

**Table S1.** Breakdown of ‘other (please specify)’ responses for sex-related topics searched for on the Internet ( $n = 40$ ). Responses were open-ended, therefore participants could indicate multiple topics.

Topic	<i>n</i> (%)
Pregnancy and abortion	7 (17.5)
Contraception	5 (12.5)
Gender and sexuality	5 (12.5)
Sexual violence	3 (9.4)
Sex-positivity (plesaure, sex toys, fantasies)	3 (9.4)
Medical information (anatomy, sexual organs, sexual dysfunction)	3 (9.4)
BDSM (Bondage and Discipline, Dominance and Submission, Sadochism and Masochism)	2 (5.0)
Anything about sex	2 (5.0)
Sexually transmitted infections	2 (5.0)
Advice	1 (2.5)
Pornography	1 (2.5)
Sex positions	1 (2.5)
Teaching resources	1 (2.5)
Social media platform	1 (2.5)
Do not search for sex-related topics / did not specify topic	4 (10.0)

**Table S2.** Breakdown of ‘other (please specify)’ responses for reasons for conducting online searches ( $n = 20$ ). Responses were open-ended, therefore participants could indicate multiple topics.

Reason	<i>n</i> (%)
Easily accessible and convenient	4 (20.0)
To help or inform others	3 (15.0)
To book appointments / go to a doctor	2 (10.0)
Work-related	2 (10.0)
To engage with other peoples’ experiences	2 (10.0)
Plethora of available information	2 (10.0)
To explore contraceptive options	2 (10.0)
Inexperience or uncertainty	2 (10.0)
Specific medical problem	1 (5.0)
Poor sex education and guidance growing up	1 (5.0)
Do not conduct online searches	2 (10.0)