



2017 Peel Living Smoking and Tobacco Survey Results

Peel Living and the Region of Peel are making new smoking rules for their buildings. These rules will protect residents (including tenants and superintendents), guests and building workers from second-hand smoke.

In Spring 2017, one person (16 years of age or older) from every Peel Living apartment and townhome was asked to fill out a survey about smoking. One survey was mailed to each of the **6,679 households** and just over **2,600 people (40%)** answered the survey. This report shows some of the key things we learned from residents.

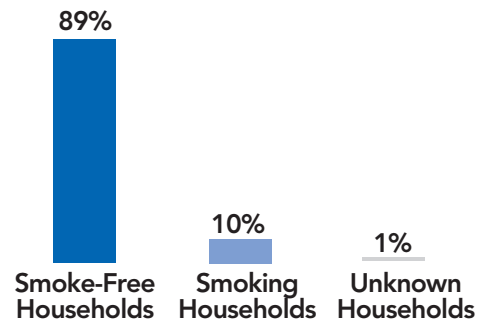
Smoking Status

Eight per cent of Peel Living residents reported that they were current smokers.



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Eighty-nine per cent of Peel Living residents reported that no tobacco smoking occurs in their home and 10% reported that some tobacco smoking occurs in their home.



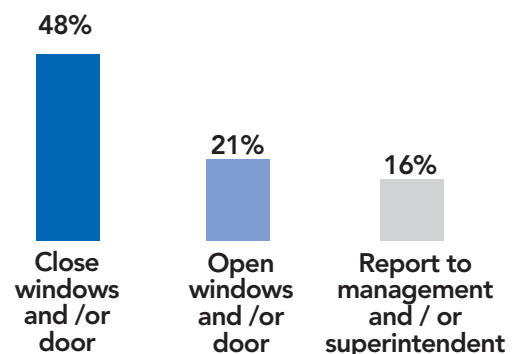
Second-Hand Smoke (SHS)

Almost half of Peel Living residents said they “very often, often or sometimes” smell smoke coming into their home. Of those residents, 48% reported closing windows and/or doors to stop the smoke from coming in, 21% reported opening windows and/or doors to get rid of the smell and 16% reported the smell of smoke to their building management and/or superintendent.



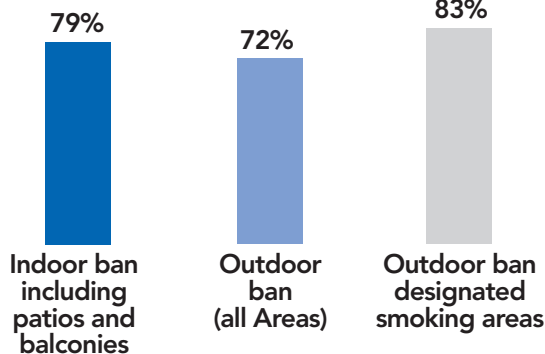
77% of Peel Living residents are bothered by SHS in their home.

Seventy-seven per cent of Peel Living residents reported that SHS bothers them or someone in their home.



Support for a Smoking Ban

Seventy-nine per cent of Peel Living residents agreed that smoking should be banned inside all units in their buildings, including on patios and balconies. Seventy-two percent of residents agreed that smoking should be banned in all outdoor areas on Peel Living property and 83% agreed that smoking should be banned outdoors except for in a Designated Smoking Area.



68% of Peel Living residents would choose to update their lease to be smoke-free.

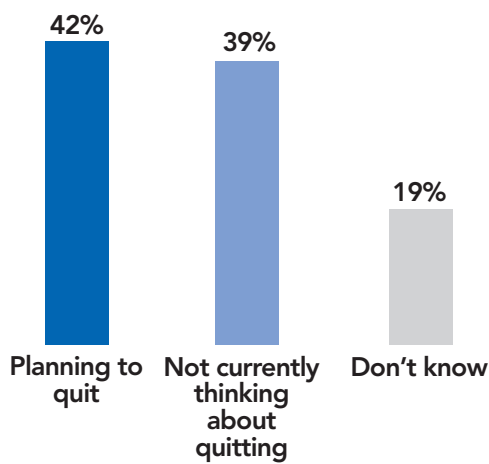
Sixty-eight per cent of Peel Living residents reported that they would choose to update their lease to say that smoking tobacco is not allowed in their unit.

Quitting Smoking

Thirty-nine per cent of Peel Living residents who were current smokers reported that they had stopped smoking for at least 24 hours in last 12 months because they were trying to quit.



39% of Peel Living residents who are current smokers have tried to quit in the past year.



Of those Peel Living residents who reported being current smokers, 42% were planning to quit smoking in the future, 39% were not planning to quit smoking and 19% were unsure.