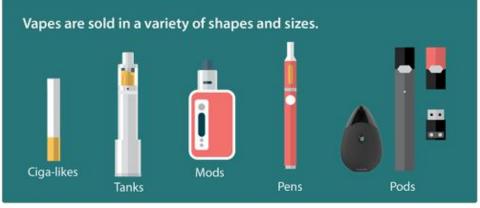
# Understanding the New Vaping Epidemic for California



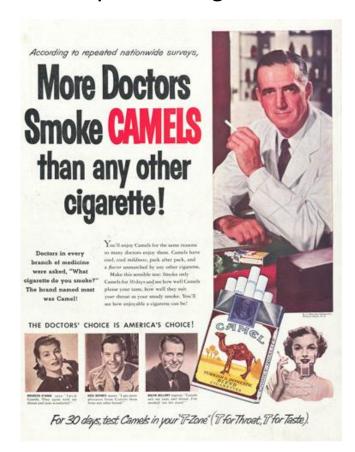


Outbreak of Lung Injury
Associated with ECigarette Use, or
Vaping

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# 1950-60s: Evidence Cigarettes Cause Cancer

Industry Marketing and Public Relations: Creating Doubt in 1954



#### A Frank Statement to Cigarette Smokers

RECENT REPORTS on experiments with mice have given wide publicity to a theory that eigeness sensking is in some way linked with lung cancer in human beings.

Although conducted by doctors of professional standing, these experiments are not regarded as conclusive in the field of cancer research. However, we do not believe that any serious medical research, even though its results are inconclusive should be disregarded or lightly dismissed.

At the same time, we feel it is in the public interest to call attention to the fact that emission decises and research admitte have publicly questioned the claimed significance of these experiments.

Distinguished authorities point out:

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4. That statistics purposing to link algoretic arceking with the disease could apply with equal force to any see of many other aspects of motion life. Indeed the radiality of the statistics themselves in quantitated by nanorous scientists.

We accept an interest in people's health as a basic responsibility, parameters to every other consideration in our business.

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We believe the products we make are not injurious to callb.

We always have and always will cooperate closely with those whose task it is to safeguard the public health. For more than 300 years tobacco has given solace, relaxation, and enjoyment to munkind. At one time or another during those years ordice have held it responsible for practically every disease of the human body. One by one these charges have been abandoned for lack of evidence.

Regardiess of the record of the past, the fact that eigenests smoking today should even be suspected as a cause of a serious disease in a matter of deep concern to us.

Many people have asked us what we are doing to meet the public's concern aroused by the recent reports. Here is the

- We are pledging aid and enterance to the research effort into all planes of tobacco use and health. This joint fenencial aid will of course be in addition to what is already being contributed by judiciated companies.
- For this purpose we are establishing a joint industry group consisting initially of the undersigned. This group will be known as TOBACCO INDUSTRY RESEARCH COMMITTEE.
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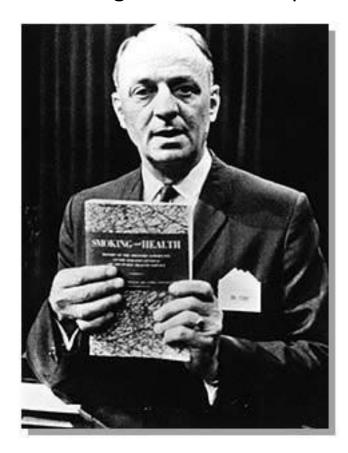
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#### 1964 Surgeon General Report

