American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network

Alaska Smoke-Free Workplace Opinion Survey Live Interviewer Telephone Survey 25% Cell, 75% Landline

Tracking results provided from 2012 survey where available. Results from 2015 unless noted otherwise. 2012 survey: June 13-17, n=1,345 registered voters, 20% cell, MOE ±2.7%

1) Just to make sure we have a representative sample, could you please tell me in what year you were born?

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2012</u>
18-29 years	17%	
30-44 years		
45-59 years	27%	
60 years or older		
Not provided		5%
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2)	Gender (by observation)	<u>2015</u>	<u>2012</u>
	Male		
	Female	49%	51%

Now I'd like to ask some questions regarding smoking...

3) Please tell me whether you feel each of the following is a serious, moderate, or minor health hazard, or no health hazard at all. First...

		Serious/ Moderate hazard	Serious health hazard	Moderate health hazard	Minor health hazard	No health hazard at all Unsure
Smoking tobacco products	2015: 2012:					1% 3% 1% 1%
Exposure to second-hand tobacco smoke	2015: 2012:					2% 1% 4% 2%
Use of electronic cigarettes, or e-cigarettes. Exposure to second-hand electronic cigarett Smoking marijuana Exposure to second-hand marijuana smoke.	es	58% 65%	33% 37%	25% 28%	16% 19%	8% 18% 11% 5%

4) As you may know, there is currently no statewide law in Alaska that prohibits smoking indoors in public places, only local ordinances in some parts of the state. Would you favor or oppose a statewide law in Alaska that would prohibit smoking indoors in public places, including workplaces, public buildings, offices, restaurants and bars? ...is that strongly (favor/oppose) or somewhat (favor/oppose)?

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2012</u>
Strongly favor Somewhat favor	60%	55% $-66%$ $11%$ $-66%$
Somewhat favor		11%
Somewhat oppose		$\frac{11\%}{19\%}$ 30%
Somewhat oppose Strongly oppose	20% ∫ ^{28%}	19% ^{50%}
Unsure		4%

5) Would you be more likely or less likely to vote for a candidate who supports a law that would prohibit smoking indoors in public places and workplaces in Alaska, or would their opinion on this issue not affect your vote? ...and would you be much (more/less) likely or somewhat (more/less) likely to vote for that candidate?

	2015	2012
Much more likely Somewhat more likely		19% 19% 38%
Somewhat more likely	18% ∫ ^{59%}	19% 58%
Not affect vote	41%	43%
Somewhat less likely	6%] _{1 ⊑0⁄}	4%] 14%
Somewhat less likely Much less likely		$10\% \int^{14\%}$
Unsure	5%	5%

6) Please indicate which one of the following you think is more important [Randomized statements]: The rights of customers and employees to breathe clean air in restaurants and bars, or the right of the business owner to choose what is best for his or her establishment? ...and do you feel very, somewhat, or not very strongly about that?

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2012</u>
	61%	57%
48%		
12%		
1%		
	37%	
22%		
13%		
2%		
	2%	4%
	48% 12% 1% 22% 13% 2%	12% 1%

Now I'm going to read a series of statements. After I read each one, please tell me whether you personally agree or disagree with that statement. First... ...and is that strongly (agree/disagree) or somewhat (agree/disagree)?

	[Randomized 7-10]		Total agree	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree	Unsure
7)	All Alaskan workers should be protected from exposure to secondhand smoke in the workplace	2015: 2012:				6% 7%		
8)	Restaurants and bars would be healthier for customers and employees if they were smoke-free	2015: 2012:				1% 3%		
9)	All Alaskans have the right to breathe clean air	2015: 2012:				2% 2%		
10)	I would avoid a restaurant or bar that allows smoking indoors	2015: 2012:				11% 12%		

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11) If Alaska passes a law prohibiting smoking indoors in public places, including workplaces, public buildings, offices, restaurants and bars, would you favor or oppose including electronic cigarettes, or e-cigarettes, in that law, so that the use of electronic cigarettes would not be allowed inside places that are smoke-free? ...and would you say you strongly (favor/oppose) or somewhat (favor/oppose) that?

Strongly favor Somewhat favor	60%] _{77%}
Somewhat favor	12% 5 / 2%
Somewhat oppose Strongly oppose	. 6%] 20%
Strongly oppose	14% ʃ ^{20%}
Unsure	. 8%

12) And again, if Alaska passes a law prohibiting smoking indoors in public places, would you favor or oppose including the smoking of marijuana in that law, so that smoking marijuana would not be allowed inside places where cigarette smoking is prohibited? ...and would you say you strongly (favor/oppose) or somewhat (favor/oppose) that?

