

FLORIDA YOUTH SURVEY 2000

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Florida Youth Survey (FYS)

1999/2000 Questionnaire

This survey is about you and what you do that may affect your health. The information you give will be used to develop better education programs for young people like yourself.

DO NOT write your name on this survey. The answers you give will be kept private. No one will know what you write. This is not a test. 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. If you are not comfortable answering a question, just leave it blank.

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. No names will ever be reported.

Make sure to read every question. Fill in the circles on the answer sheet completely. When you are finished, follow the instructions of the person giving you the survey.

Thank You Very Much For Your Help.

Marking Instructions

- Use a No. 2 pencil only.
- Make dark marks.
- Fill in a response like this: 
- To change your answer, erase completely.

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The first questions ask for some information about yourself.

1. How old are you?

(Write your age in the blank boxes. Fill in the matching circle below each written number.)

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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. How do you describe yourself? (YOU CAN CHOOSE ONE ANSWER, OR MORE THAN ONE)

- American Indian or Alaskan Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Hispanic or Latino
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- White

5. Which one of these ethnic groups BEST describes you? (CHOOSE ONLY ONE ANSWER)

- Central American (Guatemalan, Nicaraguan, Honduran, for example)
- Cuban or Cuban American
- Dominican
- Mexican or Mexican American
- Puerto Rican
- Other Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin
- Haitian
- West Indian or Caribbean
- None of these

6. What grades did you get in school last year?

- Mostly A's
- Mostly B's
- Mostly C's
- Mostly D's
- Mostly F's

7. What is the highest education your mother has?

- Some high school
- A high school diploma or GED
- Some education after high school
- Don't know

The next questions ask about tobacco use.

Cigarette Smoking

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

- Yes
- No

9. How old were you when you smoked a cigarette for the first time?

- I have never smoked a cigarette

(Write your age when you first did this in the blank boxes. Fill in the matching circle below each written number.)

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10. Have you ever smoked cigarettes daily, that is, at least one cigarette every day for 30 days?

- Yes
- No

11. 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

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

- 0 cigarettes
- 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

13. During the past 30 days, how did you usually get your cigarettes? (CHOOSE ONLY ONE ANSWER)

- I did not smoke cigarettes during the past 30 days
- I bought them in a store such as a convenience store, supermarket, or gas station
- I bought them from a vending machine
- I gave someone else money to buy them for me
- I borrowed them from someone else
- I stole them from a store
- I stole them from someone I know
- I got them from my parents
- A person 18 years old or older gave them to me
- I bought them from another person (not in a store)
- I got them some other way

14. When you bought or tried to buy cigarettes in a store during the past 30 days, were you ever asked to show proof of age?

- I did not try to buy cigarettes in a store during the past 30 days
- Yes, I was asked to show proof of age
- No, I was **not** asked to show proof of age

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

- I did not try to buy cigarettes in a store during the past 30 days
- Yes, someone refused to sell me cigarettes because of my age
- No, my age did not keep me from buying cigarettes

16. When you bought or tried to buy cigarettes during the past 30 days, did you use or try to use a fake ID?

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

17. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigarettes on school property?

- 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

18. When was the last time you smoked a cigarette, even one or two puffs?

- I have never smoked a cigarette, 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 year
- More than 1 year ago, but less than 2 years ago
- 2 or more years ago

19. During the past 12 months, did you ever try to quit smoking cigarettes?

- I did not smoke cigarettes during the past 12 months
- Yes
- No

20. Do you want to completely stop smoking cigarettes?

- I do not smoke now
- Yes
- No

21. How many times, if any, have you tried to quit smoking?

- I have never smoked cigarettes
- None
- 1 time
- 2 times
- 3 to 5 times
- 6 to 9 times
- 10 or more times

22. When you last tried to quit, how long did you stay off cigarettes?

- I have never smoked cigarettes
- I smoke but have never tried to quit
- Less than 1 day
- 1 to 7 days
- More than 7 days, but less than 30 days
- More than 30 days, but less than 6 months
- More than 6 months, but less than 1 year
- More than 1 year

23. How long can you go without smoking before you feel like you need a cigarette?

- I do not smoke cigarettes
- Less than 1 hour
- 1 to 3 hours
- More than 3 hours, but less than a whole day
- A whole day
- Several days
- A week or more

Smokeless Tobacco: Chewing Tobacco, Snuff, or Dip

24. Have you ever used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip, such as Redman, Levi Garrett, Beechnut, Skoal, Skoal Bandits, or Copenhagen?

- Yes
- No

25. How old were you when you used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip for the first time?

- I have never used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip

(Write your age when you first did this in the blank boxes. Fill in the matching circle below each written number.)

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26. 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

27. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip on school property?

- 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

28. During the past 30 days, how did you usually get your own chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip? (CHOOSE ONLY ONE ANSWER)

- I did not use chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip during the past 30 days
- I bought it in a store such as a convenience store, supermarket, or gas station
- I bought it from a vending machine
- I gave someone else money to buy it for me
- I borrowed it from someone else
- I stole it from a store
- I stole it from someone I know
- I got it from my parents
- A person 18 years old or older gave it to me
- I bought it from another person (not in a store)
- I got it some other way

29. When you bought or tried to buy chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip in a store during the past 30 days, were you ever asked to show proof of age?

