# **Research Brief**

# Spring 2018 Tobacco-Free Survey Results

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## **Purpose of Brief**

This brief illustrates the results from the Spring 2018 tobaccofree survey completed by 95 respondents.

# **Summary of Findings**

- 42% of respondents were age 50 or above.
- 76% of respondents were female.
- 97% of respondents stated that they are not currently using tobacco.
- 26% of respondents indicated that they were exposed to secondhand smoke on campus.
- 84% of respondents expressed concern over the effect of secondhand smoke on their health.
- 95% of respondents either strongly agreed or agreed with making CHC tobacco and smoke-free.

#### **Overview**

The Tobacco-Free Taskforce at Crafton Hills College (CHC) administered a survey to gauge the interest of attendees of the Spring 2018 Herbivore festival to make the campus smoke-free. This brief illustrates the results from the surveys completed by 95 respondents.

### **Methodology**

The service evaluation was administered in paper to respondents by members of the CHC Tobacco-Free Taskforce during the Herbivore festival on May 6, 2018. The evaluation consisted of a multiple-choice question prompting respondents to indicate their demographic information (age and gender), usage of tobacco, secondhand smoke exposure and concern. The evaluation also included Likert-scale questions by which respondents were prompted to rate their level of agreement with a statement about making CHC tobacco-free. The following 4-point rating scale was utilized: 4=Strongly Agree, 3=Agree, 2=Disagree, and I=Strongly Disagree.

## **Findings**

Table I examines the age groups of respondents. Twenty-two percent of respondents were between 50 to 59 years of age. Another 20% were 60 years of age or above while an additional 13% were between the ages of 30 to 34.1

Table I. Age group of the respondents.

Response Options	#	%
19 or younger	5	5.3
20 to 24	10	10.5
25 to 29	9	9.5
30 to 34	12	12.6
35 to 39	10	10.5
40 to 49	9	9.5
50 to 59	21	22.1
60 or above	19	20.0
Total	95	100.0

data by examining the gender of the respondents. Females consisted of 76% of the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> NOTE: As this survey was administered at a festival on a weekend, the makeup of the respondents does not match that of the population of CHC.

Table 2. Gender of the respondents

Response Options	#	%
Male	23	24.2
Female	72	75.8
Total	95	100.0

Table 3 captures whether the respondents currently used any tobacco products. Ninety-seven percent of respondents stated that they are not currently using tobacco products.

Table 3. Usage of tobacco products.

Response Options	#	%
Yes	3	3.2
No	92	96.8
Total	95	100.0

Respondents were asked about their exposure to secondhand smoke at CHC. Table 4 contains their responses. Twenty-six percent of respondents reported that they had been exposed to secondhand smoke while being on campus.

Table 4. Secondhand smoke exposure on campus.

Response Options	#	%
Yes	23	26.1
No	65	73.9
Total	88	100.0

Note: Missing responses were not included.

Next, respondents were asked if they were concerned about the effects that exposure to secondhand smoke had on their health. Table 5 shows that 84% of respondents were concerned about the effects of secondhand smoke.

Table 5. Concern about the effects of secondhand smoke.

Response Options	#	%
Yes	80	84.2
No	11	11.6
Not Applicable	4	4.2
Total	95	100.0

Table 6 indicates respondents' level of agreement with making all CHC campus grounds tobacco and smoke-free. Ninety-five percent of respondents either strongly agreed or agreed with making CHC tobacco and smoke-free.

Table 6. Respondents' level of agreement in making CHC a tobacco-free campus.

Response Options	#	%
Strongly Agree	84	88.4
Agree	7	7.4
Disagree	2	2.1
Strongly Disagree	2	2.1
Total	95	100.0

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