FACT SHEET

E-Cigarette | Vape

Tobacco and E-cigarette Survey among Malaysian Adolescents









TECMA 2016 is a nationally representative study which has been carried out to obtain the latest information on tobacco and e-cigarette/vape usage among Malaysian adolescents as there is no national study on this subject. The objectives of this study were to determine e-cigarette/vape usage among Malaysian adolescents, to assess student related knowledge and behaviour towards e-cigarette/vape usage and to determine the prevalence of dual users (tobacco and ecigarette/ vape users).

METHODOLOGY

A two-stage stratified cluster sampling design was used for this survey to produce a nationally representative data. The target population were school going adolescents. A total of 14,833 students from 138 schools from 15 states were selected. A self-administered questionnaire was used as a tool for this survey.

PREVALENCE

CURRENT E-CIGARETTE/ VAPE USERS

(0.30 million)

9.1% were current users of e-cigarettes / vape





40.9% used e-cigarettes/ vape once a day and 33.9% used 2-5 times a day

DUAL USERS (E-CIGARETTE/ VAPE & CIGARETTE)



The prevalence of current dual users was

> 5.2% (0.17 million)



44.0% Concurrent initiation of cigarettes and e-cigarettes/ vape

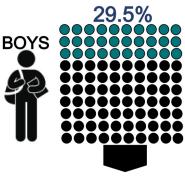
46.1% Initiated with cigarettes



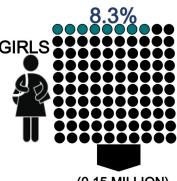
EVER E-CIGARETTE/ VAPE USERS

19.1%

(0.71 MILLION) had ever tried using e-cigarettes / vape

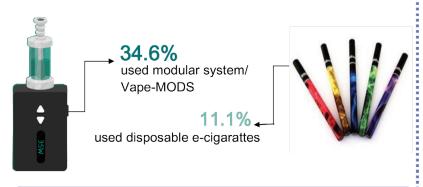


(0.56 MILLION)



(0.15 MILLION)

TYPES OF E-CIGARETTES/ VAPE USED



CESSATION INDICATORS AMONG CURRENT USERS

Would be able to stop if they wanted to

8 out of 10 students

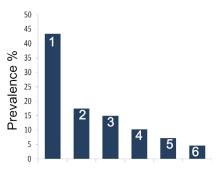
Tried to quit in the past 12 months

7 out of 10 students

Wanted to quit immediately

7 out of 10 students

SOURCES FOR OBTAINING E-CIGARETTES/ VAPE





Purchased from shops/ kiosks/ shopping malls 17.5%

3 From someone else 15.0%

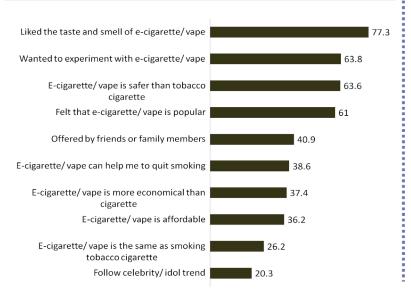
From family members 10.3%

7.2%

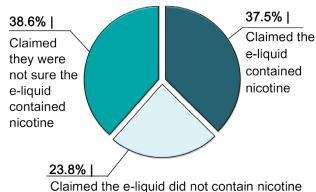
Purchased from roadside stalls/ night markets (downtown/ uptown)

6 Purchased online 4.6%

REASONS FOR INITIATING E-CIGARETTES/ VAPE AMONG EVER USERS



PERCEPTION OF NICOTINE CONTENT



AWARENESS & PERCEPTION OF E-CIGARETTES/ VAPE



were aware and read on the danger of e-cigarettes/ vape from posters/ pamphlets

thought that e-cigarettes/ vape and cigarettes were equally harmful

COST OF USING E-CIGARETTES/ VAPE PER MONTH AMONG CURRENT USERS



