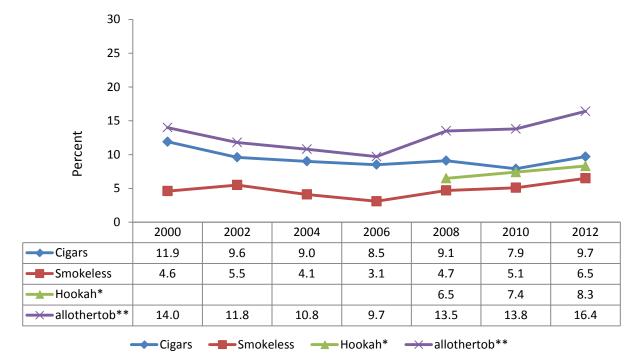


Use of Tobacco Products Other than Cigarettes among High School Students

Although much attention is focused on cigarettes, young people (middle and high school students) have access to other tobacco products including cigars, smokeless tobacco, and hookah*. With decreases in cigarette smoking, it is important to monitor the use of other tobacco products to understand the full extent of tobacco use among youth. Current use is defined as using the product on one or more days in the past 30 days.

- Nearly 200,000 high school youth currently use tobacco products including cigarettes and other tobacco products (data not shown).
- About 154,000 high school youth used tobacco products such as cigars, smokeless tobacco, or hookah on one or more days in the past 30 days.
- Currently about 9.7% of high school youth (89,000) smoked a cigar on one or more days in the past 30 days.
- Current use of smokeless tobacco among high school students was 6.5% in 2012 (60,000 high school youth). The trend in smokeless tobacco use over time is not significant.

Trends in other tobacco use among high school students in New York State, 2000-2012



^{*} Hookah refers to tobacco smoked in a water pipe. The NY Youth Tobacco Survey started collecting data on Hookah use starting in 2008. **allothertob refers to all other tobacco products including cigars, smokeless tobacco and hookah. Cigarettes are not included.

Source: New York Youth Tobacco Survey 2000-2012. Contact the Bureau of Chronic Disease Evaluation and Research, New York State Department of Health at (518) 473-0673 or type 'StatShot' in the subject line of an e-mail and send it to top@health.state.ny.us.