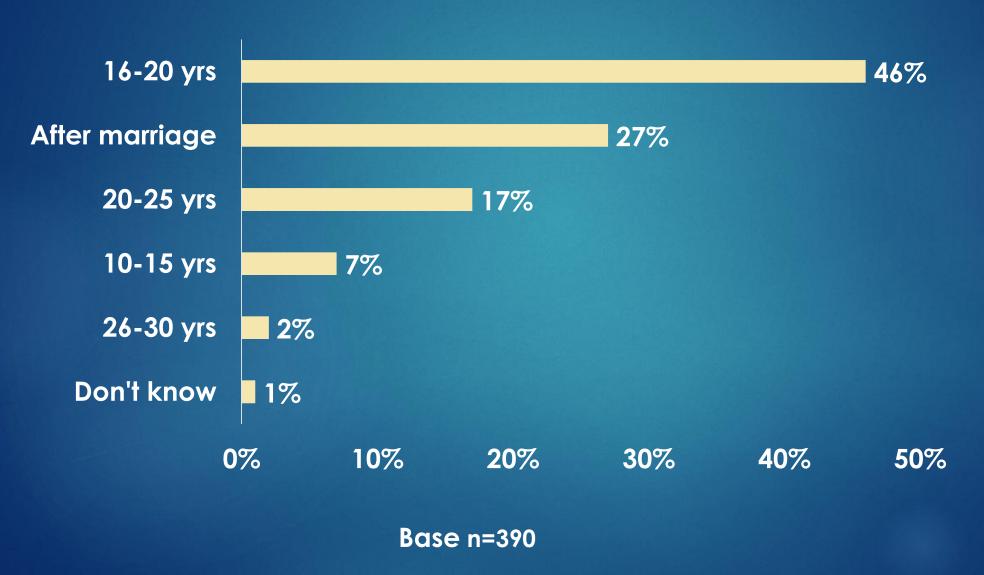
Youth are agreeable to sex education being taught in school with at least 94% stating so.

Who do you think has the responsibility to make decisions on contraceptive use? (at household level)



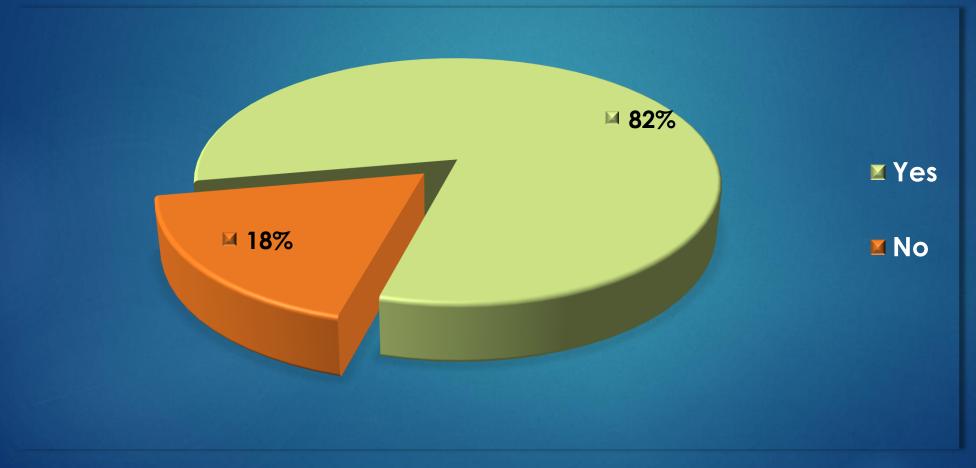
According to the youth, the responsibility towards making decisions on contraceptive use at the household level lies with the couple (both male and female). At least more than a third (35%) however placed the responsibility on females

At what age should youth start having sex?



Youth were asked at what age they should start having sex. The findings revealed that they believed they should start engaging in sex at 16-20 years further supporting the reason why they feel sex education should be below 16 years. Only 27% seem to believe that they should engage in sex after marriage.

Do you think you should use a condom if you aren't married?



At least 82% of youth believe they should use a condom if not married

Do you think you should use a condom if you aren't married? Why or why not?

Reason (Why)	Percentile
To prevent being infected with HIV AIDS and/or STIs	72%
It's the best contraceptive method	17%
Safe to use as they do not have any chemicals/side effects	8%
To avoid abortion and its accompanying costs	2%
No reason	1%

Reason (Why not)	Percentile
Abstinence until marriage	43%
Religion/Culture against Condom Use	17%
Encourages promiscuity/unfaithfulness	15%
Not 100% Guaranteed Protection	12%
Kills Sexual Intimacy in Relationships	12%
Fear of side effects (cancer)	1%

Base n=325 Base n=65

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