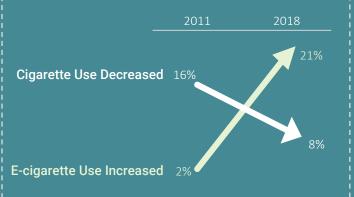
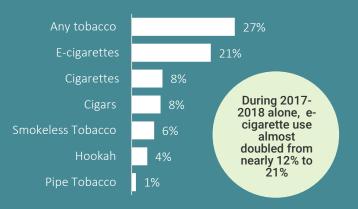
## During 2017-2018 alone, e-cigarette use almost doubled



## Tobacco product use among high school students (2018)





- Factors contributing to the increase of tobacco use among youth
- Easy access to tobacco products
  - Flavors in tobacco products
- Advertising (online, TV, etc.)
- Newer tobacco products (JUUL e-cigarettes

How are youth accessing tobacco products? • More than half (51%) indicate it's easy to purchase ecigarettes • 26% purchased directly from a store

## Potential Solutions for Decreasing Teen Tobacco Usage

Increase the minimum age to sale of sale of tobacco products to 21 years

Prohibit the sales of flavored tobacco products

3 out of 4 adults favor raising the age to 21

Prohibit smoking and e-cigarette use in work places and public places

Benefits of Raising the Tobacco Age to 21

Decreased youth tobacco use and initiation

Reduction in tobacco-related deaths

Promotion of healthy lifestyle and norms

## Consequences of Tobacco Use among Teens

Tobacco use is established during adolescence: 9 in 10 cigarette smokers first tried cigarette smoking by age 18

Tobacco products are harmful to youth:

 Harms brain development and impact learning and memory; Increase risk of addiction to other drugs; Increases risk of tobacco-related diseases and conditions