



Smoking and Vaping Bylaw Engagement Stakeholder Workshops

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Engagement overview – Stakeholder Workshops

Stakeholder workshops were held to facilitate targeted conversations with key stakeholders regarding potential increased restrictions to The City’s Smoking and Vaping Bylaw and the resulting policy implications and regulations. Stakeholders attending the workshops participated in a modified world café format where they had the opportunity to provide feedback on a series of questions through small group table discussions and to learn about other stakeholders’ varying perspectives. Stakeholder groups included business owners/operators, business organizations, educational institutions, festival and event organizers, and health and regulatory agencies. Participation was limited to two representatives from each stakeholder organization external to The City of Calgary.



Three stakeholder workshops were held over the afternoons and evening of June 17 to June 18, 2019. There were 35 participants that attended the workshops: ten at the June 17 afternoon session, 12 at the June 17 evening session and 13 at the June 18 afternoon session.

Summary of Input

TOPIC: Workplaces, Restaurants, Public Premises and Specified Outdoor Locations

Designated Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants indicated the need to consider providing designated smoking areas in order to prevent smoking in non-appropriate areas where there is greater risk for fire and inappropriate disposal. Also designated areas can reduce exposure of second-hand smoke to children and to people who choose not to smoke.
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TOPIC: Outdoor Public Parks, Events and Pathways

Strengthening Restrictions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants were generally in support of strengthening restrictions on smoking, vaping and waterpipe use in outdoor public parks, events and pathways. However, some participants didn't see an issue with smoking outside as long as it wasn't around children. Participants indicated that signage should be placed to indicate where designated areas are located in parks and at events. There was some confusion about why cannabis use was allowed in areas where smoking, vaping and water pipe use was not.
Youth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants suggested that there should be consideration for prohibiting smoking in all public areas where children may be (i.e. parks, paths, playgrounds, etc.). Participants indicated that they were concerned about the potential of modelling behaviour with children being able to see the smoking activities.
Clear Policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants indicated that there needs to be clear definitions of parks in the bylaw that clearly demonstrate where anyone can go without restrictions (children, pets, adults, etc.).
Designated Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants felt that designated smoking areas at events should be provided and that they be visually separated, and away from designated cannabis and alcohol consumption areas.
Fire Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants felt that it is important to investigate the number of fires / grass fires that occur in parks to establish whether they were ignited by smoking, vaping and/or waterpipe use.



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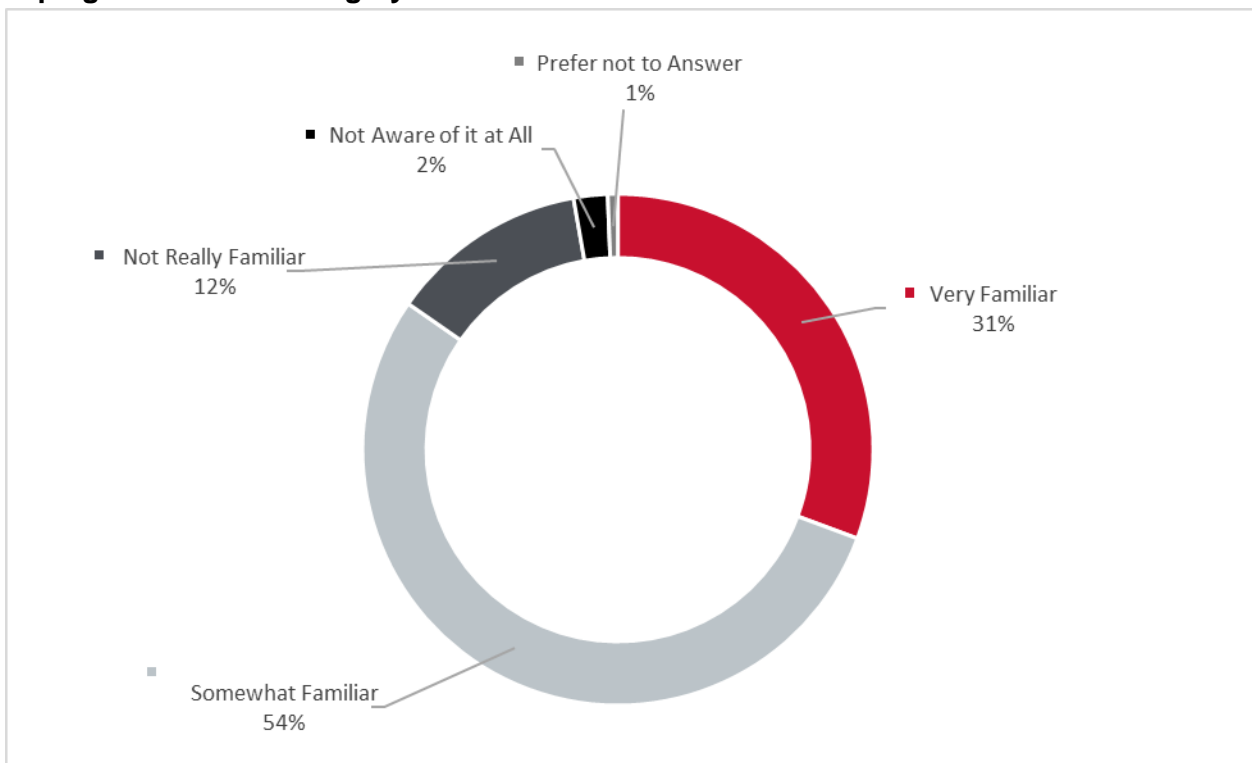


