

2012 – 2014 National Youth Tobacco Survey (NYTS)
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Summary of Changes for the 2013 NYTS

Note

The 2013 version of the NYTS contains the same number of questions as the 2012 version of the NYTS (81 questions). There is no change in the estimated burden per response. Twenty-seven questions from the 2012 version of the NYTS will be dropped; 19 questions from the 2011 NYTS will be reinstated; and 8 new questions will be added.

Questions that were used in the 2012 NYTS but will be deleted from the 2013 NYTS:

Count: 27 questions

06. Have you ever been curious about smoking a cigarette?

- A. Definitely yes
- B. Probably yes
- C. Probably not
- D. Definitely not

18. How likely is it that you will try to purchase cigarettes within the next 30 days?

- A. I do not smoke cigarettes
- B. Very likely
- C. Somewhat likely
- D. Somewhat unlikely
- E. Very unlikely

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

- A. Definitely yes
- B. Probably yes
- C. Probably not
- D. Definitely not

28. Have you ever been curious about using chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip, such as Redman, Levi Garrett, Beechnut, Skoal, Skoal Bandits, or Copenhagen?

- A. Definitely yes
- B. Probably yes
- C. Probably not
- D. Definitely not

39. Were any of the tobacco products you used in the past 30 days flavored to taste like menthol (mint), clove, spice, alcohol (wine, cognac), candy, fruit, chocolate, or other sweets?

- A. I did not use any flavored tobacco products in the past 30 days
- B. Yes
- C. No

40. During the past 30 days, have you had a strong craving or felt like you really needed to use a tobacco product of any kind (such as smoking a cigarette or using chewing tobacco, snuff, dip, or snus)?

- A. Yes
- B. No

41. During the past 30 days, was there a time when you wanted to use a tobacco product so much that you found it difficult to think of anything else?

- A. Yes
- B. No

43. How true is this statement for you? I feel restless and irritable when I don't use tobacco for a while.

- A. I do not use tobacco
- B. Not at all true
- C. Sometimes true
- D. Often true
- E. Always true

44. How easy do you think it is for kids your age to buy tobacco products in a store?

- A. Easy
- B. Somewhat easy
- C. Not easy at all

48. During the past 30 days, did a tobacco company send you information (other than coupons) through...
(CHOOSE ALL THAT APPLY)

- A. The mail
- B. E-mail
- C. A text message
- D. Some other way
- E. I did not receive any information from a tobacco company

53. A warning label tells you if a product is harmful to you and can be either a picture or words. During the past 30 days, how often did you see a warning label on a cigarette pack?

- A. I did not see a cigarette pack during the past 30 days
- B. Never
- C. Rarely
- D. Sometimes
- E. Most of the time
- F. Always

54. During the past 30 days, to what extent did warning labels on cigarette packs make you think about the health risks of smoking?

- A. I did not see a warning label on a cigarette pack in the past 30 days
- B. Not at all
- C. A little
- D. Somewhat
- E. A lot

55. During the past 30 days, how often did you see a warning label on a smokeless tobacco product, such as chewing tobacco, snuff, dip, or snus?

- A. I did not see a smokeless tobacco product during the past 30 days
- B. Never
- C. Rarely
- D. Sometimes
- E. Most of the time
- F. Always

56. During the past 30 days, to what extent did warning labels on smokeless tobacco products make you think about the health risks of smokeless tobacco, such as chewing tobacco, snuff, dip, or snus?

- A. I did not see a warning label on a smokeless tobacco product in the past 30 days
- B. Not at all
- C. A little
- D. Somewhat
- E. A lot

58. If you decided to quit cigarettes for good, how likely is it that you would succeed?

- A. I do not smoke cigarettes
- B. Very likely
- C. Somewhat likely
- D. Somewhat unlikely
- E. Very unlikely

65. How long do you think someone has to smoke before it harms their health?

- A. Less than a year
- B. 1 year
- C. 5 years
- D. 10 years
- E. 20 years or more

66. How much do you think people harm themselves when they smoke a few cigarettes every day?

- A. No harm
- B. Little harm
- C. Some harm
- D. A lot of harm

67. How much do you think people harm themselves when they smoke cigarettes some days but not every day?

- A. No harm
- B. Little harm
- C. Some harm
- D. A lot of harm

68. How much do you think people harm themselves when they smoke 10 or more cigarettes every day?

- A. No harm
- B. Little harm
- C. Some harm
- D. A lot of harm

69. Do you believe that electronic cigarettes or e-cigarettes, such as Ruyan or NJOY, are (LESS HARMFUL, EQUALLY HARMFUL, or MORE HARMFUL) than regular cigarettes?

