

# NEW YORKERS ON THEIR SEX LIVES AT HOME ...

HOW HAPPY ARE New Yorkers in their bedrooms? For this exclusive *New York* Magazine poll, Global Strategy Group surveyed New Yorkers in all five boroughs. All 401 anonymous respondents were either married or in a serious, committed relationship. As it turns out, most are very content: 46 percent rated their satisfaction level 9 or 10 out of 10. But as you'll see on the facing page, not everyone feels that way—and, happy or not, these New Yorkers weren't shy about telling us exactly what they're doing.

## DO YOU HAVE SEX MORE OFTEN THAN BEFORE YOU WERE MARRIED, OR LESS?

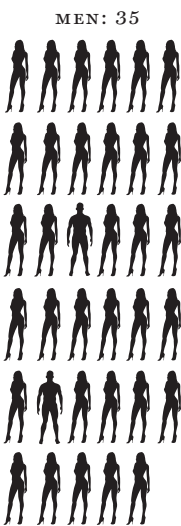


**Married less than ten years:**  
Much less often ... 19%  
Much more often ... 17



**Married more than ten years:**  
Much less often ... 31%  
Much more often ... 17

## Average number of partners throughout their lives:



**How do you feel about that number?**  
"I'm like a little embarrassed. I think it's a little low."

## TIMES PER MONTH

		Number of sexual encounters					
		0	1-2	3-5	6-10	11-29	30+
Age	18-34	3%	4%	19%	22%	38%	4%
	35-54	4%	10%	22%	27%	20%	5%
	55+	16%	15%	23%	17%	7%	1%

## How often do you and your partner have sex in an average month?

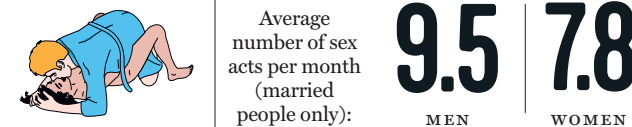
"Before and after the baby are two different things. Twice a month—that's my life."

"Eleven. I'm 70 years old. I had a stroke in '03, and when I came home, he said, 'I don't want to be abusive.' And I said, 'Abuse me!' I was hot for him. But I never had an orgasm with him."

"Probably thirteen, fourteen times. I think it's maybe about average."

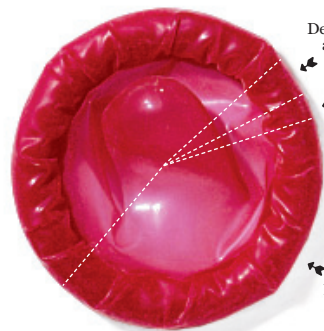
"At my age, 80, my sex life is minimal. It's once a month, every six weeks."

"We don't have it anymore. We're both happy with that."



## DO YOU HAVE ENOUGH SEX?

51% About the right amount

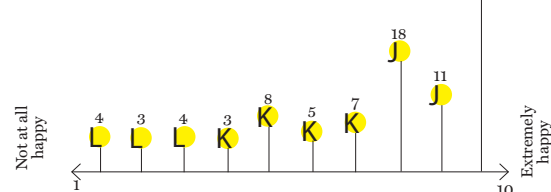


7% Declined to answer

4% Too often

39% Not often enough

## ON A SCALE OF ONE TO TEN, HOW SATISFIED ARE YOU WITH YOUR SEX LIFE?



## Percentage of people who have:

Fantasized about someone other than their partner during sex	27%
Gone to strip clubs	27
Viewed porn alone	23
Viewed porn with a partner	17
Used sex toys	21
Created an online profile for chat/flirting/cybersex	5
Invited in a third party	3
Called a phone-sex line	2
Paid for sex	7

## On a scale of one to ten, how satisfied are you?

"One. He gets tired; he already had a heart attack, and it's too quick."

"Eight and a half. She's taken to wearing flannel Dalmatian pajamas—it used to be lingerie."

