

TABLE 1. Selected characteristics of teenagers who have had intercourse with their current or most recent dating partner, Toledo Adolescent Relationships Study, 2001

Characteristic	Mean or % (N=269)
Consistent condom use	45.4
Relationship qualities‡	
Negative scale (range, 7–36)	17.0
Controlling behavior (range, 2–10)	4.2
Conflict (range, 2–10)	5.1
Partner mistrust (range, 1–5)	2.4
Perceived partner inferiority (range, 1–5)	2.3
Jealousy (range, 1–5)	2.9
Nonexclusivity agreement	17.4
Positive scale (range, 9–45)	34.0
Intimate self-disclosure (range, 3–15)	11.2
Enmeshment (range, 1–5)	3.2
Passionate love (range, 4–20)	15.1
Relationship salience (range, 1–5)	4.1
Relationship	
Ongoing relationship	74.6
Duration (in weeks; range, 0.5–78)	39.7
Age heterogamy	15.0
Racial/ethnic heterogamy	20.6
School heterogamy	47.1
Sexual experience asymmetry	34.3
Respondent	
Age (range, 12–19)	16.5
Gender	
Male	54.2
Female	45.8
Race/ethnicity	
Hispanic	9.5
White	56.2
Black	31.9
Other	2.4
Family structure	
Single parent	29.3
Two biological parents	40.6
Stepfamily	17.2
Other	12.9
Parental education	
<high school	18.6
High school	32.6
>high school, <four-year college degree	33.4
≥four-year college degree	15.4
Parental monitoring (range, 6–30)	11.3
Parental communication about sex (range, 6–30)	19.2
Self-esteem (range, 6–30)	24.2
Grades (range, 1–9)	5.7
Previously sexually inexperienced	45.2
Delinquency (range, 10–90)	15.8

‡All qualities are coded so that higher scores indicate more of that quality, be it positive or negative. *Note:* Data are means for characteristics showing a range and percentages for others.