- A. Less harmful
- B. Equally harmful
- C. More harmful
- D. I have never heard of electronic cigarettes or e-cigarettes
- E. I don't know enough about these products

70. How much do you think people harm themselves when they use smokeless tobacco, such as chewing tobacco, snuff, dip, or snus, every day?

- A. No harm
- B. Little harm
- C. Some harm
- D. A lot of harm

71. How much do you think people harm themselves when they use smokeless tobacco, such as chewing tobacco, snuff, dip, or snus, some days but not every day?

- A. No harm
- B. Little harm
- C. Some harm
- D. A lot of harm

72. Do you believe that dissolvable tobacco products, such as Ariva, Stonewall, Camel orbs, Camel sticks, Marlboro sticks, or Camel strips are (LESS HARMFUL, EQUALLY HARMFUL, or MORE HARMFUL) than other smokeless tobacco products, such as chewing tobacco, snuff, dip, or snus?

- A. Less harmful
- B. Equally harmful
- C. More harmful
- D. I have never heard of dissolvable tobacco products
- E. I don't know enough about these products

73. How strongly do you agree with the statement 'All tobacco products are dangerous'?

- A. Strongly agree
- B. Agree
- C. Disagree
- D. Strongly disagree

74. In the past 30 days, how often have you thought about the harmful chemicals in tobacco products?

- A. Never
- B. Rarely
- C. Sometimes
- D. Often
- E. Very Often

77. Out of every 10 students in your grade at school, how many do you think use tobacco products other than cigarettes?

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2
- D. 3
- E. 4
- F. 5
- G. 6
- H. 7
- I. 8
- J. 9
- K. 10

81. During the past 12 months, have your parents or guardians talked with you, even once, about not using any type of tobacco product?

- A. Yes
- B. No

Previously approved questions that will be fielded in 2013

(questions that were fielded in the 2011 NYTS and omitted from the 2012 NYTS)

Count: 19 questions

38. How easy would it be for you to get tobacco products if you wanted some?

- A. Very easy
- B. Somewhat easy
- C. Not easy at all

39. Do you believe that tobacco companies try to get young people under 18 to use tobacco products?

- A. Yes
- B. No

51. Think about each time that you visited a doctor, dentist, or nurse in the past 12 months. During any of these visits were you asked if you used tobacco that is smoked or put in your mouth?

- A. I did not see a doctor, dentist, or nurse during the past 12 months
- B. Yes
- C. No

52. During the past 12 months, did any doctor, dentist, or nurse give you advise not to use tobacco that is smoked or put in your mouth?

- A. I did not see a doctor, dentist, or nurse during the past 12 months
- B. Yes
- C. No

58. In the past 12 months, did you do any of the following to help you quit using tobacco of any kind for good?

(You can CHOOSE ONE ANSWER or MORE THAN ONE ANSWER)

- A. I did not use tobacco of any kind during the past 12 months
- B. I did not try to quit during the past 12 months
- C. Attended a program in my school
- D. Attended a program in the community
- E. Called a telephone help line or telephone quit line
- F. Used nicotine gum
- G. Used nicotine patch
- H. Used any medicine to help quit
- I. Visited an Internet quit site
- J. Got help from family or friends
- K. Used another method, such as hypnosis or acupuncture
- L. Tried to quit on my own or quit "cold turkey"

59. During the past 7 days, on how many days did someone smoke tobacco products in your home while you were there?

- A. 0 days
- B. 1 day
- C. 2 days
- D. 3 days
- E. 4 days
- F. 5 days
- G. 6 days
- H. 7 days

60. During the past 7 days, on how many days did you ride in a vehicle where someone was smoking a tobacco product?

- A. 0 days
- B. 1 day
- C. 2 days
- D. 3 days
- E. 4 days
- F. 5 days
- G. 6 days
- H. 7 days

61. 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?

- A. 0 days
- B. 1 day
- C. 2 days
- D. 3 days
- E. 4 days
- F. 5 days
- G. 6 days
- H. 7 days

62. 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?

- A. I do not have a job
- B. I did not work during the past 7 days
- C. 0 days
- D. 1 day
- E. 2 days
- F. 3 days
- G. 4 days
- H. 5 days
- I. 6 days
- J. 7 days

63. 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.

