

# **Country fact sheets**

The World Health Organization (WHO) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Atlanta, developed the Global School Personnel Survey to track tobacco use among school personnel across countries using a common methodology and core questionnaire. Information from the Survey is compiled within the participating country by a Research Coordinator nominated by the Ministry of Health, and technically reviewed by WHO and CDC. The content has not otherwise been edited by WHO or CDC.

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## Morocco 2010 (Teachers & Administrators) Global School Personnel Survey (GSPS)

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The Morocco GSPS includes data on prevalence of cigarette and other tobacco use as well as information on attitudes on school policy toward tobacco use, access to teaching materials and training, and attitudes toward tobacco use. These factors are components Morocco could include in a comprehensive tobacco control program.

The Morocco GSPS was a school-based survey of school personnel from the schools that participated in the 2010 Morocco GYTS.

The GYTS was conducted in schools having students in 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> year Collège and 1<sup>st</sup> year Lycée. For the GYTS, a two-stage cluster sample design was used to produce representative data for all of Morocco. At the first stage, schools were selected with probability proportional to enrollment size. At the second stage, classes were randomly selected and all students in selected classes were eligible to participate. For the GSPS, a total of 689 school personnel (teachers and administrators) completed the survey.

#### **Prevalence of Tobacco Use**

44.6% ever smoked cigarettes (Admin = 55.7%, Teachers = 40.9%)

23.0% currently use any tobacco product (Admin = 30.7%, Teachers = 20.5%)

23.0% currently smoke cigarettes (Admin = 28.1%, Teachers = 21.4%)

2.1% currently use other tobacco products (Admin = 3.3%, Teachers = 1.6%)

16.3% smoked on school property in the past year (Admin = 20.0%, Teachers = 15.0%)

#### **School Policies Prohibiting Tobacco Use**

97.3% agree schools should have policy prohibiting tobacco use among students

83.7% report school has policy prohibiting tobacco use among students

91.2% agree schools should have a policy prohibiting tobacco use among personnel

38.0% report school has a policy prohibiting tobacco use among personnel

84.1% report school enforces policies on tobacco use for students and personnel

## **Access to Teaching Materials and Training**

67.4% schools include tobacco use prevention in school curriculum

79.2% think teachers need specific training to help students avoid tobacco use

30.9% teachers have access to teaching materials on tobacco use

5.9% teachers had ever received training on youth tobacco use prevention

26.9% schools use non-classroom programs to teach youth tobacco use prevention

#### **Attitudes**

93.0% think smoking should be banned from public places

97.9% think smoke from others is harmful to them

91.3% think tobacco product advertising should be completely banned

79.5% think the price of tobacco products should be increased

83.9% think the tobacco industry deliberately encourages youth to use tobacco

### **Highlights**

- 23.0% of teachers and administrators currently use any tobacco product; 23.0% currently smoke cigarettes and 2.1% currently use other tobacco products.
- More than eight in 10 schools have a policy prohibiting tobacco use among students; Almost four in 10 have a policy for personnel; More than eight in 10 schools enforce their policies.
- Three-quarters of the schools include tobacco use prevention in school curriculum.
- Three in 10 teachers have access to teaching materials on tobacco use.
- 5.9% of teachers have ever received training on youth tobacco use prevention.
- One-quarter of the schools use non-classroom programs to teach youth tobacco use prevention.
- More than nine in 10 think smoking should be banned from public places.