

## Youth Who Never Smoked a Whole Cigarette, Waterloo Region & Ontario, 2009-2010, 2011-2012, 2013-2014

**Table 1. Proportion of youth aged 12 to 18 years who never smoked a whole cigarette, by place of residence, Waterloo Region & Ontario, 2009-2010, 2011-2012, 2013-2014**

| Place of residence | Year      | Per cent             |
|--------------------|-----------|----------------------|
| Waterloo Region    | 2009-2010 | 81.8 (CI: 74.3-89.4) |
|                    | 2011-2012 | 94.3 (CI: 89.5-99.2) |
|                    | 2013-2014 | 91.2 (CI: 86.6-95.9) |
| Ontario            | 2009-2010 | 85.7 (CI: 84.3-87.1) |
|                    | 2011-2012 | 89.3 (CI: 88.0-90.6) |
|                    | 2013-2014 | 88.1 (CI: 86.5-89.6) |

### Definition:

Proportion of youth aged 12 to 18 years who report they have never smoked a whole cigarette.

### Limitations and Notes:

The CCHS is based on self-reported data collected in telephone and in-person interviews. The CCHS excludes individuals living on Indian reserve communities, institutions, full-time members of the Canadian Armed Forces, and residents of remote regions of the country.

Self-reported measures are subject to such sources of bias as social desirability bias and recall bias.

Estimates provided at the municipal level may not be representative of the given population as the CCHS sampling frame was not designed for analysis below the health region level.

## Limitations and Notes (continued):

'Don't know', refused and not stated responses were removed from analysis when they represented less than five per cent of the sample. In removing these responses from the denominator, the assumption is that the missing values are random, which is not always the case.

The 'Townships' category combines responses from North Dumfries, Wellesley, Wilmot and Woolwich townships.

'CI' refers to 95 per cent confidence limits. The superscript 'E' denotes high sampling variability, and estimates must be interpreted with caution. The 'F' denotes estimates which were suppressed due to unacceptably high sampling variability..

## Source:

Canadian Community Health Survey, 2009-2010, 2011-2012, 2013-2014, Statistics Canada, Share File, Ontario MOHLTC.

**Table 2. Proportion of youth aged 12 to 18 years who never smoked a whole cigarette, by sex, municipality, household income & immigration status, Waterloo Region, 2009-2014 (combined)**

| Measure            |                    | Per cent              |
|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Sex                | Male               | 87.9 (CI: 83.1-92.8)  |
|                    | Female             | 90.5 (CI: 85.6-95.4)  |
| Municipality       | Cambridge          | 88.0 (CI: 81.1-94.9)  |
|                    | Kitchener          | 90.1 (CI: 85.2-95.0)  |
|                    | Waterloo           | 88.9 (CI: 80.5-97.3)  |
|                    | Townships          | 89.2 (CI: 79.2-99.1)  |
| Household income   | Less than \$40,000 | 81.1 (CI: 68.6-93.7)  |
|                    | \$40,000-\$69,999  | 89.6 (CI: 82.7-96.5)  |
|                    | \$70,000-\$99,999  | 88.9 (CI: 81.2-96.6)  |
|                    | \$100,000 or more  | 93.2 (CI: 89.5-97.0)  |
| Immigration status | Immigrant          | 94.6 (CI: 87.5-100.0) |
|                    | Canadian-born      | 89.2 (CI: 85.6-92.8)  |

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