- A. 0 days
- B. 1 day
- C. 2 days
- D. 3 days
- E. 4 days
- F. 5 days
- G. 6 days
- H. 7 days

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

- A. Always allowed
- B. Allowed only at some times or in some places
- C. Never allowed

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

- A. Always allowed
- B. Sometimes allowed
- C. Never allowed

69. In your opinion, inside your home, smoking tobacco products should....

- A. Always be allowed
- B. Be allowed only at some times or in some places
- C. Never be allowed

70. In your opinion, in their vehicles, people should ...

- A. Always allow smoking
- B. Sometimes allow smoking
- C. Never allow smoking

77. During the past 12 months, have you been involved in any organized activities to keep people your age from using any form of tobacco product?

- A. Yes
- B. No

78. During this school year, were you taught in any of your classes about why you should not use tobacco products?

- A. Yes
- B. No

79. During the past 30 days, to your knowledge, has anyone, including yourself, smoked a tobacco product on school property when he or she was not supposed to?

- A. Yes
- B. No

80. During the past 30 days, to your knowledge, has anyone, including yourself, used some other type of tobacco product (that is, one that is not smoked) on school property when he or she was not supposed to?

- A. Yes
- B. No

81. During the past 30 days, how many days did you miss at least one class period because you skipped or "cut" or just did not want to be there?

- A. 0 days
- B. 1 day
- C. 2 to 5 days
- D. 6 to 10 days
- E. 11 or more days

Proposed new questions for the 2013 NYTS

Count: 8 questions

Original Question (Before Cognitive Testing)	Changes Made Based on Cognitive Testing	Final Question (After Cognitive Testing)
<p>06. At anytime during the next 12 months do you think you will use any form of tobacco?</p> <p>A. Definitely yes B. Probably yes C. Probably not D. Definitely not</p>	<p>No changes were made</p>	<p>06. At anytime during the next 12 months do you think you will use any form of tobacco?</p> <p>A. Definitely yes B. Probably yes C. Probably not D. Definitely not</p>
<p>07. Do you think that you will try any form of tobacco soon?</p> <p>A. Definitely yes B. Probably yes C. Probably not D. Definitely not</p>	<p>No changes were made</p>	<p>07. Do you think that you will try any form of tobacco soon?</p> <p>A. Definitely yes B. Probably yes C. Probably not D. Definitely not</p>
<p>08. If one of your best friends were to offer you any form of tobacco, would you use it?</p> <p>A. Definitely yes B. Probably yes C. Probably not D. Definitely not</p>	<p>No changes were made</p>	<p>08. If one of your best friends were to offer you any form of tobacco, would you use it?</p> <p>A. Definitely yes B. Probably yes C. Probably not D. Definitely not</p>
<p>47. Have you seen or heard advertisements against tobacco with any of the following? (You can CHOOSE ONE ANSWER or MORE THAN ONE ANSWER)</p> <p>A. A man who lost his legs from amputations (removal of body parts) B. A woman who lost her fingers and toes from amputations (removal of body parts) C. A man with a scar on his chest from a heart attack D. A woman putting on a wig and putting in her teeth while getting dressed E. A son bathing and caring for his mother on her bed because she had a stroke F. A mom giving her son an inhaler because he has breathing problems from being around adults who smoke cigarettes</p>	<p>No changes were made</p>	<p>47. Have you seen or heard advertisements against tobacco with any of the following? (You can CHOOSE ONE ANSWER or MORE THAN ONE ANSWER)</p> <p>A. A man who lost his legs from amputations (removal of body parts) B. A woman who lost her fingers and toes from amputations (removal of body parts) C. A man with a scar on his chest from a heart attack D. A woman putting on a wig and putting in her teeth while getting dressed E. A son bathing and caring for his mother on her bed because she had a stroke F. A mom giving her son an inhaler because he has breathing problems</p>

