

Are we achieving **tobacco-free living** among New Brunswick children and youth?

It's a fact:

Smoking is a major risk factor for key conditions such as lung cancer, heart disease and COPD. New Brunswick youth rank the worst in the country.

New Brunswick ranks **10/10** among provinces for youth smoking

Indicators moving in the right direction

Several indicators on exposure to second-hand smoke are trending in the right direction:

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The percentage of youth in contact with second-hand smoke at home has decreased
2009-2010: 23% 2012-2013: 19%
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The percentage of youth in contact with second-hand smoke in a vehicle has decreased
2009-2010: 32% 2012-2013: 27%
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The percentage of children who live with people who smoke or use tobacco has decreased
2010-2011: 38% 2013-2014: 35%

Indicators moving in the wrong direction


 The percentage of youth who have never tried smoking by grade 12 has decreased
2009-2010: 60% 2012-2013: 53%

Current student smoking

New Brunswick	7%
Boys	9%
Girls	5%
Immigrants	9%
Aboriginals	13%

Risk of future smoking

New Brunswick	24%
Boys	26%
Girls	22%
Immigrants	24%
Aboriginals	31%