

Tobacco Data Highlights from the 2019 Minnesota Student Survey

E-cigarette use, access, and perceptions

- One in four (26.4%) 11th graders report current use of e-cigarettes, up from 17.1% in 2016
 - 8th and 9th graders reported even larger increases from 2016 to 2019:
 - 8th grade: from 5.7% to 11.1%
 - 9th grade: from 9.3% to 16.3%
- Among underage students who used e-cigarettes in the past 30 days:
 - 73.4% got their e-cigarettes from a friend or another person
 - 17.5% bought their e-cigarettes directly from a retail outlet
 - 9.3% bought them from a vape shop
 - 8.6% bought them online
- Among 11th grade students under age 18 who used e-cigarettes in the past 30 days:
 - 72.3% got their e-cigarettes from a friend or another person
 - 23.5% bought their e-cigarettes directly from a retail outlet
 - 14.0% bought them from a vape shop
 - 9.6% purchased it from the internet
- 76.1% of 11th graders report that there is either no, slight, or moderate risk to using e-cigarettes.

Conventional cigarette use

- 5.3% of 11th graders report current use of conventional cigarettes, the lowest rate ever recorded by the survey, down from 8.4% in 2016
 - Similarly, 8th and 9th graders report decreasing use of conventional cigarettes
 - 8th grade: from 2.8% to 2.4%
 - 9th grade: from 4.3% to 3.1%

Marijuana and flavored tobacco use

- 34.7% of high school students and 15.8% of middle school students who are current e-cigarette users reported vaping THC/marijuana at least once (Minnesota Youth Tobacco Survey, 2017)
- 67.4% of high school students who are current tobacco users reported using a menthol or other flavored tobacco product in the past month (Minnesota Youth Tobacco Survey, 2017)
- 59.6% of middle school students who are current tobacco users reported using a menthol or other flavored tobacco product in the past month

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