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<p>G. A man in the shower covering the hole in his neck H. A child scratching because of chicken pox I. Don't know/Not sure J. I haven't seen or heard any of these advertisements</p>		<p>from being around adults who smoke cigarettes G. A man in the shower covering the hole in his neck H. A child scratching because of chicken pox I. Don't know/Not sure J. I haven't seen or heard any of these advertisements</p>
<p>67. How many of your four closest friends use any form of tobacco? A. None B. One C. Two D. Three E. Four G. Not sure</p>	<p>Removed "four" from the question as some people stated that they only had 1 or 2 close friends while others stated that they had more than 4 close friends. Added response option of "five or more".</p>	<p>67. How many of your closest friends use any form of tobacco? A. None B. One C. Two D. Three E. Four F. Five or more G. Not sure</p>
<p>72. Do you believe any of the following are safer than smoking cigarettes? (You can CHOOSE ONE ANSWER or MORE THAN ONE ANSWER) A. Smoking tobacco from a hookah or waterpipe B. Smoking tobacco from a pipe other than a waterpipe C. Smoking Bidis (small brown cigarettes wrapped in a leaf) D. Smoking Clove cigarettes (kreteks) E. Smoking flavored cigars, little cigars, and cigarillos (such as mint, clove, spice, alcohol (wine, cognac), candy, fruit, chocolate, or other sweets) F. Smoking cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars (those that are not flavored) G. Using electronic cigarettes, such as Ruyan or NJOY H. Do not know I. I do not believe that any of the above products are less harmful than cigarettes.</p>	<p>Participants stated that since all of these products are tobacco products that safer is not the best word to use. All participants stated that less harmful is better. Changed "safer" to "less harmful".</p>	<p>72. Do you believe any of the following are less harmful than smoking cigarettes? (You can CHOOSE ONE ANSWER or MORE THAN ONE ANSWER) A. Smoking tobacco from a hookah or waterpipe B. Smoking tobacco from a pipe other than a waterpipe C. Smoking Bidis (small brown cigarettes wrapped in a leaf) D. Smoking Clove cigarettes (kreteks) E. Smoking flavored cigars, little cigars, and cigarillos (such as mint, clove, spice, alcohol (wine, cognac), candy, fruit, chocolate, or other sweets) F. Smoking cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars (those that are not flavored) G. Using electronic cigarettes, such as Ruyan or NJOY H. Do not know I. I do not believe that any of the</p>

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<p>73. Do you believe any of the following are safer than smoking cigarettes? (You can CHOOSE ONE ANSWER or MORE THAN ONE ANSWER)</p> <p>A. Using chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip</p> <p>B. Using snus, such as Camel or Marlboro Snus</p> <p>C. Using dissolvable tobacco products, such as Ariva, Stonewall, Camel orbs, Camel sticks, Marlboro sticks, or Camel strips</p> <p>D. Using electronic cigarettes, such as Ruyan or NJOY</p> <p>E. Do not know</p> <p>F. I do not believe that any of the above products are less harmful than cigarettes</p>	<p>Participants stated that since all of these products are tobacco products that safer is not the best word to use. All participants stated that less harmful is better. Changed “safer” to “less harmful”.</p>	<p>above products are less harmful than cigarettes.</p> <p>73. Do you believe any of the following are less harmful than smoking cigarettes? (You can CHOOSE ONE ANSWER or MORE THAN ONE ANSWER)</p> <p>A. Using chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip</p> <p>B. Using snus, such as Camel or Marlboro Snus</p> <p>C. Using dissolvable tobacco products, such as Ariva, Stonewall, Camel orbs, Camel sticks, Marlboro sticks, or Camel strips</p> <p>D. Using electronic cigarettes, such as Ruyan or NJOY</p> <p>E. Do not know</p> <p>F. I do not believe that any of the above products are less harmful than cigarettes</p>
<p>76. Would your parents or guardians strongly disapprove if you used tobacco products?</p> <p>A. Yes</p> <p>B. No</p>	<p>Participants that used tobacco stated that initially their parent strongly disapproved of them using tobacco products when they first found out but since participants are still are using tobacco product, the parents don’t disapprove as strongly now. Also some participant’s parents don’t know they use tobacco. The response option do a better job at obtain the information from all users and non-users of tobacco.</p>	<p>76. Would your parents or guardians strongly disapprove if you used tobacco products?</p> <p>A. I don’t use tobacco products, and my parents would strongly disapprove if I did</p> <p>B. I don’t use tobacco products, and my parents would not strongly disapprove if I did</p> <p>C. I use tobacco products, and my parents strongly disapproved when they first found out</p> <p>D. I use tobacco products, and my parents did not strongly disapprove when they first found out</p> <p>E. I use tobacco products, but my parents don’t know, and they would strongly disapprove if they knew</p> <p>F. I use tobacco products, but my parents don’t know, and they would not strongly disapprove if they knew</p>