

Sudan

Global School Personnel Survey (GSPS)

FACT SHEET

The Sudan GSPS includes data on prevalence of cigarette and other tobacco use as well as information on attitudes on school policy toward tobacco use, access to teaching materials and training, and attitudes toward tobacco use. These factors are components Sudan could include in a comprehensive tobacco control program.

The Sudan GSPS was a school-based survey of school personnel from the schools that participated in the 2001 Sudan GYTS.

The GYTS was conducted in schools having students in grades 8th, 1st secondary, and 2nd secondary. For the GYTS, a two-stage cluster sample design was used to produce representative data for all of Sudan. 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 94.0%. For the GSPS, 100.0% of the school personnel completed the survey, for a total of 50 teachers and administrators.

Prevalence of Tobacco Use among School Personnel

41.9% ever smoked cigarettes (Admin = 51.6%, Teachers = 34.4%)
 16.6% currently use any tobacco product (Admin = 29.9%, Teachers = 5.0%)
 17.0% currently smoke cigarettes (Admin = 29.9%, Teachers = 5.3%)
 10.0% currently use other tobacco products (Admin = 16.2%, Teachers = 5.0%)

School Policies Prohibiting Tobacco Use

95.5% agree schools should have policy prohibiting tobacco use among students
 60.6% report school has policy prohibiting tobacco use among students
 87.0% agree schools should have a policy prohibiting tobacco use among personnel
 51.0% report school has a policy prohibiting tobacco use among personnel
 100.0% report school enforces policies on tobacco use for students and personnel

Access to Teaching Materials and Training

99.2% think teachers need specific training to help students avoid tobacco use
 44.0% teachers have access to teaching materials on tobacco use
 12.5% teachers had ever received training on youth tobacco use prevention
 29.3% schools use non-classroom programs to teach youth tobacco use prevention

Attitudes

91.1% think smoke from others is harmful to them
 95.5% think teacher tobacco use influences youth tobacco use
 96.5% think tobacco product advertising should be completely banned
 77.7% think the price of tobacco products should be increased
 80.9% think the tobacco industry deliberately encourages youth to use tobacco

Highlights

- 16.6% of school personnel currently use any tobacco product; 17.0% currently smoke cigarettes and 10.0% currently use other tobacco products.
- Three in five schools have a policy prohibiting tobacco use among students; Half have a policy for personnel; All schools enforce their policies.
- More than two in five teachers have access to teaching materials on tobacco use.
- 12.5% of teachers have ever received training on youth tobacco use prevention.
- Nearly three in 10 schools use non-classroom programs to teach youth tobacco use prevention.
- More than nine in 10 think teacher tobacco use influences youth tobacco use.