## Tobacco Control Program — March 2016

## Estimates from the 2000-2015 Connecticut Youth Tobacco Surveys

- Since 2000, the rate of current cigarette smoking (use on 1 or more days of the past 30 days) among Connecticut middle and high school students has declined rapidly. [Figure 1]
- Between 2011 and 2015, significant decreases occurred in the percentage of middle ( $2.9 \%$ to $0.8 \%$ ) and high ( $14.0 \%$ to $5.6 \%$ ) school students who currently smoked cigarettes. [Figure 1; Table 1]
- The rate of cigarette smoking decreased significantly between 2011 and 2015 among high school males ( $16.1 \%$ to $5.6 \%$ ) and females (11.8\%-5.6\%). [Figure 2; Table 1]

Figure 1-Current Cigarette Smoking Among CT Middle and High School Students by Year


Table 1

| Demographic Characteristics | Current Cigarette Smoking Among CT Middle and High School Students-2011 and 2015 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Middle School |  |  |  | High School |  |  |  |
|  | 2011 |  | 2015 |  | 2011 |  | 2015 |  |
|  | \% | 95\% CI | \% | 95\% CI | \% | 95\% CI | \% | 95\% CI |
| Overall | 2.9 | (1.7-4.2) | 0.8 | (0.4-1.2) | 14.0 | (11.8-16.2) | 5.6 | (3.5-7.8) |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 3.1 | (1.4-4.7) | —** | - | 16.1 | (12.8-19.5) | 5.6 | (3.3-7.8) |
| Female | 2.7 | (1.5-3.9) | 1.0 | (0.4-1.5) | 11.8 | (9.1-14.4) | 5.6 | (2.8-8.4) |

**These estimates are suppressed because the data are statistically unreliable.

Figure 2-Current Cigarette Smoking Among CT Middle and High School Students by Year and Sex


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