



# The Ohio Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC)

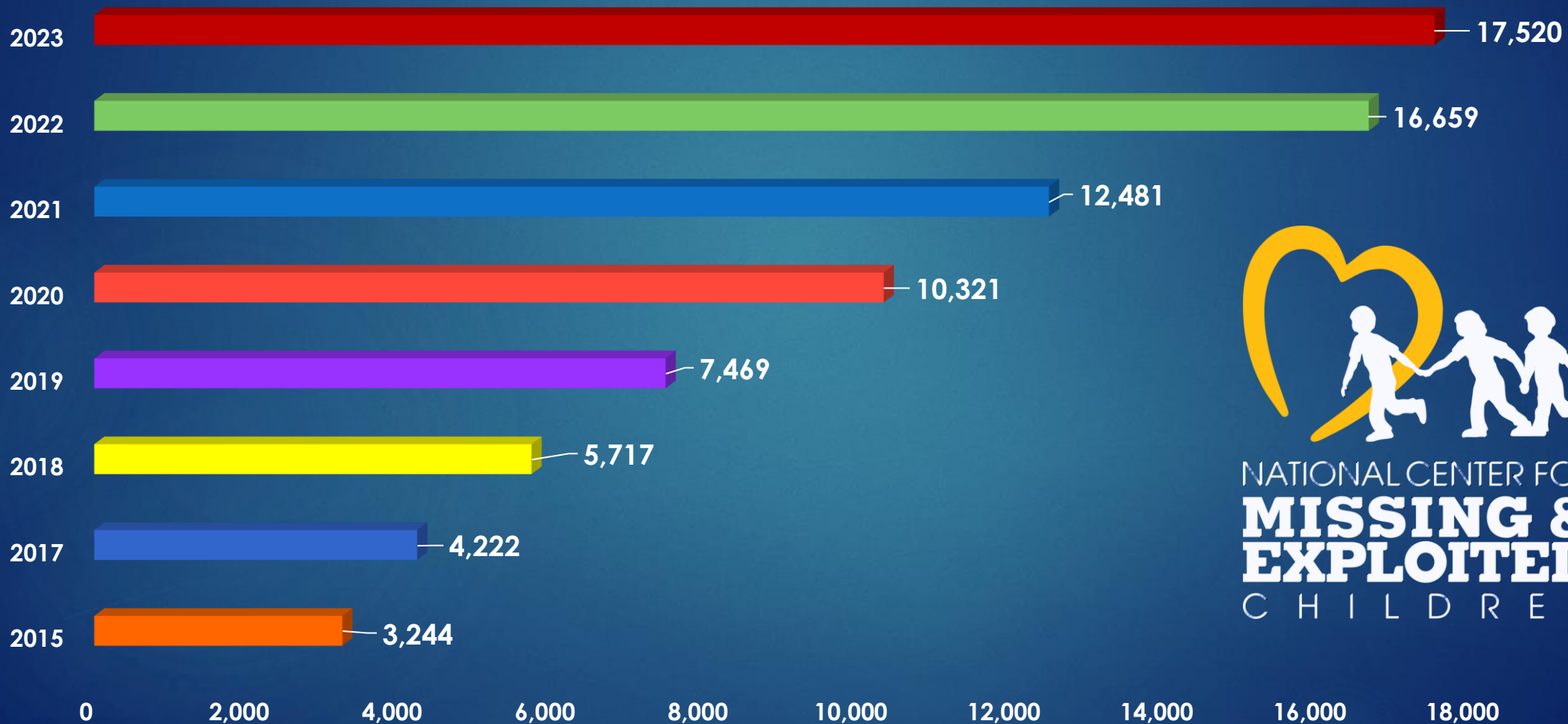
Internet Crimes Against Children

*Task Force*

## **CONTENT WARNING**

Contains references to sexual abuse and exploitation of children.

