

2.7 SEXUAL BEHAVIOUR AND CONDOM USE

Table 2.7.1

Persons having had sexual relations, population 15 and over, Quebec, 1998

	%	Pop. '000
Men	92.9	2,659
Women	93.2	2,763
Both sexes		
15-19	58.7	309
20-29	93.3	853
30-39	97.7	1,198
40-49	97.0	1,141
50+	96.4	1,920
Total	93.0	5,422

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Enquête social et de santé 1998*.

Table 2.7.2

Persons having had their first sexual relation with penetration before the age of 15, population 15 and over, Quebec, 1998

	%	Pop. '000
Both sexes		
15-19	14.9	78
20-29	14.9	137
30-39	7.8	95
40-49	4.0	47
50-59	2.6	23
60+	2.0	22
Total	7.1	401

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Enquête social et de santé 1998*.

Table 2.7.3

Number of sexual partners in a 12 month period, according to sex and age, heterosexual population 15 and over¹, Quebec, 1998

	No partner	One partner	More than 1 partner
	%		
Men	13.7	75.1	11.2
Women	19.3	72.8	7.9
Both sexes			
15-19	5.1**	62.2	32.7
20-29	5.8	71.0	23.2
30-39	6.3	85.6	8.2
40-49	10.3	83.8	5.9
50-59	18.5	78.2	3.3
60+	50.9	48.2	0.9**
Total	16.6	73.9	9.5
Pop. '000	898	3,785	475

1. Persons having had sexual relations with penetration.

** Imprecise estimate, indication only.

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Enquête social et de santé 1998*.

Table 2.7.4

Type of relation undertaken with partner(s) among those with one partner and those with more than one partner over a 12-month period, according to sex, heterosexual population 15 and over¹, Quebec, 1998

	Regular partner with whom the person is living	Regular partner with whom the person is not living	Occasional partner
	%		
Persons having only one partner over a 12-month period			
Men	84.5	12.2	3.3
Women	83.8	14.4	1.8*
Total	84.2	13.3	2.5
Pop. '000	3,195	496	94
Persons having more than one partner over a 12-month period			
Men	35.4	48.5	16.1
Women	36.5	55.9	7.6**
Total	35.9	51.7	12.4
Pop. '000	170	245	60

1. Persons having had sexual relations with penetration.

* Interpret with caution.

** Imprecise estimate, indication only.

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Enquête sociale et de santé 1998*.

Table 2.7.5

Number of sexual partners over a 12-month period, according to sex and age, persons separated or divorced from a parent of one of their children under 18 years of age¹, Quebec, 1998

	No partner	One partner	More than 1 partner
	%		
Men	10.1*	68.2	21.7
Women	13.0	68.4	18.6
Both sexes			
15-29	8.7**	51.6	39.7
30-49	11.7	71.5	16.8
50+	19.9**	61.3	18.8**
Total	11.8	68.3	19.9
Pop. '000	49	280	81

1. Persons having had sexual relations with penetration.

* Interpret with caution.

** Imprecise estimate, indication only.

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Enquête sociale et de santé 1998*.

Table 2.7.6

Use of a condom in the last sexual relation according to the type of relationship with the partner, sex and age, heterosexual population 15 and over having one sexual partner over a 12-month period¹, Quebec, 1998

	Regular partner with whom the person is living	Regular partner with whom the person is not living	Occasional partner
	%		
Men	9.8	36.9	61.2
Women	9.9	26.7	45.8
Both sexes			
15-19	32.8*	50.2	67.7*
20-29	18.8	32.2	75.5
30-39	14.2	27.9	49.1*
40-49	7.6	20.1*	43.1*
50+	2.7	13.7*	29.4*
Total	9.8	31.3	55.7
Pop. '000	304	153	52

1. Persons having had sexual relations with penetration.

* Interpret with caution.

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Enquête sociale et de santé 1998*.

Table 2.7.7

Use of a condom in the last sexual relation according to the type of relationship with the partners, sex and age, heterosexual population 15 and over having had more than one sexual partner over a 12-month period¹, Quebec, 1998

	Regular partner with whom the person is living	Regular partner with whom the person is not living	Occasional partner
	%		
Men	24.1*	51.5	67.1
Women	23.2*	43.7	58.6
Both sexes			
15-19	43.8*	57.0	71.8
20-29	21.5*	53.0	69.1
30-39	27.5*	47.4	66.9
40-49	8.3**	34.8*	50.7
50+	0.0	23.2*	33.3**
Total	23.7	47.8	63.7
Pop. '000	34	139	167

1. Persons having had sexual relations with penetration.

* Interpret with caution.

** Imprecise estimate, indication only.

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Enquête sociale et de santé 1998*.

Table 2.7.8

Persons having at least one incidence of risky sexual behaviour according to sex, heterosexual population 15 and over having had more than one partner over a 12-month period¹, Quebec, 1998

	Risky sexual behaviour	Pop.
	%	'000
Men	55.0	151
Women	63.1	127
Total	58.5	278

1. Persons having had sexual relations with penetration.

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Enquête sociale et de santé 1998*.

Table 2.7.9

Persons having declared to have been treated for a STD over a 12-month period according to sex, age and the number of sexual partners, heterosexual population 15 and over¹, Quebec, 1998

	%	Pop. '000
Men	1.3	31
Women	2.1	53
Both sexes		
15-19	5.5*	15
20-29	4.3	35
30-39	1.5*	17
40-49	1.1*	12
50+	0.3**	5
Number of sexual partners		
None	0.4**	3
1 partner	1.4	50
2 or more partners	6.4	31
Total	1.7	84

1. Persons having had sexual relations with penetration.

* Interpret with caution.

