

TABLE 7.1

**Percentage of students and teachers who reported various opinions and beliefs regarding sexuality education, by county**

Opinion or belief	All	County		
		Nairobi	Mombasa	Homa Bay
<b>Students who have learned about sexuality education</b>	(N=2,427)	(N=793)	(N=789)	(N=845)
Believe it has been useful/very useful in their personal lives	93.1	91.6	95.8	97.3***
Believe it should be taught	98.8	98.7	98.4	99.6
Degree of enjoyment of classes				
More than other subjects	70.5	69.2	68.7	77.6
About the same as other subjects	24.8	26.1	25.9	18.2
Less than other subjects	4.7	4.7	5.4	4.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<b>Students who believe sexuality education should be taught</b>	(N=2,388)	(N=777)	(N=770)	(N=841)
These topics are just as important as other topics	63.9	64.9	57.4	64.4
Parents don't teach us	30.1	32.5	25.6	23.2**
We need to know how to prevent unintended pregnancy	57.6	54.8	50.0	75.5***
We need to know how to avoid getting HIV/AIDS or other STIs	68.9	63.7	72.8	87.7***
We need to learn how to resist pressure	53.4	54.2	41.0	59.5**
To understand how our body works	57.6	58.7	43.6	64.1**
Other reason	4.5	5.0	1.7	4.4
<b>Teachers who cover sexuality education topics</b>	(N=190)	(N=62)	(N=70)	(N=58)
Aspects they seek to impact in students†				
Knowledge	85.7	83.5	88.4	98.8
Attitudes	60.5	59.7	50.9	80.6
Opinions	33.9	32.6	30.0	50.2
Practical skills/life skills	46.1	45.1	43.4	57.2
Self-confidence	33.9	30.2	32.3	64.9*
Most important message it should impart†				
That everyone deserves respect, no matter what gender, race or social status	62.7	59.7	86.2	49.9*
That sexual relations should always be consensual	18.2	17.9	20.1	18.3
Information about HIV/STI transmission and where to access HIV/STI services	46.7	41.2	62.6	64.2*
Accurate information on contraceptives and where to access them	20.6	19.6	23.4	24.2
That abstinence is the best way to prevent pregnancy and HIV/STIs	65.9	62.3	74.8	79.7
That people should not have sex before marriage	33.8	31.9	38.8	39.8
That sexuality is a natural, healthy and positive part of life	34.6	38.3	23.8	23.1

\*p<.05. \*\*p<.01. \*\*\*p<.001. †Multiple responses were allowed. Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.