# The Monster in Ohio



# Why Was the ICAC Task Force Created?

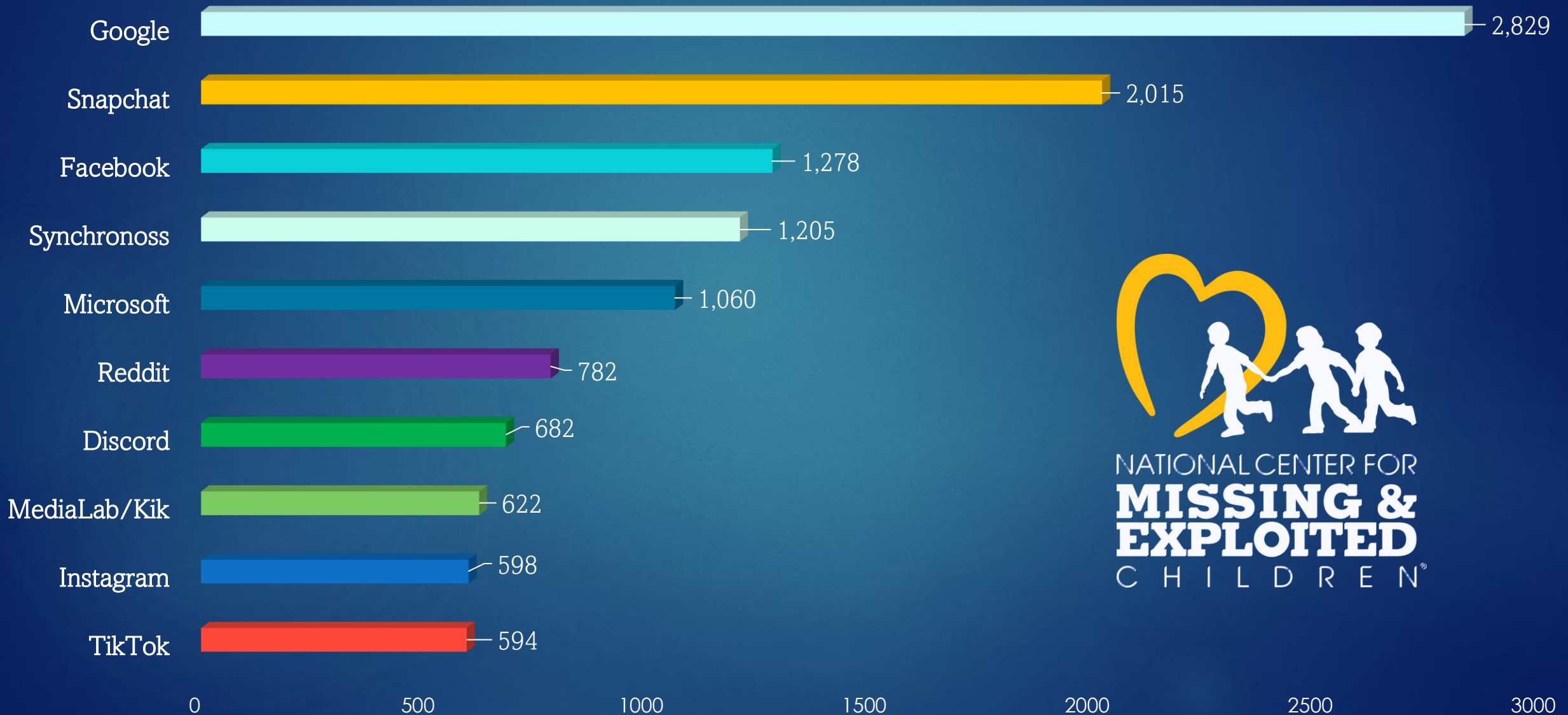
More kids and teens are using the internet

