

# Tobacco and Vaping in Delaware



## Cigarettes vs. Vaping\*

In 2021, while only 2% of 8th grade students reported using cigarettes in the past year, **7% of 8th grade students** reported vaping in the past year.<sup>b</sup>



## Delaware Tobacco Use

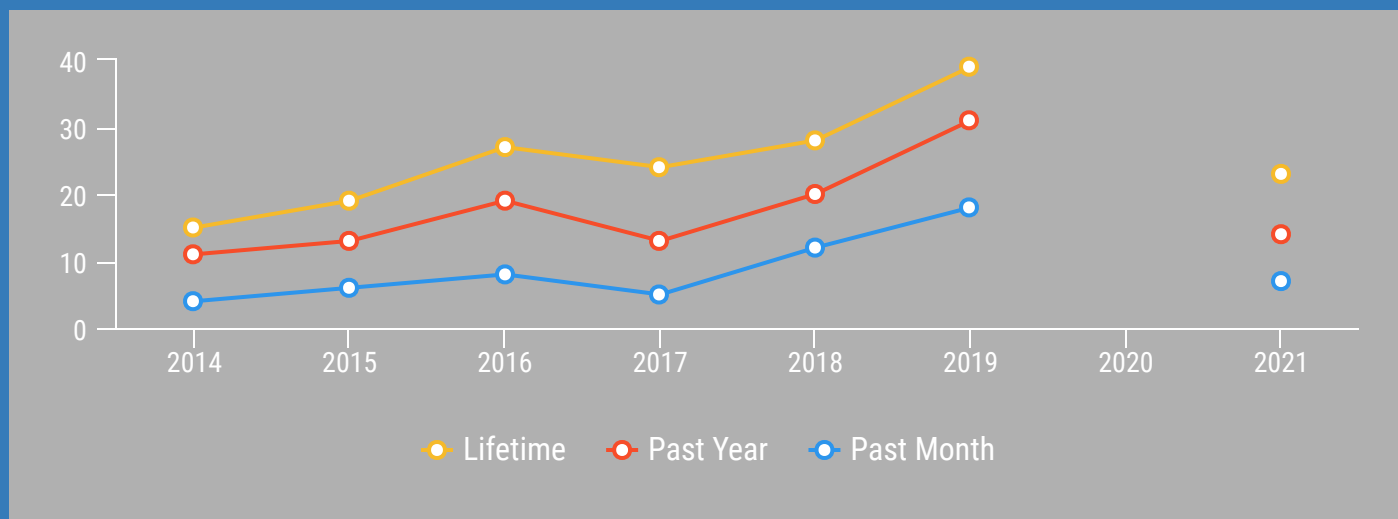
Roughly **1 in 5 Delawareans** (20.25%) aged 12 and older report using a tobacco product<sup>a</sup> in the past month.<sup>a</sup>



## Perception of Harm

In 2021, nearly **a third (30%) of 8th grade students reported that vaping poses a great risk**, while nearly half (45%) believed smoking a pack of cigarettes poses a great risk.<sup>b</sup>

## Recent Trends in Vaping among 11th Grade Students (%)



Self-reported vaping among 11th grade students seems to have peaked in 2019. After a data gap in 2020 due to a lack of data, vaping rates dropped dramatically in 2021. However, this latest trend should be interpreted with caution given the likelihood of pandemic-related influences on data collection and substance use behavior.<sup>b</sup>

\*Vaping refers to the use of any e-cigarettes, Juul, or any other vaping device.

<sup>a</sup>Tobacco products include cigarettes, smokeless tobacco (i.e., snuff, dip, chewing tobacco, or snus), cigars, or pipe tobacco.

### Source(s):

<sup>a</sup> National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH), 2019-2020.

<sup>b</sup> Center for Drug & Health Studies. (2021). Delaware School Survey: Secondary [Annual Survey]. University of Delaware.

Note: Delaware School Survey data is unweighted. 11th grade data was not available in 2020.