

Connecticut Youth Tobacco Survey (YTS) 2017 Questionnaire

This survey is about tobacco. We would like to know about you and things you do that may affect your health. Your answers will be used for programs for young people like you.

The questions that ask about your background will only be used to describe the types of students completing this survey. The information will not be used to find out your name. **DO NOT** write your name on this survey. The answers you give will be kept private. **NO** one will know what you write. Answer the questions based on what you really do and know.

Completing the survey is voluntary. Whether or not you answer the questions will not affect your grade in this class. Try to answer all the questions. If you do not want to answer a question, just leave it blank. There are no wrong answers.

Please read every question. Fill in the circles in the booklet completely. When you are finished, follow the instructions of the person giving you the survey.

Thank You Very Much For Your Help.



The first five questions ask some background information about you.

1. How old are you?
- 9 years old
 - 10 years old
 - 11 years old
 - 12 years old
 - 13 years old
 - 14 years old
 - 15 years old
 - 16 years old
 - 17 years old
 - 18 years old
 - 19 years old or older

2. What is your sex?
- Female
 - Male

3. What grade are you in?
- 6th
 - 7th
 - 8th
 - 9th
 - 10th
 - 11th
 - 12th
 - Ungraded or other grade

4. Are you Hispanic or Latino?
- No
 - Yes, I am Mexican, Mexican American, or Chicano
 - Yes, I am Puerto Rican
 - Yes, I am Cuban or Cuban American
 - Yes, I am some other Hispanic or Latino not listed here

5. What race or races do you consider yourself to be? (You can **CHOOSE ONE ANSWER** or **MORE THAN ONE ANSWER**)
- American Indian or Alaska Native
 - Asian
 - Black or African American
 - Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
 - White

The next six sections of questions ask about your use of particular kinds of tobacco products, such as cigarettes, cigars, smokeless tobacco, electronic cigarettes, hookah, pipe, snus, dissolvable tobacco, and bidis.

The first 10 questions are about smoking conventional cigarettes (ones that are lit and burned).

6. Have you ever been curious about smoking a cigarette?
- Definitely yes
 - Probably yes
 - Probably not
 - Definitely not



7. Have you **ever tried** cigarette smoking, even one or two puffs?

- Yes
- No

8. How old were you when you **first tried** cigarette smoking, even one or two puffs?

- I have never smoked cigarettes, not even one or two puffs
- 8 years old or younger
- 9 years old
- 10 years old
- 11 years old
- 12 years old
- 13 years old
- 14 years old
- 15 years old
- 16 years old
- 17 years old
- 18 years old
- 19 years old or older

9. About how many cigarettes have you smoked in your **entire life**?

- I have never smoked cigarettes, not even one or two puffs
- 1 or more puffs but never a whole cigarette
- 1 cigarette
- 2 to 5 cigarettes
- 6 to 15 cigarettes (about 1/2 a pack total)
- 16 to 25 cigarettes (about 1 pack total)
- 26 to 99 cigarettes (more than 1 pack, but less than 5 packs)
- 100 or more cigarettes (5 or more packs)

10. During the **past 30 days**, on how many days did you smoke cigarettes?

- 0 days
- 1 or 2 days
- 3 to 5 days
- 6 to 9 days
- 10 to 19 days
- 20 to 29 days
- All 30 days

11. During the past 30 days, **on the days you smoked**, about how many cigarettes did you smoke per day?

- I did not smoke cigarettes during the past 30 days
- Less than 1 cigarette per day
- 1 cigarette per day
- 2 to 5 cigarettes per day
- 6 to 10 cigarettes per day
- 11 to 20 cigarettes per day
- More than 20 cigarettes per day



12. When was the last time you smoked a cigarette, even one or two puffs? (**Please choose the first answer that fits**)

- I have never smoked cigarettes, not even one or two puffs
- Earlier today
- Not today but sometime during the past 7 days
- Not during the past 7 days but sometime during the past 30 days
- Not during the past 30 days but sometime during the past 6 months
- Not during the past 6 months but sometime during the past year
- 1 to 4 years ago
- 5 or more years ago

13. During the past 30 days, how did you get your own cigarettes? (**You can CHOOSE ONE ANSWER or MORE THAN ONE ANSWER**)

- I did not smoke cigarettes during the past 30 days
- I bought them myself
- I had someone else buy them for me
- I borrowed or bummed them
- Someone gave them to me without my asking
- I took them from a store or another person
- I got them some other way

14. During the **past 30 days**, where did you **buy** your own cigarettes? (**You can CHOOSE ONE ANSWER or MORE THAN ONE ANSWER**)

- I did not buy cigarettes during the past 30 days
- A gas station
- A convenience store
- A grocery store
- A drug store
- A vending machine
- Over the Internet
- Through the mail
- Some other place not listed here

15. During the past 30 days, did anyone refuse to sell you cigarettes because of your age?

- I did not try to buy cigarettes during the past 30 days
- Yes
- No

The next four questions are about the use of cigars, cigarillos or little cigars such as Black and Mild, Swisher Sweets, Dutch Masters, White Owl, or Phillies Blunts.

