

## 2015 Factsheet 1

### ASH Year 10 Snapshot Survey: Topline Results

This factsheet provides the topline results of the 2015 ASH Year 10 Snapshot Survey. These are the 'daily', 'regular' and 'never' smoking rates among Year 10 students for 2015, along with findings from previous years.

#### Methodology

To measure if students had ever tried smoking, they were asked: *Have you **ever** smoked a cigarette, even just a few puffs?* They can answer either 'yes' or 'no'.

To measure smoking frequency, students were asked: *How often do you smoke **now**?* Options for response were: 'I have never smoked/I am not a smoker now', 'At least once a day', 'At least once a week', 'At least once a month', or 'Less often than once a month'.

*Daily smokers* are those students who report smoking at least once a day. *Regular smokers* include daily smokers along with students who reported smoking weekly or monthly. *Never smokers* are those students who have never smoked a single puff.

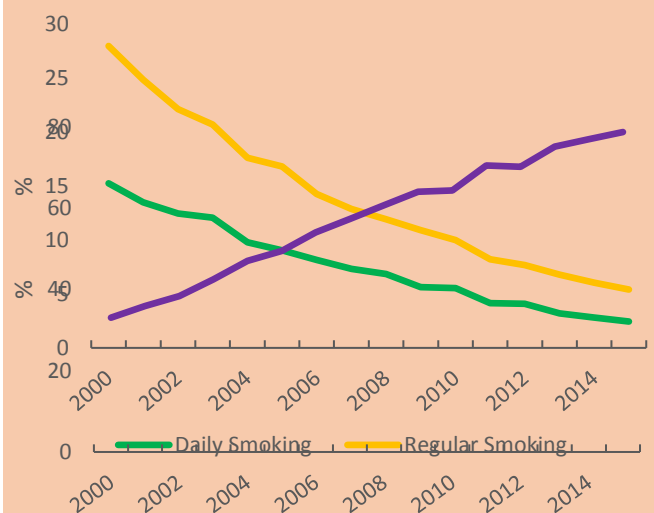
For more detailed information, please refer to the 2015 ASH Year 10 Snapshot Survey: Information and Methodology information sheet.

#### Key findings

- *Daily smoking* fell to 2.45 percent in 2015 (2.81 percent in 2014). Refer to *Figure 1*.
- *Regular smoking* prevalence was 5.39 percent in 2015 (6.05 percent in 2014). Refer to *Figure 1*.
- The percentage of *never smokers* was 78.65 percent in 2015 (76.93 percent in 2014). Refer to *Figure 2*.
- Māori *regular smoking* was 11.26 percent in 2015 (13.39 percent in 2014). Refer to *Figure 3*.

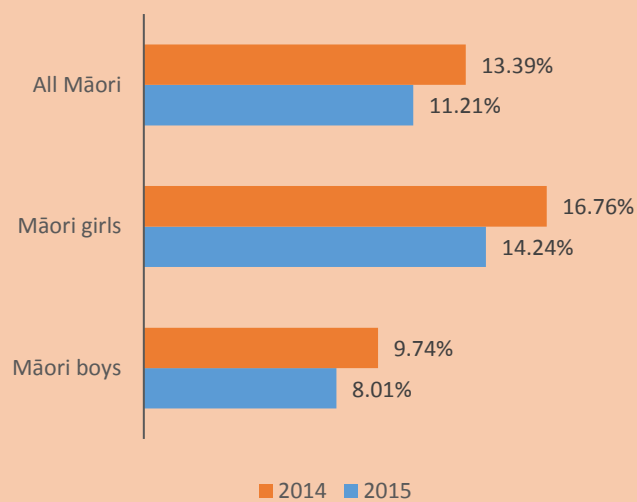
- *Regular smoking* among Māori boys was 7.86 percent in 2015 (9.74 percent in 2014); among Māori girls it was 14.48 percent in 2015 (16.76 percent in 2014). Refer to *Figure 3*.
- Māori *never smoking* was 59.16 percent in 2015 (56.74 percent in 2014). Refer to *Figure 4*.
- *Never smoking* among Māori boys was 64.52 percent in 2015 (62.72 percent in 2014); among Māori girls it was 54.07 percent in 2015 (51.22 percent in 2014). Refer to *Figure 4*.

