

# Nigeria-Kano (Ages 13-15)

## Global Youth Tobacco Survey (GYTS)

### FACT SHEET . . . . .



The Nigeria-Kano GYTS includes data on prevalence of cigarette and other tobacco use as well as information on five determinants of tobacco use: access/availability and price, exposure to secondhand smoke (SHS), cessation, media and advertising, and school curriculum. These determinants are components Nigeria-Kano could include in a comprehensive tobacco control program.

The Nigeria-Kano GYTS was a school-based survey of students in Junior Secondary 2 and 3, and Senior Secondary 1

conducted in 2008. A two-stage cluster sample design was used to produce representative data for Nigeria-Kano. At the first stage, schools were selected with probability proportional to enrollment size. At the second stage, classes were randomly selected and all students in selected classes were eligible to participate. The school response rate was 60.0%, the class response rate was 100%, the student response rate was 90.0%, and the overall response rate was 54.0%. A total of 420 students aged 13-15 participated in the Nigeria-Kano GYTS.

### Prevalence

16.1% of students had ever smoked cigarettes (Boy =29.2%, Girl =3.7%)  
21.9% currently use any tobacco product (Boy =17.2%, Girl =27.5%)  
6.2% currently smoke cigarettes (Boy =11.4%, Girl =0.3%)  
19.7% currently use other tobacco products (Boy =24.0%, Girl =14.3%)  
9.8% of never smokers are likely to initiate smoking next year

### Knowledge and Attitudes

31.1% think boys and 21.9% think girls who smoke have more friends  
9.1% think boys and 10.9% think girls who smoke look more attractive

### Exposure to Secondhand Smoke (SHS)

18.7% live in homes where others smoke in their presence  
55.8% are around others who smoke in places outside their home  
70.9% think smoking should be banned from public places  
56.2% think smoke from others is harmful to them  
7.5% have one or more parents who smoke  
6.3% have most or all friends who smoke

### Media and Advertising

65.5% saw anti-smoking media messages, in the past 30 days  
52.7% saw pro-cigarette ads on billboards, in the past 30 days  
52.6% saw pro-cigarette ads in newspapers or magazines, in the past 30 days  
26.8% have an object with a cigarette brand logo  
9.5% were offered free cigarettes by a tobacco company representative

### School

48.3% had been taught in class, during the past year, about the dangers of smoking  
30.1% had discussed in class, during the past year, reasons why people their age smoke  
42.2% had been taught in class, during the past year, the effects of tobacco use

### Highlights

- Over 2 in 10 students currently use any form of tobacco; 6.2% currently smoke cigarettes; approximately 2 in 10 currently use some other form of tobacco.
- SHS exposure is moderate – about 1 in 5 students live in homes where others smoke, over half of the students are around others who smoke in places outside of their home; 7.5% of students have one or more parent who smoke.
- More than half of the students think smoke from others is harmful to them.
- Seven in 10 students think smoking should be banned from public places.
- Over 1 in 4 students has an object with a cigarette brand logo on it.
- Almost two-thirds of students saw anti-smoking messages while over half saw pro-cigarette ads on billboards, and in newspapers or magazines in the past 30 days.