# ... AND ON CHEATING

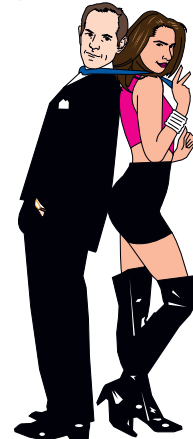
## THE BASICS: WHO WE POLLED

Margin of error: 4.9 percent. Some totals do not add up to 100 percent because of rounding or because respondents declined to answer some questions.

AGE	Percentage
18-24	11%
25-34	16%
35-44	22%
45-54	20%
55-64	14%
65+	16%

STRAIGHT	Percentage
369	92%
GAY/BI	28
HAVE KIDS?	
Yes	148 (37%)
No	253 (63%)
MARRIED?	
Yes	270 (67%)
No	131 (33%)

## INFIDELITY



### WOMEN

Have you cheated? ... 12%  
Ditto (marrieds only) ... 10  
Would you if you knew you'd never get caught? ... 12

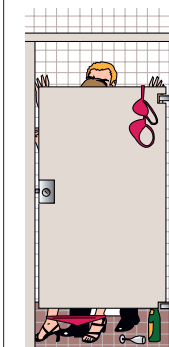
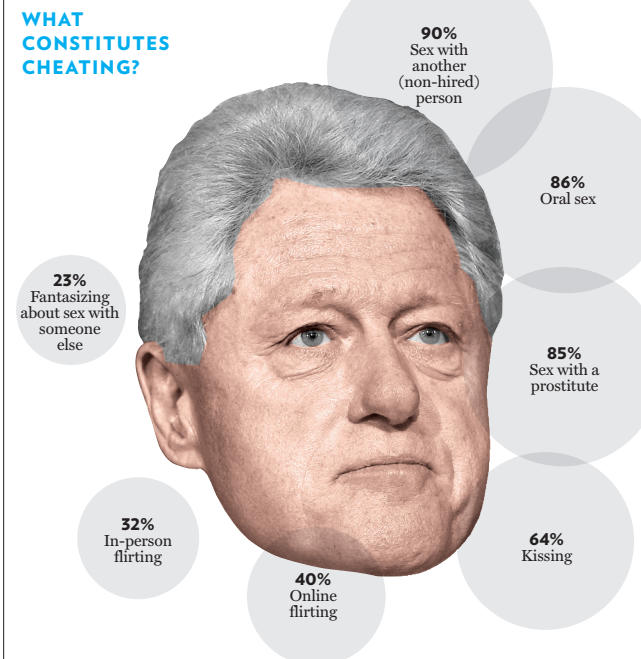
### MEN

Have you cheated? ... 28%  
Ditto (marrieds only) ... 27  
Would you if you knew you'd never get caught? ... 30

## Would you forgive a cheater?

	MEN	WOMEN
Yes	53%	48%
No	37%	41%
Don't know	9%	11%

## WHAT CONSTITUTES CHEATING?



## HAVE YOU EVER DONE THE FOLLOWING TO CATCH A CHEATER?

Checked a partner's credit-card records?	14%
Read e-mail?	14
Listened in on a phone call?	12
Checked voice mail?	11
Followed your partner?	6
Hired a private detective?	1

## WHICH WOULD BE WORSE:

If your spouse had an affair ...

MEN 61%

WOMEN 49%

... or hired a prostitute?

MEN 17%

WOMEN 36%

## WHICH WOULD BE WORSE:

A same-sex affair ...

MEN 18%

WOMEN 49%

... or an opposite-sex affair?

MEN 56%

WOMEN 29%

Have you ever fantasized about someone other than your partner while having sex?

"My old girlfriends. I don't think my wife would be too thrilled about it, but who knows what she's fantasizing about?"

"Years ago—Robert Mitchum. It was because I had a sorry sex partner. You don't do that if you're satisfied."

Have you ever suspected your current spouse of cheating?

"Years ago. I accused him of [cheating with] my sister. I don't know how true it was, but I didn't talk to him a while."

Have you ever cheated? "Yes. To pay him back. ... I felt bad."

Two wrongs don't make a right."

Would you cheat if there were no way you'd ever be found out?

"He would find out. I'm Catholic."

Have you followed your partner? "One time. I walked into a pole and busted my head. I got the scar to prove it. He was going to hang out with some guy—I thought it was a female. He found out."