More illegal material circulating on the internet – child sexual abuse material

More adults seeking unsupervised connections with kids and teens



# ESPs Behind the CyberTips





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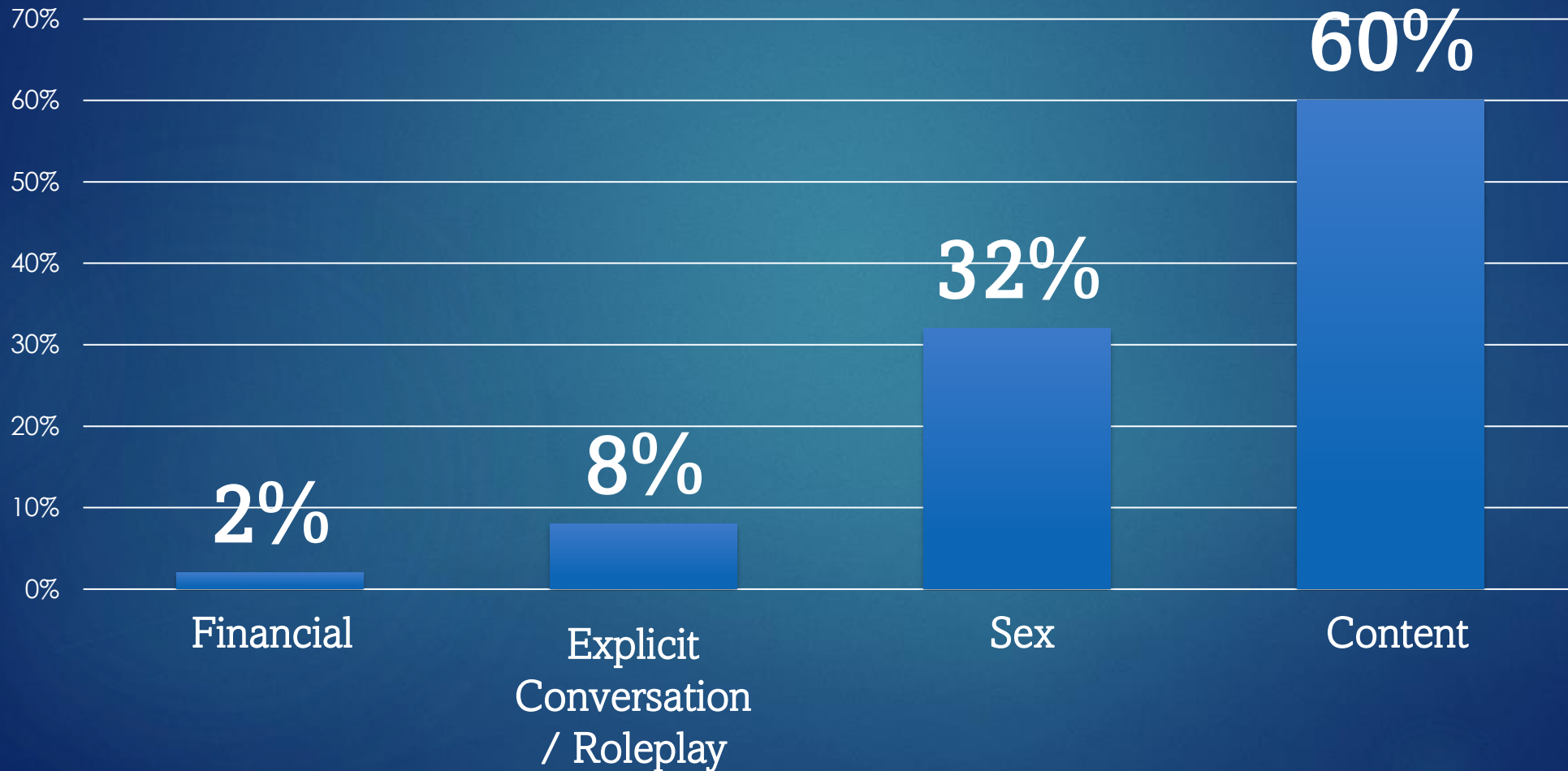
1,161 Human Trafficking Tips Reported  
232 Involved Sex Trafficking  
72 Involved Minor Children



35 Child Sex Trafficking Cybertips (.3%)  
680 Enticement Cybertips (5%)  
11,087 CEM Cybertips (87%)



# The Demand Problem



# Parents vs. Social Media

- ▶ Lurie's Children Hospital of Chicago surveyed 2,000 current or recent parents of teenagers to understand their most pressing concerns with social media
- ▶ Two categories of concern:
  - ▶ What excessive social media use takes away from children (sleep, face-to-face interaction, schoolwork, etc.)
  - ▶ What excessive social media use exposes children to (hate speech, sexual content, etc.)
- ▶ Larger concern with what was taken away vs. the exposure

