

# Facts:



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# Tobacco Use Among Missouri Youth 2013

*Data Source: Missouri 2013 Youth Tobacco Survey and Missouri 2013 Youth Risk Behavior Survey conducted by the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services. Self-reported data were obtained in Spring 2013 from 1,838 middle school and 1,616 high school students in Missouri. Public schools and classes were randomly selected.*

## Missouri Students' Lifetime Tobacco Use

- 17.8% of middle school students and 31.8% of high school students had used some form of tobacco product in their lifetime.
- 14.6% of middle school students and 39.2% of high school students had smoked cigarettes in their lifetime.
- 38.3% of middle school students and 11.3% of high school students had smoked a cigarette for the first time before age 11.
- 9.4% of high school students had smoked cigarette daily at some point in their life. (Middle school students were not asked this question in 2013.)
- 3.5% of middle school and 12.4% of high school students had ever tried an electronic cigarette.

## Quitting Among Missouri Youth

- 51.2% of middle and 45.4% of high school smokers wanted to stop smoking cigarettes.
- 70.3% of middle and 54.4% of high school smokers tried to quit smoking at least once during the 12 months prior to the survey.
- 7.7% of high school smokers had participated in a program to help them quit cigarette smoking.

## Current Middle School Users: *Students who smoked cigarettes, cigars, bidis, used smokeless tobacco, or used any form of tobacco on one or more of the 30 days prior to the survey.*

	Total	Female	Male	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Cigarettes	4.0	3.5	4.4	3.0	4.1	4.8	3.4	4.2	10.7	5.9
Cigars	2.1	1.2	2.8	1.6	1.5	3.1	1.6	3.8	2.9	2.7
Bidis	0.6	0.3	0.8	0.3	0.9	0.6	0.4	0.6	3.5	1.4
Smokeless	2.2	1.1	3.3	1.2	2.2	3.3	2.3	1.2	3.6	2.7
Any Tobacco*	6.0	4.7	7.3	4.0	5.7	8.5	5.4	6.6	13.6	7.2

## Current High School Users: *Students who smoked cigarettes, cigars, used smokeless tobacco, or used any form of tobacco on one or more of the 30 days prior to the survey.*

	Total	Female	Male	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Cigarettes	14.9	13.2	16.1	8.8	12.1	15.9	22.9	14.4	11.3	21.6	NA
Cigars	13.3	9.3	17.0	10.6	9.6	11.9	21.1	11.7	15.2	22.8	NA
Smokeless	10.4	2.3	18.0	9.2	10.1	8.1	12.8	10.9	4.2	14.4	NA
Any Tobacco**	23.1	16.9	28.9	15.6	20.9	23.3	32.7	22.7	20.9	28.5	NA

\* Includes cigarettes, cigars, bidis, kreteks, pipes, and smokeless tobacco.

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