The City hosted a questionnaire on its online Engage platform to solicit feedback from Calgarians regarding a review of The City's Smoking and Vaping Bylaw and the resulting policy implications and regulations. Along with the questions, participants were provided with information regarding current legislation and terms and definitions relating to smoking methods and products. The questionnaire was hosted on The City of Calgary's online Engage portal from June 17 – July 7, 2019 and received 5,172 responses.

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Strengthening The City of Calgary's Smoking and Vaping Bylaw

1. Are you familiar with The City of Calgary's Smoking Bylaw that addresses smoking and vaping of tobacco in Calgary?

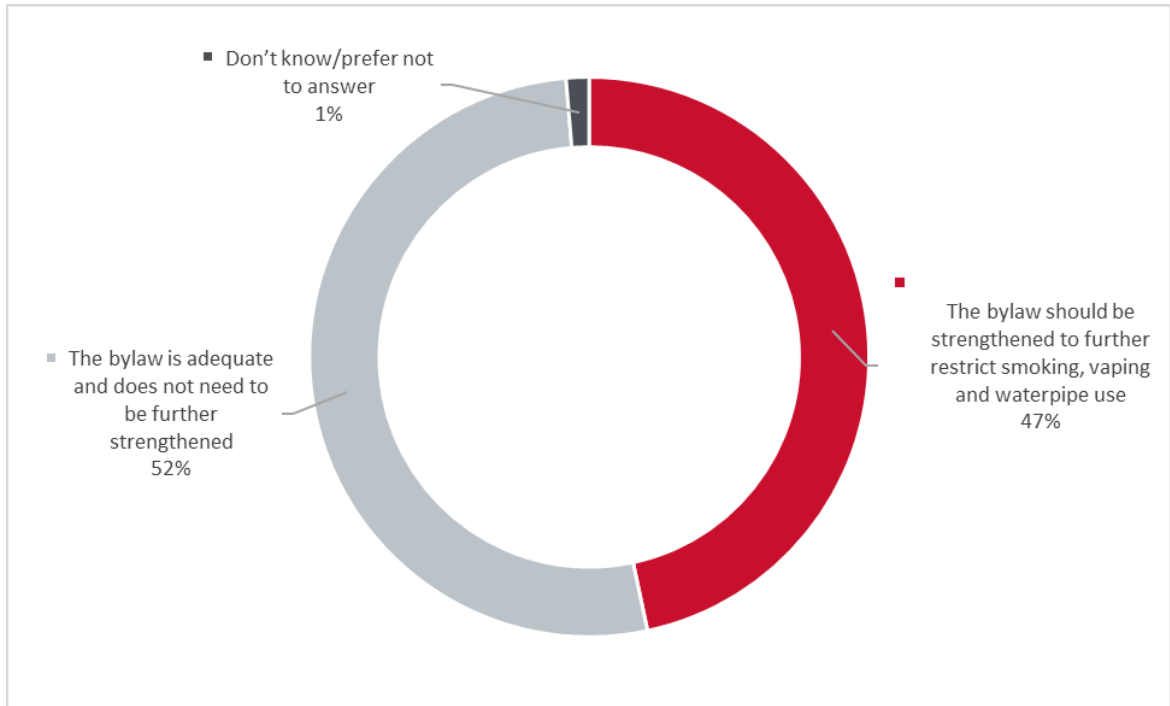




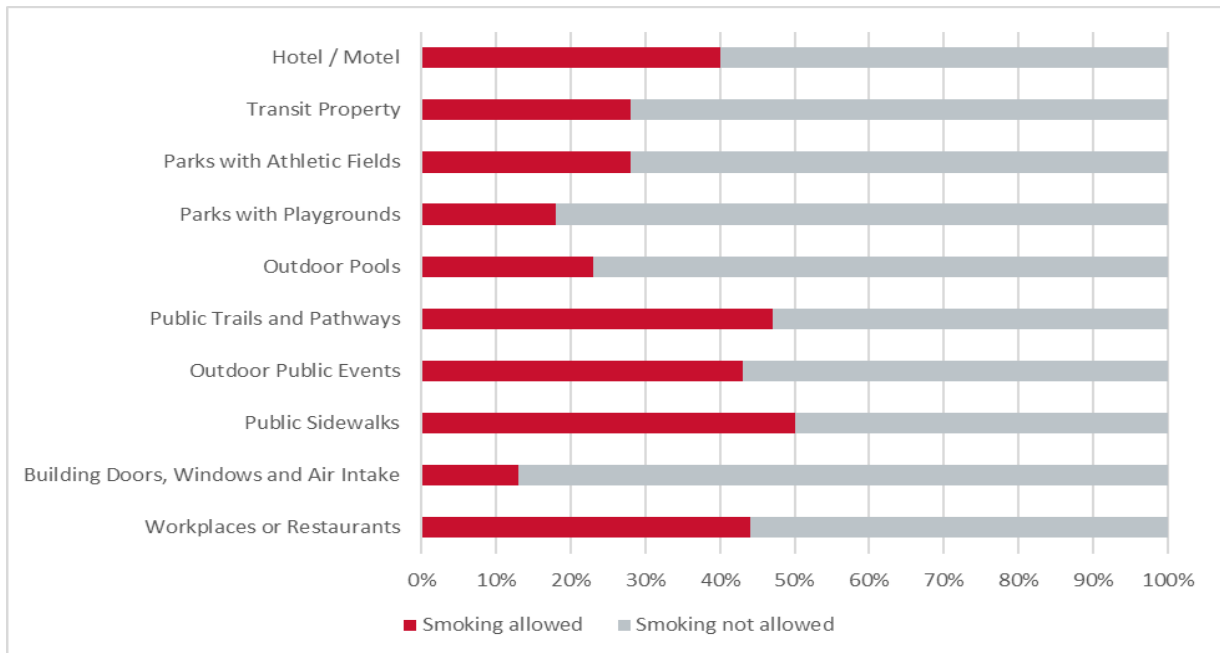
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2. Based on your understanding of the Provincial and Municipal regulations, select the answer that best reflects your opinion about The City of Calgary's Smoking Bylaw:



3. For each of these types of spaces, please indicate whether you think smoking should be allowed or should not be allowed.

