

TABLE 9
Smokeless Tobacco: Trends in Thirty-Day Prevalence of Use by Subgroups for Eighth Graders

	Percentage who used in last thirty days																	2006– 2007	
	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	change	
<i>Approximate N =</i>	17,500	18,600	18,300	17,300	17,500	17,800	18,600	18,100	16,700	16,700	16,200	15,100	16,500	17,000	16,800	16,500	16,100		
Total	6.9	7.0	6.6	7.7	7.1	7.1	5.5	4.8	4.5	4.2	4.0	3.3	4.1	4.1	3.3	3.7	3.2	-0.5	
Gender:																			
Male	12.7	12.5	10.9	12.8	11.8	11.4	9.9	8.1	6.9	6.7	6.9	5.4	6.7	6.4	5.3	5.3	4.7	-0.6	
Female	1.4	2.0	2.7	2.4	2.9	2.9	1.5	1.5	2.1	1.8	1.4	1.3	1.8	1.7	1.5	2.1	1.7	-0.4	
College Plans:																			
None or under 4 years	12.7	17.1	15.5	16.7	15.4	16.4	12.6	13.9	13.2	11.4	14.6	10.2	12.8	12.3	10.8	11.3	8.9	-2.4	
Complete 4 years	6.1	5.5	5.3	6.5	6.0	5.6	4.6	3.8	3.5	3.4	2.9	2.6	3.3	3.2	2.4	2.9	2.7	-0.2	
Region:																			
Northeast	5.0	4.9	3.4	6.1	5.4	4.9	3.2	2.7	2.5	2.7	3.7	2.7	3.1	3.4	1.4	2.9	1.5	-1.4	
North Central	7.1	7.5	7.2	7.1	7.6	8.3	6.8	4.3	5.3	4.8	4.0	3.9	3.5	4.2	3.2	4.0	2.9	-1.1	
South	9.5	9.3	8.0	9.9	8.7	8.1	6.7	6.9	5.9	5.8	5.4	4.1	5.9	5.5	5.3	4.6	4.1	-0.5	
West	3.5	4.4	6.3	6.0	5.0	5.9	4.1	3.9	2.9	1.9	2.1	1.5	2.5	2.0	1.4	2.2	2.8	+0.6	
Population Density:																			
Large MSA	4.8	4.2	3.3	4.6	4.1	4.2	3.6	2.9	1.8	2.4	2.4	1.5	2.6	1.9	1.3	1.9	1.9	+0.1	
Other MSA	6.2	6.9	6.8	6.4	6.7	7.1	4.7	4.1	3.9	3.9	3.5	2.9	3.7	3.6	2.8	3.1	3.1	-0.1	
Non-MSA	10.4	10.3	9.9	13.0	11.2	10.6	9.0	8.5	8.9	7.0	7.0	6.2	6.9	7.7	7.0	7.1	5.3	-1.8	
Parental Education: ^a																			
1.0–2.0 (Low)	11.4	7.8	9.4	8.9	10.6	6.3	8.3	5.4	6.6	7.4	5.0	4.5	6.8	6.9	5.7	5.9	4.9	-1.0	
2.5–3.0	8.4	8.5	7.5	8.4	9.9	8.8	6.0	5.1	5.7	5.2	5.4	5.1	5.1	6.0	4.9	3.9	3.7	-0.2	
3.5–4.0	6.7	7.0	7.5	8.7	7.0	7.2	6.5	5.9	4.5	4.5	3.7	3.2	4.1	3.5	3.1	3.7	3.1	-0.6	
4.5–5.0	4.8	7.0	5.2	6.1	5.0	6.8	4.8	4.4	3.3	2.9	2.5	2.4	3.1	3.2	2.4	3.1	2.5	-0.6	
5.5–6.0 (High)	6.1	4.6	4.9	6.8	5.8	5.9	3.7	3.9	3.1	3.0	4.2	2.5	2.7	2.9	1.8	3.4	2.3	-1.2	
Race (2-year average): ^b																			
White	—	8.3	8.0	8.1	8.9	8.8	7.6	6.1	5.4	5.2	4.8	4.1	3.9	4.4	4.2	3.7	3.8	+0.1	
Black	—	1.8	2.7	3.2	2.6	2.2	2.6	2.3	2.3	2.7	2.2	1.6	2.7	3.0	2.0	2.1	2.3	+0.2	
Hispanic	—	4.2	4.0	5.0	5.7	5.2	4.6	4.5	4.6	3.7	3.3	4.0	4.7	4.0	2.6	3.1	2.9	-0.2	

Source: The Monitoring the Future study, the University of Michigan.

Notes: Level of significance of difference between the two most recent classes: *s* = 0.05, *ss* = 0.01, *sss* = 0.001. "—" indicates data not available.

Any apparent inconsistency between the change estimate and the prevalence-of-use estimates for the two most recent classes is due to rounding error.

Data based on one of two forms in 1991–1996 and on two of four forms beginning in 1997; *N* is one half of *N* indicated.

^aParental education is an average score of mother's education and father's education. See Appendix B for details.

^bTo derive percentages for each racial subgroup, data for the specified year and the previous year have been combined to increase subgroup sample size and thus provide more stable estimates. For the data beginning in 2005, see the race/ethnicity note at the end of Appendix D.