

## **Adolescent Romance and Sexuality**

“Dating is a well-established social institution in American adolescent life.” Steinberg

### **Group Activities**

**Group Dates**

**Casual Dating**

**Serious Dating**

### **Show First Date**

**Passionate love**

**Being in love versus loving someone**

Three Components

**Emotional Intensity**

**Fragility**

**Sexuality**

## **Percentage of High School Students Who have Engaged in Intercourse**

	Females 9th-12th grades	Males 9th-12th Grades
1991	51%	57%
1995	52%	54%
1997	48%	49%

Source: Center for Disease Control