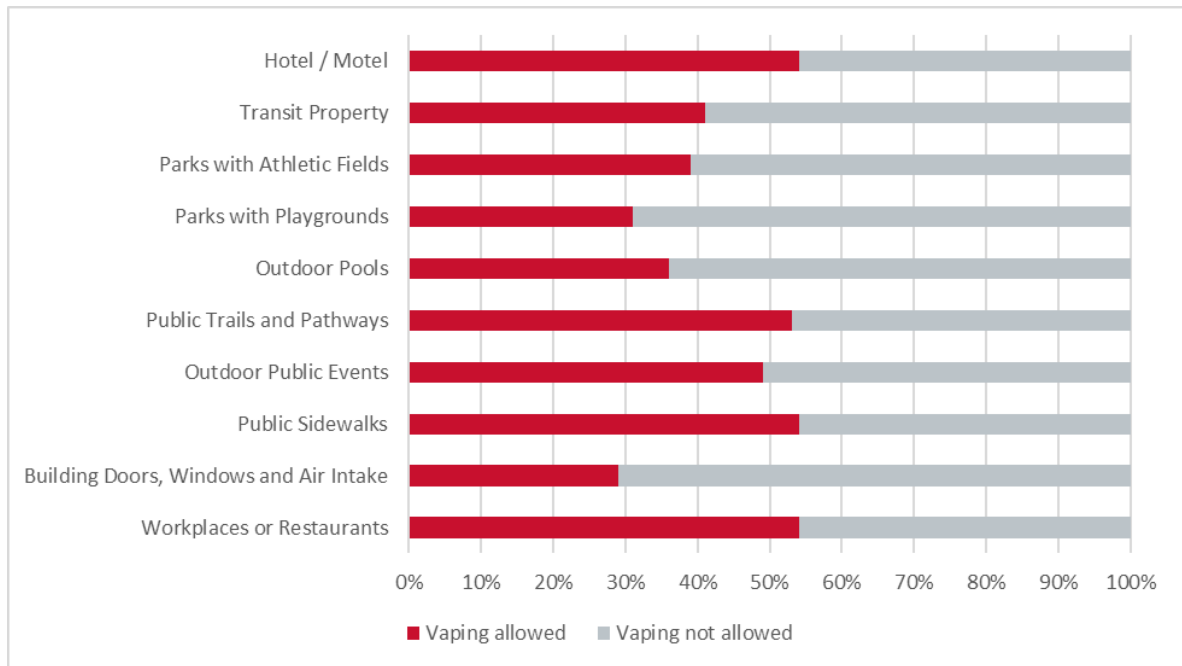




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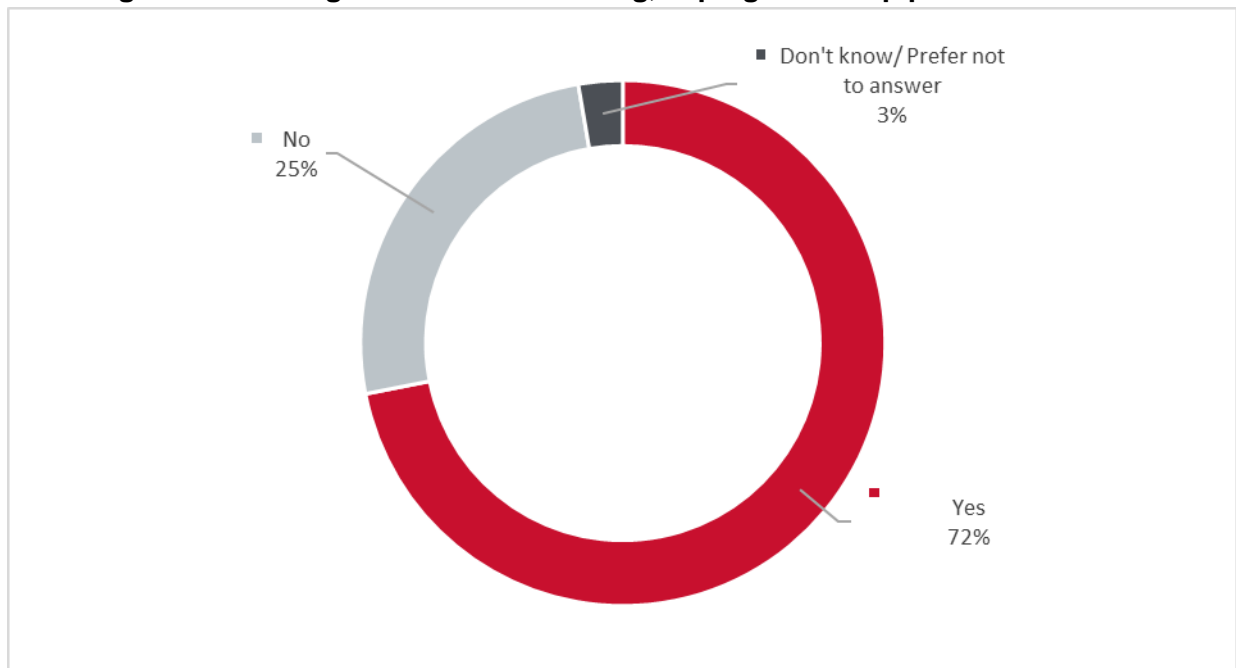
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4. For each of these types of spaces, please indicate whether you think vaping should be allowed or should not be allowed.