** Imprecise estimate, indication only.

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Enquête sociale et de santé 1998*.

Table 2.7.10

Persons having had sexual relations according to mother tongue

	N=	18211	1054	685	445
		French	English	Other	n/a
Yes		91.34%	88.43%	82.34%	61.12%
No		5.97%	6.17%	13.28%	4.27%
Refusal		2.69%	5.41%	4.38%	34.61%
		100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Enquête sociale et de santé 1998*.

Table 2.7.11**Age of the first sexual relation according to mother tongue**

	N=	18211	1054	685	445
		French	English	Other	n/a
Under 15 years		7.18%	5.44%	5.74%	5.39%
Over 15 years		86.41%	80.08%	80.96%	50.56%
Unknown		6.40%	14.48%	13.30%	44.04%
		100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Enquête social et de santé 1998*.

Table 2.7.12**Number of sexual partners in a 12-month period according to mother tongue**

	N=	15730	826	760	222
		French	English	Other	n/a
None		14.11%	19.85%	18.16%	20.27%
1 partner		75.57%	70.82%	71.84%	63.51%
More than 1 partner		8.71%	7.02%	7.24%	7.66%
Unknown		1.61%	2.30%	2.76%	8.56%
		100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Enquête social et de santé 1998*.

Table 2.7.13**Type of multiple sexual partner in a 12-month period according to mother tongue**

	N=	1370	58	55	17
		French	English	Other	n/a
Cohabiting		32.70%	34.48%	21.82%	0.00%
Non-cohabiting		39.49%	48.28%	45.45%	58.82%
Occasional only		11.09%	0.00%	9.09%	0.00%
Unknown		16.72%	10.34%	23.64%	0.00%
		100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Enquête social et de santé 1998*.

Table 2.7.14**Use of a condom in the last sexual relation according to mother tongue**

	N=	12081	615	386	148
		French	English	Other	n/a
Yes		11.85%	14.47%	20.21%	11.49%
No		87.58%	84.55%	79.53%	83.78%
Refusal		0.57%	0.98%	0.00%	4.73%
		100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Enquête social et de santé 1998*.

Table 2.7.15**Frequency of use of a condom in sexual relations in a 12-month period according to mother tongue**

	N=	12081	615	386	148
		French	English	Other	n/a
Never		76.65%	74.31%	66.06%	73.65%
Rarely		5.74%	5.04%	6.99%	4.73%
Occasionally		3.82%	3.58%	5.18%	0.00%
Half the time		1.66%	1.46%	2.07%	0.00%
Most of the time		2.13%	2.44%	4.92%	0.00%
Always or nearly always		7.84%	11.06%	12.69%	6.08%
No sexual relations in the period		0.74%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Refusal		1.43%	1.46%	1.81%	8.78%
		100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Enquête social et de santé 1998*.

Table 2.7.16

Use of a condom in the last sexual relation with a regular partner with whom the person is living according to mother tongue, heterosexual population 15 and over having had more than one sexual partner over a 12-month period¹, Quebec, 1998*

	N=	463	20	12
		French	English	Other
Yes		24.41%	30.00%	41.67%
No		75.38%	70.00%	58.33%
		100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

1. Persons having had sexual relations with penetration.

* Interpret with caution.

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Enquête social et de santé 1998*.

Table 2.7.17

Use of a condom in the last sexual relation with a regular partner with whom the person is not living according to mother tongue, heterosexual population 15 and over having had more than one sexual partner over a 12-month period¹, Quebec, 1998*

	N=	827	42	33	13
		French	English	Other	n/a
Yes		91.34%	88.43%	82.34%	61.12%
No		5.97%	6.17%	13.28%	4.27%
Refusal		2.69%	5.41%	4.38%	34.61%
		100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

1. Persons having had sexual relations with penetration.

* Interpret with caution.

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Enquête social et de santé 1998*.

Table 2.7.18

Use of a condom in the last sexual relation with an occasional partner according to mother tongue, heterosexual population 15 and over having had more than one sexual partner over a 12-month period¹, Quebec, 1998*

	N=	740	37	33
		French	English	Other
Yes		59.86%	59.46%	78.79%
No		39.86%	40.54%	21.21%
		100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

1. Persons having had sexual relations with penetration.

* Interpret with caution.

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Enquête social et de santé 1998*.

Table 2.7.19

Incidence of risky sexual behaviour according to mother tongue, heterosexual population 15 and over having had more than one partner over a 12-month period¹, Quebec, 1998*

	N=	1370	58	55	17
		French	English	Other	n/a
No risky behaviour		34.23%	27.59%	34.55%	0.00%
Risky behaviour		48.32%	60.34%	41.82%	58.82%
Unknown		17.45%	12.07%	23.64%	0.00%
		100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

1. Persons having had sexual relations with penetration.

* Interpret with caution.

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Enquête social et de santé 1998*.

Table 2.7.20

Persons having declared to have been treated for a STD over a 12-month period according to mother tongue, heterosexual population 15 and over¹, Quebec, 1998

	N=	16634	932	564	272
		French	English	Other	n/a
Yes		1.54%	1.72%	2.30%	0.00%
No		92.32%	91.31%	89.54%	70.22%
Refusal		6.14%	6.97%	8.16%	28.68%
		100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

1. Persons having had sexual relations with penetration.

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Enquête social et de santé 1998*.