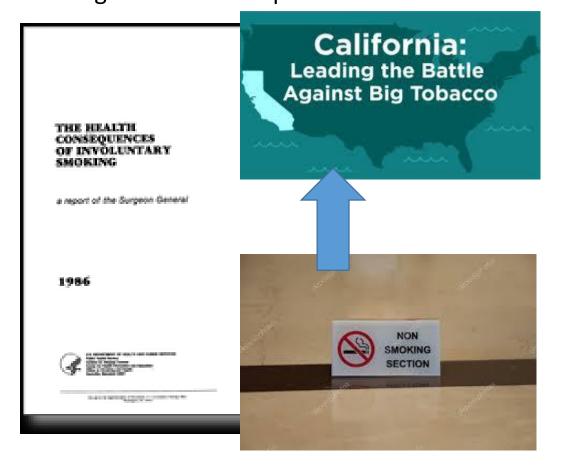


# 1970s-80s: Health Concerns including for Nonsmokers

Industry Advertising "Low Tar" as Less Harm



1986 Surgeon General Report: Secondhand Smoke



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# 2006 US DOJ: Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations

The Industry "continues to engage in and execute...50 year scheme to defraud public" on health effects and marketing to children

# "Corrective" statements aired in 2017-8, but only 40% of US adults aware JAMA Netw Open 2019

- Addictiveness of smoking and nicotine
- Lack of health benefits from smoking "low tar", "light", "ultra light", "mild", and "natural" cigarettes (deceptively marketed as less harmful)
- Manipulation of cigarette design and composition to ensure optimum nicotine delivery
- Adverse health effects of smoking & exposure to secondhand smoke





Cigarette companies control the impact and delivery

# 2009 Food & Drug Administration Regulation

Authority to **regulate** the manufacture, distribution, and marketing of tobacco products

 Approval needed to market, make cessation or reduced harm claims



 Cigarillos, little cigars, e-cigarettes are not "cigarettes"

**Moratorium** on 2016 e-cigarette regulation until 2022 → now 2020







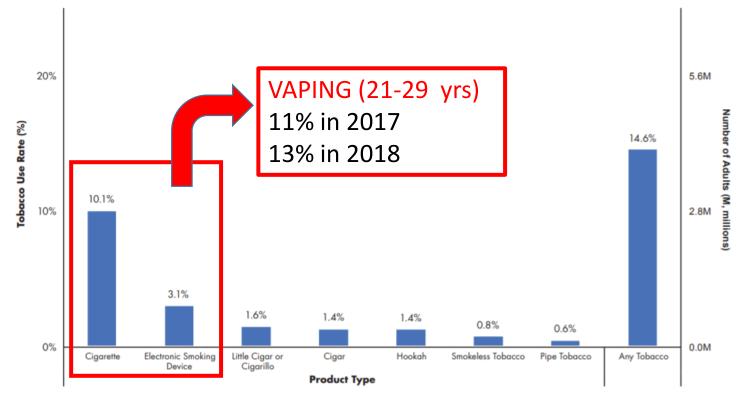


# CA Smoking Declining but Vaping & Marijuana Rising

#### **ADULT TOBACCO USE**

Despite the decline in cigarette smoking rate, approximately four million adults in California currently use or had used a tobacco product in the past 30 days (Figure 8). The number of adult tobacco users in California exceeds the population in 23 states. The number of adult tobacco users in California exceeds the population in 23 states.

Figure 8. Tobacco use rate among California adults by product type, 2017



Note: Restricted to respondents aged 18 or older. Cigarette and electronic smoking device use are based on self-reported current use. Cigar, hookah, little cigar or cigarillo, pipe tobacco, or smokeless tobacco use are based on self-reported past 30-day use. Any tobacco use is based on current use of cigarette are electronic smoking device or past 30-day use of cigar, hookah, little cigar or cigarillo, hookah, pipe tobacco, or smokeless tobacco. Source: Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2017. Sacramento, CA: California Department of Public Health; October 2018.

