

# Uzbekistan – Tashkent

## Global School Personnel Survey (GSPS)

### FACT SHEET . . . . .

The Uzbekistan - Tashkent 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 Uzbekistan - Tashkent could include in a comprehensive tobacco control program.

The Uzbekistan - Tashkent GSPS was a school-based survey of school personnel from the schools that participated in the 2008 Uzbekistan - Tashkent GYTS.

The GYTS was conducted in schools having students in grades 7 through 9 and 1<sup>st</sup> year Lyceum. For the GYTS, a two-stage cluster sample design was used to produce representative data for all of Uzbekistan - Tashkent. 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 100.0%. For the GSPS, 100.0% of the school personnel completed the survey, for a total of 713 teachers and administrators.

#### Prevalence of Tobacco Use among School Personnel

21.6% ever smoked cigarettes (Admin = 19.8%, Teachers = 21.9%)  
7.2% currently use any tobacco product (Admin = 4.4%, Teachers = 7.5%)  
7.2% currently use other tobacco products (Admin = 4.4%, Teachers = 7.5%)  
6.2% smoked on school property in the past year (Admin = 10.1%, Teachers = 5.7%)

#### School Policies Prohibiting Tobacco Use

95.2% agree schools should have policy prohibiting tobacco use among students  
91.0% report school has policy prohibiting tobacco use among students  
92.1% agree schools should have a policy prohibiting tobacco use among personnel  
74.8% report school has a policy prohibiting tobacco use among personnel  
98.2% report school enforces policies on tobacco use for students and personnel

#### Access to Teaching Materials and Training

70.0% schools include tobacco use prevention in school curriculum  
55.5% think teachers need specific training to help students avoid tobacco use  
74.0% teachers have access to teaching materials on tobacco use  
43.7% teachers had ever received training on youth tobacco use prevention  
85.4% schools use non-classroom programs to teach youth tobacco use prevention

#### Attitudes

94.5% think smoking should be banned from public places  
94.5% think smoke from others is harmful to them  
88.9% think teacher tobacco use influences youth tobacco use  
85.4% think tobacco product advertising should be completely banned  
61.3% think the price of tobacco products should be increased  
56.9% think the tobacco industry deliberately encourages youth to use tobacco

#### Highlights

- 7.2% of school personnel currently use any tobacco product; 6.2% of school personnel have smoked on school property in the past year.
- Nine in 10 schools have a policy prohibiting tobacco use among students; Three-quarters have a policy for personnel; Almost all schools enforce their polices.
- Seven in 10 schools include tobacco use prevention in school curriculum.
- Nearly three-quarters of the teachers have access to teaching materials on tobacco use.
- More than 2 in 5 teachers have ever received training on youth tobacco use prevention.
- Over 4 in 5 schools use non-classroom programs to teach youth tobacco use prevention.
- 94.5% think smoking should be banned from public places.
- Close to 9 in 10 think teacher tobacco use influences youth tobacco use.

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