16. Have you ever been curious about smoking a cigar, cigarillo, or little cigar such as Black and Mild, Swisher Sweets, Dutch Masters, White Owl, or Phillies Blunts?

- Definitely yes
- Probably yes
- Probably not
- Definitely not



17. Have you **ever tried** smoking cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars, such as Black and Milds, Swisher Sweets, Dutch Masters, White Owl, or Phillies Blunts, even one or two puffs?

- Yes
- No

18. How old were you when you **first tried** smoking a cigar, cigarillo, or little cigar, even one or two puffs?

- I have never smoked cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars, not even one or two puffs
- 8 years old or younger
- 9 years old
- 10 years old
- 11 years old
- 12 years old
- 13 years old
- 14 years old
- 15 years old
- 16 years old
- 17 years old
- 18 years old
- 19 years old or older

19. During the **past 30 days**, on how many days did you smoke cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars?

- 0 days
- 1 or 2 days
- 3 to 5 days
- 6 to 9 days
- 10 to 19 days
- 20 to 29 days
- All 30 days

The next two questions are about the use of chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip. Do not think about snus or dissolvable tobacco products when you answer these questions.

20. Have you **ever used** chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip, such as Redman, Levi Garrett, Beechnut, Skoal, Skoal Bandits, or Copenhagen, even just a small amount?

- Yes
- No

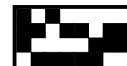
21. During the **past 30 days**, on how many days did you use chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip?

- 0 days
- 1 or 2 days
- 3 to 5 days
- 6 to 9 days
- 10 to 19 days
- 20 to 29 days
- All 30 days

The next two questions ask about tobacco pipe other than a waterpipe or hookah.

22. Have you ever tried smoking tobacco in a pipe, even one or two puffs?

- Yes
- No



23. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke tobacco in a pipe?

- 0 days
- 1 or 2 days
- 3 to 5 days
- 6 to 9 days
- 10 to 19 days
- 20 to 29 days
- All 30 days

The next 10 questions are about electronic cigarettes or e-cigarettes. E-cigarettes are battery powered devices that usually contain a nicotine-based liquid that is vaporized and inhaled. You may know them as vape-pens, hookah-pens, e-hookahs, e-cigars, e-pipes, personal vaporizers or mods. Some brand examples include NJOY, Blu, Vuse, MarkTen, Logic, Vapin Plus, eGo, and Halo.

24. Have you ever been curious about using an e-cigarette?

- Definitely yes
- Probably yes
- Probably not
- Definitely not

25. Have you **ever used** an e-cigarette, even once or twice?

- Yes
- No

26. Do you think that you will try an e-cigarette soon?

- Definitely yes
- Probably yes
- Probably not
- Definitely not

27. How old were you when you **first tried** using an e-cigarette, even once or twice?

- I have never used e-cigarettes
- 8 years old or younger
- 9 years old
- 10 years old
- 11 years old
- 12 years old
- 13 years old
- 14 years old
- 15 years old
- 16 years old
- 17 years old
- 18 years old
- 19 years old or older

28. During the **past 30 days**, on how many days did you use e-cigarettes?

- 0 days
- 1 or 2 days
- 3 to 5 days
- 6 to 9 days
- 10 to 19 days
- 20 to 29 days
- All 30 days



29. What brands of e-cigarettes have you **ever** tried? (**Select one or more**)

- I have never tried e-cigarettes
- Blu
- NJOY
- MarkTen
- Logic
- VUSE
- Vapin Plus
- eGo
- Halo
- Some other brand not listed here
- I do not know the brand name

30. Thinking about all types of e-cigarettes, have you used the disposable kind or rechargeable/refillable/tank kind?

- I have never tried an e-cigarette
- Only the disposable kind
- Only the rechargeable/refillable/tank kind
- Both the disposable kind and rechargeable/refillable/tank kind

