# Electronic Cigarettes Basics and Behaviors

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The Truth About Electronic Cigarettes (a.k.a. Vape Products)

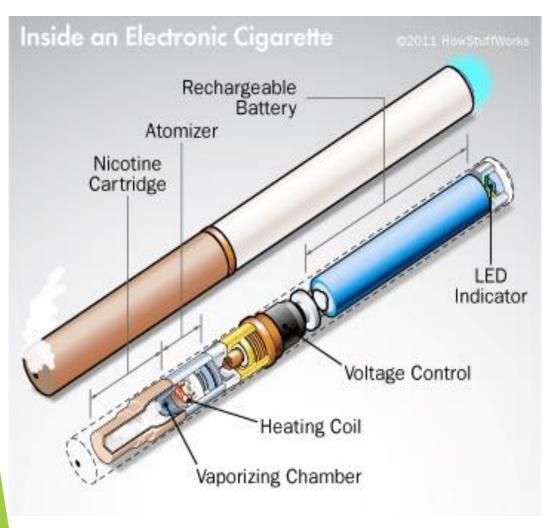
# Overview

How electronic cigarettes operate and examples of vaping devices

Data on Vaping Behaviors

Latest Update on E-Cigarette Vaping Associated Lung Illness (EVALI)

# **Electronic Cigarettes**

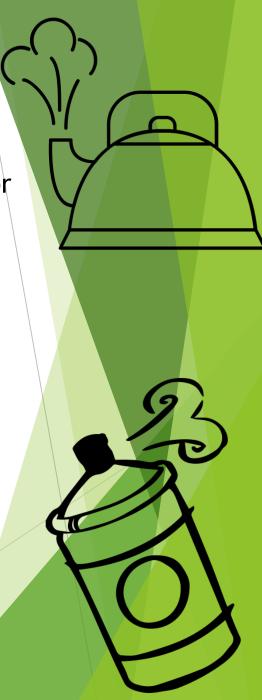


Disposable or rechargeable and/or refillable.

Contain a cartridge filled with liquid nicotine, flavorings and glycerin or propylene glycol.

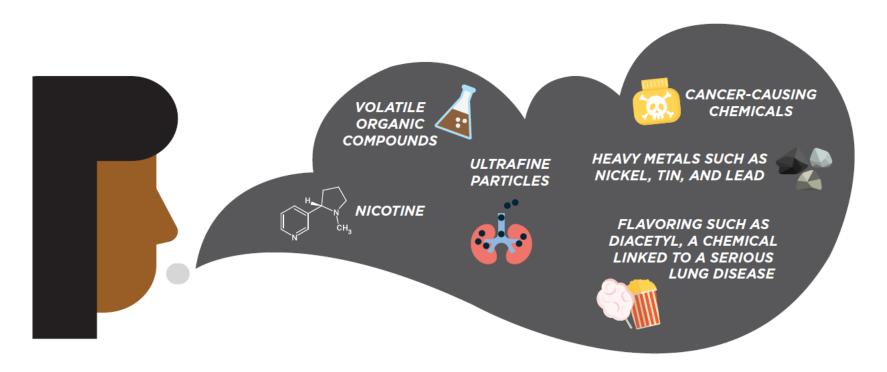
When coil heats, it converts the contents of the cartridge into an aerosol.

 Allows user to inhale aerosol containing nicotine and/or other substances.



#### WHAT IS IN E-CIGARETTE AEROSOL?

### THE E-CIGARETTE AEROSOL THAT USERS BREATHE FROM THE DEVICE AND EXHALE CAN CONTAIN HARMFUL AND POTENTIALLY HARMFUL SUBSTANCES:



It is difficult for consumers to know what e-cigarette products contain. For example, some e-cigarettes marketed as containing zero percent nicotine have been found to contain nicotine.























# Tank:

This product was very popular when e-cigarettes first hit the market.

