

# San Marino 2010 (Ages 13-15) Global Youth Tobacco Survey (GYTS) FACT SHEET . . . . .



The San Marino GYTS includes data on prevalence of cigarette and other tobacco use as well as information on five determinants of tobacco use: access/availability and price, exposure to secondhand smoke (SHS), cessation, media and advertising, and school curriculum. These determinants are components San Marino could include in a comprehensive tobacco control program.

The San Marino GYTS was a school-based survey of students in grade 3 of middle school, and grades 1 and 2 of high school conducted in 2010.

The San Marino GYTS was a school-based survey of all students (census) in the target grades attending the schools in San Marino (627 students) and the Italian schools (206 students) conducted in 2010.

A total of 833 students participated in the San Marino GYTS of which 728 were ages 13 to 15 years. The overall response rate of all students surveyed was 87.7%."

## Prevalence

- 26.9% of students had ever smoked cigarettes (Boys = 26.8%, Girls = 26.9%)
- 11.2% currently smoke cigarettes (Boys = 10.9%, Girls = 11.6%)
- 3.2% currently daily cigarette smokers (Boys = 2.6%, Girls = 4.0%)
- 6.4% ever smokers initiated smoking before age ten (Boys = 8.9%, Girls = 4.0%)
- 33.9% of never smokers are likely to initiate smoking next year (Boys=28.3%, Girls=39.6%)

## Access and Availability - Current Smokers

- 8.1% usually smoke at home
- 36.3% buy cigarettes in a store

## Exposure to Secondhand Smoke (SHS)

- 33.3% live in homes where others smoke in their presence
- 70.9% are around others who smoke in places outside their home
- 64.3% think smoke from others is harmful to them
- 36.6% have one or more parents who smoke
- 7.9% have most or all friends who smoke

## Cessation - Current Smokers

- 27.8% want to stop smoking
- 51.5% tried to stop smoking during the past year
- 43.1% have ever received help to stop smoking
- 8.3% always have or feel like having a cigarette first thing in the morning

## Media and Advertising

- 89.7% saw anti-smoking media messages in the past 30 days
- 54.8% saw pro-cigarette ads in newspapers or magazines in the past 30 days
- 10.2% have an object with a cigarette brand logo
- 4.1% were offered free cigarettes by a tobacco company representative

## School

- 61.6% had been taught in class, during the past year, about the dangers of smoking
- 59.2% had discussed in class, during the past year, reasons why people their age smoke
- 28.6% had seen teachers smoking in the school building during school hours
- 25.0% had seen students smoking in the school building during school hours

## Highlights

- 11.2% currently smoke cigarettes
- SHS exposure – One-third of the students live in homes where others smoke; 36.6% of the students have at least one parent who smokes
- 64.3% of students think smoke from others is harmful to them
- 27.8% of the current smokers want to stop smoking
- Over one in 10 students have an object with a cigarette brand logo on it
- Nearly nine in 10 students saw anti-smoking media messages in the past 30 days; 54.8% of students saw pro-cigarette ads in newspapers or magazines in the past 30 days
- Six in ten students had been taught in class, during the past year, about the dangers of smoking