# MARIJUANA USE IN ADULTS (2016-2018)

Overall (18-64 yrs)

•  $9\% \rightarrow 11\% \rightarrow 15\%$ 

Young Adults (21-29 yrs)

•  $12\% \rightarrow 17\% \rightarrow 27\%$ 

#### **CO-USE TOBACCO**

Overall (18-64 yrs)

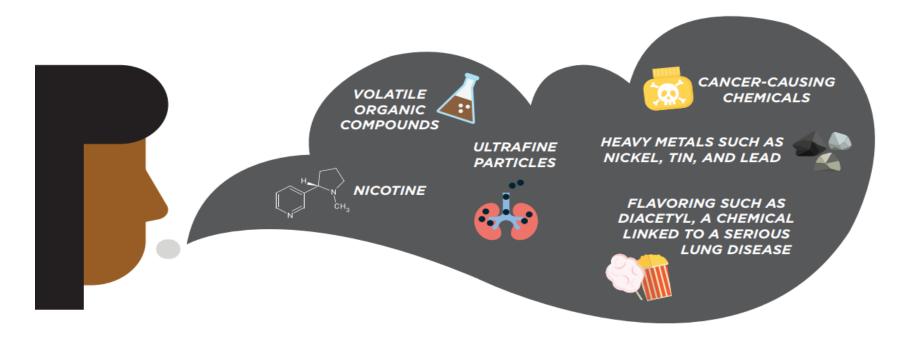
•  $4\% \to 4\% \to 7\%$ 

Young Adults (21-29 yrs)

6% → 9% → 12%

# What's in the Aerosol? NOT Water "Vapor"

THE E-CIGARETTE AEROSOL THAT USERS BREATHE FROM THE DEVICE AND EXHALE CAN CONTAIN HARMFUL AND POTENTIALLY HARMFUL SUBSTANCES:



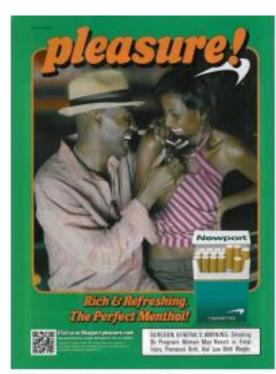
It is difficult for consumers to know what e-cigarette products contain. For example, some e-cigarettes marketed as containing zero percent nicotine have been found to contain nicotine.

Less Harmful Ingredients

≠
Safe
Product

Growing scientific evidence of health harms

# Flavors: Marketing + Health Risks



Newport advertisement in Essence Magazine, February 2015 Image courtesy of TrinketsandTrash.Org

#### **MENTHOL**

#### Initiate & Inhale

Numbs the throat, deeper inhalation

#### Harder to quit

Acts on nicotine receptors
(Ton 2015; Levy 2011)

#### Health effects

- Pulegones (now banned as food additive) (Jabba 2019)
- Toxic to blood vessel cells
   (Wu 2019)



# CHEMICALS TO EAT NOT BREATHE

Cinnamon, vanilla, fruit, & butter or mixed flavors

- Toxic to white blood cells (Muthumalage 2018)
- Toxic to blood vessel cells
   (Wu 2019)
- Cinnamaldehyde impairs
  lung function(Muthumalage 2018)

**Diacetyl** (in 75% e-liquids)

 bronchiolitis obliterans (popcorn lung)

# High Potency in New Nicotine, Marijuana



# Surgeon General Warnings to Young Adults for E-Cigarettes and Marijuana

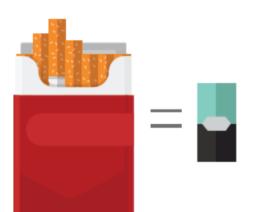
Brain develops until 25 years old

#### Nicotine is not harmless

Cardiovascular, seizures, ingestion

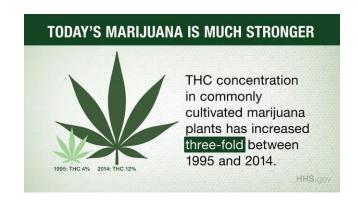
# High potency

- New nicotine salts: high bioavailability
- THC concentrations 3x higher



#### **New Nicotine Salts**

According to the manufacturer, a single JUUL pod contains as much nicotine as a pack of 20 regular cigarettes.



