

# Average age at which students in grade 12 reported that they smoked a cigarette (more than a puff) for the first time

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Province				
New Brunswick	14.1	14.2	14.7	13.4
Health zones				
Zone 1 - Moncton and South-East Area	14.5	14.3	14.8	13.7
Zone 2 - Fundy Shore and Saint John Area	13.7	14.3	14.7	13.6
Zone 3 - Fredericton and River Valley Area	14.0	13.8	14.6	13.2
Zone 4 - Madawaska and North-West Area	14.6	14.1	15.3	13.4
Zone 5 - Restigouche Area	13.6	13.6	13.8	13.0
Zone 6 - Bathurst and Acadian Peninsula Area	14.3	14.7	15.0	13.5
Zone 7 - Miramichi Area	14.0	13.9	14.9	13.0
Communities				
Bathurst, Beresford, Petit-Rocher Area	14.2	14.8	15.3	13.6
Bouctouche, Richibucto, Saint-Antoine Area	14.0	14.5	14.8	13.6
Campbellton, Atholville, Tide Head Area	S	S	13.7	S
Caraquet, Paquetville, Bertrand Area	S	14.4	S	S
Dalhousie, Balmoral, Belledune Area	S	S	S	S
Dieppe and Memramcook	14.9	S	15.5	14.1
Douglas, Saint Marys, Doaktown Area	S	S	S	S
Edmundston, Rivière-Verte, Lac Baker Area	14.7	14.0	15.5	13.9
Florenceville-Bristol, Woodstock, Wakefield Area	13.2	13.6	14.7	13.3
Fredericton	14.4	14.3	15.0	13.7
Grand Falls, Saint-Léonard, Drummond Area	S	S	S	13.1



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Hillsborough, Riverside-Albert, Alma Area	S	S	S	S
Kedgwick, Saint-Quentin and Grimmer	S	S	S	S
Minto, Chipman, Cambridge-Narrows Area	S	S	S	12.8
Miramichi, Rogersville, Blackville Area	14.0	13.9	14.9	13.0
Moncton	14.7	14.4	14.9	13.6
Nackawic, McAdam, Canterbury Area	S	S	S	12.7
Neguac, Alnwick, Esgenoopetitj Area	S	S	S	S
New Maryland, Kingsclear, Lincoln Area	S	S	S	S
Oromocto, Gagetown, Fredericton Junction Area	14.1	13.9	14.0	13.2
Perth-Andover, Plaster Rock, Tobique Area	S	14.2	S	12.9
Quispamsis, Rothesay, Hampton Area	13.8	14.3	15.2	13.7
Riverview and Coverdale	S	14.4	14.9	13.7
Sackville, Dorchester, Port Elgin Area	S	S	S	S
Saint John, Simonds and Musquash	13.8	14.0	14.7	13.5
Salisbury and Petitcodiac	S	14.3	13.9	13.6
Shediac, Beaubassin East and Cap-Pelé	S	S	S	S
Shippagan, Lamèque, Inkerman Area	S	S	S	S
St. George, Grand Manan, Blacks Harbour Area	S	S	S	13.1
St. Stephen, Saint Andrews, Campobello Island Area	s S	S	14.5	13.6
Sussex, Norton, Sussex Corner Area	S	S	13.9	13.8
Tracadie and Saint-Isidore	14.2	14.5	S	S
School districts				
Anglophone East School District	14.5	14.2	14.7	13.6
Anglophone North School District	13.9	13.7	14.7	13.1



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Anglophone South School District	13.7	14.3	14.7	13.6
Anglophone West School District	13.9	13.9	14.6	13.2
Anglophone sector	13.9	14.0	14.7	13.4
District scolaire francophone Nord-Est	14.1	14.8	14.9	13.4
District scolaire francophone Nord-Ouest	14.7	14.0	15.3	13.5
District scolaire francophone Sud	14.6	14.6	15.0	14.0
Francophone sector	14.4	14.5	15.0	13.6
Grades				
Grades 6 to 8	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Grades 9 to 12	14.1	14.2	14.7	13.4
Gender				
Female	14.5	14.5	n/a	n/a
Male	13.8	13.9	n/a	n/a
Non-binary	13.0	14.3	n/a	n/a
Sex at birth				
Female	14.4	14.4	15.0	n/a
Male	13.8	13.9	14.5	n/a
2SLGBTQIA+ status				
2SLGBTQIA+	14.1	14.2	n/a	n/a
Indigenous identity				
Indigenous	13.4	13.1	14.1	12.9
Immigrant				
Immigrants	14.1	14.4	14.5	n/a



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Disability or special need	13.4	n/a	n/a	n/a
Racialized groups				
Racialized groups	14.0	n/a	n/a	n/a



#### **About**

This indicator is the average age at which students in grade 12 reported that they smoked a cigarette (more than a puff) for the first time. This indicator includes tobacco cigarettes that are bought ready-made and cigarettes that students make themselves. It does not include ecigarettes, vaping devices and other tobacco products.

#### Source

Student Wellness and Education Survey - Grades 6-12

# **Calculations**

This indicator is based on respondents who are in grade 12. This indicator is calculated by doing the "sum of the values" divided by "number of values" to the question: At what age did you first do the following things? If there is something you have not done, choose the 'never' category. c) Smoke a cigarette (more than a puff)

### **Notes**

Users are advised to exercise caution if comparing data from the community of Grand Bay-Westfield, Westfield, Greenwich Area to other New Brunswick communities. The data for the community of Grand Bay-Westfield, Westfield, Greenwich Area is based on students in grades 6 to 8, while data from the other communities are based on students in grades 6 to 12. Survey results are assigned to communities based on the location of the school. The community of Grand Bay-Westfield, Westfield, Greenwich Area does not have any schools with grades 9 to 12.

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## Caption

n/a = Not applicable / not available

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{S}}$  = Data suppressed due to confidentiality requirements and/or small sample size