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E-cigarette use in teens has emerged as a public health crisis in the United States. Since teens are more susceptible to e-cigarette advertising than adults, content and promotions on social media became an effective strategy for the e-cigarettes industries to maintain long-term profits by attracting teens.

The goal of this research is to explore the effect of social media on e-cigarette use among youth during the COVID-19 pandemic with demographic characteristics of age, gender, race/ethnicity. Using the data from 2021 National Youth Tobacco Survey (NYTS), weighted logistic regression models to account for the complex NYTS survey design, were performed using R.

Results showed that social media use, e-cigarette exposure through social media, and the number of social media sites with e-cigarette content were significantly associated with increased odds of ever using e-cigarettes. However, social media were not associated with the increased odds of current using e-cigarettes since addiction plays a more important role in long-term e-cigarette use.

The public health significance of this work is preventing the use of e-cigarettes and other tobacco products among youth to improve their well-beings. By studying their social media use patterns and exposure to e-cigarette-related content, we found that reducing exposure to e-cigarette promotions and related posts on social media by implementing more strict control policies, and

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conducting educational campaigns could be an area of regulatory intervention to limit e-cigarette initiation among teens.

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#### **1.0 Introduction**

#### **1.1 Background**

Tobacco-use in teens has recently emerged as a public health crisis in the United States. It's the leading cause of preventable disease, disability, and death. According to the CDC, 90% of smokers first try tobacco products before age 18 (CDCTobaccoFree, 2022). As tobacco products are evolving, among teens who currently used each tobacco product, 39.4% are for e-cigarettes compared with 18.9% for traditional cigarettes in 2021 (Gentzke, 2022). Furthermore, a prospective study by Pike et al. (2019) has shown that teens are more susceptible to e-cigarette advertising than adults (Pike et al., 2019). Advertisements and promotions, especially on social media, then become an effective way for the e-cigarette industries to attract teens into a potential life-long addiction for the purpose of maintaining long-term profits. Therefore, it is critical to prevent e-cigarette-related posts and content on social media sites among teens to improve teens' overall healthy development and well-being.

#### **1.2 Previous Research**

Previous research by Wulan et al (2022) has shown that lower exposure to e-cigarette advertisements on social media was significantly associated with lower smoking participation among youth (Wulan et al., 2022). However, these studies are outdated since their data are collected before the pandemic. The nationwide implementation of emergency COVID-19 guidelines in 2021 resulted in two main changes. First, research by Pandya et al. (2021) has shown that social media engagement has increased since people have limited in-person social interactions (Pandya & Lodha, 2021). Therefore, it's necessary to narrow down the area of focus to just exposure to e-cigarette-related content on social media use instead of on traditional sources such as newspapers, stores, and TV. Second, studies also have also shown that teens are more likely to quit e-cigarettes during the pandemic because they tended to spend more time with their parents (Gaiha et al., 2020). Therefore, it would be meaningful to fill gaps by re-evaluating the prevalence and correlates of youth exposure to and engagement with e-cigarette-related social media, since the National Youth Tobacco Survey (NYTS) in 2021 is the first survey that was fully conducted during the COVID-19 pandemic among a large sample.

Numerous research in the health sciences used various software to evaluate data from complicated survey designs, but they did not describe the formulation and theory for the logistics regression model. In the method section, these studies simply introduced the software and package they use instead of presenting the estimating process. Therefore, the method section in this paper explains the theory behind the logistic regression models for complex survey design in NYTS.

#### **1.3 Public Health Impact**

By studying teenagers' social media use patterns and exposure to e-cigarette related content, we can evaluate the effect of social media on e-cigarette use among them. We can reduce youth exposure to e-cigarette promotions and related posts on social media by implementing more strict e-cigarette social media policies, combined with the FDA's regulation, and increased education to resist e-cigarette use in the future to prevent the use of all tobacco products among youth.

#### 2.0 Methods

#### 2.1 Data

#### 2.1.1 Data Source

The data is from the 2021 National Youth Tobacco Survey (NYTS), which was acquired from the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The NYTS is a cross-sectional, school-based, self-administered survey of regular public and private schools in the 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia with students enrolled in grades 6 through 12. The survey was administered between January 18 and May 21, 2021. Out of a final sample of 25,149 students, 20,413 student questionnaires were completed, representing a sample of 508 schools, of which 279 participated (Gentzke, 2022).

However, according to the U.S. Census Bureau, in October 2021, 96% of teens between the age of 10 and 17 were enrolled in traditional schools., thus the results do not apply to the 4% of youths who have dropped out of school (Bureau, n.d.). Since the survey was administered online, the results cannot be compared to earlier NYTS survey results that were conducted in a different interview setting. This would be the main limitation of this study.

#### **2.1.2 Outcome Variables**

The outcome variables used in these analyses are ever e-cigarette use and current ecigarette use.

#### 2.1.2.1 Ever E-cigarettes Use

The ever e-cigarette use is a "Yes" or "No" question on whether the participants have ever used an e-cigarette, which is a two-level categorical variable. The participants who answered the question with "Yes" were then transferred to the question related to current e-cigarette use status: how many days the participants used cigarettes in the past 30 days.

