

Precursors
of youth's sexual
and romantic
relationships



Sex, gender and sexual orientation

Amongst secondary 3 (9th grade) adolescents of the PRESAJ Study

Sex assigned at birth



52.3%



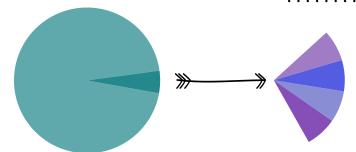
47.7%

In Quebec, sex is determined through chromosomes and genitals. It does not necessarily correspond to gender identity!

Amongst adolescents who reported their sex assigned at birth was **female**

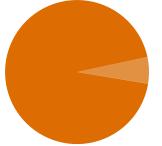
Intersex: 1,5%

Amongst adolescents who reported their sex assigned at birth was **male**



97,3% identified as **feminine**.

2.7% identified as masculine(1.71%) two-spirit (0.20%) non-binary (0.53%) other (0.26%)



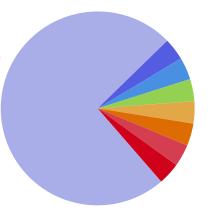
98,7% identified as masculine.

2.7% identified as masculine (0.94%) two-spirit (0.00%) non-binary (0.22%) other (0.13%)

0.14% of adolescents reported being trans

Sexual orientation refers to the physical attraction you feel towards others

At around 14-15 years old, adolescents described their sexual orientation as...



Heterosexual 82.0%

Questioning 5.2%

Bisexual 3.8%

Pansexual 1.1%

Heteroflexible 1.0%

Lesbian/Gay 0.8%

Oueer 0.2%

Asexual 0.2%

**5.7% did not identify with any of these categories or preferred not to answer.

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