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**Summary:** Each age group today reports lower frequencies of sexual activity compared to their counterparts from previous decades. In the early 1990s, more than 80% of individuals around the age of 25 reported engaging in sexual activity at least once a month. Recently, this figure has dropped to 72% among those in their mid-twenties. This 8 pp decline is remarkably consistent across all age groups compared. It is evident that the peak period for regular sexual activity occurs between the ages of 30 and 40. In the late 1990s, about 90% of folks said that was the case. In the most recent data, it's much closer to 80%. The gap does narrow a bit for folks between 40 and 50 years old, but then it opens back up again when looking at those who are between 50 and 65 years of age.

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