#### 2.1.2.2 Current E-cigarettes Use

For the outcome current e-cigarette use, I classified the participants into former e-cigarettes users (participants who had used e-cigarettes in the past but not within the last 30 days), and current e-cigarettes users (participants who had used e-cigarettes on at least 1 day in the last 30 days) based on the distribution of the data. Different cut-points were tested to categorize the data properly. In Figure 1, the plot at shows the distribution from 0 to 30 days, which reveals that the number of former e-cigarette users is dramatically higher than the number of former e-cigarette users. To visualize the distribution of former e-cigarette users better, I filtered out former e-cigarette users. In Figure 2, we can tell that the participants who reported had used e-cigarettes in 1 day and 30 days are relatively higher.

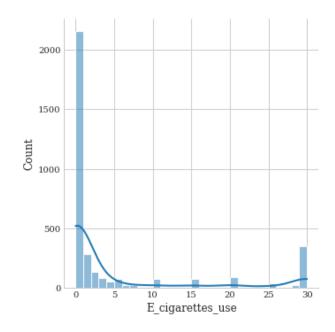


Figure 1 Distribution of E-cigarette Use in the Last 30 Days Including Former E-cigarettes Users

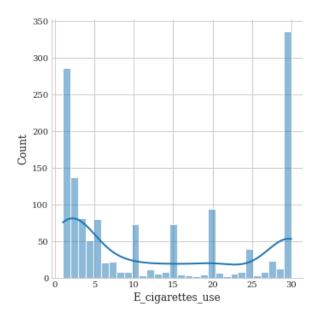


Figure 2 Distribution of E-cigarette Use in the Last 30 Days Excluding Former E-cigarettes Users

#### 2.1.3 Explanatory Variables

The predictors considered in these analyses are how often the participants use social media, as well as how often and on how many sites the participants see posts or content related to ecigarettes.

#### 2.1.3.1 Social Media Use

Based on participants' answers to the following question, the frequency of social media use was evaluated: "How often do you use social media?" Participants who reported "less than one time per week" or "about one time per week" were considered as low frequency; those who reported "a few times per week" or "less than one hour per week" were considered as medium frequency; "About 1-2 hours, daily", "about 3-4 hours, daily" or "4 hours or more, daily" were considered as high frequency (*2021 National Youth Tobacco Survey Codebook*, n.d.).

#### 2.1.3.2 E-cigarette Exposure through Social Media

Based on participants' answers to the following question, the frequency of exposure to ecigarette ads was evaluated: "When you use social media, how often do you see posts or content (pictures, videos, or text) related to e-cigarettes?" Participants who reported "never" or "less than monthly" were considered as low exposure; those who reported "monthly" were considered as medium exposure; "weekly" or "daily" were considered as high exposure (*2021 National Youth Tobacco Survey Codebook*, n.d.).

#### 2.1.3.3 Number of Social Media Sites with E-cigarette Content

Based on participants' answers to the following question, several social media sites were evaluated: "On which social media sites have you seen posts or content related to e-cigarettes?" Possible selections are Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, TikTok, Twitter, Reddit, YouTube, and other sites. To avoid collinearity, the number of social media sites with e-cigarette content was calculated as the sum of the sites where the participants have seen posts or content related to e-cigarettes, which was modeled a continuous variable ranging from 0 to 8 (*2021 National Youth Tobacco Survey Codebook*, n.d.).

#### 2.1.4 Covariates

The covariates are age, gender, school type, race/ethnicity, and cigarette use status. Age was modeled as a continuous variable range from nine to 19. Gender was modeled as a categorical variable of female and male. School type was modeled as a categorical variable of middle school and high school: middle school is from grade six to eight, and high school is from grade nine to 12.

The race and ethnicity responses were categorized into a single race/ethnicity group to match post-stratification weights defined by the CDC: Hispanic, non-Hispanic black, and combined (American Indian, Asian, white). For the poststratification purpose, respondents with missing race and ethnicity data, and those who reported several races were each given a distinct race and ethnicity, were classified as "Other".

I also included current cigarette use status as a covariate because there is a strong association between youth e-cigarette and traditional cigarette use (O'Brien et al., 2021). The ever

cigarette use was also a "Yes" or "No" question on whether the participants have ever used cigarettes, which was a two-level categorical variable.

#### 2.2 Weighted Survey Design

The public-use methods report for the 2021 NYTS was carefully studied to determine the type of sampling design that was applied to gather the data. The sample is a three-stage, three-level cluster sample design to produce a representative sample of students across the United States. Each student's record was given a weighting factor in order to account for nonresponse and different selection probability. Weight adjustments ensure the proportions of students in each grade matched the proportions of the national population. In the survey, three survey sampling schemes are included, which are sampling weights, primary sampling unit (PSU), and strata.