CDC; Surgeon General



# CDC: Vaping Associated Pulmonary Injury

## **Investigation to Date**

1,299 cases (10/8/19)

#### 26 deaths

Median age: 49 years (17-75 years)

No single product or substance has been linked to all cases (573 below)

- 78% report THC; 32% exclusively
- 58% report nicotine; 13% exclusively

## **CDC** Recommends to People

- Should not use vaping products with THC, consider for nicotine too
- Should not buy vaping products off the street, or modify or add substances

## Regardless of investigation

- Should not vape in youth, young adults, pregnant, non-tobacco user
- No safe tobacco product
- THC associated with wide range of health effects, esp heavy use

# Secondhand Smoke Exposure in Nonsmokers





# Help to Quit Tobacco

ASK about tobacco use and exposure
ADVISE to quit and about health harms
REFER to counseling support and offer medications

California Smokers' Helpline
Free help to quit vaping or smoking

# 7 FDA-approved Tobacco Cessation Aids

Nicotine Replacement Therapy

- Patch, lozenge, gum
- Nasal spray, inhaler (not into lungs)

Pills (prescription)

• Buproprion, varenicline

















# Youth, Young Adults and Vaping



# Current Use<br/>Vaping Concerns

# Most Used Tobacco Products in 2017 E-cigarettes continue to be the most commonly used tobacco product among middle and high school students. 2.1 M Used E-cigarettes 1.4 M Used Cigarettes 1.3 M Used Cigars

# **National Data**

- Youth use of e-cigarettes greater than any other tobacco product
- Decrease in use of e-cigarettes since 2015 but slight increase since 2017

Source: Wang TW, Gentzke A, Sharapova S, Cullen KA, Ambrose BK, Jamal A. Tobacco product use among middle and high school students—United States, 2011-2017. MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep. 2018;67.