- I did not try to buy chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip in a store during the past 30 days
- Yes, I was asked to show proof of age
- No, I was not asked to show proof of age

30. During the past 30 days, did anyone refuse to sell you chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip because of your age?

- I did not try to buy chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip in a store during the past 30 days
- Yes, someone refused to sell me chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip because of my age
- No, my age did not keep me from buying chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip

Cigars

31. Have you ever tried smoking cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars, even one or two puffs?

- Yes
- No

32. How old were you when you smoked a cigar, cigarillo, or little cigar for the first time?

- I have never smoked a cigar, cigarillo, or little cigar

(Write your age when you first did this in the blank boxes. Fill in the matching circle below each written number.)

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33. 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

34. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars on school property?

- 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

35. During the past 30 days, how did you usually get your cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars? (CHOOSE ONLY ONE ANSWER)

- I did not smoke a cigar, cigarillo, or little cigar during the past 30 days
- I bought them in a store such as a convenience store, supermarket, or gas station
- I bought them from a vending machine
- I gave someone money to buy them for me
- I borrowed them from someone else
- I stole them from a store
- I stole them from someone I know
- I got them from my parents
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- I got them some other way

36. When you bought or tried to buy cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars in a store during the past 30 days, were you ever asked to show proof of age?

- I did not try to buy cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars in a store during the past 30 days
- Yes, I was asked to show proof of age
- No, I was not asked to show proof of age

37. During the past 30 days, did anyone refuse to sell you cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars because of your age?

- I did not try to buy cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars in a store during the past 30 days
- Yes, someone refused to sell me cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars because of my age
- No, my age did not keep me from buying cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars

The next questions ask about bidis (or "beedies") which are small brown cigarettes from India consisting of tobacco wrapped in a leaf tied with a thread.

38. Have you ever tried smoking bidis, even one or two puffs?

- Yes
- No

39. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke bidis?

- 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 question is about kreteks (also called "clove cigarettes") which are cigarettes containing tobacco and clove extract.

40. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke kreteks?

- 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

41. Have you ever filled out a tobacco survey like this before?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

The next questions ask about tobacco use prevention education.

42. During this school year, were you taught in any of your classes about tobacco use?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

43. During this school year, were you taught in any of your classes about the reasons why people of your age smoke cigarettes?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

44. During this school year, were you taught in any of your classes that most people your age do not smoke cigarettes?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

45. During this school year, did you practice in any of your classes ways to say "no" to tobacco (for example, in role plays)?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

46. During this school year, were you taught in any of your classes about the effects of smoking, like it makes your teeth yellow, causes wrinkles, or makes you smell bad?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

47. During this school year, were you taught in any of your classes about the health effects of smoking, like it causes cancer and heart disease?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

48. During this school year, were you taught in any of your classes about the effects of using chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip like it makes your teeth brown or damages your gums?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

49. During this school year, has what you learned in school helped you feel it is okay to say "no" to friends who offer you cigarettes?

- I was not taught about smoking cigarettes in school
- Yes
- No

50. Does your school have any special groups or classes for students who want to quit using tobacco?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

51. During the past 30 days, on how many days have you seen adults smoking on school property?

- 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

52. Which activities have you participated in? (SELECT ALL YOU HAVE PARTICIPATED IN)

- Not On Tobacco (N-O-T) stop smoking program
- Artful Truth
- Toward No Tobacco Use (TNT)
- SQUADS
- Teens Against Tobacco Use (TATU)
- Life Skills Training
- D-FY-IT
- Tobacco education as part of driver education training
- Tobacco education in a physical education (gym) class
- Know Smoking
- STOMP
- Tobacco-Free Community Partnership
- I have not participated in any of these activities.

The next questions ask about your thoughts about tobacco.

53. Do you think that you will try a cigarette soon?

- I have already tried smoking cigarettes
- Yes
- No

54. Do you think you will smoke a cigarette at anytime during the next year?

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

55. Do you think you will be smoking cigarettes 5 years from now?

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

56. If one of your best friends offered you a cigarette, would you smoke it?

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

57. Do you think people can get addicted to cigarette smoking just like they can get addicted to cocaine or heroin?

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

58. Do you think young people who smoke cigarettes have more friends?

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

59. Do you think smokers have shorter lives than non-smokers?

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

60. Do you think smoking cigarettes makes young people look cool or fit in?

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

61. Do you think smoking cigarettes helps people feel more comfortable at parties and in other social situations?

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

62. Do you think you would be able to quit smoking cigarettes if you wanted to?

- Yes
- No

63. Has a doctor or someone in a doctor's office talked to you about the danger of tobacco use, in the past 12 months?

- I have not visited a doctor's office in the past 12 months
- Yes
- No

64. Has a dentist or someone in a dentist's office talked to you about the danger of tobacco use, in the past 12 months?

- I have not visited a dentist's office in the past 12 months
- Yes
- No

65. Have you ever attended a program to help you quit using tobacco?

- I have never used tobacco
- I use tobacco and have never tried to quit
- Yes, only in my school
- Yes, only in my community
- Yes, in both my school and community
- No

The next questions ask about events you may have attended or what you have seen on TV.