31. During the past 30 days, where did you get or buy the e-cigarettes that you have used? (**Select one or more**)

- I have never tried an e-cigarette in the past 30 days
- A gas station or convenience store
- A grocery store
- A drugstore
- A mall or shopping center kiosk/stand
- On the Internet
- A vape shop or other store that only sells e-cigarettes
- Some other place not listed here
- From a family member
- From a friend
- From some other person that is not a family member or a friend

32. What are the reasons you have used e-cigarettes? (**Select one or more**)

- I have never tried an e-cigarette
- Friend or family member used them
- To try to quit using other tobacco products, such as cigarettes
- They cost less than other tobacco products, such as cigarettes
- They are easier to get than other tobacco products, such as cigarettes
- Famous people on TV or in movies use them
- They are less harmful than other forms of tobacco, such as cigarettes
- They are available in flavors, such as mint, candy, fruit, or chocolate
- They can be used in areas where other tobacco products, such as cigarettes, are not allowed
- I used them for some other reason

33. Have you ever used an e-cigarette device with a substance besides nicotine? (**Select one or more**)

- Yes, I have used an e-cigarette device with marijuana, THC or hash oil, or THC wax
- Yes, I have used an e-cigarette device with another substance that is not marijuana, THC or hash oil, or THC wax
- No, I have only used an e-cigarette device with nicotine
- No, I have never used an e-cigarette device
- Don't know / Not sure



The next four questions are about smoking tobacco in a hookah, which is a type of waterpipe. Shisha (or hookah tobacco) is smoked in a hookah.

34. Have you ever been curious about smoking tobacco in a hookah or waterpipe?
- Definitely yes
 - Probably yes
 - Probably not
 - Definitely not

35. Have you **ever tried** smoking tobacco in a hookah or waterpipe, even one or two puffs?
- Yes
 - No

36. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke tobacco in a hookah or waterpipe?
- 0 days
 - 1 or 2 days
 - 3 to 5 days
 - 6 to 9 days
 - 10 to 19 days
 - 20 to 29 days
 - All 30 days

37. During the **past 30 days**, where did you smoke tobacco in a hookah or waterpipe? (**Select one or more**)
- I did not smoke tobacco in a hookah or waterpipe during the past 30 days
 - At my house
 - At a friend's house
 - At a family member's house, other than my house
 - At a hookah bar
 - At a café or restaurant
 - Some other place not listed here

The next two questions are about the use of other tobacco products, not described in the previous sections.

38. Which of the following tobacco products have you **ever tried**, even just one time? (**Select one or more**)
- Roll-your-own cigarettes
 - Flavored cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars (such as mint, clove, alcohol (wine, cognac), candy, fruit, chocolate, or other flavors)
 - Pipes filled with tobacco (not waterpipe)
 - Snus, such as Camel, Marlboro, or General Snus
 - Dissolvable tobacco products such as Ariva, Stonewall, Camel orbs, Camel sticks, Marlboro sticks, or Camel strips
 - Bidis (small brown cigarettes wrapped in a leaf)
 - I have never tried any of the products listed above



39. In the **past 30 days**, which of the following products have you used on **at least one day**? (**Select one or more**)

- Roll-your-own cigarettes
- Pipes filled with tobacco (not waterpipe)
- Snus, such as Camel, Marlboro, or General Snus
- Dissolvable tobacco products such as Ariva, Stonewall, Camel orbs, Camel sticks, Marlboro sticks, or Camel strips
- Bidis (small brown cigarettes wrapped in a leaf)
- I have not used any of the products listed above in the past 30 days

Now thinking about your responses to questions from the last six sections about past 30 day use of cigarettes, cigars, smokeless tobacco, electronic cigarettes, hookah, pipe, snus, dissolvable tobacco, and bidis.

40. Which of the following tobacco products did you **try first** (**CHOOSE ONLY ONE ANSWER**)?

- Cigarettes
- Cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars
- Chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip
- Electronic cigarettes or e-cigarettes
- Tobacco in a hookah or waterpipe
- Pipe filled with tobacco (not waterpipe)
- Snus
- Dissolvable tobacco products
- Some other tobacco product
- Not sure about the product I tried first
- I have never tried any tobacco products

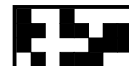
The next two questions ask about flavors in tobacco products.

41. Which of the following tobacco products that you used in the past 30 days were flavored to taste like candy, fruit, chocolate, menthol (mint), alcohol (wine, cognac), or any other flavors? (**Select one or more**)

- Cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars
- Chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip
- E-cigarettes
- Tobacco in a hookah or waterpipe
- Pipe filled with tobacco (not waterpipe)
- Snus
- Dissolvable tobacco products
- Bidis
- I did not use any of the flavored tobacco products listed above in the past 30 days

42. What were the flavors of tobacco products you used in the past 30 days? (**Select one or more**)

- Menthol or mint
- Clove or spice
- Fruit
- Chocolate, candy, desserts or other sweets
- Alcoholic drink (such as wine, cognac, margarita or other cocktails)
- Some other flavor not listed here
- I did use a tobacco product in the last 30 days, but it was not flavored
- I did not use flavored tobacco products in the past 30 days



The next question is about getting tobacco products.

