

What we heard from youth:

Online Privacy

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Youth Respondents

67%

Aged 16 to 18

30%

2SLGBTQIA+ Identity

60%

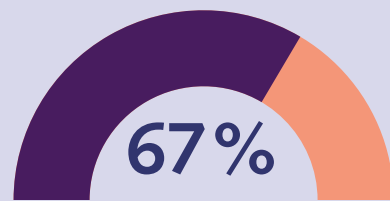
Racialized Youth

GOVERNMENT & PRIVATE SURVEILLANCE

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It feels inevitable that the institutions that I'm required to share my personal information with will be hacked, if it hasn't happened already.

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Youth concerned or very concerned about government surveillance



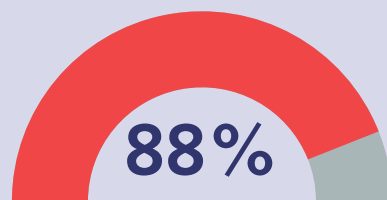
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I hate feeling watched, and I hate knowing that I'm being profiled in whatever I do. The fact that there are big corporations that may know more about myself than I do completely irks me.

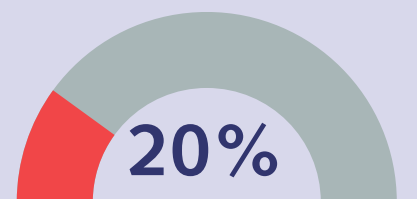
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PRIVACY AND CONTROL

88% of youth felt they had moderate control over information they post about themselves



Only 20% of youth felt they had complete control over information they post about themselves



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I think that lots of youth feel like they have no chance of control so we give up our privacy. I am very unconcerned because I feel like there's not a world out there where my privacy exists. If I think about it too much, it would send me into a spiral.

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The biggest issue with online privacy is that there is no such thing. Even if you try and secure privacy for yourself, you're never going to be truly hidden unless you flat out don't use the internet, and nowadays, that isn't really an option because jobs, schools, and governments all want you to input your information into something online.

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OTHER CONCERNS

10% identified sexual exploitation as their biggest concern

17% raised issues around personal safety, such as identity theft, doxxing, or SWATing. Racialized youth were more concerned about this.

94%

Youth respondents that use the internet 7 days a week.



Top 5 platforms used by youth respondents