#### 2.2.1 Sampling Weights

Sampling bias arises when certain members of a group are more likely to be chosen. Survey sampling is used to decrease the cost or effort to survey a whole community. Therefore, sample weights are used to account for the systematic variations in probability sampling. In this survey, adjustments were made to account for nonresponse, and excess weight variances, such as the conditional student weight, school sampling weight, and grade sampling weight. These adjustments align the data based on the census (CDC, 2021). As a result of the sampling design, the weight is by definition the inverse of the probability of being included in the sample, which is the inverse of the probability of selection for each responding student. The weight is calculated as the number of elements in the population divide by the number of elements in the sample.

#### 2.2.2 Primary Sampling Unit (PSU)

The primary sampling unit (PSU) is the first unit sampled in the design that ensures the responses represent the population of interest. In the survey, the PSU is the county where the student's school was located, which was stratified by racial/ethnic makeup and urban vs. rural status. The school selection probability and corresponding weight were taken into consideration as subsampling components of the PSU weight. The grade selection that occurred within a school was the secondary sampling unit (SSU). According to the methodology report of NYTS, the weight of the PSU was the inverse of the probability of its selection. School, PSU, and stratum are denoted by the subscripts k, l, and m, respectively (*Methodology Report of the 2021 NATIONAL YOUTH TOBACCO SURVEY*, n.d.):

$$W^{P}_{lm} = \frac{1}{K_{m}} \left( \frac{MOS_{.m}}{MOS_{lm}} \right) = \frac{1}{P_{lm}^{P}}$$
 Equation 1

#### 2.2.3 Strata

Stratification is a technique for dividing the population into several groups, frequently according to demographic factors like gender and race. Each component of the population must be a part of just one stratum exclusively. In the survey, strata are determined by the major minority

(Non-Hispanic Black or Hispanic), its location (urban or rural), and the proportion of students who belong to that minority. These strata values allow estimates based on the survey responses to be calculated and improve the precision of the response estimates.

#### 2.3 Logistic Regression

Since each outcome variable was a binary variable with only 0 or 1, I built a logistic regression model, using the "svyglm" function in "survey" package ("survey") can be used for the weighted logistic regression model, where p is the probability of responding "Yes" to Ever/Current e-cigarettes use, X is the predictors and covariates matrix, and  $\beta$  is the parameter coefficients:

$$\ln\left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right) = X\beta$$
 Equation 2

#### 2.3.1 Weighted Logistic Regression

Suppose the population  $U = \{1, 2, ..., N\}$  is divided into h = 1, 2, ..., H strata, which are demographic factors of race/ethnicity and urban/nonurban. And each stratum is divided into  $j = 1, 2, ..., n_h$  PSUs, i.e., the counties where the student's school was located. Each PSU is constituted by  $i = 1, 2, ..., n_{hj}$  SSUs, i.e., the grade selection that occurred within linked schools. Each SSU has  $n_{hji}$  elements. The data consist of  $n'_{hj}$  SSU was chosen from  $n'_{hj}$  PSU in the stratum. Then the total observation will be  $n = \sum_{h=1}^{H} \sum_{j=1}^{n'h} \sum_{i=1}^{n'h_j} n_{hji}$ , and each sampling unit has a sampling

weight that is the inverse of the selection  $W_{hjik} = \frac{1}{P(Y_{hjik} = 1|X_{hjik})}$ .  $Y_{hjik}$  will be the binary response variable,  $X_{hjik}$  will be the covariate matrix. The survey logistic regression model will be

 $logit\{P(Y_{hjik} = 1 | X_{hjik})\}$ Equation 3 $= \ln \left\{ \frac{P(Y_{hjik} = 1 | X_{hjik})}{1 - P((Y_{hjik} = 1 | X_{hjik}))} \right\}$  $= X'_{hjik}\beta$ 

The parameter coefficients  $\beta$  are estimated by weighted maximum likelihood. The method denotes a function that approximates the likelihood function of the population, which incorporates the multiple levels of the sampling design and weights as Equation 4 shows:

$$l_{p}(\beta)$$
Equation 4
$$= \sum_{h=1}^{H} \sum_{j=1}^{n'_{h}} \sum_{i=1}^{n'_{hj}} \sum_{k} w_{hjik} \{y_{hjik}$$

$$\times \ln[P(Y_{hjik} = 1 | X_{hjik})] + (1 - y_{hjik})$$

$$\times \ln[1 - P(Y_{hjik} = 1 | X_{hjik})]\}$$

The estimator of  $\beta$  can be derived by the weighted maximum likelihood function and making it equal to 0,  $(\beta) = \frac{d}{d\beta} l_p(\beta) = 0$  ((Cassy et al., 2016).

Several weighted logistic regression models were fitted for each outcome variables to verify the predictors. We can then use the Akaike Information Criterion (AIC) and Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC), Pseudo- $R^2$ , and deviance to compare the models, as well as the likelihood test that measures the goodness of fit to determine the best model.

#### 2.4 Area Under Curve (AUC)

Area under the Receiver operating characteristic (ROC) curve (AUC) was used to assess and compare the performance of binary classification models. It measures the discrimination power of the predictive classification model and determines the best cutoff value for prediction.