43. During the **past 30 days**, did anyone **refuse** to sell you any tobacco products because of your age?
- I did not try to buy any tobacco products during the past 30 days
 - Yes
 - No

The next three questions ask about tobacco advertisements you have seen or heard on the Internet, or in newspapers, magazines, television, movies, or stores.

44. When you go to a convenience store, supermarket, or gas station, how often do you see ads or promotions for cigarettes or other tobacco products?
- I never go to a convenience store, supermarket, or gas station
 - Never
 - Rarely
 - Sometimes
 - Most of the time
 - Always

45. When you watch TV or go to the movies, how often do you see actors and actresses using cigarettes or other tobacco products?
- I do not watch TV or go to the movies
 - Never
 - Rarely
 - Sometimes
 - Most of the time
 - Always

46. During the past 30 days, did you receive ads or coupons from a tobacco company through... **(You can CHOOSE ONE ANSWER or MORE THAN ONE ANSWER)**
- I did not receive ads from a tobacco company
 - The Mail
 - E-mail
 - The Internet
 - A text message
 - Facebook
 - Twitter
 - Snap Chat
 - Other social media not listed above

The next question is about issues related to urges or needs to use tobacco products.

47. How true is this statement for you? I feel restless and irritable when I don't use tobacco for a while.
- I do not use tobacco
 - Not at all true
 - Sometimes true
 - Often true
 - Always true



The next two questions are about questions asked and advice given by any doctor, dentist, or nurse.

48. During the past 12 months, did any doctor, dentist, or nurse ask you if you use tobacco of any kind?
- I did not see a doctor, dentist, or nurse during the past 12 months
 - Yes
 - No

49. During the past 12 months, did any doctor, dentist, or nurse advise you not to use tobacco of any kind?
- I did not see a doctor, dentist, or nurse during the past 12 months
 - Yes
 - No

The next three questions are about asthma.

50. During the past 12 months, have you had an episode of asthma or an asthma attack?
- I do not have asthma
 - Yes
 - No

51. During the past 12 months, how many days of school did you miss because of your asthma?
- I do not have asthma
 - 0 days
 - 1-3 days
 - 4-9 days
 - 10 or more days

52. Has a doctor or other health professional ever given you an asthma management plan or an asthma action plan?
- I do not have asthma
 - Yes
 - No

The next two questions are about quitting tobacco products.

53. During the past 12 months, how many times have you stopped using all tobacco products for one day or longer because you were trying to quit using tobacco for good?
- I did not use tobacco during the past 12 months
 - I did not try to quit during the past 12 months
 - 1 time
 - 2 times
 - 3 to 5 times
 - 6 to 9 times
 - 10 or more times



54. During the **past 12 months**, how many times have you stopped smoking **cigarettes** for **one day or longer** because you were trying to quit smoking cigarettes **for good**?

- I did not smoke cigarettes during the past 12 months
- I did not try to quit during the past 12 months
- 1 time
- 2 times
- 3 to 5 times
- 6 to 9 times
- 10 or more times

The next eight questions ask about your thoughts on tobacco products.

55. Do you believe that **cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars** are (LESS HARMFUL, EQUALLY HARMFUL, or MORE HARMFUL) than cigarettes?

- Less harmful
- Equally harmful
- More harmful
- I have never heard of cigars, little cigars or cigarillos
- I don't know enough about these products

56. Do you believe that **cigars, cigarillos or little cigars** are (LESS ADDICTIVE, EQUALLY ADDICTIVE, or MORE ADDICTIVE) than cigarettes?

