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Canadian Tobacco Use Monitoring Survey

February to December 2006

Smoking rates among teenagers aged 15 to 19 have declined, according to the latest results from the Canadian Tobacco Use Monitoring Survey (CTUMS) conducted from February to December 2006.

An estimated 15% of teenagers in this age group were either daily smokers or smoked occasionally in 2006, down from 18% in 2005, the survey found. The rates for this age group were unchanged between 2003 and 2005 at 18%, after falling from 28% in 1999.

The proportion of teenagers who were daily smokers declined from 11% in 2005 to 9% in 2006.

Young women apparently accounted for most of the decline. The smoking rate for girls aged 15 to 19 fell from 18% in 2005 to 14% in 2006. Smoking prevalence among their male equivalents was 16% compared to 18% in 2005.

In the provinces as a whole, overall smoking prevalence remained constant. Estimates show that slightly fewer than 5 million people, or 19% of the population aged 15 and older, reported smoking daily or occasionally in 2006, roughly the same as in 2005.

Provincial differences in smoking prevalence also remained stable, with all provinces within 5 percentage points of the national average of 19%. The lowest rate was in British Columbia, where only 16% of the population smoked.

As well, 37% of respondents in the CTUMS reported being exposed to second-hand smoke at least once a week. Another 12% said they were exposed to second-hand smoke every day.

Respondents were asked about the most common place in which they had been exposed to second-hand smoke in the 30 days prior to the interview, excluding their own home. Just over one-half (51%) said it was at an entrance to a building, 31% cited outdoor patios of a restaurant or bar, 29% cited inside other people's homes, 25% cited inside a car or other vehicle, and 23% cited in the workplace.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 4440.

February to December 2006 data are now available in the *Canadian Tobacco Use Monitoring Survey Microdata File* (82M0020XCB, \$2,140). See *How to order products*.

For information on the public-use microdata file or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Client Services (toll-free 1-800-461-9050; 613-951-3321; fax: 613-951-4527; ssd@statcan.ca), Special Surveys Division.

For more information about the survey results, contact Renee Bergeron (613-957-2988; renee_bergeron@hc-sc.gc.ca) or visit the Tobacco Control Program website (http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/hl-vs/tobac-tabac/index_e.html), Health Canada. ■

Farm product prices

May 2007

Prices received by farmers in May for grains, oilseeds, specialty crops, potatoes, cattle, hogs, poultry, eggs and dairy products are now available.

The Manitoba canola price in May was \$357.58 per metric tonne, up 4% from April, and up 30% from May 2006 when the price was \$275.08.

The May slaughter calves price in Ontario was \$102.22 per hundredweight, up 4% from one month earlier, but down 15% from the May 2006 price of \$119.60.

Farm commodity prices are now available on CANSIM. Over 35 commodities are available by province, some series going back 20 years.

Available on CANSIM: table 002-0043.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 3436.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Nickeisha Patterson (613-951-3249; fax: 613-951-3868; nickeisha.patterson@statcan.ca), Agriculture Division. ■

New products

**Canadian Tobacco Use Monitoring Survey
Microdata File**, February to December 2006
Catalogue number **82M0020XCB** (\$2,140).

All prices are in Canadian dollars and exclude sales tax. Additional shipping charges apply for delivery outside Canada.

Periodical Publishing: Data Tables, 2005
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