

We know that very few of you subscribe to *Playboy*, so we thought we'd fill in the gaps in your life with this reprinted feature. The article is about, in case you didn't already know, what you are doing, that is: where students are at. It's been edited; we've deleted the grosser expletives. We know you know them all already, but they were generally sexist, ageist, and worst of all: silly.

Also note that the article has been Canadianized wherever possible, since between the two countries there does exist, after all, the longest non-existent border in the world.

For the past few years, we've been hearing disturbing rumors that all's quiet on the college (university) front. According to most sources, the sexual revolution had ground to a halt; the battle between the sexes had declined into a cold war in which virginity and lesbianism were the weapons of choice. All traces of the counter-culture had disappeared; students no longer dropped acid to see God - they drowned themselves in Coors (Uncle Ben's) and saw Gerald Ford (Pierre Elliott). Social activism was dead; crime had made the streets unsafe for demonstrators. We decided to look for ourself. And discovered that we should have known better.

Here is the harsh truth we found: It is actually possible to go through four years of higher education without getting laid, though why you'd want to is beyond us. Fortunately, the odds are against it. What makes it so hard to go through school unscathed is the coeds. In 1970, about 49 percent of female students graduated with more than their brains intact. The figure has fallen to 26 percent in 1976. At the same time, the percentage of male virgins has gone up from 18 percent in 1970 to 26 percent in 1976. This magical equality of percentages means that students have arrived at that promised land - a sexual utopia where the women are just as active sexually as the men.

Our findings reveal that coed activities equal those of men in every form of sex - except masturbation (college women apparently would rather make love than masturbate). Now they are making it with their companions-in-arms, either in fairly monogamous relationships (55 percent of the women and 47 percent of the men had a lifetime total of three or fewer partners) or through a fairly active, casual sex life (29 percent of the women and 38 percent of the men had six or more partners). Only 14 percent of the women still think you should save it for marriage. A few women want to save it for other women (Fourteen percent of the women have thought about having a homosexual relationship. A full four percent have actually tried lesbiansim.) In short, your chances are better than ever. Pass that graduate school catalog, Jack.

If you're wondering why parents are footing the bill so that their kids can play - don't worry about it. Our statistics reveal that initial experiences with sex may cause a drop in grades, but the longer you have been having sex, the more likely you are to be an A student. A full 67 percent of the people who made A's have been making love for more than two years. Smart little fuckers.

Politically, too the kids had some surprises for us. This is an election year and nearly every candidate in the country is running an anti-Government campaign. The Federal bureaucracy, they say, is too big. In sharp contrast to the politicians, students want more government intervention in almost every area of life: 90 percent think Uncle Sam (the federal government) should be stricter in his (its) enforcement of air-and water-pollution laws. Like other citizens, students worry about violent crime. The majority (70 percent) favor handgun control, and almost half want

to restore the death penalty. And students generally favor stricter laws, heavier penalties and mandatory therapy for all the so-called hard drugs, including cocaine and the psychedelics. (The only drugs escaping this prohibition are alcohol and marijuana.)

Last spring, *Playboy* hired an independent research organization to conduct the 1976 *Student Survey*. The researchers chose 20 colleges and universities and polled a random sampling of students from school directories. In all, 3700 students responded to the study. This sample checked out as representative of the sex, age, class level, family income and grade-point average of students across the country. *Playboy's* 1976 *Student Survey* asked the question: Is there a sexual revolution on campus? Today we're not even asking. The revolution has been fought and won, the territory secured. Most students view college as a boot camp (armed forces base) where new recruits are inducted into a standing army of the sexually liberated. The morale is incredibly high. Most undergrads on campus are satisfied with their love lives, if not with their brand of tooth paste. They enjoy what they do. They get better at it the older they get. They do not feel guilty. Indeed, they are having the time of their lives.

The Prime indicator of happiness is simply: Are you getting any? Of the students who aren't currently dating, 81 percent express dissatisfaction with their sex lives. (That makes sense. They may be dumb, but they're not stupid.) Three out of four of those who have not had intercourse in the past 30 days are discontent. In contrast, four out of five of those who have made love in the past month say that their sex lives are great.

The closeness of students' relationships seems to have the most effect on the quality of their sex life. Couples who are living together, going steady or engaged express greater satisfaction than those who are just going out with anything that walks. The dating game on campus is not exactly like musical chairs, but it's close. If you don't move fast, you can get left out. Most college couples are monogamous - they don't sleep with more than one person a month. The majority of people who have gotten it on (engaged in sexual relations) in the past month have gotten it on (engaged in...etc.) with just one person.

