

Trends in Current Tobacco Product Use among High School Students in New York State

An objective of the New York State's Prevention Agenda (http://www.health.ny.gov/prevention/prevention_agenda/2013-2017/) is to reduce the prevalence of any tobacco product use by high school age students to 15% by 2017. "Any tobacco use" includes use of cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, cigars, or hookah on at least one day in the past 30 days. "All other tobacco products" refer to tobacco products other than cigarettes.

- In 2012, 16.7% of high school students reported use of all other tobacco products whereas 11.9% of high school students were cigarette smokers.
- Since 2000 there has been a statistically significant downward trend in the use of any tobacco products among high school students in New York from 32.5% to 21.8% in 2012. Overall, this is a 33% decline from 2000 to 2012.
- Cigarette smoking prevalence has declined by 56.3% among high school students, while prevalence of all other tobacco product use has risen by 18.4% since 2000.
 The rise in use of all other tobacco products may be partially attributed to collecting data on hookah use beginning in 2008.

Current Use of Tobacco Products among High School Aged Students in New York State, 2000-2012

