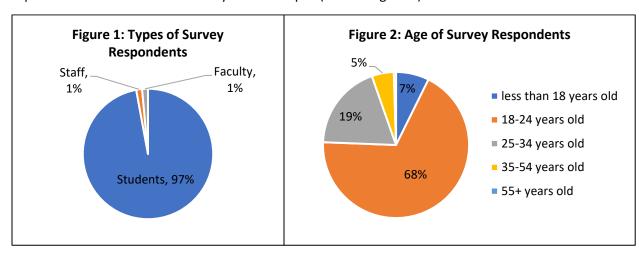
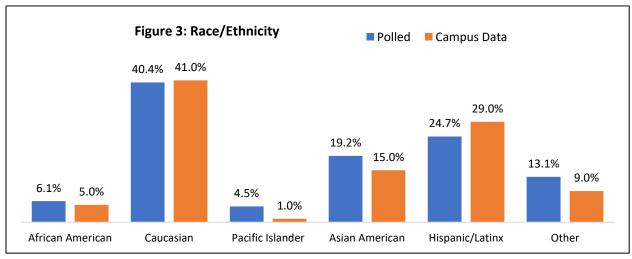


Las Positas Campus Tobacco Survey Report

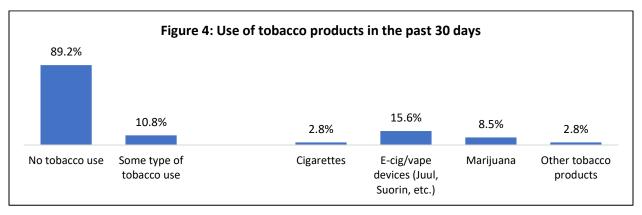
Public Opinion Polls (POP) Conducted: In April and May of 2019 a team of trained Young Adult Leaders (YAL) from Las Positas College conducted surveys of students, faculty and staff on campus, asking their opinions about smoking and vaping on campus as well as potential new campus tobacco policies. Overall, 212 surveys were collected.

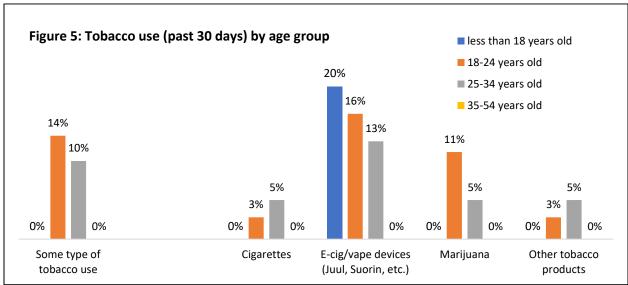
Survey Respondents: While surveys were designed to collect opinions of students, faculty, and staff, 97% of completed surveys were from students (see Figure 1). This likely reflects the fact that surveys were gathered by YAL who themselves are students. Most survey respondents were between the ages of 18 and 24 (68% of all respondents), followed by the 25 to 34 age group (19%). Figure 2 below shows the age distribution of respondents. Respondents were from a wide range of race/ethnicities which were largely representative of the racial diversity of the campus (seen in Figure 3).



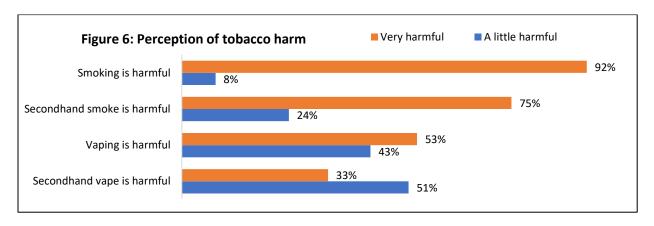


Most survey respondents (89.2%) had not used tobacco (in any form) in the past 30 days. For those who had used tobacco, the most commonly used product was e-cigarette/vaping devices (15.6%), followed by cigarettes and other tobacco products (2.8% each). Figure 4 below shows frequency of use of any type of tobacco product as well as frequency of use of marijuana. When we broke down tobacco use by age group, interesting differences appeared. Use of any type of tobacco product was limited to 18 to 34-year olds, marijuana use was much higher among 18 to 24-year olds, and cigarette and other tobacco use was much higher among 25 to 34-year olds. Figure 5 below shows frequency of each type of tobacco use per age group.

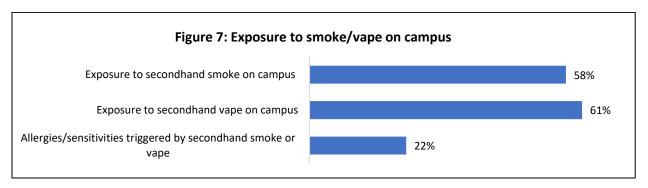




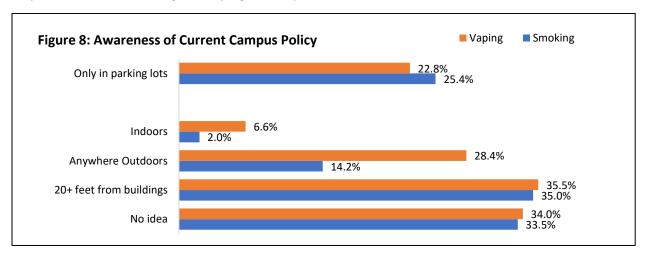
Perception of Tobacco/Vaping: While the overall perception of the harms of smoking and vaping were similar (100% of respondents felt smoking was either a little or very harmful versus 96% who felt vaping was either a little or very harmful); the perception of the impact of secondhand exposure varied more: 99% felt secondhand smoke was harmful (either a little or very) while only 84% were concerned about secondhand vape. Respondents also felt smoking was MORE harmful than vaping as evidenced by the fact that more than twice as many respondents felt smoking/secondhand smoke was VERY harmful compared to those who felt vape/secondhand vape were VERY harmful. Figure 6 below details the percent of respondents who rated smoking/vaping as either a little harmful or very harmful.



Experience of Tobacco/Vaping on Campus: The majority of respondents (58% and 61%) reported being exposed to secondhand smoke and secondhand vape on campus and almost a quarter of respondents (22%) specifically identified having an allergy or sensitivity such as asthma that was triggered by exposure to secondhand smoke or vape (Figure 7).



Campus Policies: Only approximately a quarter of respondents could correctly identify the current campus tobacco policy (designated areas, only in parking lots), and fewer correctly identified that the policy also applied to vaping (25.4% correctly identified the smoking policy, 22.8% correctly identified the vaping policy). While numbers of respondents completely unsure of the policy were similar when asked about smoking versus vaping, more than three times as many respondents picked the farthest from correct option for vaping as for smoking (6.6% of respondents thought it was alright to vape indoors on campus compared to 2% who thought it was alright to smoke indoors on campus). Figure 8 below details responses for both smoking and vaping on campus.



In general, respondents were supportive of potential ways to strengthen current campus tobacco policies. Seventy two percent of respondents felt the current policy should be revised to be more stringent (either a completely non-smoking/vaping campus or reducing the number of designated smoking/vaping areas to only one) and 54% wanted to see additional enforcement of current policies. Figures 9 and 10 below show the full responses to questions asked.