Designated smoking areas at outdoor public events

5. Should public events such as markets, festivals and concerts be allowed to have designated smoking areas where smoking, vaping or waterpipe use are allowed?



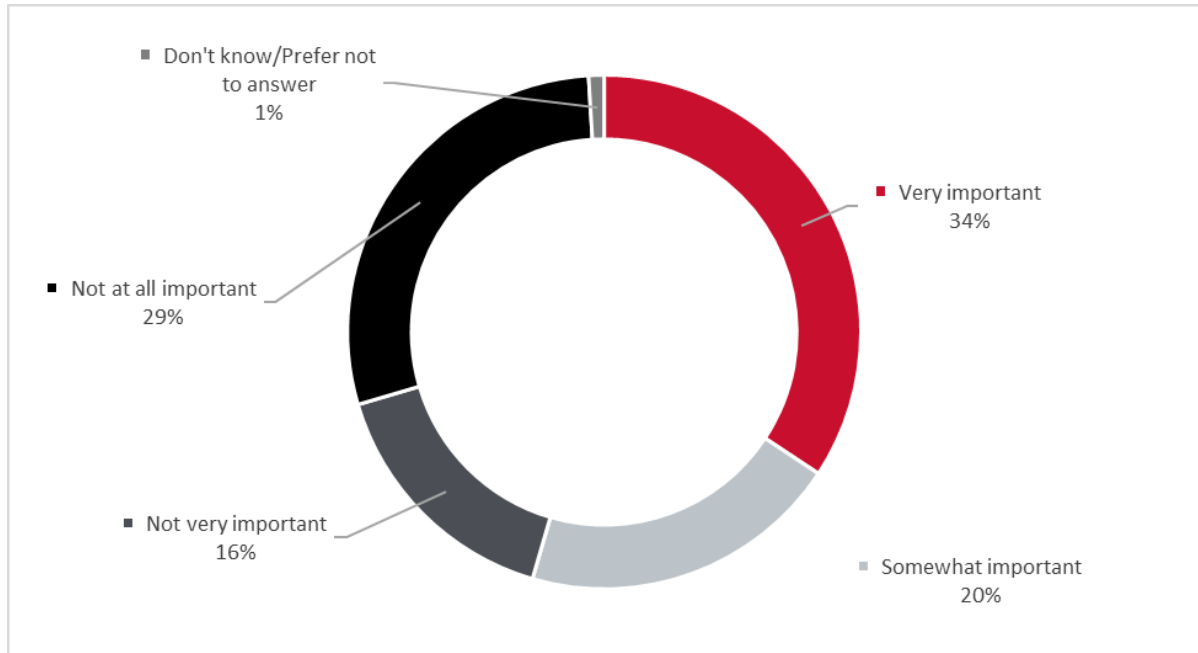


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Enforcement of restrictions on smoking, vaping or waterpipe use in public

6. How important is it to you that The City has the resources to enforce restrictions on smoking, vaping or waterpipe use in public? This could mean hiring additional enforcement officers or adjusting enforcement priorities.



