

# Vaping behaviours among 14 and 15-year-olds

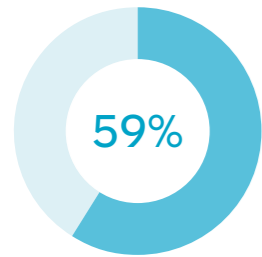
## Results from the 2018 Youth Insights Survey (YIS)



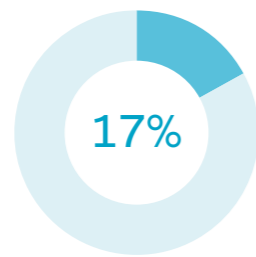
**Current vapers** were those who reported vaping 'at least once a month'.

**Ever vapers** were those who reported that they had tried vaping, even just a single puff or vape.

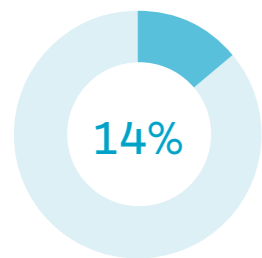
### Where **current vapers** got their first vape from:



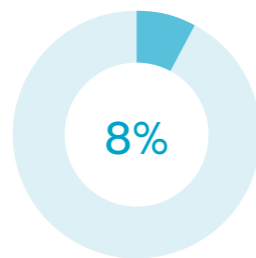
Friend or someone in their social group



Parent/caregiver or family member



Did not answer



Bought from shop or online

### Top five reasons why **current vapers** vaped:



They like the flavours/taste (59%)



They enjoy vaping with their friends (59%)



They like performing tricks with their vape (53%)



It smells better than tobacco cigarettes (43%)



It's less harmful to their health than tobacco cigarettes (36%)

# 63%



of **current vapers** used a **sweet flavour(s)** in their last vape

Sweet flavours included fruit, candy, dessert, sports or energy drink, or a combination of these

### Of 14 and 15-year-olds who have **ever vaped**:



## 6 in 10

did **not vape nicotine** in their last vape, only flavours



## 1 in 10

**vaped nicotine plus flavouring** in their last vape



## 1 in 10

**did not know** what their last vape contained

#### Notes:

- Vaping refers to using devices that heat liquids into an aerosol (vapour) which is inhaled into the lungs. They are commonly known as e-cigarettes, e-cigs, vaporisers, and vapes. They may or may not contain nicotine.
- The YIS is a nationally representative survey conducted every two years since 2006 and the 2018 YIS consisted of 2,689 participants aged 14 to 15-years-old.
- Multiple reasons for vaping could have been given so percentages do not sum to 100 percent.