Sensitivity is the true positive rate (TPR), which indicates the proportion of real students who use e-cigarettes correctly detected by the model with various thresholds. While the false negative rate (FNR) is "1-specificity", which indicates the proportion of the students who use e-cigarettes got incorrectly classified. A higher TPR and a lower FNR are desirable

The R package "WeightedROC" was used to calculate AUC ("WeightedROC"). From the package "PatrickCoyle/analyzeGES", I also created a function called "predROC" to produce a data frame of ROC curve values based on a svyglm, and a function called "plotAUC" to graph the ROC curve.

#### **3.0 Results**

#### **3.1 Summary Statistics**

Tables 1 and 2 show summary statistics to describe the sample size, unweighted and weighted percent for each categorical variable. For continuous variables, mean and standard deviations are given.

For the complete dataset, a total of 20,413 observations were observed with 10 variables. According to the weighted statistics in Table 1, 19.3% of participants reported used at least one ecigarette, and 7.5% of them reported used at least one e-cigarette in the last 30 days.

	Variables	Details	Unweighted	Unweighted	Weighted
			Frequency	Percent	Percent
Outcome	Ever E-	0 No	16547	81.1%	79.9%
Variables	cigarettes Use	1 Yes	3665	18.0%	19.3%
		Missing	201	1.0%	0.8%
	Current E-	0 No	2154	10.6%	11.4%
	cigarette Use	1 Yes	1436	7.0%	7.5%
		Missing	16823	82.4%	81.1%
Explanatory	Social Media	1 Low	831	4.1%	3.8%
Variables	Use	2 Medium	2244	11.0%	10.7%
		3 High	13885	68.0%	69.1%
		Missing	3453	16.9%	16.3%

**Table 1 Summary Statistics for Categorical Variables** 

	E-cigarette	1 Low	9055	32.7%	33.2%
	Exposure via	2 Medium	2216	15.9%	16.4%
	Social Media	3 High	5548	11.3%	11.4%
		Missing	3594	40.1%	39.0%
Covariates	Gender	1 Male	10368	50.8%	52.0%
		2 Female	9919	48.6%	47.4%
		Missing	126	0.6%	0.6%
	School Type	1 Middle School	12155	59.5%	59.5%
		2 High School	6591	32.3%	32.6%
		Missing	1667	8.2%	8.0%
	Ever Cigarette	1 Yes	1558	7.60%	7.9%
	Use	2 No	18397	90.10%	89.9%
		Missing	458	2.20%	2.1%
	Race/Ethnicity	1 Combined:	10306	50.5%	53.6%
		American Indian,			
		Asian, White			
		2 Hispanic	5056	24.8%	25.5%
		3 Non-Hispanic black	280	16.1%	12.1%
		4 Other: Missing &	1771	8.7%	8.8%
		Non-Hispanic Multi-			
		racial			

	Variables	Details	Unweighted		Weighted	
			Stat	istics	Stat	istics
Explanatory	Number of Social	Range: 0 to 8	Mean	1.704	Mean	1.737
Variables	Media Sites with E- cigarette content		Std	1.900	Std	1.899
Covariates	Age (year)	Range: 9 to 19	Mean	14.352	Mean	14.539
			Std	2.062	Std	2.071

 Table 2 Summary Statistics for Continuous Variables

#### **3.2 Weighted Binary Logistic Models**

The missing observations were first categorized as separate variables in Table 2 to test the validation of the weighted survey design. They were then returned from categorical value to "NA" (not available) in R, since the "svyglm" function in weighted survey package has the option "na.action" that produced complete-case analyses by default. We also checked the variance inflation factor (VIF) to ensure multicollinearity did not exist.

#### **3.2.1** Ever E-cigarettes Use

The outcome ever e-cigarette use was first tested in the model of the single predictor. In model 1a, the predictor is social media use, which indicates how often the participants use social media. From the results in Table 3, we can tell that participants' age, race/ethnicity, gender, and cigarette use status have P-values less than 0.05, which indicates that these variables contribute

significantly to the prediction of the participants' ever e-cigarette use status. For the predictor social media use, only high frequency use was significant compared to baseline low frequency use; the odds of having ever used e-cigarettes for participants who use social media at high frequency was estimated to be 1.35 times higher than those who use social media at low frequency.

Variables	Details	Adj Odds Ratio	P-value	P-value
		[95% CI]		(Global)
Social Media Use	Medium	0.7 [0.48, 1.02]	0.07	3.7e-09*
Reference: Low	High	1.35 [1.01, 1.79]	0.04*	
Age	Age	1.43 [1.37, 1.48]	< 2.2e-16 *	< 2.2e-16*
Race/Ethnicity	Hispanic	0.78 [0.64, 0.94]	0.01*	2.9e-07*
Reference: Combined	Non-Hispanic black	0.46 [0.35, 0.61]	3.2e-07 *	
	Other	1.04 [0.81, 1.33]	0.76	
Gender	Female	1.15 [1.01, 1.31]	0.04*	0.04*
Reference: Male				
School Type	High School	1.13 [1, 1.27]	0.05	0.05
Reference: Middle School				
Cigarettes Use	NO	0.07 [0.06, 0.09]	< 2.2e-16 *	< 2.2e-16*
Reference: Yes				

Table 3 Weighted Binary Logistic Regression for Social Media Use (Model 1a)

\* indicates P-value <0.05. The smallest value in R is 2.2e-16 in default.