66. During the past 12 months, have you participated in any community events to discourage people your age from using cigarettes, chewing tobacco, snuff, dip, or cigars?

- Yes
- No

67. During the past 30 days, about how often have you seen anti-smoking commercials on TV or heard them on the radio?

- 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

68. During the past 30 days, about how often have you seen anti-smoking messages on billboards or outdoor signs?

- 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

69. Which TV commercials have you seen in the past 6 months?

(SELECT ALL THAT YOU HAVE SEEN)

- Think. Don't smoke.
- Smoking Kills.
- TRUTH
- Arrive Alive.
- RAGE
- None of these

70. Are you a member of S.W.A.T. (Students Working Against Tobacco)?

- Yes
- No

Some tobacco companies make items like sports gear, T-shirts, lighters, hats, jackets, and sunglasses that people can buy or receive free.

71. During the past 12 months, did you buy or receive anything that has a tobacco company name or picture on it?

- Yes
- No

72. Would you ever use or wear something that has a tobacco company name or picture on it, such as a lighter, t-shirt, hat, or sunglasses?

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

The next questions ask about your exposure to tobacco use.

73. During the past 7 days, on how many days were you in the same room with someone who was smoking cigarettes?

- 0 days
- 1 or 2 days
- 3 to 4 days
- 5 to 6 days
- 7 days

74. During the past 7 days, on how many days did you ride in a car with someone who was smoking cigarettes?

- 0 days
- 1 or 2 days
- 3 to 4 days
- 5 to 6 days
- 7 days

75. Do you think the smoke from other people's cigarettes is harmful to you?

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

76. Besides yourself, does anyone who lives in your home smoke cigarettes now?

- Yes
- No

77. Besides yourself, does anyone who lives in your home use chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip now?

- Yes
- No

78. Which statement best describes you?

- I do not smoke
- I smoke and my parents don't know about it
- I smoke and my parents don't like it
- I smoke and my parents don't mind

79. Have your parents ever offered you a cigarette?

- Yes
- No

80. Is smoking allowed inside your home?

- Yes
- No

81. How many of your four closest friends smoke cigarettes?

- None
- One
- Two
- Three
- Four
- Not sure

82. How many of your four closest friends use chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip?

- None
- One
- Two
- Three
- Four
- Not sure

83. How many of your four closest friends smoke cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars?

- None
- One
- Two
- Three
- Four
- Not sure

84. What is the youngest age a person can legally buy cigarettes in Florida?

- Less than 16 years old
- 16 years old
- 18 years old
- 21 years old
- Not sure

85. Have you or anyone you know gotten a ticket, paid a fine, or had to go to court for using or having tobacco? (YOU CAN CHOOSE ONE ANSWER, OR MORE THAN ONE)

- Yes, I have
- Yes, someone I know has
- No

86. According to Florida law, can your driver's license be suspended if you are under 18 and caught with tobacco?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

87. Do you have a telephone in your home?

- Yes
- No

88. Do you or your parents have a cellular telephone (cell phone, mobile phone, or car phone)?

- Yes
- No

89. Do you have a license or learner's permit to drive a car?

- Yes
- No

90. Does Florida have a law that punishes anyone under age 18 who has cigarettes or any other tobacco product in their possession?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

The next part of the survey asks questions about your health.

Health

91. Has a doctor or nurse ever told you that you have diabetes?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

92. Do you currently take a pill or insulin shot for diabetes?

- Yes, a pill
- Yes, a shot
- Yes, a pill and shot
- No

93. Has a doctor or nurse ever told you that you have asthma?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

94. In the past 12 months, have you had wheezing, dry cough, and/or breathing difficulty not due to a cold or the flu?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

95. In the past 12 months, have you taken any medicine for wheezing, dry cough, and/or breathing difficulty not due to a cold or the flu?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

96. Was the medicine you took for wheezing, dry cough, and/or breathing difficulty not due to a cold or the flu given to you by a doctor?

- I did not take medicine for any of these conditions
- Yes
- No
- Don't know

97. During the past 12 months, about how often have you had to limit your usual activities because of wheezing, dry cough, and/or breathing difficulty not due to a cold or the flu?

- Not at all
- Some in the past 12 months, but not every month
- Some each month
- Some each week
- Some each day

98. During the past 12 months, how many days of school did you miss due to wheezing, dry cough, and/or breathing difficulty not due to a cold or the flu?

- 0 days
- 1 to 7 days
- 8 to 30 days
- 30 or more days

99. How tall are you without your shoes on?

(Write your height in the blank boxes. Fill in the matching circle below each written number.)

Example

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		9	9

100. How much do you weigh without your shoes on?

(Write your weight in the blank boxes. Fill in the matching circle below each written number.)

Example

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Thank You For
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This Survey.

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