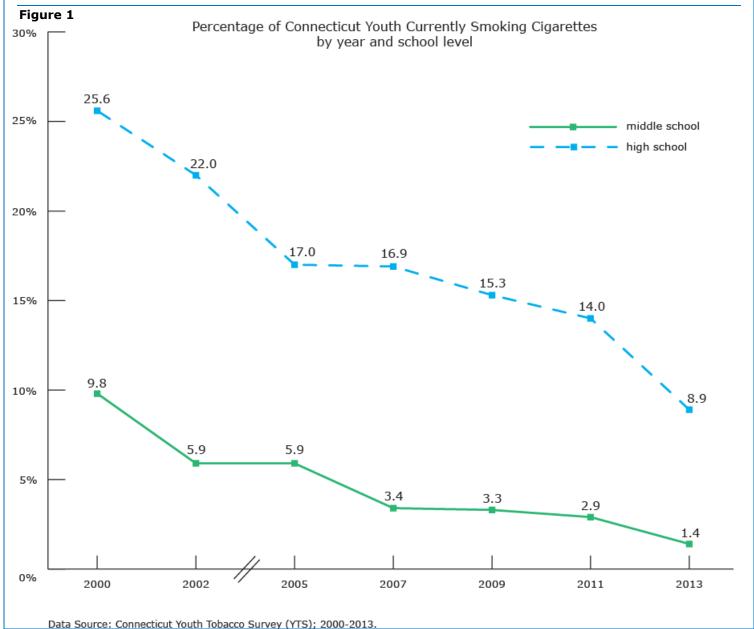


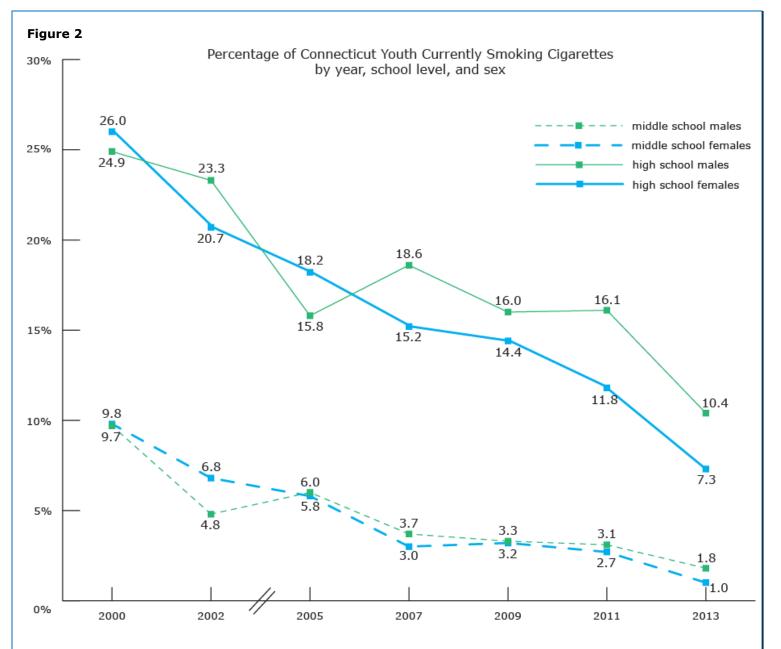
## **Trends in Youth Cigarette Smoking in Connecticut**

**Tobacco Use Prevention and Control Program — September 2014** 

## **Estimates from the 2000-2013 Connecticut Youth Tobacco Surveys**

- The percentage of Connecticut middle school students who currently smoked cigarettes decreased during 2000 and 2013 from 9.8% to 1.4%; and among high school students, it decreased from 25.6% to 8.9%. [Figure 1]
- Between 2000 and 2013, decreases occurred in the prevalence of cigarette smoking in middle school among non-Hispanic whites (8.6% to 1.1%), non-Hispanic blacks (11.5% to 2.3%), and Hispanics (12.5% to 2.1%); and in high school among non-Hispanic whites (27.6% to 9.3%), non-Hispanic blacks (13.2% to 4.5%), and Hispanics (25.7% to 11.4%).
- The rate of cigarette smoking decreased during 2000 and 2013 among middle school males (9.7%-1.8%) and females (9.8% to 1.0%); and, in that same period, also decreased among high school males (24.9% to 10.4%) and females (26.0% to 7.3%). [Figure 2]





Data Source: Connecticut Youth Tobacco Survey (YTS); 2000-2013.

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Note: Youth current cigarette smokers are defined as students who reported smoking cigarettes on one or more of the seven days before the survey.

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