E-juice required

Very heavy compared to the new generation products





The "counterfeit" pods which fit in both the JUUL and the Suorin iShare

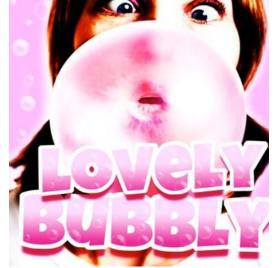
There is 1 additional pod and pack of 5 costs less than the JUUL pods

Price: \$14









#### #1 Flavor Selection with 19 Flavors!

























Suorin Air

Suorin Drop









SMOK Rolo Badge



# "Trendy" Products











## **PUFFiT**

# Zig Zag 335

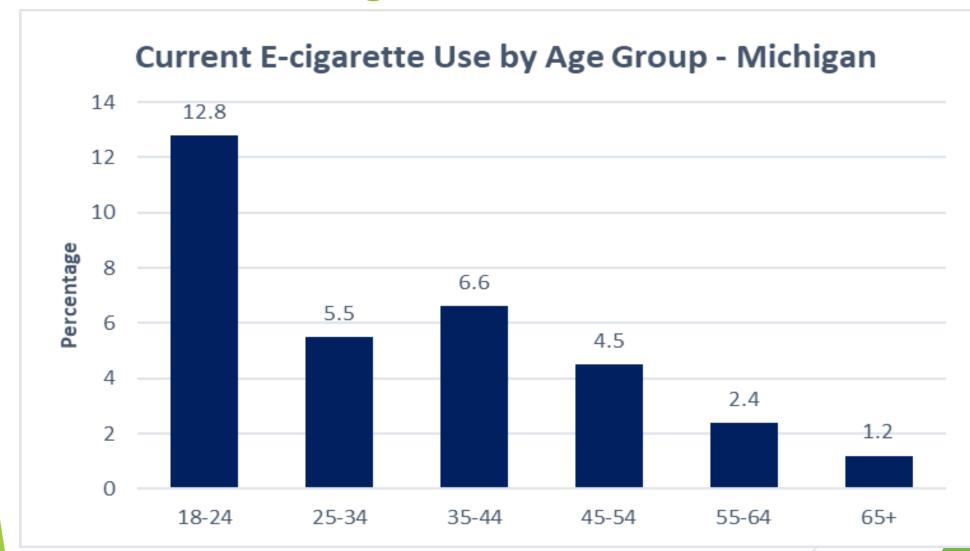






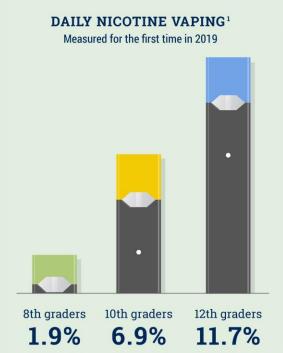
Vaping Behaviors/Attitudes

# 2017 E-cigarette Data - Adults



#### TEEN VAPING CLIMBS SIGNIFICANTLY\*

\*Both Nicotine and Marijuana (THC)





1. Miech R, Johnston L, O'Malley PM, Bachman JG, Patrick ME. Trends in adolescent vaping, 2017-2019. N Engl J Med 2019; 381:1490-1491

