SEXTING  
- refers to sending sexually suggestive text messages or emails containing nude or nearly nude photographs.

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WHAT ARE THE CONSEQUENCES OF SEXTING?

* There is no question that sexting can have very negative consequences. Technically, when a teen just has a naked image of him- or herself on his or her own phone, this “counts” as child pornography. Sending or sharing this type of image gets even more complicated. In some cases, sexting teens have been charged or even required to register as pedophiles.

HOW COMMON IS SEXTING?

* In the Strohmaier survey, 54% of students said they had sent some form of sext, either words or images. This is where the headlines about “the majority” of teens sexting come from. However, it’s hardly surprising that most kids sometimes talk about sex with their peers prior to age 18!