

Senegal Global School Personnel Survey (GSPS)

FACT SHEET

The Senegal 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 Senegal could include in a comprehensive tobacco control program.

The Senegal GSPS was a school-based survey of school personnel from the schools that participated in the 2007 Senegal GYTS.

The GYTS was conducted in schools having students in 6ème, 5ème and 4ème. For the GYTS, a two-stage cluster sample design was used to produce representative data for all of Senegal. 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 96.0%. For the GSPS, 84.6% of the school personnel completed the survey, for a total of 619 teachers & administrators.

Prevalence of Tobacco Use among School Personnel

47.9% ever smoked cigarettes (Admin = 51.4%, Teachers = 47.7%)
17.2% currently use any tobacco product (Admin = 12.2%, Teachers = 17.5%)
17.0% currently smoke cigarettes (Admin = 12.3%, Teachers = 17.2%)
3.9% currently use other tobacco products (Admin = 2.3%, Teachers = 4.0%)
22.1% smoked on school property in the past year (Admin = 10.1%, Teachers = 22.9%)

School Policies Prohibiting Tobacco Use

99.0% agree schools should have policy prohibiting tobacco use among students
44.4% report school has policy prohibiting tobacco use among students
93.6% agree schools should have a policy prohibiting tobacco use among personnel
12.5% report school has a policy prohibiting tobacco use among personnel
87.0% report school enforces policies on tobacco use for students and personnel

Access to Teaching Materials and Training

35.7% schools include tobacco use prevention in school curriculum
92.8% think teachers need specific training to help students avoid tobacco use
81.6% teachers have access to teaching materials on tobacco use
9.7% teachers had ever received training on youth tobacco use prevention
26.8% schools use non-classroom programs to teach youth tobacco use prevention

Attitudes

90.7% think smoking should be banned from public places
95.0% think smoke from others is harmful to them
94.9% think teacher tobacco use influences youth tobacco use
90.3% think tobacco product advertising should be completely banned
84.5% think the price of tobacco products should be increased
90.3% think the tobacco industry deliberately encourages youth to use tobacco

Highlights

- 17.2% of school personnel currently use any tobacco product; 17.0% currently smoke cigarettes and 3.9% currently use other tobacco products.
- Over 2 in 5 schools have a policy prohibiting tobacco use among students; 12.5% have a policy for personnel; close to 9 in 10 schools enforce their policies.
- More than one-third of the schools include tobacco use prevention in school curriculum.
- Four in 5 teachers have access to teaching materials on tobacco use.
- 9.7% of teachers have ever received training on youth tobacco use prevention.
- One-quarter of the schools use non-classroom programs to teach youth tobacco use prevention.
- 90.7% think smoking should be banned from public places.
- Over 9 in 10 think teacher tobacco use influences youth tobacco use.