

One-Page Summary Sheet

	Survey Date	Participants (N)	Frequently + Occasionally Bothered by Smoke at BGSU	Currently Smoke*
Combined Faculty/Staff	November 2012	236	51.7%	8.1%
Faculty	November 2012	100	55.0%	4.0%
Classified Staff	November 2012	70	48.6%	18.6%
Administrative Staff	November 2012	66	50.0%	3.0%
Students	April 2012	691	57.0%	10.0%

*Self-identified "currently smoke" typically lower than *any past 30-day use*

Do you believe that Bowling Green State University (all campuses) should be smoke-free?				
	Yes, definitely	Yes, if BGSU increases its support...	Cumulative "Yes" + "Yes, if..."	No
Combined Faculty/Staff	53.4%	13.6%	66.9%	33.1%
Faculty	56.0%	10.0%	66.0%	34.0%
Classified Staff	42.9%	15.7%	58.6%	41.4%
Administrative Staff	60.6%	16.7%	77.3%	22.7%
Students	43.0%	17.5%	60.5%	39.5%

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Faculty/Staff Survey Methods

A list of all Bowling Green campus faculty and staff was provided by the Office of Human Resources. Using a random number generator in Excel, the list was sorted into a stratified random sample of 150 Administrative Staff (9-month, 10-month, 217-day, and 12-month staff), 150 Classified Staff (9-month, and 12-month staff), and 270 Faculty (9-month, 12-month, Faculty Administrators, Faculty Librarians, and Post-Doctoral contracts).

Postcards were sent to the campus mailing address of each faculty/staff member announcing that an e-mail survey would follow in one week. E-mails were sent to every potential participant inviting them to take an 8-item survey about tobacco use, policy preferences, and cessation services on campus. Reminder e-mails were sent one week following the initial e-mail, announcing that the survey would close later that week. The survey was active November 6 – November 17.

236 individuals responded (41.4%). 70/150 Classified Staff completed the survey (46.7%), 66/150 Administrative Staff completed the survey (44%), and 100/270 Faculty completed the survey (37%).

The resulting frequency of respondents consists of 42.4% Faculty, 29.7% Classified Staff, and 28% Administrative Staff. The frequency of respondents almost perfectly mirrors the actual distribution of classifications within the original population database (28% Administrative, 30% Classified, 42% Faculty) meaning the results from the stratified random sample are highly generalizable to the actual population.

Faculty/Staff Results

ALL PARTICIPANTS

1. Do you believe that Bowling Green State University (all campuses) should be smoke-free?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes, definitely	126	52.1	53.4	53.4
	Yes, if BGSU increases its support for smoking cessation programs	32	13.2	13.6	66.9
	No	78	32.2	33.1	100.0
	Total	236	97.5	100.0	
Missing	System	6	2.5		
Total		242	100.0		

ALL PARTICIPANTS

2. If the decision was made to allow smoking on campus but with restrictions, which of the following would you consider to be the best solution?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Smoking restricted to a minimum of 25 ft. from the entrance of a building	76	31.4	32.2	32.2
	Smoking restricted to designated areas around campus	160	66.1	67.8	100.0
	Total	236	97.5	100.0	
Missing	System	6	2.5		
Total		242	100.0		

ALL PARTICIPANTS

3. Which of the following best describes your current smoking status?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Never smoked	156	64.5	66.1	66.1
	Currently smoke	19	7.9	8.1	74.2
	Quit smoking in the past 5 years	13	5.4	5.5	79.7
	Quit smoking more than 5 years ago	48	19.8	20.3	100.0
	Total	236	97.5	100.0	
Missing	System	6	2.5		
Total		242	100.0		

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4. Do you currently smoke at BGSU?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Don't smoke	161	66.5	68.2	68.2
	Yes	18	7.4	7.6	75.8
	No	57	23.6	24.2	100.0
	Total	236	97.5	100.0	
Missing	System	6	2.5		
Total		242	100.0		

FILTER: Only including those who indicated status "Currently Smoke" for Question 3.

5. Are you interested in smoking cessation programs?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Not interested at all	9	47.4	47.4	47.4
	Somewhat interested	8	42.1	42.1	89.5
	Definitely interested	2	10.5	10.5	100.0
	Total	19	100.0	100.0	

FILTER: Only including current smokers who are definitely or somewhat interested in cessation programs.

6. If you are interested in smoking cessation programs, check all that apply[†] to your interest:

15.8% I am willing to pay for a portion of the cost of the program

26.3% I am willing to participate outside of normal work hours

10.5% I am willing to participate only during work hours

21.1% I have tried to quit before and nothing has worked.

