



TOBACCO CONTROL FACT SHEET



KEY FACTS

- Tobacco kills 8 million people annually.
- 69 of the chemicals in tobacco smoke cause cancer.
- 30% of Jamaicans have used tobacco



Causes Illness, Death and Impoverishment

- Tobacco use causes cancer and respiratory ailments.
- In Jamaica, tobacco use is higher among the less educated.
- Tobacco use hinders economic development



Second-hand Smoke Kills

Second-hand smoke fills public spaces when people burn tobacco products.

- There is no safe level of exposure to second-hand tobacco smoke.
- 67% of Jamaican teens have been exposed to second-hand smoke.



Cigarettes and E-Cigarettes

- 15% of Jamaicans smoke cigarettes.
- E-cigarettes contain toxic and addictive substances.
- E-cigarette use is linked to heart and lung disease



Heated Tobacco Products (HTPs)

Produce aerosols when tobacco is heated

- HTPs are no less harmful than conventional tobacco products.

Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS)

ENDS heat a solution to create an aerosol which is inhaled.

- ENDS may explode or result in accidental nicotine poisoning.



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