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**Articles:**

*A Risk-Continuum Categorization of Product Use among U.S. Youth Tobacco Users*

*Sherine El-Toukhya and Kelvin Choi; Nicotine Tob Res (2016)*

At 30.5%, dual use was the most prevalent product-use pattern among U.S. youth tobacco users. The second prevalent pattern was non-cigarette combustible only use at 26.7%, followed by polytobacco use at 17.5%, cigarette only use at 14.9%, and non-combustible only use at 10.4%