[†]percentages are non-cumulative

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7. Are you bothered by smoke at BGSU?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Never	53	21.9	22.5	22.5
	Seldom	61	25.2	25.8	48.3
	Occasionally	80	33.1	33.9	82.2
	Frequently	42	17.4	17.8	100.0
	Total	236	97.5	100.0	
Missing	System	6	2.5		
Total		242	100.0		

FILTER: Including participants who are either frequently, occasionally, or seldom bothered by smoke at BGSU.

8. In what way are you bothered by smoking at BGSU? (check all that apply)[†]

- 67.2% Eyes/nose/throat irritation
- 48.6% Concern for long term health
- 8.7% Work performance issues
- 16.9% Headaches
- 3.8% Pregnancy related concerns
- 35.5% Other*

[†]percentages are non-cumulative

*Fill-in responses on next page

Other:

- allergic
- Allergic
- Allergic to it
- Allergic to tobacco smoke
- allergies
- Allowing smoking teaches others that it is OK to be rude
- as a former smoker, makes me feel ill in general
- Asthma
- asthma and pleurisy issues
- Asthma attacks
- awful smell
- butts on ground
- Cleanliness and Stench
- Concern for the smokers health
- Discarded Butts
- Do not like the smell
- DOn't like smell.
- don't like to breath it if I walk past someone.
- I am always surprised to see people smoking at an educational institution
- I don't appreciate smelling smoke when I am outside. I can't enjoy the outdoor tables because smokers take over.
- I only have one lung due to Military injury
- irritating
- It is a turn-off to the prospective students to whom I give tours. It reflects very poorly on BGSU.
- it stinks and looks bad
- it stinks and makes me nauseated
- Just don't like the smell.
- just the occasional smell
- Just worry over students' health.
- long term health effect on smokers
- makes me lose my breath like an asthmatic - always at the entrance to buildings.
- None
- none of the above
- not bothered
- Nothing specific; seldom bothered.
- nuisance
- Other Peoples health
- People smoke right outside my window. I'm fine with them killing themselves, but i shouldn't have to stink and suffer because of it.
- people smoke still in offices, elevators, right by doors to buildings
- People who smoke smell bad because of it, but excessive use of perfume by students is also annoying, so it's not a big deal.
- Poor role model for campus to allow smoking; should do our utmost to help students to quit
- smell
- Smell
- Smell like smoke after walking through it
- Smell of others
- smell permeates clothing
- Smell!
- smells bad
- The odor is offensive
- the smell
- time - for those that smoke there seems to be more "breaks" around their day than should be
- To enter building, must walk through smoking areas. This is a concern not only for my own health but for visitors to campus.
- Unpleasant smell
- unpleasant smell and cigarette litter on ground
- when i smell a freshly lit one, i want one and do not want to start smoking

Allergic	11111
Sets bad example / gives BGSU bad image	11111
Feel ill / nauseated	111
Asthma	1111
Smell	11111111111111111111111111111111
Litter	1111
Concern for others' health	11111
Secondhand smoke	1
Feel excluded from portions of campus with frequent smoke	1
Other medical condition	11
Generally irritating	111
Bothered by smoke indoors / by windows / doorways	1111
Loss of productivity / too many smoke breaks	1
Temptation to start smoking again	1

Conclusions (Faculty/Staff)

- 53.4% of faculty and staff believe that BGSU should definitely be smoke-free, 13.6% believe BGSU should be smoke-free if the university increases support for cessation programs, and 33.1% do not believe the university should be smoke-free.
- 4% of faculty, 18.6% of classified staff, and 3% of administrative staff describe themselves as current smokers (8.1% overall).
- If the decision was made to allow smoking on campus with restrictions, the majority of faculty/staff would prefer a policy with designated smoking areas (67.8%) rather than a perimeter policy (32.2%).
- If the decision was made to allow smoking on campus with restrictions, faculty/staff current smokers would prefer a perimeter policy (89.5%) rather than a policy of designated smoking areas (10.5%).
- The majority of faculty/staff current smokers (89.5%) do not believe BGSU should be smoke-free.
- Some faculty/staff current smokers (5.3%) choose not to smoke on campus.
- The majority of faculty/staff current smokers (52.6%) are somewhat or definitely interested in cessation programs.
- Of faculty/staff current smokers interested in cessation programs, 84.2% are unwilling to help pay for the cost of the programs.
- 51.7% of faculty/staff are frequently or occasionally bothered by smoke at BGSU.
- 10.6% of faculty/staff current smokers are occasionally or frequently bothered by smoke at BGSU.
- Faculty/staff who are frequently, occasionally, and seldom bothered by smoke at BGSU reported eyes/nose/throat irritation (67.2%), concern for long term health (48.6%), headaches (16.9%) and Other (35.5%) as the primary ways they are bothered by smoking.