# And then in 2018

PUBLIC HEALTH

#### Surgeon General Warns Youth Vaping Is Now An 'Epidemic'

December 18, 2018 · 12:08 PM ET

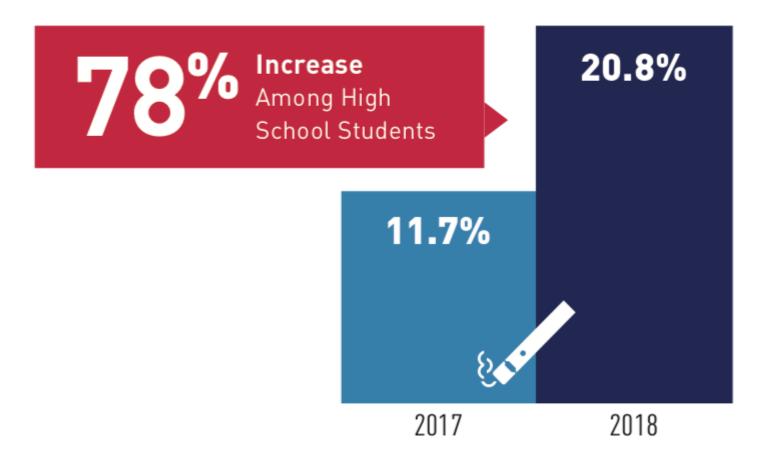




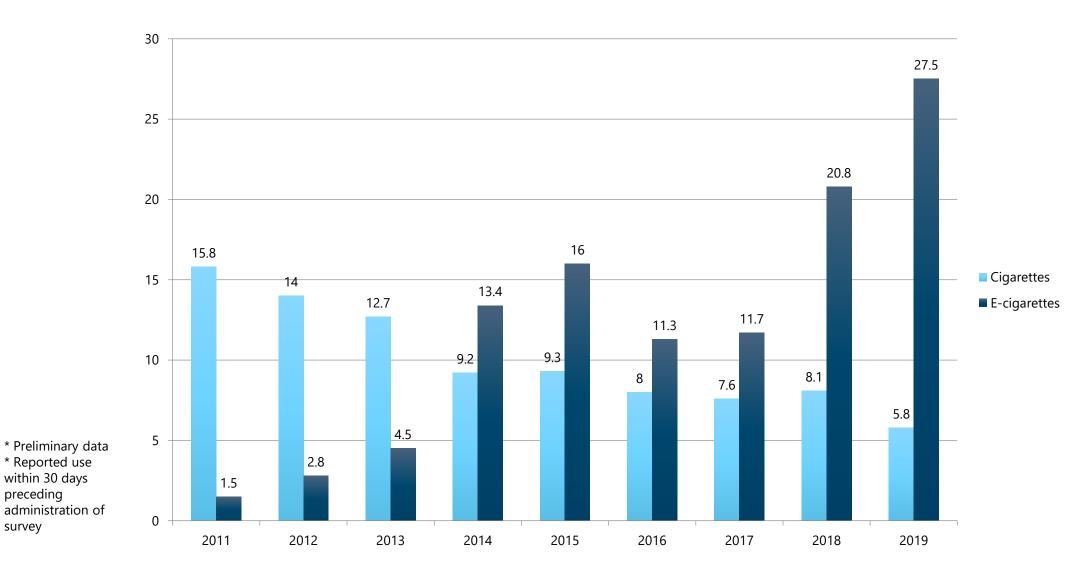
U.S. Surgeon General Dr. Jerome Adams said Tuesday that local restrictions, including bans on indoor vaping, are needed to reduce youth e-cigarette use.

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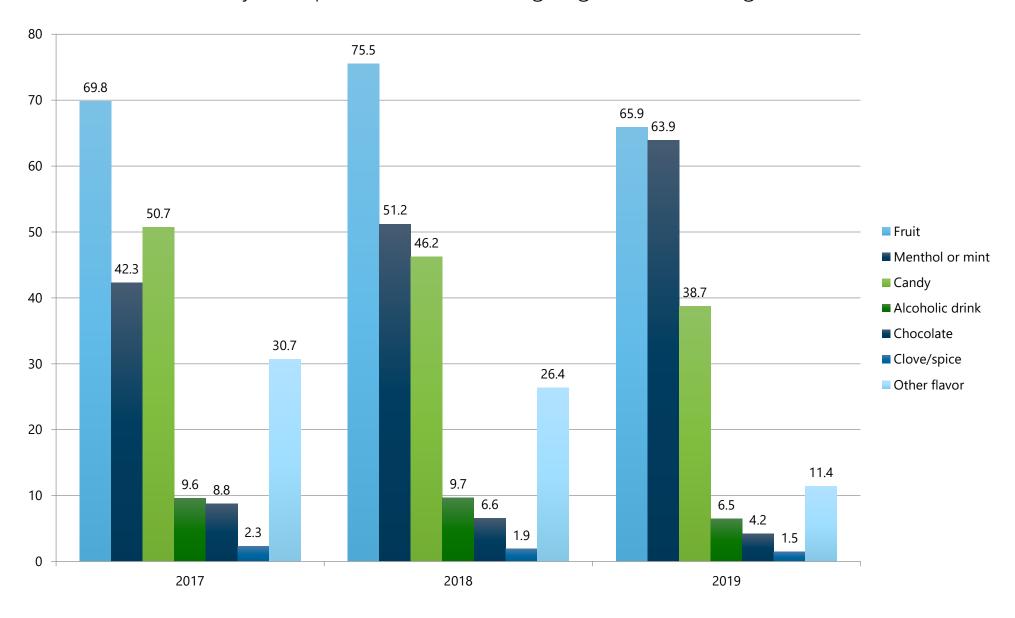