In model 1b, the predictor was e-cigarette exposure via social media, which indicated how often the participants saw posts or content related to e-cigarettes. From the results in Table 4, we

can tell that participants' age, race/ethnicity, and cigarette use status contributed significantly to the prediction of the participants' ever e-cigarette use status. For e-cigarette exposure via social media, both medium and high exposure were significant compared to baseline low exposure. The odds of having ever used e-cigarettes for the participants who were exposed to content related to e-cigarettes at medium frequency on social media were estimated to be 1.63 times higher than those who were exposed to content related to e-cigarettes at low frequency; while for the participants who expose at high frequency, the odds were 2.59 times higher.

Variables	Details	Adj Odds Ratio	P-value	P-value
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		[95% CI]		(Global)
E- cigarette Exposure	Medium	1.63 [1.35, 1.98]	< 2.2e-16*	< 2.2e-16*
via Social Media	High	2.59 [2.24, 2.99]	3.7e-06*	
Reference: Low				
Age	Age	1.42 [1.36, 1.48]	< 2.2e-16*	< 2.2e-16*
Race/Ethnicity	Hispanic	0.79 [0.67, 0.95]	0.01*	1.1e-06
Reference: Combined	Non-Hispanic black	0.48 [0.37, 0.63]	< 2.2e-16*	
	Other	1.07 [0.83, 1.37]	0.61	
Gender	Female	1.14 [1, 1.3]	0.06	0.06
Reference: Male				
School Type	High School	0.91 [0.8, 1.04]	0.18	0.17
Reference: Middle				
School				

Table 4 Weighted Binary Logistic Regression for E-cigarette Exposure via Social Media (Model 1b)

Cigarettes Use	NO	0.08 [0.06, 0.09]	< 2.2e-16*	< 2.2e-16
Reference: Yes				

\* indicates P-value <0.05. The smallest value in R is 2.2e-16 in default.

In model 1c, the predictor was the number of social media sites with e-cigarette content, which indicates how many sites the participants see posts or content related to e-cigarettes. From the results in Table 5, we can tell that participants' age, race/ethnicity, and cigarette use status contributed significantly to the prediction of the participants' ever e-cigarette use status. The number of social media sites with e-cigarette content is also significant, which indicates the odds of having ever used e-cigarettes for the participants who were exposed to content related to e-cigarettes on fewer number of social media sites were increased by 1.21 times for each additional one site increase in the number of social media sites with e-cigarette content.

 Table 5 Weighted Binary Logistic Regression for Number of Social Media Sites with E-cigarette Content

 (Model 1c)

Variables	Details	Adj Odds Ratio	P-value	P-value
		[95% CI]		(Global)
Number of Social	Number of Social	1.21 [1.17, 1.24]	< 2.2e-16*	< 2.2e-16*
Media Sites	Media Sites			
with E-cigarette	with E-cigarette			
content	content			
Age	Age	1.42 [1.36, 1.48]	< 2.2e-16*	< 2.2e-16*
Race/Ethnicity	Hispanic	0.81 [0.67, 0.97]	0.03*	2.5e-06*

Reference:	Non-Hispanic	0.5 [0.38, 0.65]	2.0e-06*	
Combined	black			
	Other	1.06 [0.84, 1.34]	0.61	
Gender	Female	1.15 [1.02, 1.31]	0.03*	0.03*
Reference: Male				
School Type	High School	0.97 [0.87, 1.08]	0.63	0.63
Reference: Middle				
School				
Cigarettes Use	NO	0.07 [0.06, 0.08]	< 2.2e-16*	< 2.2e-16*
Reference: Yes				

\* indicates P-value <0.05. The smallest value in R is 2.2e-16 in default.

Model 1d is the full model with all three social media predictors. From the results in Table 6, we can tell that all three social media predictors, as well as the participants' age, race/ethnicity, school type, and cigarette use status contributed significantly to the prediction of the participants' ever e-cigarette use status. The odds ratios of increased age and combined race/ethnicity, being in middle school and using cigarette are greater than one, which are associated with increased ever e-cigarette use.