**Figure 1. Percentage of participants who were daily or regular smokers, 2000-2015**

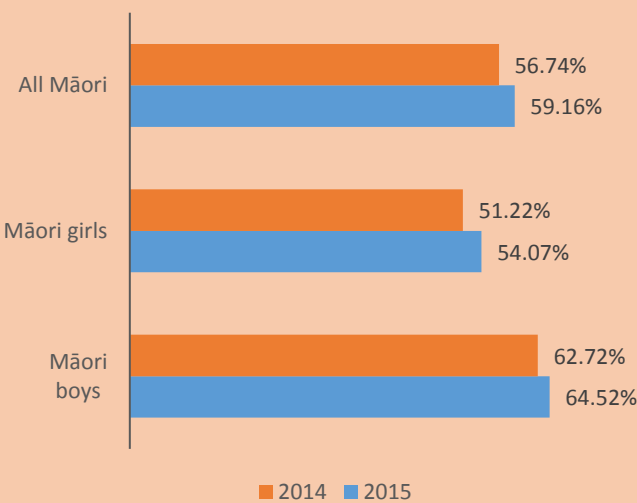


**Figure 2. Percentage of participants who have never smoked, 2000-2015**

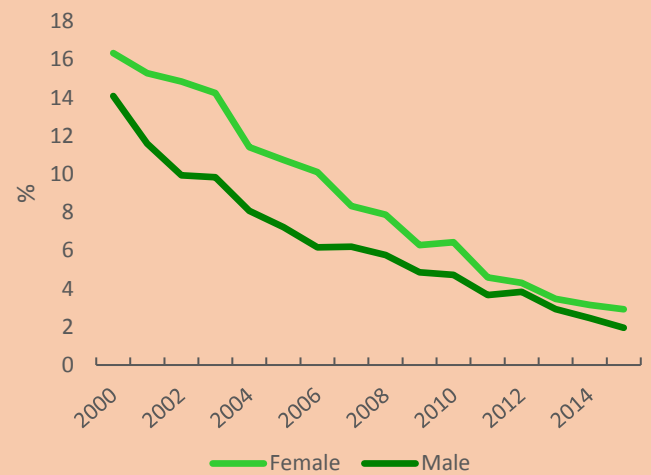
**Figure 3. Percentage breakdown by gender of Māori participants who were regular smokers, 2015**



**Figure 4. Percentage breakdown by gender of Māori participants who have never smoked, 2015**



**Figure 5. Percentage of participants who were daily smokers by gender, 2000-2015**



### Discussion points

The 2015 ASH Snapshot Survey results show a continued decline in daily and regular smoking rates among all students (refer to *Figure 1*).

Female students still have higher daily and regular smoking rates than male students, although the gap has continued to close in previous years (refer to *Figure 5*).

Māori smoking still remains disproportionately high (especially among Māori girls) with daily and regular smoking rates among Māori boys and girls decreasing slightly in 2015 compared to 2014.

### Further information

See overleaf for detailed supplementary tables. Further results and information on methodology can be found at [www.ash.org.nz](http://www.ash.org.nz)

## Supplementary tables

**Supplementary Table 1: Smoking status for all students participating in the ASH Year 10 Snapshot Survey, 2000-2015**

Smoking Status (%)	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Daily	15.23	13.48	12.44	12.06	9.78	9.04	8.15	7.31	6.83	5.61	5.53	4.14	4.07	3.2	2.81	2.45
Weekly	6.33	5.69	4.74	4.31	3.99	3.62	3.28	3.04	2.55	2.69	2.4	1.99	1.76	1.77	1.65	1.48
Monthly	6.38	5.64	4.93	4.3	3.83	4.14	2.8	2.49	2.52	2.59	2.06	2.07	1.84	1.81	1.58	1.47
Regular	27.94	24.81	22.1	20.67	17.59	16.8	14.23	12.84	11.9	10.89	9.99	8.2	7.68	6.78	6.05	5.39
Never Smoked	33.03	35.89	38.36	42.44	46.98	49.4	53.98	57.28	60.72	63.98	64.35	70.44	70.11	75.07	76.93	78.65
Total (n)	29,198	29,209	29,182	32,705	31,629	32,564	32,827	25,978	30,872	25,759	32,605	26,645	28,443	27,921	31,021	21,472

**Supplementary Table 2: Smoking status for all male students participating in the ASH Year 10 Snapshot Survey, 2000-2015**

Smoking Status (%)	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Daily	14.09	11.59	9.94	9.84	8.07	7.22	6.16	6.19	5.76	4.86	4.72	3.66	3.83	2.93	2.46	1.97
Weekly	5.01	4.62	3.64	3.15	2.75	2.7	2.49	2.51	1.98	2.22	2.21	1.63	1.4	1.43	1.39	1.19
Monthly	5.3	4.79	3.82	3.39	2.94	2.96	2.09	1.92	1.98	1.99	1.81	1.7	1.55	1.43	1.14	1.25
Regular	24.41	21	17.4	16.37	13.76	12.88	10.75	10.62	9.71	9.07	8.74	6.99	6.78	5.8	4.99	4.41
Never Smoked	34.66	37.66	41.1	45.93	49.84	52.48	57.28	58.88	63.21	66.26	65.3	71.42	69.49	75.67	77.88	79.32
Total (n)	14,496	14,340	14,333	16,245	15,460	15,657	16,289	12,467	15,133	12,169	17,119	12,741	13,711	14,132	15,084	10,723

**Supplementary Table 3: Smoking status for all female students participating in the ASH Year 10 Snapshot Survey, 2000-2015**

Smoking Status (%)	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Daily	16.34	15.29	14.85	14.24	11.41	10.74	10.1	8.33	7.87	6.28	6.43	4.59	4.3	3.47	3.15	2.92
Weekly	7.62	6.73	5.79	5.46	5.17	4.48	4.06	3.52	3.1	3.11	2.6	2.31	2.1	2.12	1.9	1.77
Monthly	7.45	6.46	5.99	5.2	4.68	5.22	3.49	3.03	3.04	3.13	2.34	2.4	2.12	2.19	2.01	1.68
Regular	31.42	28.48	26.63	24.9	21.26	20.44	17.66	14.88	14	12.52	11.36	9.3	8.53	7.78	7.05	6.37
Never Smoked	31.42	34.17	35.71	38.99	44.24	46.54	50.73	55.81	58.31	61.94	63.3	69.55	70.68	74.45	76.03	77.98
Total (n)	14,702	14,869	14,849	16,460	16,169	16,907	16,538	13,511	15,739	13,590	15,486	13,904	14,732	13,789	15,937	10,749