## National Youth Tobacco Survey\*: Youth Use of E-Cigarettes Continues to Climb



<sup>\*</sup> Reported use within 30 days preceding administration of survey

#### National Youth Tobacco Survey\*: Popular Flavors Among High School E-Cigarette Users

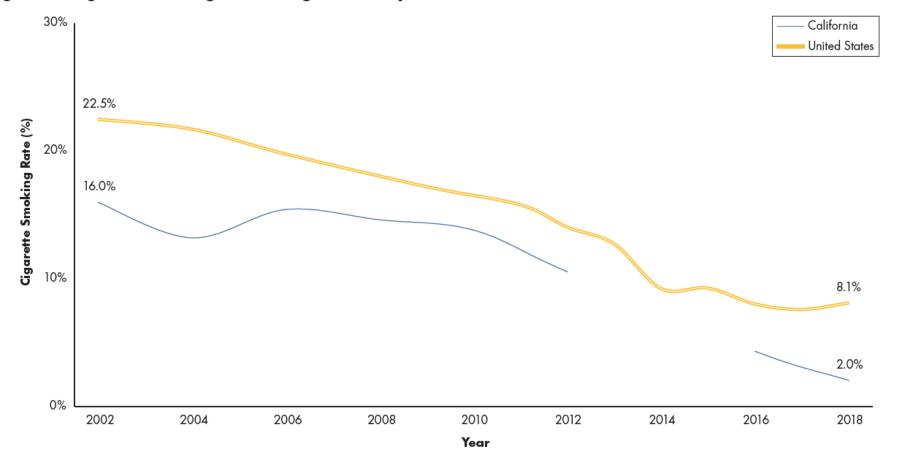


<sup>\*</sup> Preliminary data

#### YOUTH CIGARETTE USE

Since 2000, youth cigarette smoking rate in both California and the United States decreased considerably (Figure 12). <sup>13,14</sup> California reported its lowest high school cigarette smoking rate in 2018 at 2.0 percent. <sup>12</sup>

Figure 12. Cigarette smoking rate among California youths, 2002 to 2018

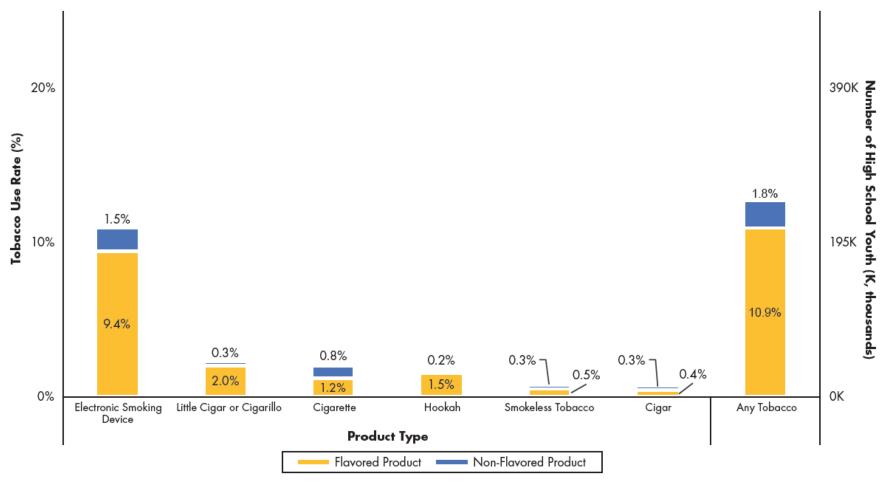


Notes: Respondents were asked to report past 30-day cigarette smoking behavior. The California Student Tobacco Survey was not conducted in 2014. The survey method changed from paper-pencil to online survey in 2016.

