

# sex talk.

answers to your questions about sex and relationships

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## Q. I know everything about sex. No, really—tell me something I don't know.

A. Given your encyclopedic knowledge of sex, do you happen to be a faithful reader of this column? If so, you already know about STIs, the Pill, premature ejaculation, menstruation, discussing sex with your partner, Gardasil, the life of sperm, where to get tested, sexual health stats on UA students and the fact that the Campus Health Pharmacy sells 100 condoms for \$12.99. You may have even discovered that every SexTalk written since 2001 is archived online at [www.health.arizona.edu](http://www.health.arizona.edu).

To avoid redundancy, we've gone ahead and compiled some fun and interesting sex facts that are sure to astound even the most dedicated SexTalk readers. Enjoy!

- The Ramses brand condom – discontinued in 2005 – was named after pharaoh Ramses II. He is thought to have sired over one hundred children.
- Worldwide, 100 million women use oral contraceptives (the Pill), but more than 160 million use intra-uterine devices (IUDs) – two-thirds of whom are Chinese.
- It's illegal to have sex without a condom in Nevada.
- The hymen is named after *Hymenaeus*, the Greek god of marriage and weddings.
- The Pill was not approved for use in Japan until 1999, nearly 40 years after it was authorized for use in the U.S.
- On average, sperm travel at a speed of eight inches per hour.
- The Spanish word for avocado, *aguacate*, is derived from the Aztec word *ahuacatl* which means testicle.
- Ovulation increases libido in women and may also temporarily heighten vision and sense of smell.

Have a question? Send it to [sextalk@email.arizona.edu](mailto:sextalk@email.arizona.edu)

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