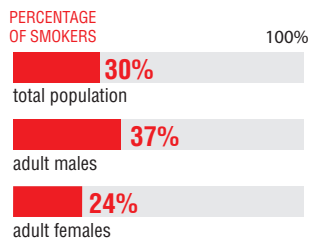
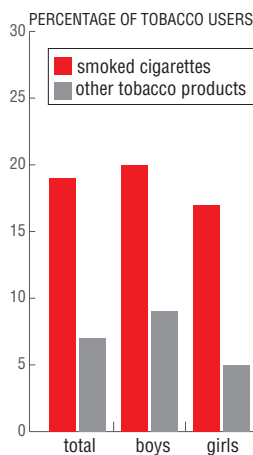


Poland ratified the Framework Convention on Tobacco Control on September 15, 2006.

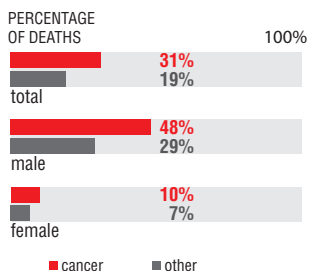
Smoking prevalence in Poland (2010)¹¹



Tobacco use among youth (age 13–15), in Poland (2003)¹²



Deaths attributable to tobacco (2003)¹³



TOBACCO CONSUMPTION

Tobacco use is decreasing in Poland.

- A third (30%) of all adults (age 15+) smoke tobacco products with 37% of males and 24% of females smoking.¹
- Among youth (age 13-15), 19% smoke cigarettes (boys 20%; girls 17%).²
- 7% of youth (age 13-15) use tobacco products other than cigarettes (boys 9%; girls 5%).³
- In 2008, over 63 billion cigarettes were sold in Poland.⁴

HEALTH CONSEQUENCES

Tobacco use is deadly. Smoking kills up to half of all lifetime users.⁵

- Smoking kills approximately 75,000 people each year in Poland.⁶
- In 2000, 38% of male deaths occurring between the ages of 35-69 were attributed to smoking.⁷
- 90% of youth (age 13-15) are exposed to secondhand smoke in public places and 87% of youth are exposed to secondhand smoke in their homes.⁸

COSTS TO SOCIETY

Tobacco exacts a high cost on society.

- Healthcare costs associated with tobacco-related diseases amount to 18 billion PLN (6.4 billion USD) each year.⁹
- Losses in productivity and employment due to tobacco use are estimated to exceed 15 billion PLN (5.3 billion USD) each year.¹⁰
- Smoking also results in costs associated with fire damage and damage to the environment from the manufacturing and packaging of tobacco products.

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