DEMOGRAPHIC QUESTIONS

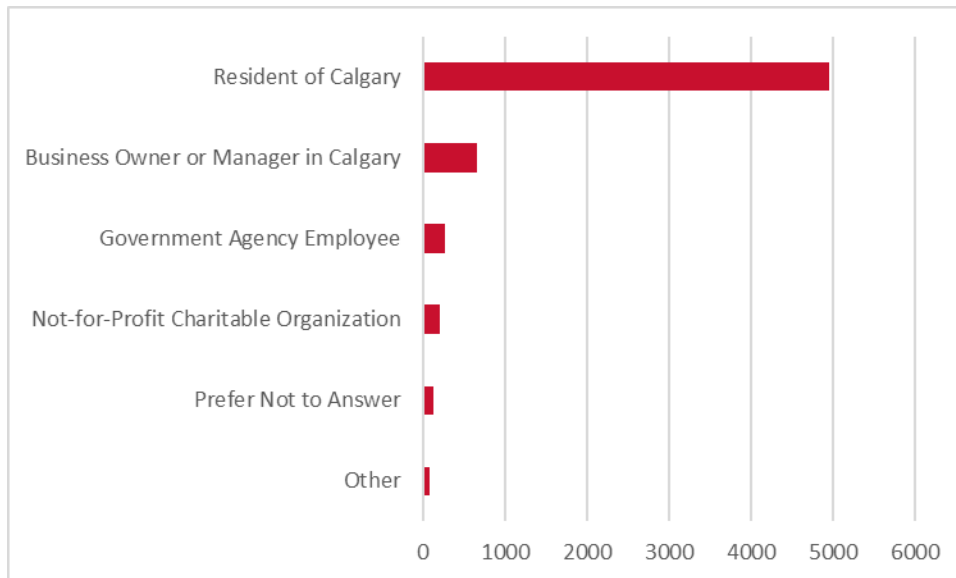
To help us better understand and analyze the feedback we receive, please answer the following questions. Note that your answers will not be in anyway linked to you or your household:

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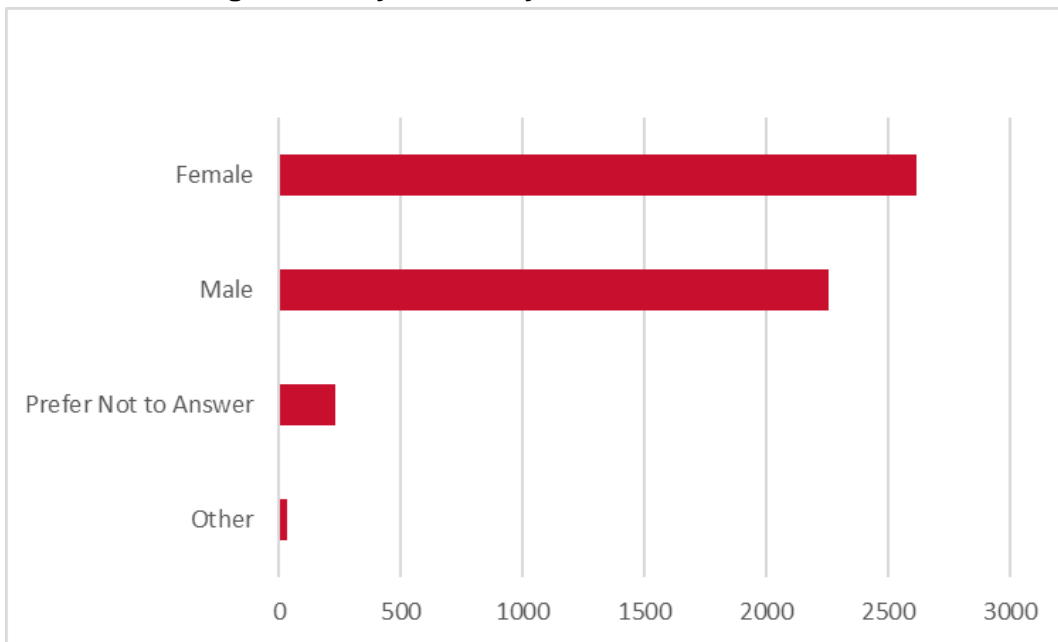


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2. With which gender do you identify:

