

Smokefree Communities | Cleveland

SUPPORT FOR SMOKEFREE AIR | OCTOBER 2010

Results from the Social Climate Survey of Tobacco Control demonstrate broad voter support for smoke-free laws. More than 8 in 10 Cleveland adults support a law that would prohibit smoking in all indoor workplaces, including offices, restaurants, and bars; while three-quarters of Cleveland adults support a law that would prohibit smoking within twenty feet of a public doorway. Support for these laws is strong among Republicans and Democrats, and the majority of smokers support these laws.

OVERALL	82.5%
REPUBLICANS	86.1%
DEMOCRATS	82.0%
NOT CURRENT SMOKERS	87.1%
CURRENT SMOKERS	56.3%

OVERALL	74.4%
REPUBLICANS	81.3%
DEMOCRATS	72.0%
NOT CURRENT SMOKERS	77.0%
CURRENT SMOKERS	59.7%

Would you favor a law that would prohibit smoking in all indoor workplaces, including offices, restaurants, and bars?

Would you favor a law that would prohibit smoking within twenty feet of a public doorway?

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Tobacco Data

RESPONDENTS

The Social Climate Survey of Tobacco Control (SCS-TC) was administered to a representative samples of 527 adults residing in Cleveland and Bolivar County (civilian, non-institutionalized, adult population over age 18) who were interviewed by telephone in September & October, 2010. Once a household was contacted, the adult to be interviewed was selected by asking to speak with the person in the household who is 18 years of age or older and who will have the next birthday. Five attempts were made to contact those selected adults who were not home. The sample was weighted by race, age, and gender, based on the 2009 US Census estimates.

MEASURES

The results presented in this fact sheet are from data on a subset of the measures included in the SCS-TC. Two questions from the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System were used to assess the current cigarette smoking status of

respondents. Respondents were asked, "Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your entire life?" Respondents who reported that they had were then asked, "Do you now smoke cigarettes every day, some days, or not at all?" Respondents who reported that they have smoked at least 100 cigarettes and now smoke every day or some days were categorized as current smokers; respondents who had not smoked at least 100 cigarettes or no longer smoked cigarettes were categorized as nonsmokers. To assess party affiliation, respondents were asked, "Which political party do you most identify with?"

Two questions assessed support for smoke-free laws. Respondents were asked "Would you favor a law that would prohibit smoking in all indoor workplaces, including offices, restaurants, and bars?" and "Would you favor a law that would prohibit smoking within twenty feet of a public doorway?"

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