



REVENGE P*RN

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

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WHAT IS IMAGE-BASED SEXUAL ABUSE (IBSA)?

Image-based sexual abuse (IBSA) is a term that refers to the nonconsensual taking, making and/or sharing of intimate images without consent, including threats and “deepfakes.”

IBSA OR "REVENGE PORN"

Although sometimes referred to as “revenge porn,” IBSA is the preferred term since it does not suggest that the victim did something that deserved “revenge.”

IBSA IS SURPRISINGLY COMMON

1 in 12 U.S. adults report that they have been victims of image-based sexual abuse, and even more disturbingly, **1 in 20** report that they have been perpetrators of image-based sexual abuse.

IBSA INVOLVING MINORS

**IS ALSO LEGALLY CONSIDERED
"CHILD PORNOGRAPHY"**

According to one report, approximately
1 in 5 girls and 1 in 10 boys aged 13-17
report sharing their own nudes, and
1 in 3 underage teens report having
seen nonconsensually shared
nudes of other minors.

Thorn, 2020

PORN CONSUMERS ARE MORE LIKELY TO PERPETRATE IBSA

Research shows that porn consumers are more willing to share intimate images of someone else without their consent, which researchers suggest is because of porn's tendency to normalize objectification.

PORN SITES HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO HOST IBSA

Most porn sites do not verify age or consent, meaning virtually anyone can post anything—including image-based sexual abuse. In fact, there have been many documented instances of verified accounts posting nonconsensual content or even child sexual exploitation material on porn sites.

VICTIMS OF IBSA OFTEN EXPERIENCE MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES

Many victims of image-based sexual abuse feel powerless, helpless, or even suicidal. Research indicates that victims of image-based abuse often experience severe and disruptive mental health effects including PTSD, anxiety, and depression.

Bates, 2017

As one victim of image-based sexual abuse said,

"THE VIDEOS OF ME BEING ON PORNHUB HAS AFFECTED MY LIFE TO THE POINT WHERE I DON'T LEAVE MY HOUSE ANYMORE.

I STOPPED BEING ABLE TO WORK JUST BECAUSE I WAS TOO SCARED TO BE OUT IN PUBLIC AROUND OTHER PEOPLE. AND I FEEL LIKE EVERYONE WHO LOOKS AT ME HAS LOOKED AT THOSE VIDEOS."

THERE IS HELP AVAILABLE

If you have experienced image-based sexual abuse, please know that you're not alone, and that there are resources available to help you.

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