The numbers tend to support the professed attitudes of the student body. There is an overwhelming acceptance of

what used to be called premarital sex: 89 percent of the student body are willing to engage in intercourse before the wedding night. A small percentage of the students we interviewed will do it at the drop of a book. If the book happens to be *The Joy of Sex*. For example, seven percent of the women would go to bed with a casual acquaintance (compared with 27 percent of the men). If you meet a girl and she says that she just wants to be friends, don't be discouraged. Twenty-nine percent of the women consider simple friendship sufficient grounds for sexual intercourse.

The change in attitude is astonishing: Both sexes agree almost unanimously that women want sex as much as men. With equal unanimity, they disagree with the old idea that "a woman should never take the lead in sexual activity." The Erotic Rights Amendment (Human Rites Act) has been passed on campus. Still, if women are taking the initiative, why are there more male virgins now (26 percent in 1976 compared with 18 percent in 1970?). It's the end of the double standard - the woman can and the men don't have to. Male students seem less preoccupied with losing their virginity per se. They do not seek out the aid of professionals for a corrective operation. In fact, only 16 percent of our male sample have ever visited a prostitute. (This figure rose to a percentage almost twice as high in the South (Nfld.), where 30 percent of the students had paid to ring a belle.) It seems that both men and women are willing to wait until they find someone they like, or love - then they take care of each other. Virginity loves company.

Also, some of the students seem to realize that college is a testing ground. Conservatives may become alarmed that the behavior shown on campus proves our moral fabric is unraveling, that society is doomed. But the majority of the students do not anticipate carrying over their experimental lifestyle into married life. A full 60 percent disagree strongly with the statement "I hope to have an open marriage which include extramarital sex." Another 57 percent disagree strongly with the statement "I'm not interested in marrying. I hope to have a varied sex life, including a number of affairs."

Almost all students are sexually active in some way. Nearly three fourths of the male students masturbate once a month or more. Ten percent (still afraid of going blind or growing hair on their palms?) refrain. Do-it-yourself sex still hasn't caught on with women. As mon-

tioned earlier, the percentage of women who have never masturbated is actually higher than the percentage who have never had sexual intercourse (an interesting side light: Almost 75 percent of the people who have never masturbated expressed satisfaction with their sex lives. Either they don't know what they are missing or they are getting something on the side.)

Comparing the frequency chart with the sexual-preference chart reveals one thing: Although students have fairly conventional tastes, they tend to do what they like and like what they do.

For instance, students express a across-the-beds disinterest in such exotic forms of sexplay as bondage and discipline, master-slave role playing, inflicting or receiving pain during sex and homosexuality. Only a tiny fraction have engaged in these behaviors. Most students are willing to try group sex and anal sex or to include a mechanical aid in their lovemaking, but again, most haven't gotten around to it. (Another interesting but perhaps obvious side light: More than twice as many male students as females express interest in group sex - that's why there are too many guys at orgies.) College is the time when couples tend to focus on the basics. Three out of four have tried oral sex and mutual masturbation. The better the partners know each other, the better the sex. For example, 63 percent of those dating for variety enjoy oral sex. The figure rises slightly for those going steady (72 percent) or engaged (77 percent). An astonishing 93 percent of those living together enjoy oral sex. (Apparently, that's why they live together: They started having oral sex and liked it so much they couldn't leave the room.) Upperclassmen also seem to enjoy oral sex more: Experience is its own reward.

The sexual fantasies of college students tend to reflect their actual behavior. Most men and women daydream about past experiences (63 percent) or people they know (70 percent). The next most popular fantasy is one in which the student watches others make love (22 percent). A fairly high percentage have fantasies about homosexual affairs. Women fantasize slightly more about members of the own sex (in the preference chart, 16 percent said they might try a lesbian relationship, four percent actually have had one and most of those liked it). Only 13 percent of the men fantasized, and seven percent expressed interest in trying a same-sex relationship; 12 per-

If (s)he beat you once,

WHAT KINDS OF SEXUAL FANTASIES DO YOU HAVE?

Type of fantasy:	I Relive a Past Sexual Experience	I Have Sex with Someone I Know and Would Like to Make It with	I Make Love to Someone of My Own Sex	I Inflict or Receive Pain	I Watch Others Make Love	Others Watch Me Make Love	I Attend an Orgy
Total	63%	76%	14%	6%	22%	6%	14%
Male	63%	84%	13%	5%	27%	4%	18%
Female	63%	66%	15%	8%	16%	8%	16%

HOW CLOSE SHOULD A SEXUAL PARTNER BE?

	Casual Acquaintance	Friend	Lover	Fiancé	Spouse
Male	27%	39%	24%	2%	8%
Female	7%	29%	45%	5%	14%

HOW OFTEN DO YOU DRINK?

	Not at All	Once in Two Weeks	Once a Week	2-3 Times a Week	Daily
Total	19%	19%	25%	31%	6%
Male	15%	16%	23%	37%	9%
Female	23%	24%	26%	24%	3%