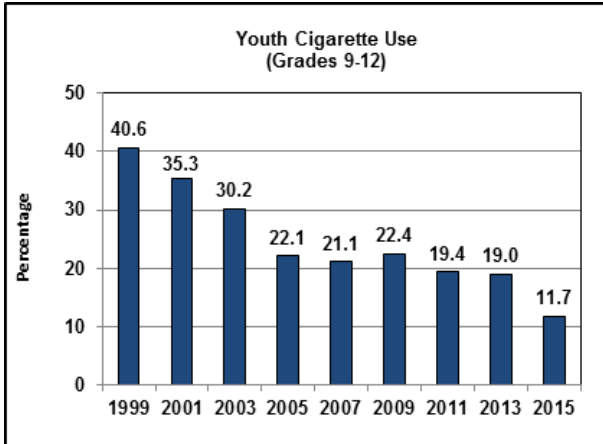
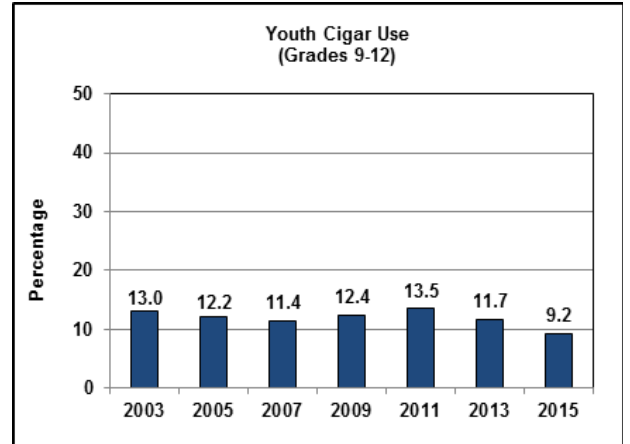


Trends in Youth Tobacco Use - Grades 9-12

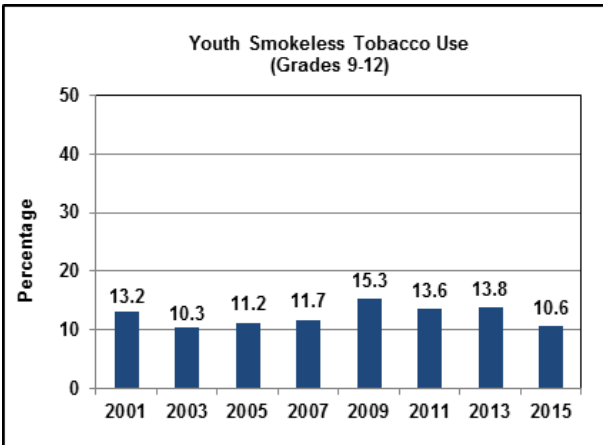
The percentage of students in grades nine through 12 who currently smoke cigarettes significantly decreased from 40.6 percent in 1999 to 11.7 percent in 2015.



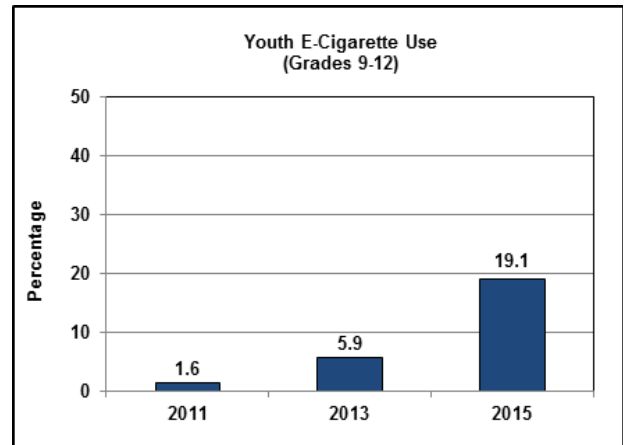
The percentage of students in grades nine through 12 who currently smoke cigars, cigarillos or little cigars decreased slightly between 2003 and 2015.



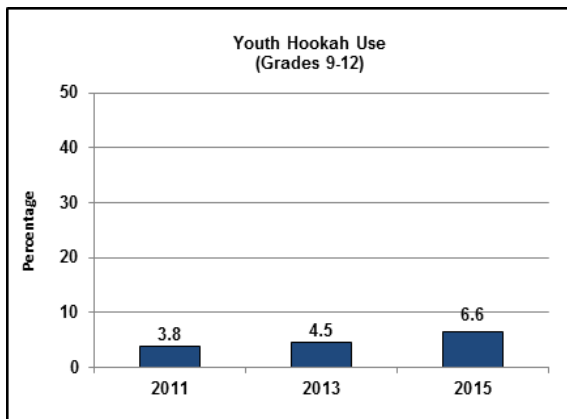
The current use of smokeless tobacco products among students in grades nine through 12 decreased from 15.1 percent in 1999 to 10.6 percent in 2015.



E-cigarette use among youth in grades nine through 12 has increased substantially from 2011 to 2015.



Hookah use has increased slightly among youth in grades nine through 12 from 2011 to 2015.



Source: The Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) monitors priority health-risk behaviors among youth and young adults. In 2015, the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction conducted the eighth biennial YRBS, acquiring random samples of 2,121 North Dakota students in grades nine through 12 and 2,047 students in grades seven and eight. Weighted results were obtained and are considered representative of all students in those grades.

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