



Highlands County: 2014 at a Glance

Data from the 2014 Florida Youth Tobacco Survey (FYTS)



Indicator	Youth (Ages 11-17)				Comparison of Two Rates		
	Highlands County %	95% CI	State %	95% CI	County Significantly Higher Than State	State Significantly Higher Than County	No Significant Difference
Smoked cigarettes on one or more of the past 30 days	8.4	(6.3-10.5)	4.3	(4.1-4.6)	+		
Smoked cigars on one or more of the past 30 days	8.7	(6.3-11.0)	5.4	(5.2-5.7)	+		
Used smokeless tobacco on one or more of the past 30 days	4.8	(3.0-6.7)	3.3	(3.1-3.5)			+
Used electronic cigarettes on one or more of the past 30 days	4.9	(2.8-7.0)	7.2	(6.8-7.5)			+
Used hookah on one or more of the past 30 days	4.4	(2.6-6.3)	7.1	(6.7-7.5)		+	
Used any form of tobacco on one or more of the past 30 days*	13.5	(10.6-16.4)	9.2	(8.8-9.6)	+		
Used any form of tobacco (excluding cigarettes) on one or more of the past 30 days	13.4	(10.5-16.4)	14.8	(14.2-15.3)			+
Thought using electronic cigarettes is less harmful than smoking cigarettes	64.7	(59.5-70.0)	69.4	(68.4-70.3)			+
Thought using hookah is less harmful than smoking cigarettes	39.2	(32.1-46.3)	52.8	(51.7-54.0)		+	
Have never smoked a cigarette and will definitely not smoke a cigarette in the future or if a friend offered one	64.3	(60.4-68.2)	67.1	(66.4-67.7)			+
Exposed to secondhand smoke during the past seven days (in a room or car)	44.2	(40.6-47.7)	37.5	(36.9-38.2)	+		
Smoking is allowed in the home	9.7	(7.4-12.1)	8.4	(8.0-8.7)			+

*This excludes specialty tobacco products, which include bidis, kreteks, pipe tobacco, snus, e-cigarettes, flavored cigarettes, flavored cigars, and flavored smokeless tobacco.



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Students who were taught about tobacco use in any classes this year	33.7	(28.6-38.7)	38.0	(37.1-39.0)			+
Parent or guardian has talked about the dangers of tobacco in the past year	58.3	(54.7-61.9)	62.4	(61.8-63.0)			+
Served as an active member of Students Working Against Tobacco (SWAT)	3.5	(2.3-4.7)	2.8	(2.7- 3.0)			+
Definitely did not think that smokers have more friends	25.3	(21.9-28.7)	28.2	(27.6-28.8)			+
Definitely did not think that smoking helps young people "look cool" or "fit in"	66.1	(62.6-69.6)	68.8	(68.2-69.3)			+
Lifetime asthma	23.3	(20.0-26.7)	20.8	(20.3-21.3)			+
Current asthma	11.3	(8.7-13.8)	11.5	(11.1-11.9)			+
Asthma attack in past year	12.7	(7.8-17.6)	17.7	(16.7-18.7)			+
Obese (i.e., at or above the 95th percentile for body mass index, by age and sex)	15.9	(13.0-18.8)	12.2	(11.8-12.7)	+		
Overweight (i.e., at or above the 85th percentile but below the 95th percentile for body mass index, by age and sex)	17.6	(14.7-20.5)	15.9	(15.4-16.4)			+
Physically active for at least 60 minutes per day during the past seven days	28.2	(24.5-31.9)	22.7	(22.2-23.3)	+		
Exercised to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight during the past 30 days	45.3	(41.4-49.1)	43.7	(43.1-44.4)			+
Described themselves as slightly or very overweight	32.8	(29.1-36.5)	30.7	(30.2-31.3)			+