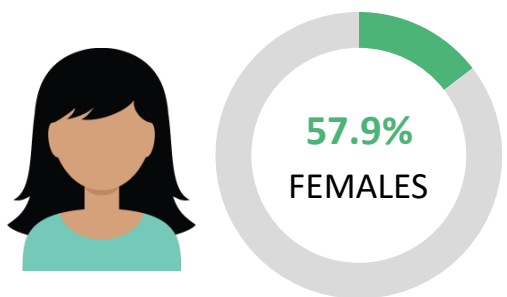
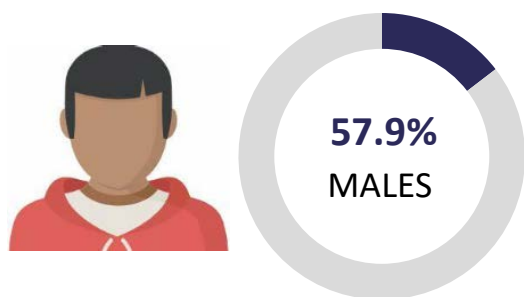


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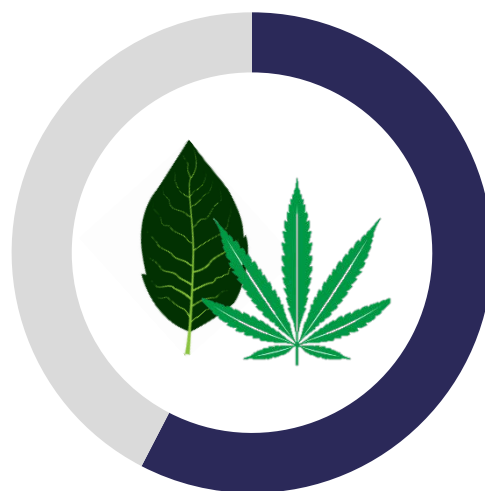
### 2021 Cannabis Co-Use Among High School Youth Who Use Tobacco

By Gender



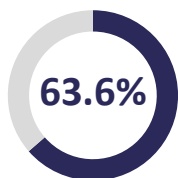
**CANNABIS**  
CO-USE

**57.6%**  
of tobacco users used cannabis in the last 30 days

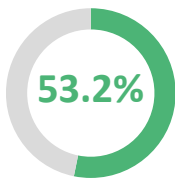


By Poor Mental Health

among YES



among NO



By Grade

9th



11th

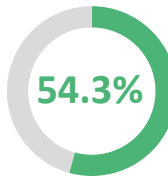
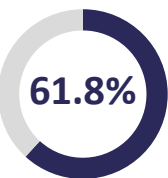


By Sexual Orientation

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual

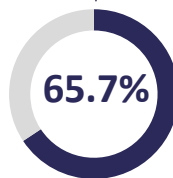


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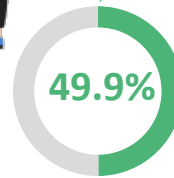


By Close Relationships at School

among NO



among YES



## Key Facts

- Results from the 2021 Youth Risk Behavior Survey estimate that among Connecticut high school students who reported using some form of tobacco, including cigarettes, cigars, e-cigarettes or other electronic vapor products, hookahs, smokeless tobacco and pipes, on 1 or more of the last 30 days (i.e., current use) approximately 9,300 or 57.6% were also current cannabis users (i.e., cannabis co-use)
- The percentage of cannabis co-use was the same among male and female tobacco users (57.9%)
- High school tobacco users who reported that their mental health was not good most of the time or always (63.6%) were more likely than their counterparts without poor mental health (53.2%) to have been cannabis co-users, although the difference between the two groups is not statistically significant
- Tobacco users in 11th grade (62.9%) were significantly more likely than those in 9th grade (42.9%) to have reported co-use of cannabis
- Youth tobacco users who identify as lesbian, gay or bisexual (61.8%) were more likely than heterosexual (straight) students (54.3%) to have co-used cannabis, but the difference is not statistically significant
- High school tobacco users who reported they did not feel close to others at their school (65.7%) were significantly more likely to have co-used cannabis than were those who did have close relationships (49.9%)
- The prevalence of current cannabis use was 10 times higher among youth tobacco users (57.6%) than it was among youth who did not use tobacco (5.6%)
- High school tobacco users (57.6%) were significantly more likely than adult tobacco users (33.1%)<sup>†</sup> to have co-used cannabis

<sup>†</sup>Connecticut Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2021.

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