

TABLE 7
Smokeless Tobacco: Trends in Thirty-Day Prevalence of Use by Subgroups for Twelfth Graders

	Percent who used in last thirty days																								'99-'00 change		
	Class of 1975	Class of 1976	Class of 1977	Class of 1978	Class of 1979	Class of 1980	Class of 1981	Class of 1982	Class of 1983	Class of 1984	Class of 1985	Class of 1986	Class of 1987	Class of 1988	Class of 1989	Class of 1990 ^a	Class of 1991 ^a	Class of 1992	Class of 1993	Class of 1994	Class of 1995	Class of 1996	Class of 1997	Class of 1998		Class of 1999	Class of 2000
	Approx. N = 9400 15400 17100 17800 15500 15900 17500 17700 16300 15900 16000 15200 16300 16300 16700 15200 15000 15800 16300 15400 15400 14300 15400 15200 13600 12800																										
Total	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11.5	11.3	10.3	8.4	—	—	11.4	10.7	11.1	12.2	9.8	9.7	8.8	8.4	7.6	-0.7
Gender:																											
Male	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	22.3	22.8	19.9	15.9	—	—	20.8	19.7	20.3	23.6	19.5	18.7	15.6	15.5	14.4	-1.2
Female	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.6	0.7	1.7	1.2	—	—	2.0	2.3	2.6	1.8	1.1	1.2	1.5	1.3	1.3	0.0
College Plans:																											
None or under 4 yrs.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14.5	15.5	13.1	9.6	—	—	18.0	14.9	15.8	18.7	17.6	16.9	14.3	10.5	15.8	+5.3
Complete 4 yrs.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9.8	9.0	8.8	7.7	—	—	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.9	7.6	7.4	7.1	7.6	5.4	-2.2
Region:																											
Northeast	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9.5	7.3	5.9	5.0	—	—	8.2	9.6	12.0	9.6	8.4	6.9	2.6	4.3	5.3	+1.0
North Central	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	13.5	11.3	10.8	8.3	—	—	12.3	13.6	14.7	16.7	12.6	13.4	11.8	8.9	11.1	+2.1
South	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12.2	13.7	12.1	9.8	—	—	12.5	11.1	9.7	11.9	9.2	9.0	10.5	10.7	7.3	-3.4
West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9.3	11.7	10.9	9.1	—	—	11.1	7.0	8.5	8.6	8.5	9.1	7.3	7.0	6.3	-0.7
Population Density:																											
Large MSA	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9.0	6.4	7.7	6.8	—	—	5.9	7.1	7.5	12.5	8.6	6.5	4.7	4.9	4.2	-0.7
Other MSA	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8.9	10.5	8.5	7.6	—	—	11.1	9.9	11.3	9.5	7.4	7.4	7.7	8.5	7.9	-0.6
Non-MSA	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	17.1	17.5	16.1	11.7	—	—	16.9	15.0	14.7	16.7	15.3	17.9	16.1	11.7	11.4	-0.3
Parental Education: ^b																											
1.0-2.0 (Low)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8.6	11.7	10.7	5.3	—	—	14.9	7.0	12.3	9.8	6.3	5.8	6.1	5.4	4.3	-1.1
2.5-3.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14.4	11.5	10.7	7.0	—	—	12.4	11.6	12.9	11.5	10.4	10.7	9.0	9.1	9.9	+0.9
3.5-4.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11.5	12.1	10.6	9.0	—	—	12.4	10.8	9.8	12.8	9.1	10.4	9.8	8.8	8.9	0.0
4.5-5.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10.4	11.7	11.8	10.2	—	—	8.0	13.3	11.1	12.8	11.4	9.1	9.6	8.5	6.2	-2.3
5.5-6.0 (High)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7.7	8.1	7.2	8.4	—	—	10.6	7.8	10.2	11.6	8.1	9.9	7.4	7.9	5.7	-2.2
Race (2-year average): ^c																											
White	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12.9	12.0	10.6	—	—	—	13.8	13.8	13.8	13.0	12.2	11.8	11.0	10.5	10.5	-0.5
Black	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.1	4.5	4.5	—	—	—	2.0	1.9	2.1	2.7	2.2	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	-0.1
Hispanic	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4.4	5.2	5.1	—	—	—	6.0	5.4	7.6	8.1	5.3	4.3	3.9	3.8	3.8	-0.1

NOTES: Level of significance of difference between the two most recent classes: $s = .05$, $ss = .01$, $sss = .001$. '—' indicates data not available.
 Any apparent inconsistency between the change estimate and the prevalence of use estimates for the two most recent classes is due to rounding error.
 See Table D-59 for the number of subgroup cases.
 See Appendix B for definition of variables in table.
 Data based on one of six forms; N is one-sixth of N indicated in Table D-59.

SOURCE: The Monitoring the Future Study, the University of Michigan.

CAUTION: Limited sample sizes (see "Notes" above). Use caution in interpreting subgroup trends.

^aPrevalence of smokeless tobacco use was not asked of twelfth graders in 1990 and 1991. Prior to 1990 the prevalence of use question on smokeless tobacco was located near the end of one twelfth-grade questionnaire form, whereas after 1991 the question was placed earlier and in a different form. This shift could explain the discontinuities between the corresponding data.

^bParental education is an average score of mother's education and father's education. See Appendix B for details.

^cTo derive percentages for each racial subgroup, data for the specified year and the previous year have been combined to increase subgroup sample sizes and thus provide more stable estimates.