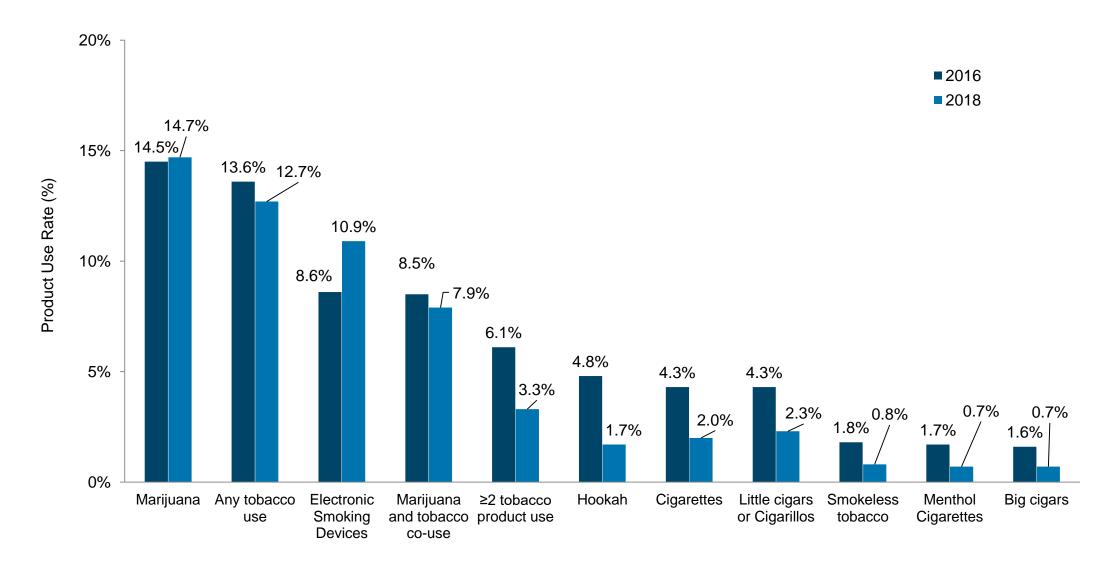
#### YOUTH FLAVORED TOBACCO USE

One in eight California high school students currently use any tobacco product, <sup>12</sup> with the most used product among all students being electronic smoking devices (10.9 percent). Of those that currently use tobacco, an overwhelming majority use electronic smoking devices (84.3 percent). In addition, 86.4 percent of youth tobacco users reported using flavored tobacco products (Figure 10).

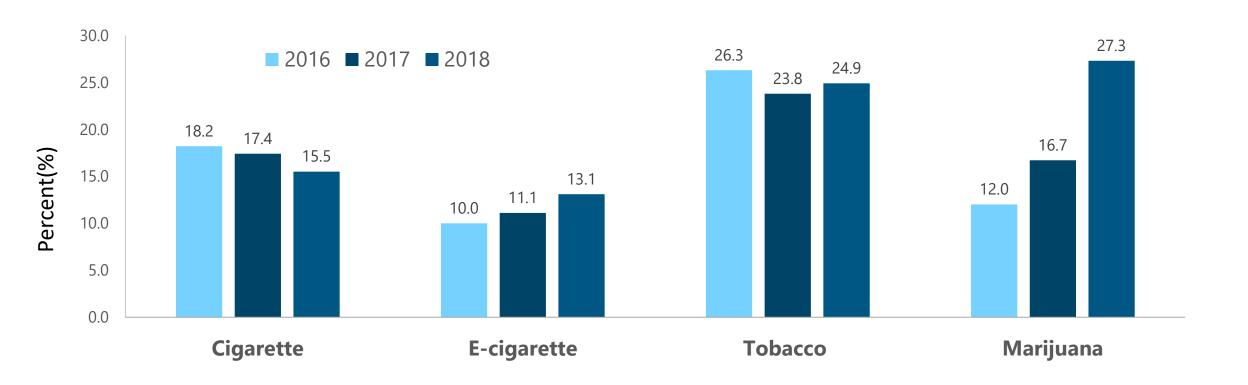
Figure 10. Tobacco use rate among California youth by product type, 2018



# California youth marijuana use is higher than electronic cigarette use

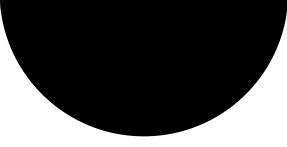


# California young adult past 30 day use of cigarettes, e-cigarettes, tobacco, and marijuana



Data: California Adult Tobacco Survey 2016-2018.

Note: tobacco include cigarette, e-cigarette, little cigar or cigarillo, cigar, hookah, smokeless, and pipe.