Variables	Details	Adj Odds Ratio	P-value	P-value
		[95% CI]		(Global)
Social Media Use	Medium	0.64 [0.43, 0.94]	0.03*	9.32e-4*
Reference: Low	High	1.01 [0.77, 1.33]	0.93	
E-cigarette Exposure	Medium	1.36 [1.13, 1.65]	2.1e-3 *	< 2.2e-16*
via Social Media	High	2.04 [1.75, 2.37]	9.7e-14*	
Reference: Low				
Number of Social	Number of Social	1.11 [1.07, 1.15]	1.8e-07*	6.4e-09*
Media Sites	Media Sites			
with E-cigarette	with E-cigarette			
content	content			
Age	Age	1.42 [1.36, 1.48]	< 2.2e-16*	< 2.2e-16*
Race/Ethnicity	Hispanic	0.8 [0.67, 0.96]	0.02*	2.8e-06*
Reference: Combined	Non-Hispanic black	0.49 [0.38, 0.64]	2.2e-06*	
	Other	1.06 [0.83, 1.36]	0.65	
Gender	Female	1.1 [0.96, 1.26]	0.17	0.16
Reference: Male				
School Type	High School	0.88 [0.77, 0.99]	0.04*	0.04*
Reference: Middle				
School				
		<u> </u>		
Cigarettes Use	NO	0.08 [0.07, 0.09]	< 2.2e-16*	< 2.2e-16*

 Table 6 Full Weighted Binary Logistic Regression for All Three Predictors (Model 1d)

\* indicates P-value <0.05. The smallest value in R is 2.2e-16 in default.

#### 3.2.2 Current E-cigarettes Use

The outcome current e-cigarette use was also tested. The predictor in model 2a was social media use. Table 7 indicates that participants' race/ethnicity, gender, and cigarette use status contribute significantly to the prediction of the participants' current e-cigarette use status. The predictor of social media use is not significant.

Variables	Details	Adj Odds Ratio	P-value	P-value
		[95% CI]		(Global)
Social Media Use	Medium	0.91 [0.48, 1.74]	0.79	0.22
Reference: Low	High	0.75 [0.47, 1.20]	0.23	
Age	Age	1.03 [0.97, 1.09]	0.42	0.41
Race/Ethnicity	Hispanic	0.74 [0.59, 0.93]	0.01*	0.05
Reference: Combined	Non-Hispanic black	0.82 [0.55, 1.22]	0.33	
	Other	0.81 [0.56, 1.17]	0.26	
Gender	Female	1.38 [1.14, 1.66]	1.3e-3*	8.0e-4*
Reference: Male				
School Type	High School	0.94 [0.76, 1.17]	0.57	0.57
Reference: Middle School				
Cigarettes Use	NO	0.31 [0.24, 0.39]	2.7e-14*	< 2.2e-16*

Table 7 Weighted Binary Logistic Regression for Social Media Use (Model 2a)

Variables	Details	Adj Odds Ratio	P-value	P-value
		[95% CI]		(Global)
Reference: Yes				

\* indicates P-value <0.05. The smallest value in R is 2.2e-16 in default.

The predictor in model 2b is e-cigarette exposure via social media. Table 8 indicates that participants' race/ethnicity, gender, and cigarette use status contributed significantly to the prediction of the participants' current e-cigarette use status. The predictor of e-cigarette exposure via social media was not significant.

Variables	Details	Adj Odds Ratio	P-value	P-value	
		[95% CI]		(Global)	
E-cigarette Exposure	Medium	1.03 [0.81, 1.32]	0.80	0.53	
via Social Media	High	1.15 [0.90, 1.46]	0.27		
Reference: Low					
Age	Age	1.03 [0.97, 1.09]	0.38	0.37	
Race/Ethnicity	Hispanic	0.75 [0.60, 0.93]	0.01*	0.06	
Reference: Combined	Non-Hispanic black	0.85 [0.56, 1.28]	0.44		
	Other	0.81 [0.55, 1.20]	0.30*		
Gender	Female	1.36 [1.13, 1.64]	1.8e-3*	1.1e-3	
Reference: Male					
School Type	High School	0.91 [0.74, 1.12]	0.39	0.38	

 Table 8 Weighted Binary Logistic Regression for E-cigarette Exposure via Social Media (Model 2b)

Reference: Middle				
School				
Cigarettes Use	NO	0.31 [0.25, 0.40]	4.5e-14*	< 2.2e-16
Reference: Yes				

\* indicates P-value <0.05. The smallest value in R is 2.2e-16 in default.

The predictor in model 2c was the number of social media sites with e-cigarette content. Table 9 indicates that participants' race/ethnicity, gender, and cigarette use status contributed significantly to the prediction of the participants' current e-cigarette use status. The predictor number of social media sites with e-cigarette content was not significant.

Variables	Details	Adj Odds Ratio	P-value	P-value
		[95% CI]		(Global)
Number of Social	Number of Social	0.99 [0.93, 1.04]	0.66	0.66
Media Sites with E-	Media Sites			
cigarette Content	with E-cigarette			
	content			
Age	Age	1.03 [0.97, 1.10]	0.29	0.29
Race/Ethnicity	Hispanic	0.72 [0.58, 0.90]	0.01*	0.04*
Reference: Combined	Non-Hispanic black	0.81 [0.56, 1.17]	0.27	
	Other	0.91 [0.64, 1.30]	0.62	

 Table 9 Weighted Binary Logistic Regression for Number of Social Media Sites with E-cigarette Content

 (Model 2c)

Gender	Female	1.28 [1.07, 1.53]	0.01*	0.01*
Reference: Male				
School Type	High School	0.91 [0.73, 1.13]	0.41	0.41
Reference: Middle				
School				
Cigarettes Use	NO	0.32 [0.25, 0.40]	7.5e-14*	< 2.2e-
Reference: Yes				16*

\* indicates P-value <0.05. The smallest value in R is 2.2e-16 in default.

