

## Bidis, Kreteks and Pipe Tobacco

*Bidis are small brown cigarettes from India consisting of tobacco wrapped in a leaf tied with a thread. Kreteks are cigarettes containing tobacco and clove extract.*

### Grades 6-8

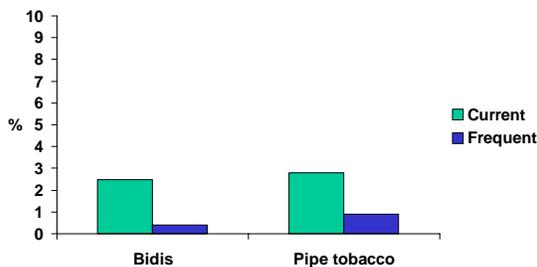
- Male and female middle students are equally likely to have ever smoked kreteks. (females: 2.5%, males: 2.3%)
- Male middle school students are slightly more likely to have ever smoked bidis than are female middle school students. (females: 4.4%, males: 5.2%)
- Male and female students are equally likely to currently smoke bidis. (females: 2.6%, males: 2.5%)
- Middle school males are twice as likely to currently smoke pipe tobacco [not for ceremonial use] than are middle school females. (females: 1.9%, males: 3.7%)

### Grades 9-12

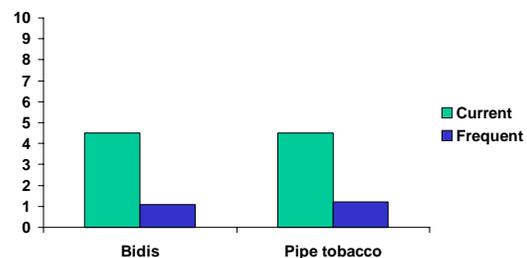
- Male high school students are slightly more likely to have ever smoked kreteks than are female high school students. (females: 4.8%, males: 5.6%)
- Male high school students are slightly more likely to have ever smoked bidis than are female high school students. (females: 6.1%, males: 7.0%)
- High school males are twice as likely to currently smoke bidis. (females: 2.8%, males: 5.9%)
- High school males are more likely to currently smoke pipe tobacco than are middle school females. (females: 3.8%, males: 4.8%)

## Bidi and Pipe Use

### Middle School



### High School



Current use: smoked on at least one day during past month

Frequent use: smoked on at least 20 days during past month

Data Source: 2005 Oklahoma Youth Tobacco Survey (OYTS), Oklahoma State Department of Health.

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