- Less addictive
- Equally addictive
- More addictive
- I have never heard of cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars
- I don't know enough about these products

57. Do you believe that **e-cigarettes** are (LESS ADDICTIVE, EQUALLY ADDICTIVE, or MORE ADDICTIVE) than cigarettes?

- Less addictive
- Equally addictive
- More addictive
- I have never heard of e-cigarettes
- I don't know enough about these products

58. Do you believe that **e-cigarettes** are (LESS HARMFUL, EQUALLY HARMFUL, or MORE HARMFUL) than regular cigarettes?

- Less harmful
- Equally harmful
- More harmful
- I have never heard of e-cigarettes
- I don't know enough about these products

59. Do you think that breathing the vapor from e-cigarettes causes....

- No harm
- Little harm
- Some harm
- A lot of harm
- I have never heard of e-cigarettes
- I don't know enough about these products



60. How much do you think people harm themselves when they **smoke tobacco in a hookah or waterpipe** some days but not every day?
- No harm
 - Little harm
 - Some harm
 - A lot of harm

61. Do you believe that **smoking tobacco in a hookah or waterpipe** is (LESS ADDICTIVE, EQUALLY ADDICTIVE, or MORE ADDICTIVE) than cigarettes?
- Less addictive
 - Equally addictive
 - More addictive
 - I have never heard of smoking tobacco in a hookah or waterpipe
 - I don't know enough about these products

62. Do you believe that tobacco companies try to get young people under 18 to use tobacco products?
- Yes
 - No

The next four questions ask about issues related to e-cigarette advertisement.

63. When you are using the Internet, how often do you see ads or promotions for e-cigarettes?
- I do not use the Internet
 - Never
 - Rarely
 - Sometimes
 - Most of the time
 - Always

64. When you read newspapers or magazines, how often do you see ads or promotions for e-cigarettes?
- I do not read newspapers or magazines
 - Never
 - Rarely
 - Sometimes
 - Most of the time
 - Always

65. When you go to a convenience store, supermarket, or gas station, how often do you see ads or promotions for e-cigarettes?
- I never go to a convenience store, supermarket, or gas station
 - Never
 - Rarely
 - Sometimes
 - Most of the time
 - Always

66. When you watch TV, how often do you see ads or promotions for e-cigarettes?
- I do not watch TV
 - Never
 - Rarely
 - Sometimes
 - Most of the time
 - Always



The next seven questions ask about you being around other people's tobacco smoke. Do not include exposure to vapor from e-cigarettes.

67. During the past 7 days, on how many days did someone smoke tobacco products in your home while you were there?
- 0 days
 - 1 day
 - 2 days
 - 3 days
 - 4 days
 - 5 days
 - 6 days
 - 7 days

68. During the past 7 days, on how many days did you ride in a vehicle when someone was smoking a tobacco product?
- 0 days
 - 1 day
 - 2 days
 - 3 days
 - 4 days
 - 5 days
 - 6 days
 - 7 days

69. During the past 7 days, on how many days did you breathe the smoke from someone who was smoking a tobacco product at your school, including school buildings, school grounds, and school parking lots?
- 0 days
 - 1 day
 - 2 days
 - 3 days
 - 4 days
 - 5 days
 - 6 days
 - 7 days

70. During the past 7 days, on how many days did you breathe the smoke from someone who was smoking tobacco products in the place where you work?
- I do not have a job
 - I have a job but did not work in the past 7 days
 - 0 days
 - 1 day
 - 2 days
 - 3 days
 - 4 days
 - 5 days
 - 6 days
 - 7 days



71. During the past 7 days, on how many days did you breathe the smoke from someone who was smoking tobacco products in an indoor or outdoor public place? Examples of indoor public places are school buildings, stores, restaurants, and sports arenas. Examples of outdoor public places are school grounds, parking lots, stadiums and parks.

- 0 days
- 1 day
- 2 days
- 3 days
- 4 days
- 5 days
- 6 days
- 7 days

72. Inside your home (not counting decks, garages, or porches) is smoking...

- Always allowed
- Allowed only at some times or in some places
- Never allowed

73. In the vehicles that you and family members who live with you own or lease, is smoking...

- Always allowed
- Sometimes allowed
- Never allowed

The next question asks about being around other people's e-cigarette vapor. Do not include exposure to smoke from tobacco products.

74. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you breathe the vapor from someone who was using an e-cigarette in an indoor or outdoor public place? Examples of indoor public places are school buildings, stores, restaurants, and sports arenas. Examples of outdoor public places are school grounds, parking lots, stadiums and parks.

- 0 days
- 1 or 2 days
- 3 to 5 days
- 6 to 9 days
- 10 to 19 days
- 20 to 29 days
- All 30 days

The last question asks about your experiences at home.

75. Does anyone who lives with you now...? (Select one or more)

- Smoke cigarettes
- Smoke cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars
- Use chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip
- Use e-cigarettes
- Smoke tobacco in a hookah or waterpipe
- Smoke pipes filled with tobacco (not waterpipes)
- Use snus
- Use dissolvable tobacco products
- Smoke bidis (small brown cigarettes wrapped in a leaf)
- No one who lives with me now uses any form of tobacco