Strongly favor	70%] 70%
Strongly favor Somewhat favor	9% 5 7 9 %
Somewhat oppose Strongly oppose	6%] 100/
Strongly oppose	12% 5 18%
Unsure	3%

Moving on to a slightly different topic...

13a) As you may know, the State of Alaska is facing a large budget deficit this year. A proposal has been put forward to cover the deficit by raising new revenue through various sources and taxes. Included in the proposal is an increase in the state tax on tobacco. Do you favor or oppose an increase in the state tobacco tax as part of the overall proposal to cover the state's budget deficit? ...and do you strongly (favor/oppose) or somewhat (favor/oppose) that?

Strongly favor	
Strongly favor Somewhat favor	
Somewhat oppose	
Somewhat oppose Strongly oppose	
Unsure	

13b) The State of Alaska is considering whether or not to increase the state tobacco tax this year. Tobacco use costs Alaskans and the state approximately \$600 million per year in direct medical costs and lost productivity due to premature death. An increase in the tobacco tax would help offset the costs incurred to the state from the use of tobacco. Do you favor or oppose an increase in the state tobacco tax? ...and do you strongly (favor/oppose) or somewhat (favor/oppose) that?

Strongly favor	55%] 700
Strongly favor Somewhat favor	
Somewhat oppose Strongly oppose	7%]
Strongly oppose	20% 5 27%
Unsure	

14) Would you favor or oppose an increase in the state tobacco tax if some of the additional revenue that is generated is used to help fund tobacco prevention and cessation programs? ...and would you say you strongly (favor/oppose) or somewhat (favor/oppose) that?

Strongly favor Somewhat favor	54%] _{75%}
Somewhat oppose Strongly oppose	7%] ว/พ
Strongly oppose	17% 5 24%
Unsure	

15) The state is considering an increase of \$1 to the state tobacco tax. Do you favor or oppose an increase of that amount? ...and would you say you strongly (favor/oppose) or somewhat (favor/oppose) that?

Strongly favor	%]
Somewhat oppose5 Strongly oppose	%l _{2/%}
Strongly oppose 19	%∫ ^{∠4} %
Unsure	%

15a) And would you favor or oppose an increase in the state tobacco tax of \$1.50?

[Asked of those who favor a \$1 increase, shown as % of total]

%
%
%
%

16) Do you favor or oppose increasing the tax on non-cigarette tobacco products, including cigars, e-cigarettes, and smokeless tobacco, at the same rate as the increase to the cigarette tax? ...and do you strongly (favor/oppose) or somewhat (favor/oppose) that?

Strongly favor Somewhat favor	55%]
Somewhat oppose Strongly oppose	7%] 26%
Strongly oppose	$19\% \int^{20\%}$
Unsure	

Now I have a few more questions for demographic purposes only...

17) How often would you say you vote in statewide elections -- always, nearly always, part of the time or seldom?

Always	59%
Nearly always	25%
Part of the time	
Seldom	
Never (vol.)	

18) When you registered to vote, did you register as a Democrat, Republican, Non-Partisan, Undeclared, or something else?

<u>2015</u>	<u>2012</u>
15%	14%
24%	25%
15%	15%
39%	
	6%
4%	7%

19) Do you consider yourself very conservative, somewhat conservative, moderate, somewhat liberal or very liberal? [randomized order – read top to bottom, bottom to top]

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2012</u>
Very conservative	17%	18%
Somewhat conservative	26%	23%
Moderate	28%	31%
Somewhat liberal	14%	11%
Very liberal		7%
Not provided	6%	10%

<u>)12</u>
3%
4%
7%
1%
5%

21) What is your race or ethnic background?

is your race or ethnic background?	<u>2015</u>	<u>2012</u>
White	72%	71%
Alaskan Native	10%	
Other	14%	
Not provided	4%	6%

22) Which of the following describes your use of tobacco products: do you currently smoke, are you a former smoker, do you smoke occasionally, or do you never smoke?

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2012</u>
Current smoker	10%	10%
Occasional smoker		
Former smoker	25%	27%
Never smoke	58%	53%

23) Do you currently or have you ever used electronic cigarettes, also known as e-cigarettes? (If yes): And are you a current or former user of e-cigarettes?

Current user	
Former user	
No	
Not provided	



24) In which of the following ranges does your total household income fall?

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2012</u>
Less than \$10,000	4%	
\$10,000 - \$24,999		9%
\$25,000 - \$34,999	6%	6%
\$35,000 - \$49,999		
\$50,000 - \$74,999	15%	13%
\$75,000 - \$99,999	14%	16%
More than \$100,000	30%	28%
Not provided	12%	15%

25) Location

tion	<u>2015</u>	<u>2012</u>
Anchorage	42%	41%
Southcentral		22%
Interior		
Southeast		
Rural		10%