



On the occasion of the World No Tobacco Day, 17.7% of Egyptians are smokers 2021

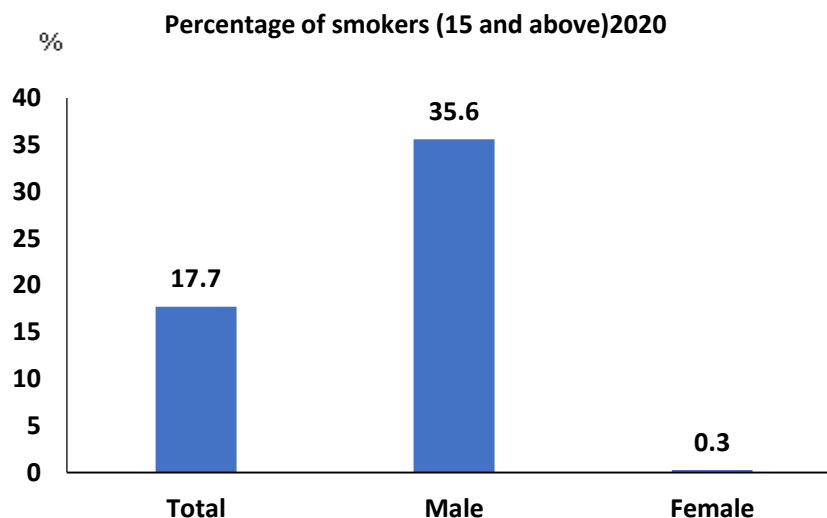
Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics (CAPMAS) issued on 30 /05/2021 a press release on the occasion of the World No Tobacco Day, which is celebrated annually on 31 May. World Health Organization (WHO) organizes celebration to inform the public on the dangers of using tobacco annually and call for effective policies to reduce its consumption.

WHO always calls for protecting youth from smoking marketing campaigns, which aims to attract a new generation of smokers by introducing new products and attractive distinctive flavors that mainly target young people?

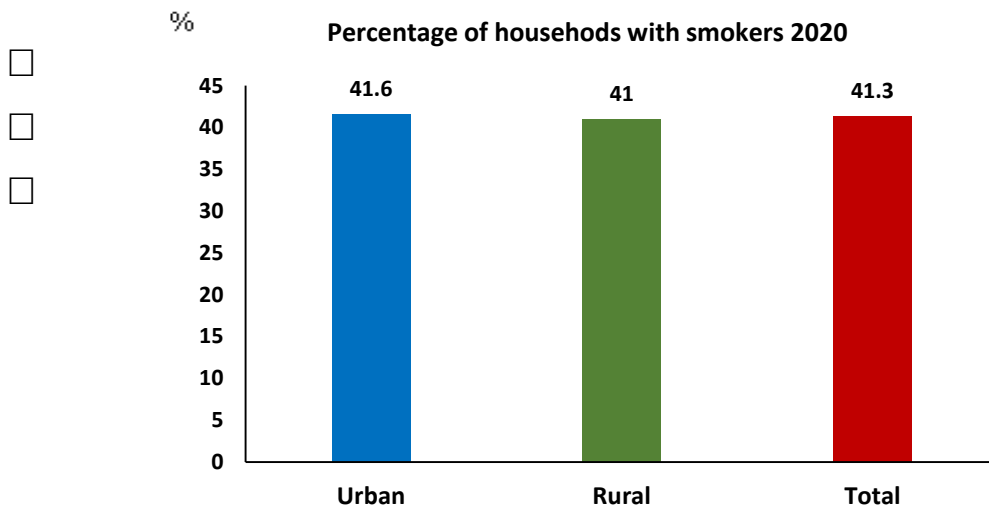
This year's slogan is "commitment to take of"

In the context of participating in WHO celebration of such day and raising awareness of smoking's dangers, and according to CAPMAS data, some facts about smoking in Egypt are as follows:

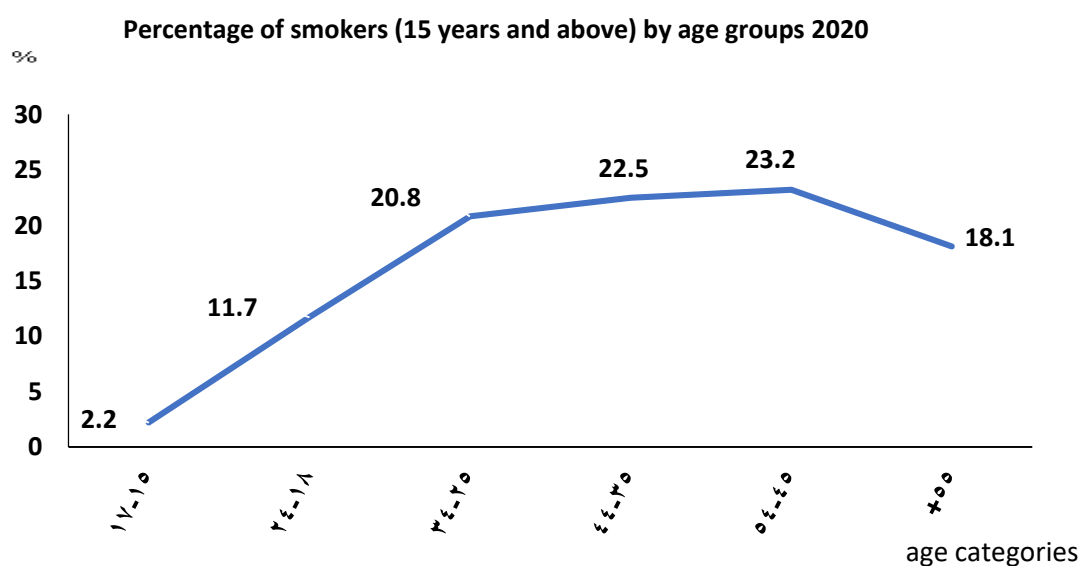
- 17.7% of the total population (15 years and over) are smokers, which represents about 18 million people according to population estimates of 2020. The percentage of smokers among males is 35.6%, compared to 0.3% among females, indicating that the phenomenon of smoking in Egypt is essentially a male phenomenon.



