Sexual violence takes many forms

The VACS use four different types of acts to define sexual violence

% of females and males who experienced each type of sexual violence prior to age 18

**Girls and boys experience high rates of sexual violence in childhood**

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Sexual Violence Against Children and Youth

The Together for Girls partnership uses data to raise awareness, promote evidence-based solutions and galvanize coordinated action to end violence against boys and girls, with a special focus on sexual violence against girls.

All data among 18-24 year olds from the Violence against Children and Youth Surveys (VACS), led by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as part of the Together for Girls partnership.
Perpetrators of sexual violence are often someone known to the child or adolescent

Most common perpetrators of first incidents of sexual violence, among those who experienced sexual violence prior to age 18

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