2019 Past Month Nicotine Vaping Equates to:

1 IN 4 - 12TH GRADERS • 1 IN 5 - 10TH GRADERS • 1 IN 10 - 8TH GRADERS

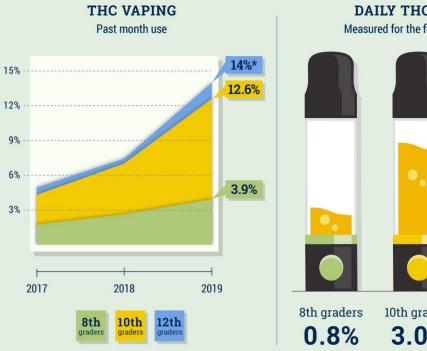
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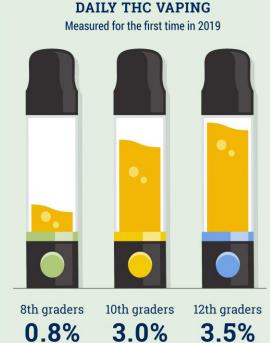
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\*2018 - 2019 INCREASE IS THE SECOND LARGEST ONE-YEAR JUMP EVER TRACKED FOR ANY SUBSTANCE IN THE 45-YEAR SURVEY HISTORY (NICOTINE VAPING WAS THE LARGEST FROM 2017 - 2018)

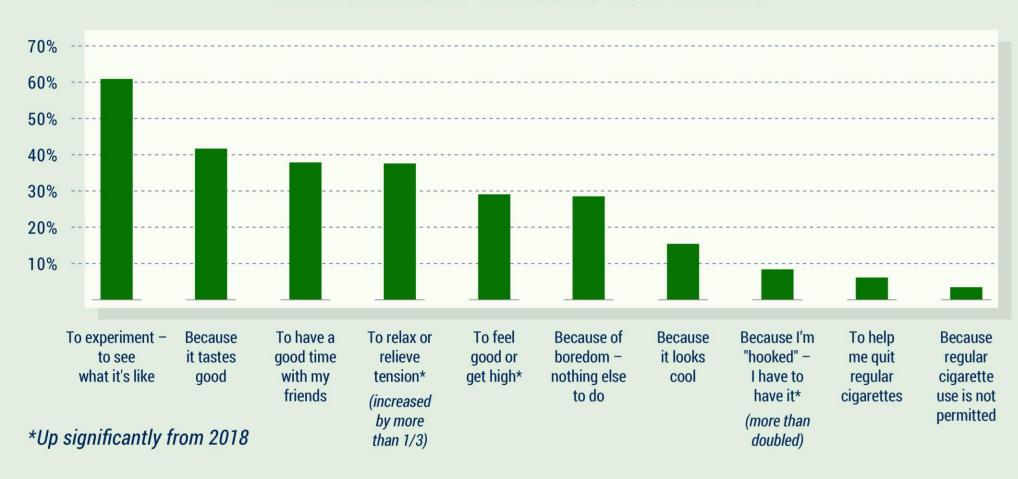
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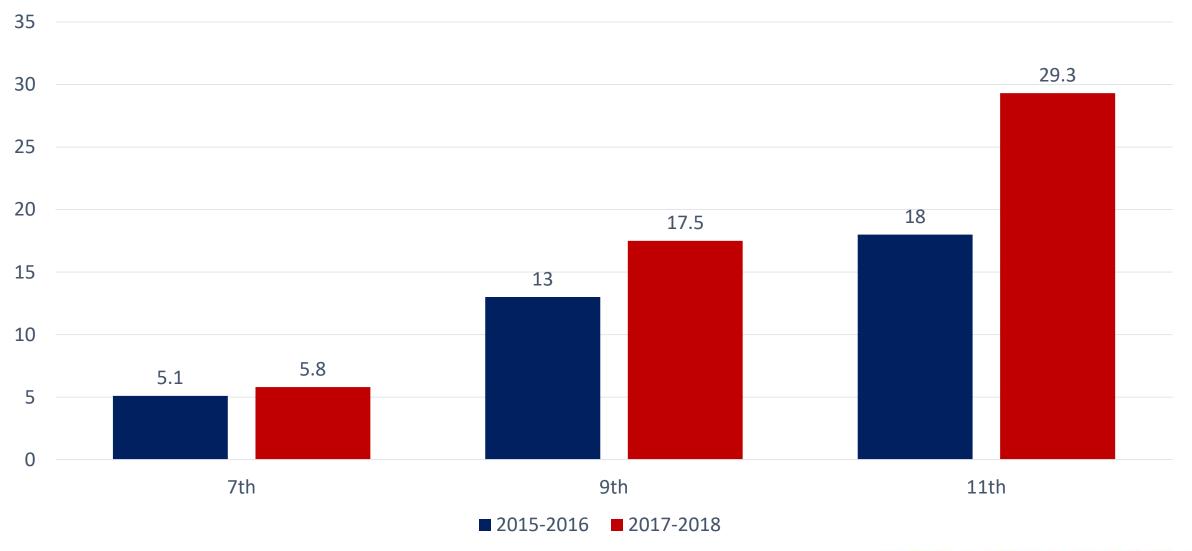