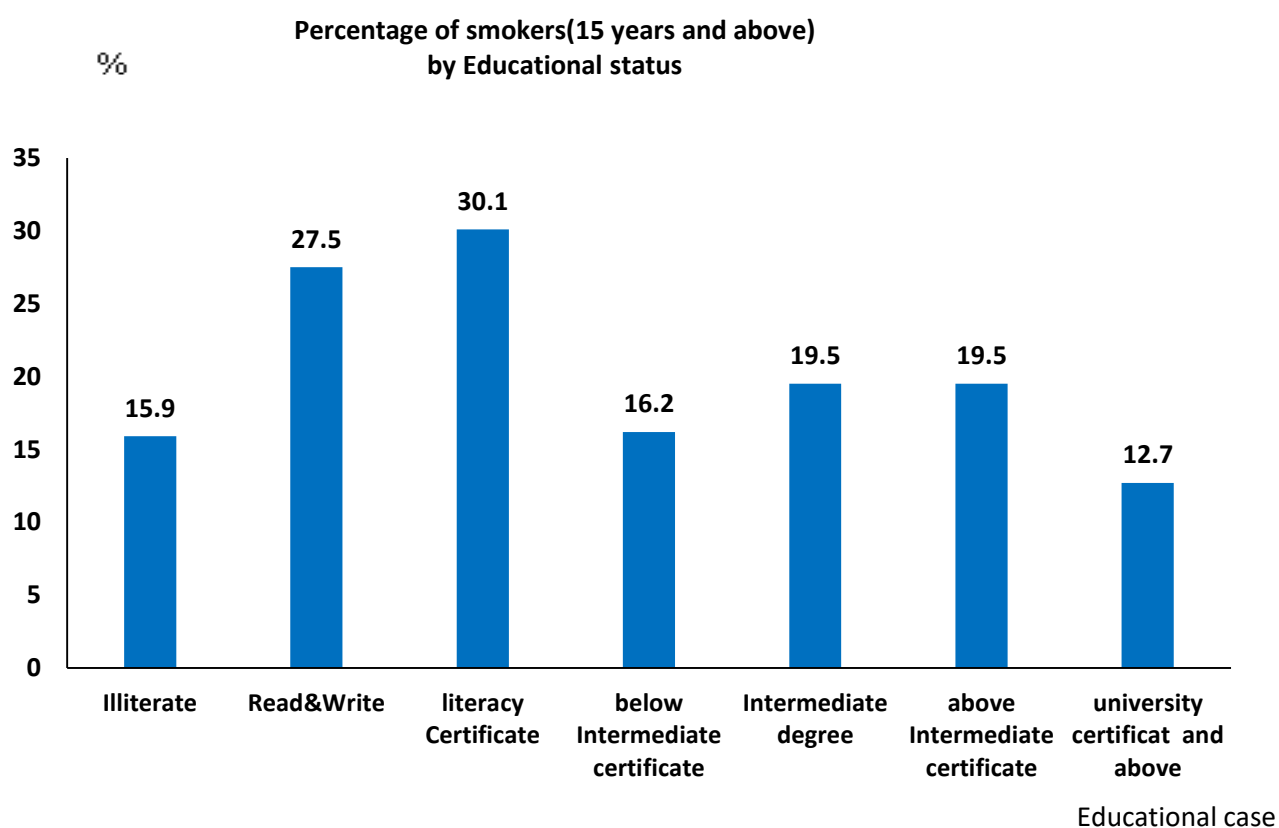
- The percentage of households with at least one smoker at the level of Egypt is 41.3%, which means that there are about 24 million individuals who are not smokers but are exposed to negative smoking due to presence of a smoker in the family, although the phenomenon of smoking is mainly a male phenomenon, and the percentage of female smokers is low, a large proportion of them become exposed to negative smoking due to the presence of only one or more smoker individuals in the family.



- The highest percentage of smokers is in the age group (45-54 years), which is 23.2%, followed by the age group (35-44 years) about 22.5%, then the group (25-34 years) about 20.8%. Bearing in mind that these age groups are youth, which is the main labour force in society.



- The highest percentage of smokers among the different educational levels was for those with a literacy certificate at 30.1%, followed by those who read and write where the percentage of smokers among them is 27.5%, and the lowest percentage of smokers at all is found among those with a university degree or above is 12.7%



- 6293.5 EGP is the average annual expenditure on smoking for an Egyptian family with one or more smokers.

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