Model 2d was the full model with all three social media predictors. Table 10 indicates none of the predictors were significant, only participants' gender, and cigarette use status contribute significantly to the prediction of the participants' current e-cigarette use status.

Table 10 Full Weighted Binary Logistic Regression for All Three Predictors (Model 2d)

Variables	Details	Adj Odds Ratio	P-value	P-value
		[95% CI]		(Global)
Social Media Use	Medium	0.89 [0.46, 1.72]	0.73	0.11
Reference: Low	High	0.71 [0.44, 1.14]	0.16	
E-cigarette Exposure	Medium	1.01 [0.79, 1.30]	0.92	0.61
via Social Media	High	1.13 [0.87, 1.46]	0.35	
Reference: Low				

Number of Social	Number of social	1.03 [0.97, 1.09]	0.39	0.38
Media Sites with E-	media sites with e-			
cigarette Content	cigarette content			
Age	Age	1.03 [0.97, 1.10]	0.31	0.30
Race/Ethnicity	Hispanic	0.75 [0.6, 0.94]	0.01*	0.06
Reference: Combined	Non-Hispanic	0.84 [0.56, 1.26]	0.41	
	black			
	Other	0.80 [0.55, 1.18]	0.27	
Gender	Female	1.39 [1.15, 1.67]	8.8e-4*	5.0e-4*
Reference: Male				
School Type	High School	0.89 [0.71, 1.12]	0.32	0.32
Reference: Middle				
School				
Cigarettes Use	NO	0.32 [0.25, 0.40]	5.4e-14*	< 2.2e-16*
Reference: Yes				

\* indicates P-value <0.05. The smallest value in R is 2.2e-16 in default.

#### **3.3 Model Assessments**

#### 3.3.1 Determine the Best Model

After obtaining all eight models from the previous section, I compared models a, b, c, and d from each outcome by examining AIC, BIC, Pseudo-R<sup>2</sup>, and residual deviance to determine the best model.

#### **3.3.1.1 Ever E-cigarettes Use**

In Table 11, model 1d had the greatest Pseudo- $R^2$  and smallest deviance, AIC, and BIC, which contained all three social media predictors. Model 1b was the simpler model, which also has the second best Pseudo- $R^2$ , AIC, and deviance. Therefore, a likelihood ratio test was performed to assess the goodness of fit of the two models. The p-value was less than 0.001, which showed strong evidence that the two models significantly differ from each other. Therefore, the two extra predictors in model 1d can't be removed, and model 1d was the best model in the prediction of the outcome ever e-cigarettes use.

Models	Predictors	AIC	BIC	Pseudo-R <sup>2</sup>	Deviance
1a	Social Media Use	13397.19	10886.00	0.183	13360
1b	E-cigarette Exposure via Social	13037.56	13051.396	0.195	13000
	0				
	Media				

Table 11 Models for Outcome One Ever E-cigarette Use

1c	Number of Social Media Sites with	14162.24	10874.13	0.191	14120
	E-cigarette Content				
1d	Social Media Use	12947.91#	13022.59#	0.200#	12900#
	E-cigarette Exposure via Social				
	Media				
	Number of Social Media Sites with				
	E-cigarette Content				

# indicates the value that has the smallest error.

### **3.3.1.2** Current E-cigarettes Use

In Table 12, model 2a had the greatest Pseudo-R<sup>2</sup>; Model 2b had the smallest AIC; Model 2c had the smallest BIC; model 2d has the smallest deviance. Similarly, a likelihood ratio test was performed to assess the goodness of fit of the models. The result indicates that models 2b and 2d are not significantly different from each other, while models 2a and 2c significantly differ from 2d. Therefore, the two extra predictors in model 2d can be removed. Model 2b was the best model in the prediction of the outcome current e-cigarettes use.

Models	Predictors	AIC	BIC	Pseudo-R <sup>2</sup>	Deviance
2a	Social Media Use	4082.71	3575.67	0.077#	4051
2b	E-cigarette Exposure via Social	4034.71#	4083.10	0.075	4002
	Media				

Table 12 Models for Outcome Two Current E-cigarettes Use

2c	Number of Social Media Sites	4352.88	3569.35#	0.072	4322
	with E-cigarette Content				
2d	Social Media Use	4038.60	4100.88	0.076	3997#
	E-cigarette Exposure via Social				
	Media				
	Number of Social Media Sites				
	with E-cigarette Content				

# indicates the value that has the smallest error.

## **3.3.2 Interaction Terms**

The interactions were tested for both models 1d and 2b, and we found that some interaction terms significantly contributed to the prediction. But the results by goodness of fit test indicated the models with interaction terms are not significantly different from the original models. Therefore, the interaction terms were dropped.