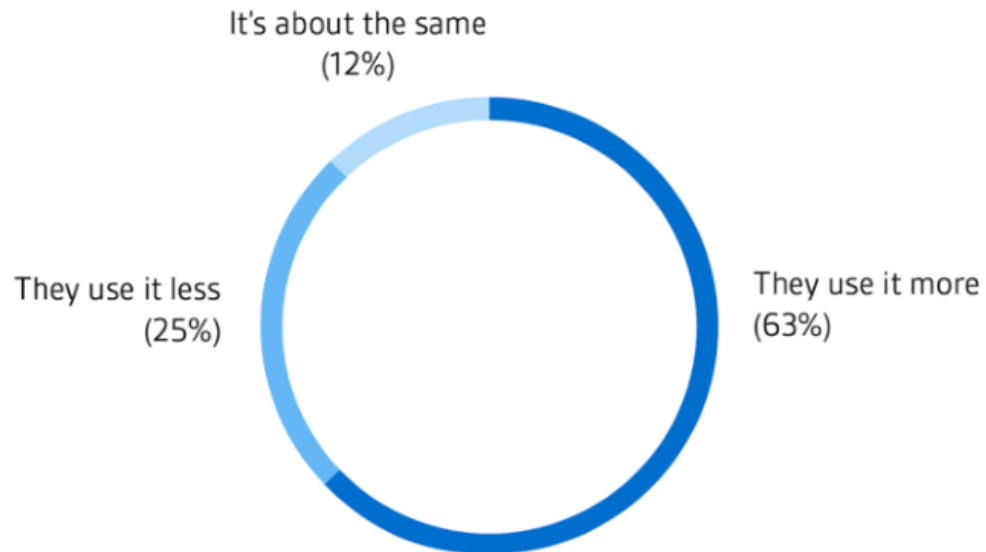




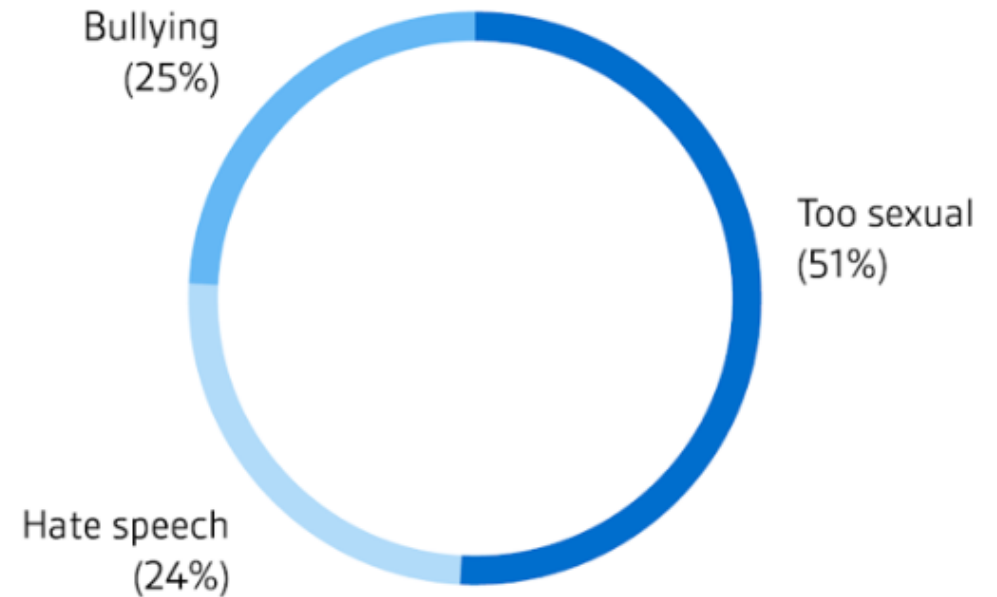
## How does social media affect your teen?

Not sleeping enough.....	58%
Not enough physical activity.....	57%
Not enough focus on schoolwork.....	52%

## Has your teen's social media use changed during quarantine?



## How was the behavior inappropriate?



# The Conclusion

- ▶ All screen time is not equal – quality over quantity
  - ▶ Positive - Enhancing social support and facilitating social connectedness
  - ▶ Negative - Focus on social comparisons and reduce in-person interactions
- ▶ Online risk reflects offline vulnerabilities
  - ▶ How we promote healthy development and effective parenting will apply when supporting youth online activities and experiences

# Rules and Boundaries

- ▶ Establish boundaries with your child regarding social media and the internet
  - ▶ Time limits
  - ▶ Who they interact with
  - ▶ What apps/sites they can use



