YRBS

• **History**
  - Surveys students in 9th-12th grade
  - Collaborations among state agencies
  - Successfully obtained weighted data since the survey was first done in 1991
  - Possible by excellent working relationships with school administrators, principals and teachers

• **Purpose**
  - Created to monitor six priority health risk behaviors that result in the greatest amount of morbidity, mortality and social problems among youth
Six Priority Health-Risk Behaviors

- Intentional and unintentional injuries and violence
- Tobacco use
- Behaviors that contribute to alcohol and other drug use
- Sexual behaviors that result in HIV infection, other sexually transmitted diseases, and unintended pregnancy
- Dietary behaviors
- Physical activity
Summary of YRBS Data

• Percentage of students who were ever physically forced to have sexual intercourse when they did not want to (asked on SD survey from 2001-2015)

• Percentage of students who had ever been touched, grabbed, or pinched in a sexual way that made them feel unsafe or uncomfortable (asked on SD survey in 2015)

• Percentage of students who had ever been forced to do sexual things, such as kissing or touching, when they did not want to (Excluding sexual intercourse) (asked on SD survey in 2015)
Percentage of students who were ever physically forced to have sexual intercourse when they did not want to
Percentage of students who had ever been touched, grabbed, or pinched in a sexual way that made them feel unsafe or uncomfortable-2015 YRBS

- Male: 12%
- Female: 34%
- Total: 23%
Percentage of students who, during their whole school life, had been touched, grabbed, or pinched in a sexual way by anyone when they didn’t want them to
Percentage of students who have ever been forced to do sexual things when they did not want to (such as kissing or touching, not including sexual intercourse) 2015 YRBS

- Male: 6%
- Female: 17%
- Total: 11%
Students who have been forced to have sex, been touched sexually when didn’t want to be, or forced to do sexual things other than sexual intercourse are more likely to have seriously considered suicide in the past 12 months than students who have not been subjected to these situations.

**Seriously considered suicide in past 12 months**

- Forcibly had sex: 44.3% Yes, 34.7% No
- Touched sexually: 14.3% Yes, 12.1% No
- Forced to do sexual things: 46.6% Yes, 12.1% No
Students who have been forced to have sex, been touched sexually when didn’t want to be, or forced to do sexual things other than sexual intercourse are more likely to attempt suicide one or more times in the past 12 months than students who have not been subjected to these situations.

Actually attempted suicide one or more times in the past 12 months

- Forced to have sex: Yes = 27.2%, No = 6.5%
- Touched sexually: Yes = 24.7%, No = 5.4%
- Forced to do sexual things: Yes = 17.0%, No = 5.7%
2015 publications are coming!

- There will be a series of infographics and a summary booklet.
- They will be posted on the YRBS website at: http://doh.sd.gov/Statistics/YRBS.aspx
- Hard copies of the summary booklets will be available for distribution