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#### TEENS REPORT REASONS FOR VAPING

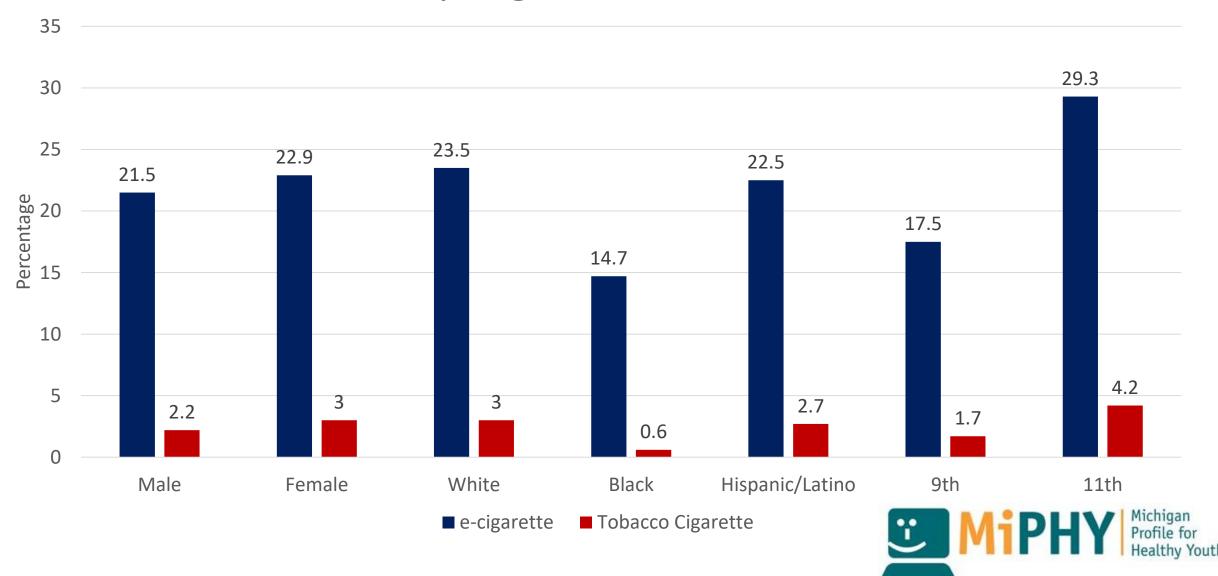


### Past Month Use of E-Cigarettes, Kent County

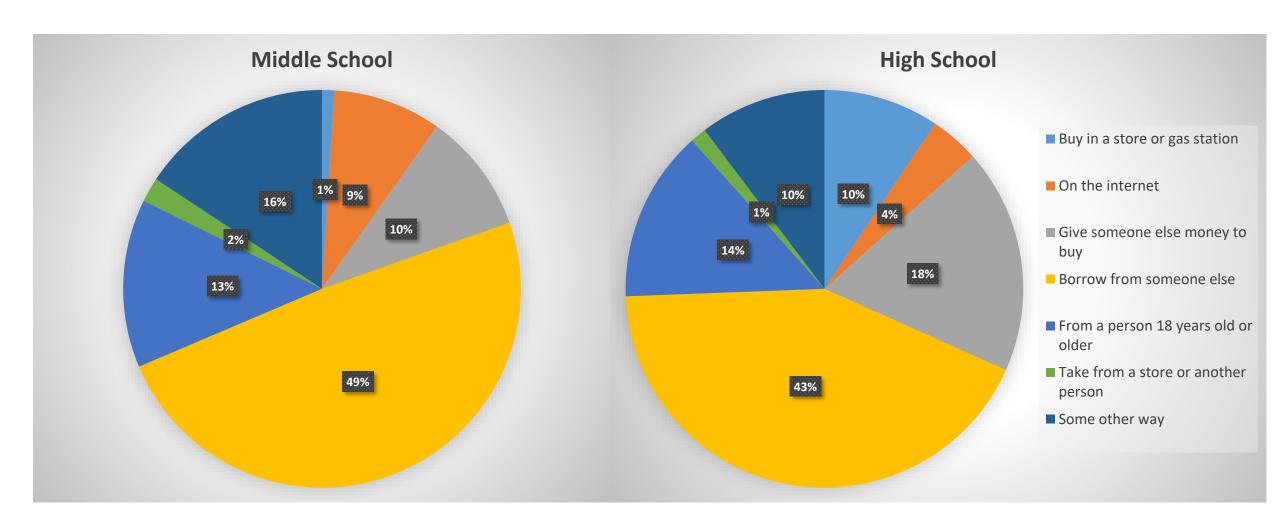




## Past Month Use of Cigarettes by Demographics, Kent County, High School Students, 2018



### Access to Electronic Cigarettes, Kent County, 2018





# Percentage of high school students who used an electronic cigarette product during the past 30 days

in 18 Counties in Michigan- MiPHY 2015-16 compared to 2017-18

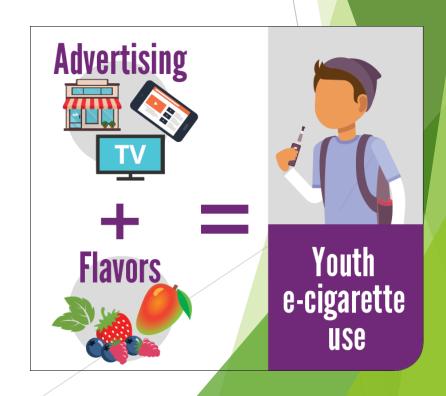
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	County	2015-2016	2017-2018	Rate of increase
1	Allegan	16.8	25.9	54%
2	Muskegon	17.5	24.9	42%
3	Berrien	19	24.5	29%
4	Ingham	11.5	20.3	<mark>77%</mark>
5	Jackson	16.7	23.8	43%
6	Branch	14.4	30.2	<mark>109%</mark>
7	Genesee	18.8	24.4	30%
8	St. Clair	20.6	31.9	55%
9	Wayne	15.1	24.2	60%
10	Macomb	14.8	29	<mark>96%</mark>
11	Oakland	16	28.4	<mark>78%</mark>
12	Manistee	16.2	31.1	<mark>92%</mark>
13	Chip/Luce/Mackinac	15.3	20.7	35%
14	Charlevoix	17.3	35.2	<mark>103%</mark>
15	Livingston	21.6	28	30%
16	Saginaw	14.4	19.9	38%
17	Kent	15.4	22.2	44%
18	Huron	18.3	30.9	69%