# Privacy Settings

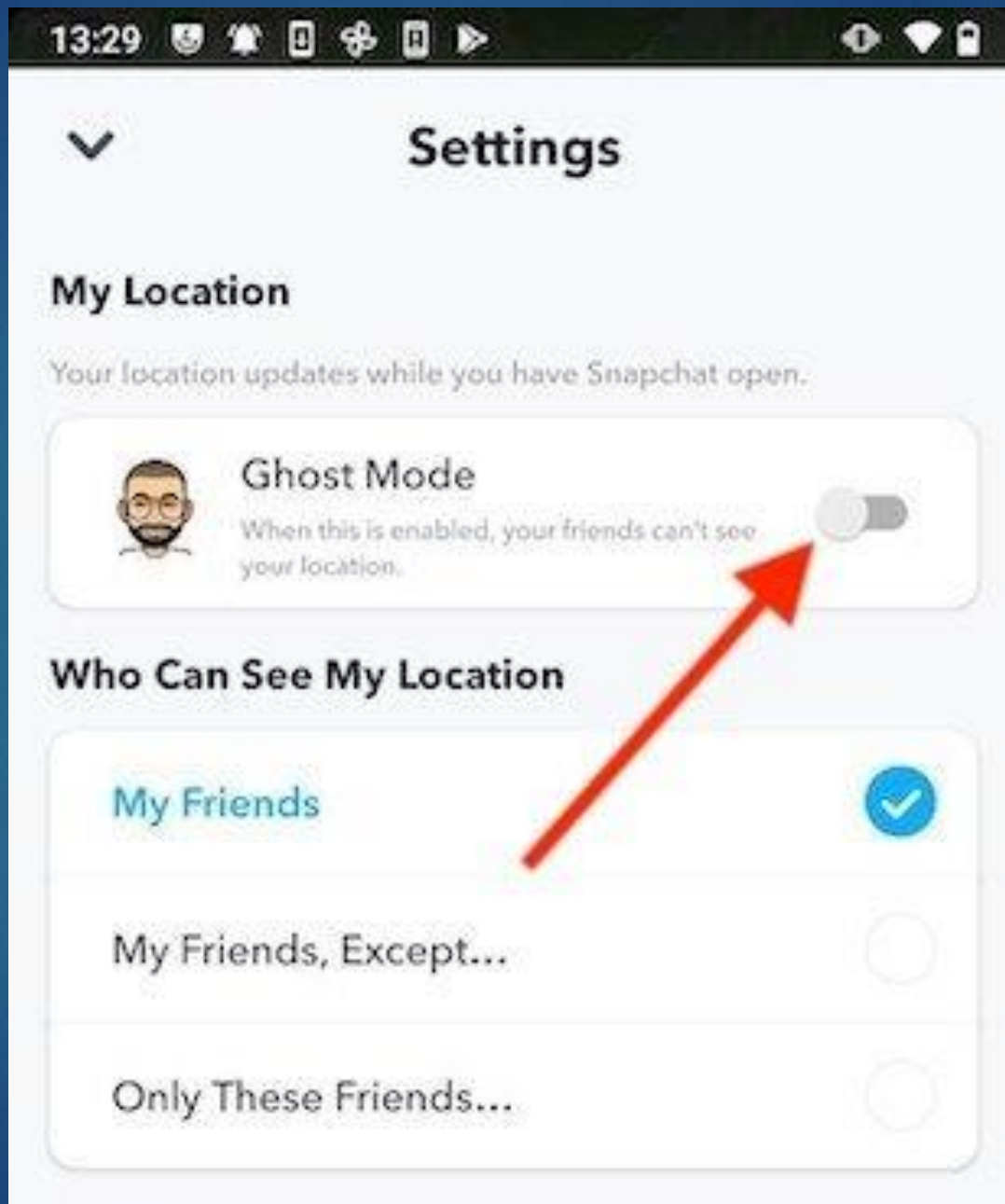
**Good rule of thumb: Keep your social media accounts private**

**Even if your child is practicing internet safety, this provides an added layer of protection**

- Settings
- Search
- Update Messaging
  - Follow and Invite Friends
  - Your Activity
  - Notifications
  - Business
  - Privacy**
  - Security
  - Promotion Payments
  - Ads
  - Account
  - Help

- Privacy
- Account Privacy
- Private Account
- Interactions
- Comments Everyone
  - Tags Everyone
  - Mentions Everyone
  - Story
  - Guides
  - Activity Status**
  - Messages
- Connections
- Restricted Accounts





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Search

Cancel

Activity

Clear All



Ashley M drove from Columbus, Ohio to Parma, Ohio. 10h ago



Maggie traveled from Palatine, Illinois to Summit, Wisconsin. 23h ago



You and Margaret Marinic became Snapchat friends on this day 4 years ago! 🎂  
🎉 1d ago



Chelsea 🏈's birthday was 2 days ago! 2d ago



The Ancient One's avatar is rocking a fresh outfit 3d ago



Lucinda 😄's avatar is wearing new gear 4d ago



View More



## Talking about Privacy with your Children

To adults,  
privacy can be a  
straightforward  
concept

- **With children,  
this is not always  
the case**

Focusing on  
specific harms  
allows children  
to add context to  
their  
understanding of  
privacy