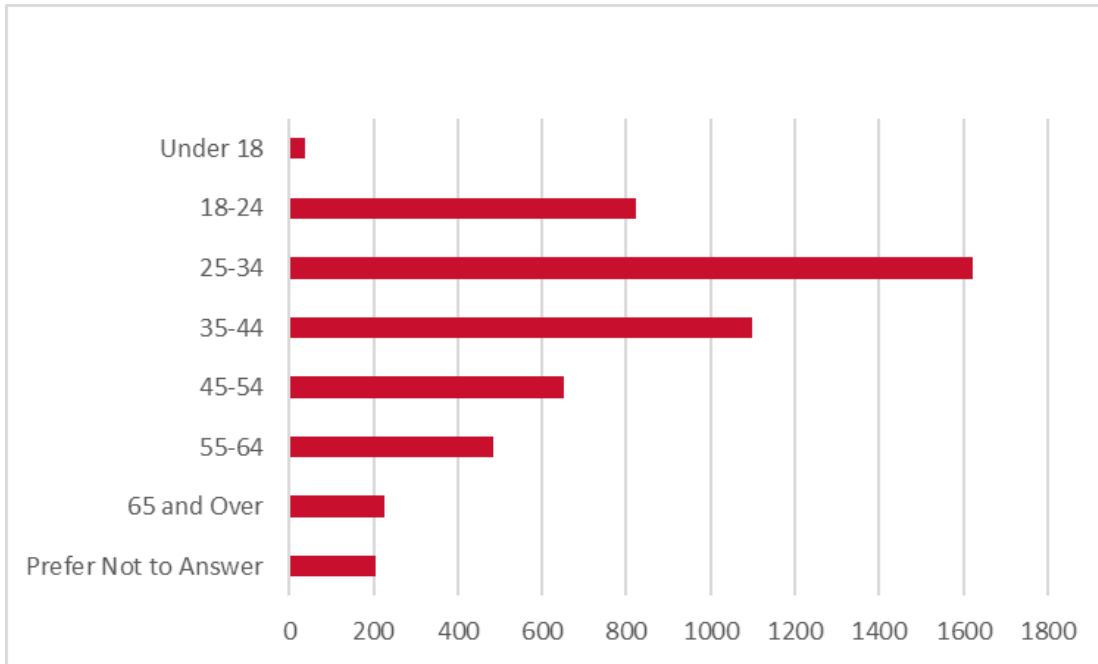


3. Please select your age range:

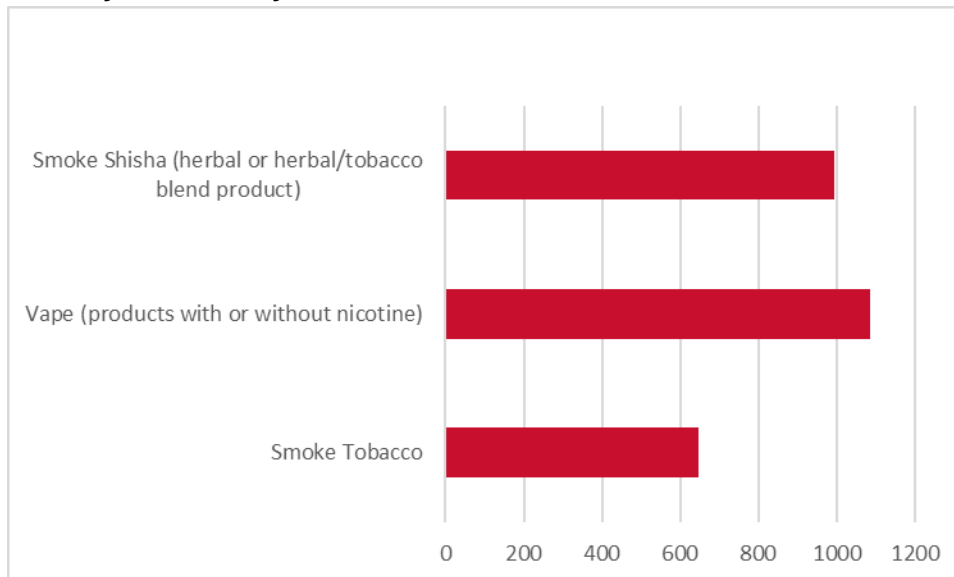


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4. Do you currently:





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5. What are the first three digits of your postal code?

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Survey Response by Postal Code Forward Sortation Area

