

Understanding Deepfake Nudes and Other AI-Generated Child Sexual Abuse Material

Every child deserves to grow up safe from sexual abuse. But as artificial intelligence technology advances, we're facing a new challenge in protecting kids: AI-generated images and videos that sexually exploit children.

What's happening?

- Artificial intelligence tools are being misused to create or manipulate images that sexually exploit children.
- This content is not only illegal in the US – it creates real harm to real children.

TREND ALERT: DEEPPFAKE NUDES

Our latest research at Thorn, [Deepfake Nudes & Young People: Navigating a New Frontier in Technology-Facilitated Nonconsensual Sexual Abuse and Exploitation](#), reveals that **31%** of teens are already familiar with deepfake nudes, and **1 in 8** personally knows someone who has been targeted.

Deepfake Nudes: synthetic media creations that depict real people in sexually suggestive or explicit situations or activities

AI-generated child sexual abuse material creates real harm

- Traumatizing children who are targeted
- Making it harder for law enforcement to identify and rescue actual victims of abuse
- Normalizing the sexual exploitation of children
- Fueling grooming, blackmail, or harassment of young people

FACT

Whether the images are completely AI-generated or are manipulated versions of real photos, the emotional and psychological harm is very real.

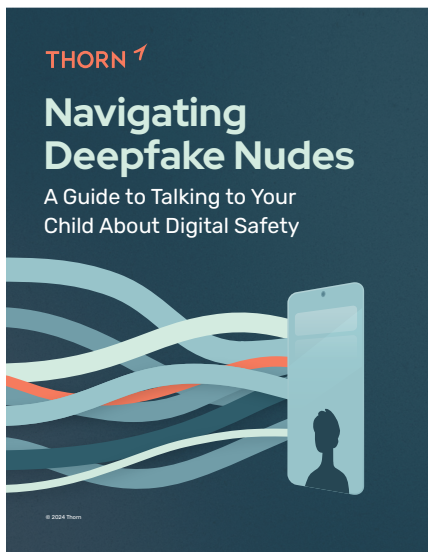
What you can do

✓ Learn about digital safety and discuss it with children in your life

✓ Report suspicious content to appropriate authorities

✓ Support organizations working to protect children online

✓ Stay informed about evolving online risks to children



RESOURCE

“Navigating Deepfake Nudes: A Guide to Talking to Your Child About Digital Safety”

[Get the Guide →](#)