- **Risky behaviors  
online can lead  
to real dangers**

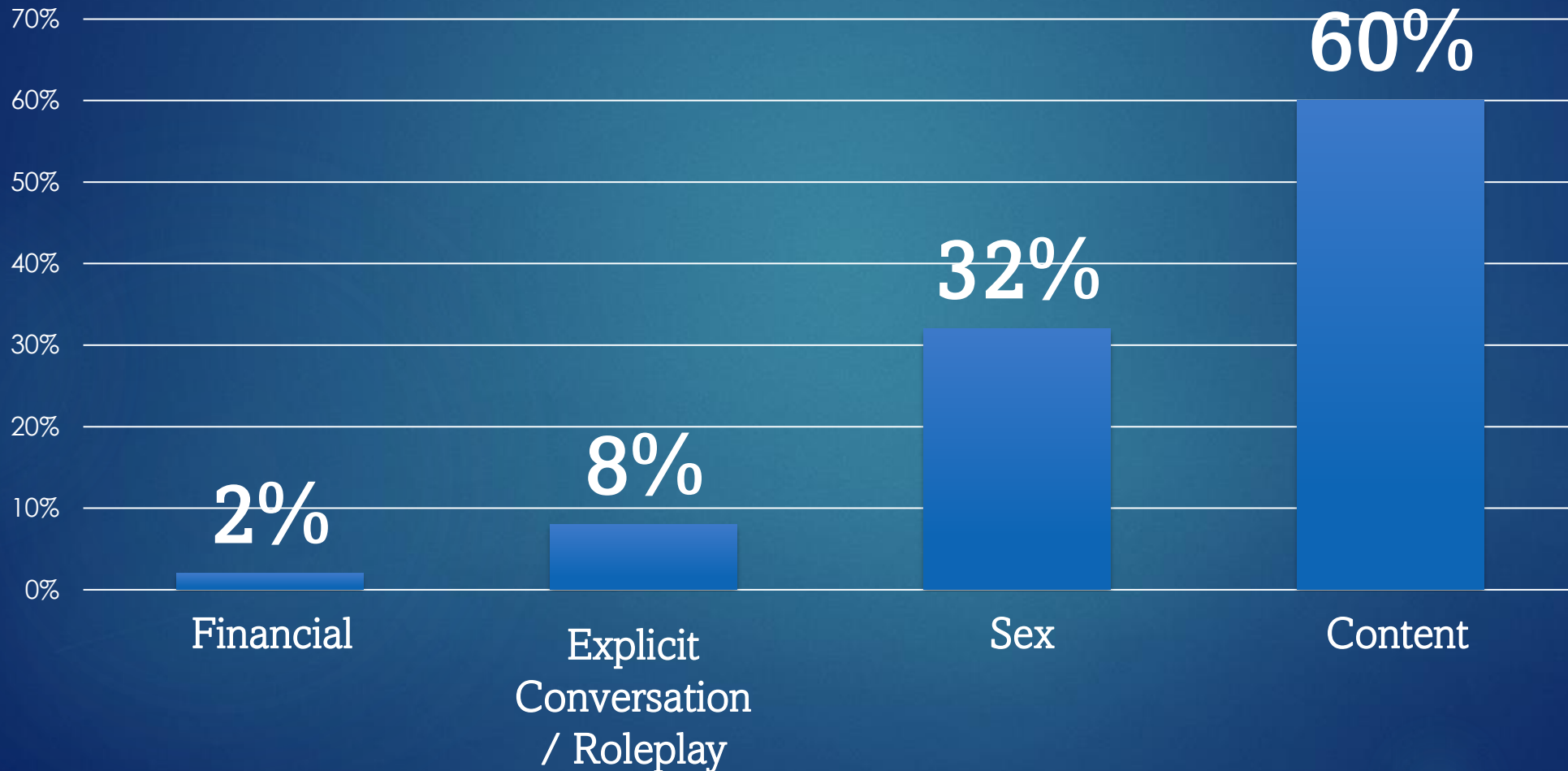


# Common Parental Control Apps

- ▶ Net Nanny
- ▶ Kaspersky Safe Kids
- ▶ Norton Family
- ▶ Life360
- ▶ OurPact
- ▶ Qustodio
- ▶ Bark
- ▶ Mobicip
- ▶ mSpy

# How Do I Know What My Kids Are Doing Online?

# The Demand Problem



# Sexting

- ▶ 1 in 5 girls (13-17) have stated that they have shared their own nude images
- ▶ 1 in 10 boys (13-17) have stated that they have shared their own nude images
- ▶ 40% of teens agree that it's normal for people their age to share nude photos
- ▶ 1 in 5 teens agree that it is ok to share a nude photo over an app that doesn't save it