# Why the Rise in E-cigarette Use?

► Targeted tobacco industry marketing

► Flavors

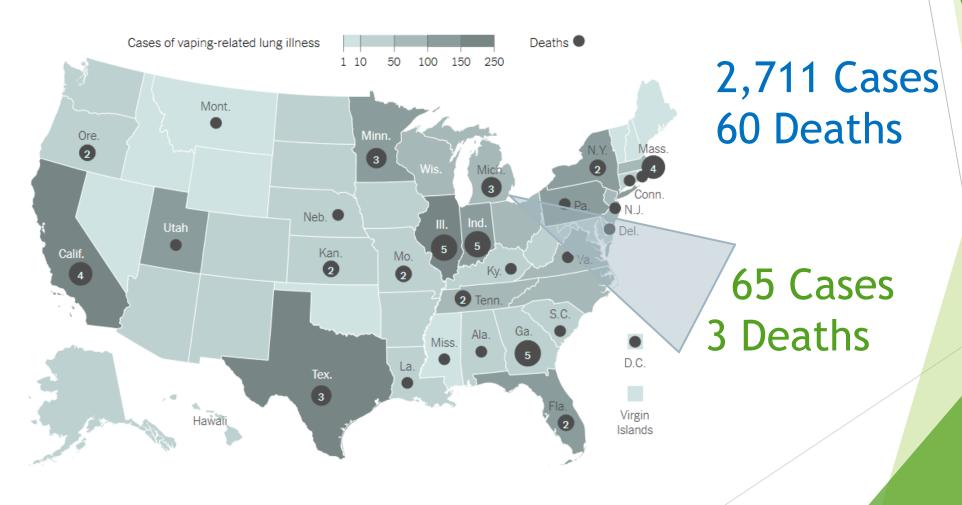
Lack of regulation



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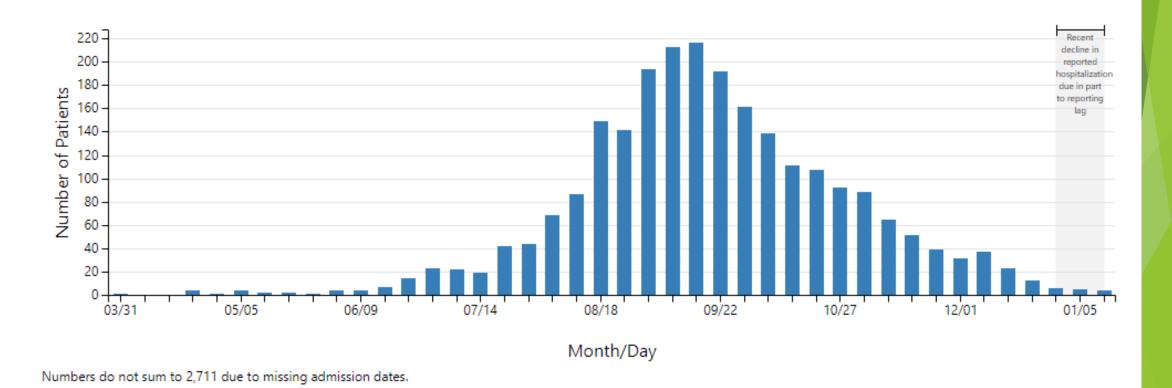


# E-Cigarette Vaping Associated Lung Injury (EVALI)



## **EVALI** Timeline

Dates of symptom onset and hospital admission for patients with lung injury associated with e-cigarette use, or vaping — United States, March 31, 2019–January 18, 2020



# Patient Demographics (as of 01/31/20)

- Among 2,688 patients with data on gender:
  - ▶ 66% of patients are male
- Among 1,364 patients with data on age:
  - ▶ The median age of patients is 24 years (13 to 75 years).
  - ▶ 76% of patients are under 35 years old.
- Among 2,022 patients with information on substances used:
  - ▶ About 82% reported using THC-containing products; 33% reported exclusive use
  - ► About 57% reported using nicotine-containing products; 14% reported exclusive use
- Product Source:
  - ▶ 78% reported using THC-containing products from an informal source
  - 94% of teen users reported using THC-containing products from an informal source

# Findings and Limitations

- Patients have typically obtained their THC-containing e-cigarette, or vaping, products through informal sources, such as friends or illicit in-person and online dealers.
- Self-reported data is subject to recall bias, as well as social desirability bias because nonmedical marijuana is illegal in many states.
- Patients likely did not know the content of the e-cigarette, or vaping, products they used.
- Methods used to collect substance use data varied across states.

