

Vietnam - Hochiminh Global School Personnel Survey (GSPS)

FACT SHEET

The Vietnam - Hochiminh 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 Vietnam - Hochiminh could include in a comprehensive tobacco control program.

The Vietnam - Hochiminh GSPS was a school-based survey of school personnel from the schools that participated in the 2003 Vietnam - Hochiminh GYTS.

The GYTS was conducted in schools having students in grades 8, 9, and 10. For the GYTS, a two-stage cluster sample design was used to produce representative data for all of Vietnam - Hochiminh. 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 88.0%. For the GSPS, 87.9% of the school personnel completed the survey, for a total of 1,258 teachers and administrators.

Prevalence of Tobacco Use among School Personnel

32.1% ever smoked cigarettes (Admin = 74.9%, Teachers = 28.1%)

24.7% currently smoke cigarettes (Admin = 68.3%, Teachers = 20.6%)

16.0% smoked on school property in the past year (Admin = 22.2%, Teachers = 15.3%)

School Policies Prohibiting Tobacco Use

85.7% report school has policy prohibiting tobacco use among students
50.3% report school has a policy prohibiting tobacco use among personnel

Access to Teaching Materials and Training

79.6% think teachers need specific training to help students avoid tobacco use

42.8% teachers have access to teaching materials on tobacco use

14.4% teachers had ever received training on youth tobacco use prevention

35.0% schools use non-classroom programs to teach youth tobacco use prevention

Attitudes

97.5% think smoke from others is harmful to them

96.3% think teacher tobacco use influences youth tobacco use

79.2% think the price of tobacco products should be increased

60.1% think the tobacco industry deliberately encourages youth to use tobacco

Highlights

- 32.1% of school personnel have ever smoked cigarettes; 24.7% currently smoke cigarettes.
- More than four in five schools have a policy prohibiting tobacco use among students; Half have a policy for personnel.
- Two in five teachers have access to teaching materials on tobacco use.
- 14.4% of the teachers have ever received training on youth tobacco use prevention.
- Over one-third of the schools use non-classroom programs to teach youth tobacco use prevention.
- More than nine in 10 think teacher tobacco use influences youth tobacco use.