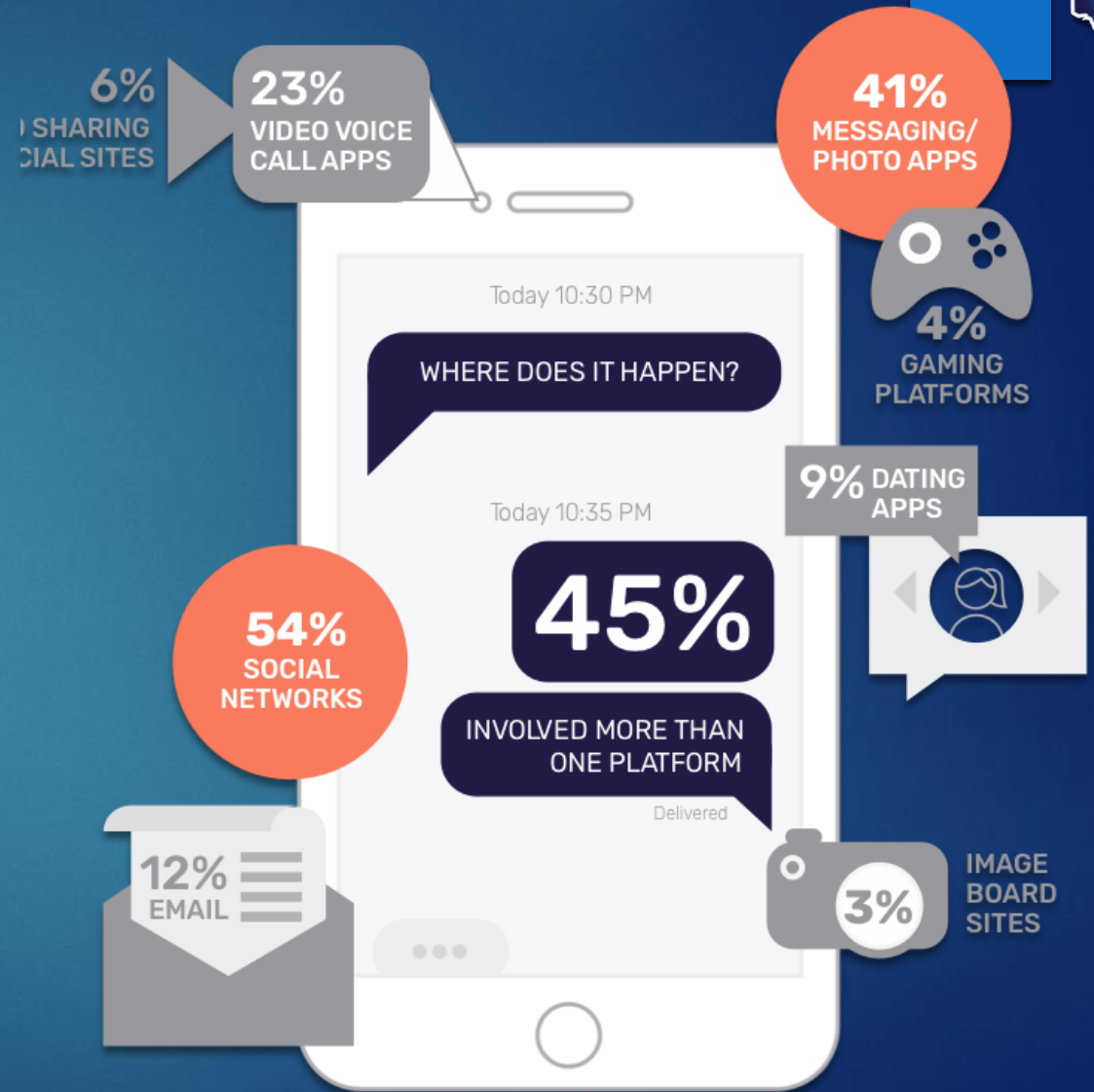
# Sexting Prevention and Conversations to Have

- ▶ Sexting is more popular between children and teens than ever
- ▶ Need to do more than just say “sexting is wrong”
- ▶ Sexting is currently prosecuted under Ohio’s child sexual abuse material laws

# Sextortion

Sextortion is a crime that happens online when an adult convinces a minor child to share sexual pictures or perform sexual acts on a webcam

Affects all age groups and can happen anywhere



# A Real-Life Problem



## CyberTipline Report [REDACTED]

**Priority Level: 2**  
(Indicates possible risk to an individual in the near future or is otherwise time-sensitive)

ESP Escalation: An Instagram account appears to have enticed a 17 year old male to produce and share apparent sexual abuse material (CSAM). The offending account is sextorting the apparent minor in exchange for money. It also appears that the 17 year old minor has expressed suicidal ideation.

Received by NCMEC on [REDACTED]

All dates are displayed as MM-DD-YYYY

Except for times provided in Additional Information sections, all time zones are displayed in UTC

### Executive Summary

The following is a brief overview of information contained in this CyberTipline report:

**Incident Type:** Suicide Threats

NCMEC Incident Type is based on NCMEC's review of the information or uploaded files in this report OR a "Hash Match" of one or more uploaded files.

[REDACTED]

This report was submitted by the ESP Facebook concerning SUICIDE THREATS and ONLINE ENTICEMENT- BLACKMAIL. Per the reporting ESP, "An Instagram account appears to have enticed a 17 year old male to produce and share apparent sexual abuse material (CSAM). The offending account is sextorting the apparent minor in exchange for money. It also appears that the 17 year old minor has expressed suicidal ideation".

Based on the chat log provided by the reporting ESP on [REDACTED] the suspect appears to be sextorting the child victim. The suspect states, "show me your cock baby just 2 sec" and the child victim responds, "U seen it". The suspect then states, "Tell me would you like me to send the link of your video to each member of your family, to your friends and to your workplace? and " If this video is published you may have serious problem and I don't want to ruin you and destroy your life, then believe me if you don't pay this amount I swear that your video will be published and shared everywhere but if you pay I promise you that your video will be deleted I promise you, you have my word".

