

STI RATES RISE as condom use DECLINES among Canadian university students

Across three different surveys (in 2013, 2019, 2021), a total of **4,500 Canadian university students** were asked about their condom use and how concerned they were about getting a sexually transmitted infection (STI).

Condom Use

SIGNIFICANTLY DECLINED
among women
Remained **STABLE**
among men

In 2021:

13% of students reported **DECREASED** condom use due to COVID-19

33% of students whose most recent sexual encounter was with a one-time partner, booty call, or hook-up **DID NOT USE A CONDOM**

With STI Rates Rising, Condoms Are a Good Choice to Protect Sexual Health

Condoms **REDUCE** the risk of getting or passing STIs.

When used correctly, condoms are **98%** effective at preventing pregnancy.²

In SIECCAN's surveys of Canadian university students, condom use did **NOT** affect pleasure ratings for penis-vagina sex.

Notes: *Includes cisgender and transgender women and men. Cell sizes for nonbinary participants were too small for comparative analyses. Descriptive data available upon request. All analyses exclude participants who chose "I don't know/prefer not to answer." 2013 and 2019 surveys commissioned by Trojan; all surveys designed by researchers at SIECCAN and the University of Guelph. Data was collected by Leger, a professional market research company.

1. Government of Canada. Notifiable Diseases Online. <https://diseases.canada.ca/notifiable/>
2. <https://www.webmd.com/sex/birth-control/birth-control-condoms#2>



Rising STI Rates

AMONG 20-24 YEAR-OLDS: Reported rates of chlamydia, gonorrhea, and syphilis have increased.¹

BETWEEN 2009 TO 2019: Reported rates of chlamydia increased by more than a third among young adult women (**34%**) and men (**49%**).¹

% WHO USED A CONDOM AT LAST PENIS-VAGINA SEX

	2013	2019	2021
WOMEN*	47	46	40
MEN*	59	60	57

Concern About STIs

% CONCERNED

	2013	2019	2021
WOMEN*	42	35	29
MEN*	43	49	36

Concern about STIs has declined **SIGNIFICANTLY** among men **AND** women.

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