

Adolescents Who Use Tobacco Products	
SHIP website description	This indicator shows the percentage of adolescents (public high school students) who used any tobacco product in the last 30 days. Preventing youth from using tobacco products is critical to improving the health of Marylanders. This highly addictive behavior can lead to costly illnesses and death to users and those exposed to secondhand smoke.
Source	Maryland Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) (http://phpa.dhmh.maryland.gov/ccdpc/Reports/Pages/yr_bs.aspx)
Numerator	Number of adolescents (Maryland public high school youth) who reported using any kind of tobacco product
Denominator	Number of persons attending Maryland public high schools (population) via Maryland Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS)
Threshold	50 and/or coefficients of variation > 0.30
Censorship (if below threshold)	Rate not reported if below threshold. Counts may be available upon request. Data is not presented for all years/ counties for the race /ethnicity category "Asian" because the populations are too small to display.
Calculation and metric	(Numerator/Denominator) *100= Single-Year Calculation
Race/ethnicity categories (on SHIP chart)	All races/ ethnicities (aggregated) Black Non-Hispanic Hispanic/Latino White Non-Hispanic Asian
Other	The measure of 'adolescent' use of tobacco refers ONLY to public high school youth, it does not include middle school youth. Prior to 2014, the CDC variable used was QNANYTOB. Post 2014, the variable used for the data above is QNTOB3. The CDC collected and will collect data for the following years: 2010, 2013, 2014, 2018, 2020, 2022. Accordingly, data displayed on this website will only be available for those years.