# Vaping Nicotine and Marijuana Use Among Young Adults (2017-2018) *30-Day Prevalence*

#### Vaping Nicotine

- College Students
- Increase from 6.1% to 15.5%
- Young Adults Not in College
- Increase from 7.9% to 12.5%

#### Vaping Marijuana

- College Students
- Increase from 5.2% to 10.9%
- Young Adults Not in College
- No change (8%)



# Reasons Youth Vape

- 1. Friends or family members use them
- 2. Flavors
- 3. Beliefs e-cigarettes are less harmful

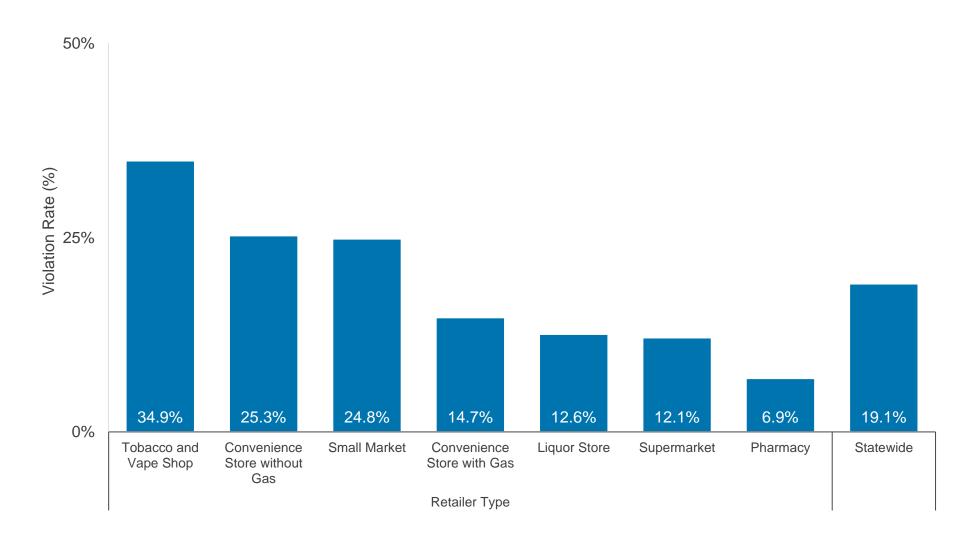


# YOUTH WHO USED JUUL FLAVOR PODS IN THE PAST 30 DAYS SAID THEY OBTAINED THE DEVICE IN THE FOLLOWING WAYS.



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# One third of tobacco stores and vape shops sold to minors in 2018



# Concerns

Evolving products leads to changes in use and exposure

#### **Youth and Young Adult Use**

E-cigarette use associated with later use of cigarettes and marijuana (gateway)

Products being used by young people who may have not considered using tobacco

Higher rates of e-cigarette use than any other tobacco products

 Cigarette smoking going down, use of new products going up or staying same

#### **Nicotine Exposure**

High levels of nicotine in products

Different patterns of use/consumption

Addiction



#### Flavored Tobacco Ordinances

- 44 local ordinances prohibiting sale of flavored tobacco products
- 35 prohibit all flavored tobacco
- 9 exempt menthol products
- 1 prohibits flavored tobacco and marijuana, exempts menthol
- 1 prohibits all flavored ecigarette products

# E-Cigarette Ordinances

- 3 city ordinances prohibit sales of electronic smoking devices
- Livermore complete ban with no end date
- San Francisco and Richmond prohibit until products approved by FDA

#### Tobacco Sales Ordinances

- City of Beverly Hills prohibits sale of all tobacco products
- Exempts three existing cigar bars

# SUMMARY California's Vaping Epidemic

- Lessons from tobacco control: industry tactics, slow federal action
- Health concerns: immediate health effects, flavors, high-potency nicotine and marijuana, VAPI, secondhand smoke, not for quitting
- Youth and young adult vaping use rising rapidly
- California schools, colleges, health systems facing challenges
- Growing local ordinances in major areas

