Tobacco and Marijuana

Tobacco:

Lifetime Use of Cigarettes Continues to Decline:	8 th	10 th	12 th	30-Day Use of Cigarettes is also Declining:	8 th	10 th	12 th
2015	11.0%	18.3%	32.7%	2015	3.5%	6.8%	14.6%
2017	9.4%	16.2%	29.0%	2017	2.5%	6.0%	13.2%
2019	6.9%	12.2%	21.9%	2019	1.9%	4.0%	7.5%

- 12th graders report higher 30-day use of cigarettes than their national peers* – 7.5% to 5.7%.
- 12th graders report using smokeless tobacco at a higher rate than their national peers (11.8% to 9.8% lifetime; 5.0% to 3.5% 30-day).



• Both of these rates continue to drop from 18.9% lifetime and 10.3% 30-day in 2013.

Marijuana Use		8 th	10 th	12 th
Lifetime	PA	7.4%	22.4%	37.5%
	USA	15.2%	34.0%	43.7%
30-Day	PA	4.0%	12.9%	20.8%
	USA	6.6%	18.4%	22.3%

Marijuana:

- Lifetime use by 8th, 10th, and 12th grade students has gone down or remained constant between 2017 and 2019; however, the national numbers have increased dramatically in 8th grade (15.2% in 2019, compared to 13.5% in 2017; and 10th grade (34.0% to 30.7%). This trend is comparable at the 30-day use level as well.
- More students in 10th and 12th grade report using marijuana than tobacco for both lifetime use and 30-day use.
- 31.7% of 12th graders reported a willingness to try marijuana, up from 30.8% in 2017.