Wyoming Adults Support Smokefree Air Policies

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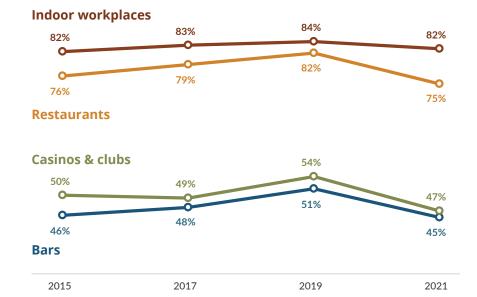
Adults' support for smokefree indoor air policies remained strong in 2021. That support is strongest for indoor workplaces. Support is weakest for places considered adult only (see below). The vast majority of Wyoming adults (85%) support a ban of commercial tobacco and nicotine use at schools.

Most Adults Work in Places with Smokefree Indoor Air Policies

Most employed adults (89%) said their workplaces do not allow smoking in indoor areas.

One-third of employed adults (33%) said their workplaces do not allow smoking in outdoor areas, an increase from 25% in 2012.

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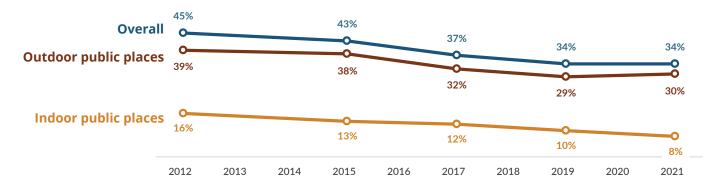




Notable Decrease in Secondhand Smoke Exposure in Public Places

In 2021, most adults (66%) were not exposed to secondhand smoke in public places, indoors and outdoors. About one-third (34%; see below) of adults reported breathing someone else's secondhand smoke in an indoor or outdoor public place. Although still a cause for concern, exposure to secondhand smoke has significantly decreased in public places, indoors and outdoors, between 2012 and 2021.

Figure 2: Most Secondhand Smoke Exposure Occurs in Outdoor Public Places



Conclusions

Most Wyoming adults support and are protected by smokefree indoor air policies for workplaces. People are less likely to be protected from secondhand smoke in outdoor areas. There has been a notable decrease in adults' exposure to secondhand smoke in public spaces. This may be in part due to the collective efforts of Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Wyoming Substance Use and Tobacco Prevention Program, other federal agencies, county prevention workers, and other groups.

Wyoming adults (85%) continue to support a complete ban of commercial tobacco and nicotine use at schools.



Additional Information

The 2021 Wyoming Adult Tobacco Survey was a phone survey of Wyoming adults. More information is available here :

- health.wyo.gov/publichealth/prevention/substanceabuseandsuicide/tobacco-prevention
- wysac.uwyo.edu/wyomingtobacco