The child victim responds to the suspect and states, " I told u im bat shit poor i have 6 dollars cash and a canes card but that would

The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC) is a private, non-profit 501(c)(3) organization created in 1984 by child advocates to serve as a national clearinghouse and resource center for families, victims, private organizations, law enforcement, and the public on missing and sexually exploited child issues. To further NCMEC's mission to reduce child sexual exploitation and prevent future victimization, NCMEC operates the CyberTipline. NCMEC makes information submitted to the CyberTipline by members of the public and Electronic Service Providers available to law enforcement and uses this information to identify online trends endangering children that can be addressed in child safety and prevention messaging. NCMEC offers its programs and services pursuant to its own private mission and independent business operations. NCMEC does not act in the capacity of or under the direction or control of the government or law enforcement agencies. NCMEC does not investigate and cannot verify the accuracy of the information submitted to the CyberTipline.

## Victim

I want you to pay \$6,000 for the total removal of this video that could harm your life

I swear to god that you you may regret it throughout your life so you have the right to keep silence and answer me if you really care about your life

You know very well that once this video will be on social networks you will lose everything in your life

Suspect: Hello How are you



Victim: Im doing pretty good how are you

Suspect: Nice to meet you, I'm from Ohio and you

Victim: Im also in ohio its nice to meet you too

Suspect: ahhhh, Okay I am employed at Amazon,  
and you

Victim: im actually unemployed my parents said that  
I don't gotta work if I do two sports



# What To Do If Your Child is Being Sextorted



1. Do NOT blame them for what has happened.
2. Do NOT continue talking to the offender, either as yourself or posing as your child.
3. Screenshot all the chats and screenshot the offender's profile page.
4. Immediately report the situation to the Ohio ICAC Task Force or your local law enforcement.
5. Submit a CyberTipline Report.

# Solving the Problem



A screenshot of the report.cybertip.org website. The top navigation bar includes a home icon, "CYBERTIPLINE REPORT", and "CONTACT US". On the right, there are social media icons for Instagram, YouTube, Email, RSS, Twitter, and Facebook. The main content area is titled "Report an incident" in red. Below this, a blue text block states: "Information entered into this report will be made available to law enforcement for possible investigation. You can contact the National Center for Missing &amp; Exploited Children 24 hours a day at 1-800-THE-LOST (1-800-843-5678)." A progress bar shows "10% complete" with a blue bar. Below the progress bar is the heading "Incident Information". A form section contains two dropdown menus: "What are you reporting?\*" with a "Select" option, and "Where did the incident occur?". On the right side, there is a red header "Report It" followed by a "24-Hour HOTLINE" section with a telephone icon, the number "1-800-THE-LOST (1-800-843-5678)", and text: "If you think you have seen a missing child, contact the National Center for Missing &amp; Exploited Children 24-hours a day, 7 days a week." Below this is a "Report Child Sexual Exploitation" section with text: "Use the CyberTipline to report child sexual exploitation. Reports may be made 24-hours a day, 7 days a week online at www.cybertipline.org" and a link "Learn more about CyberTipline ▶".

[report.cybertip.org](http://report.cybertip.org)

# Documenting an Incident

- ▶ Take screenshots and document the incident
- ▶ Do NOT delete anything
- ▶ Do NOT retaliate or respond
- ▶ Do NOT conduct your own investigation
  - ▶ All evidence should be turned over to law enforcement
- ▶ Make a detailed report to your local law enforcement
- ▶ Make a **NCMEC Cybertip**, noting which police department you made the initial report with

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# Resources



- ▶ **National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) | 24-Hour Hotline: 800-843-5678 | [www.missingkids.org](http://www.missingkids.org)**
- ▶ **[www.cybertipline.com](http://www.cybertipline.com) | The 911 of the internet to report cyber crimes**
- ▶ **[www.netsmartz.org](http://www.netsmartz.org) | NetSmartz is NCMEC's Internet Safety resource and education program targeting children K-12, parents, and educators**
- ▶ **[www.ikeepSAFE.org](http://www.ikeepSAFE.org) | This site uses an animated mascot to teach children and parents the importance of protecting personal information and avoiding inappropriate websites**
- ▶ **[www.getnetwise.org](http://www.getnetwise.org) | GetNetWise 2.0 is an online resource created by the Internet Education Foundation and hosted by some of the most recognizable names on the internet, including Time Warner, AT&T, Microsoft, and Verizon**

# Resources



- ▶ [www.safekids.com](http://www.safekids.com) | SafeKids is one of the oldest sites for internet safety. Its founder is the author of the original NCMEC's 1994 brochure *Child Safety on the Information Highway*
- ▶ [www.parents.thorn.org](http://www.parents.thorn.org) | Thorn for Parents will help caregivers and parents be a safety net for their kids as they navigate a whole new set of experiences online



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