#### **3.3.3** Comparison between the Models

The coefficient and p-values were then compared to explore how different variables contributed to participants' status on ever and current e-cigarettes use. Table 13 shows that only e-cigarette exposure via social media contributed to the prediction of current e-cigarette use. Though the p-value of e-cigarette exposure via social media was greater than 0.05, the p-value of goodness of fit test showed that model 2b was not significantly different from the reduced model

without predictors. Thus, we can't drop the predictor of e-cigarette exposure via social media in model 2b.

When predicting ever e-cigarettes use, all three social media predictors were significant. For the predictor of social media use, only high frequency use was significant compared to baseline low-frequency use, though model 1a indicates only medium frequency use was significant compared to baseline low frequency use, the odds ratios of high and medium frequency use in the two models were almost the same. While for the predictor of e-cigarette exposure through social media, both medium and high frequency use were significant compared to baseline low frequency use.

Furthermore, age, school type, and cigarette use status were significant when predicting ever e-cigarettes use. The odds ratio of increased age and combined race/ethnicity are greater than one, which is associated with increased odds of ever using e-cigarettes. The odds ratio of high school and no cigarette use were smaller than one, which is associated with decreased odds of ever using e-cigarettes. When predicting current e-cigarettes use, only the odds ratio of the female was greater than one.

		Model 1d			Model 2b		
Variables		Adj Odds	P-value	P-value	Adj Odds	P-value	P-value
		Ratio		(Global)	Ratio		(Global)
Social Media Use	Medium	0.64	0.03*	9.32e-4*			
Reference: Low	High	1.01	0.93	_			
E-cigarette	Medium	1.36	2.1e-3 *	< 2.2e-16*	1.02	0.80	0.53
Exposure via Social	High	2.04	9.7e-14*	-	1.15	0.27	
Media							

Table 13 Comparison of Coefficients and P-values between Model 1d and 2b

Reference: Low							
Number of Social	Number of Social	1.11	1.8e-07*	6.4e-09*			
Media Sites with E-	Media Sites with E-						
cigarette Content	cigarette Content						
Age	Age	1.42	< 2.2e-16*	< 2.2e-16*	1.03	0.38	0.37
Race/Ethnicity	Hispanic	0.80	0.02*	2.8e-06*	0.75	0.01*	0.06
Reference:	Non-Hispanic black	0.49	2.2e-06*		0.85	0.44	
Combined	Other	1.06	0.65		0.81	0.30	
Gender	Female	1.10	0.17	0.16	1.36	1.8e-3*	1.1e-3*
Reference: Male							
School Type	High School	0.88	0.04*	0.04*	0.91	0.39	0.38
Reference:							
Middle School							
Cigarettes Use	NO	0.08	< 2.2e-16*	< 2.2e-16*	0.31	4.5e-14*	< 2.2e-16
Reference:							
Yes							

\* indicates P-value <0.05. The smallest value in R is 2.2e-16 in default.

## **3.3.4** Area Under the ROC Curve (AUC)

To further evaluate the two best logistic regression models, the predictions on how well the models classify positive and negative outcomes were checked by AUC curve. Model 1d for all three social media predictors has an AUC value of 0.806 in Figure 3, which indicates good discrimination: the model ranks a random positive example over a random negative 80.6% of the time. Model 2b for e-cigarette exposure via social media has an AUC value of 0.657 in Figure 4, which indicates fair discrimination.

# **3.3.4.1 Ever E-cigarettes Use**

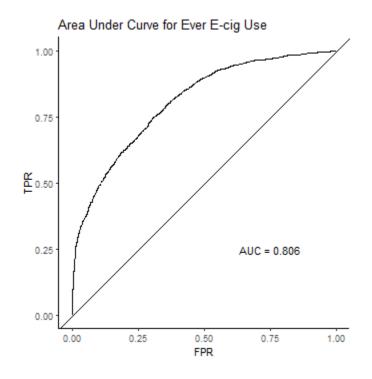


Figure 3 AUC for Model 1d for All Three Predictors

# 3.3.4.2 Current E-cigarettes Use

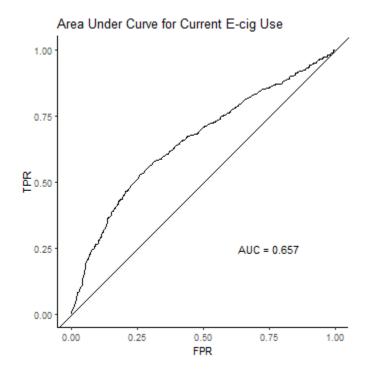


Figure 4 AUC for Model 2b for E-cigarette Exposure through Social Media

### 4.0 Discussion

The goal of this thesis was to explore the effect of social media on e-cigarette use among youth during the COVID-19 pandemic in 2021 with demographic characteristics of age, gender, and race/ethnicity using weighted logistic regression under a complex NYTS survey design.

The principle behind this methodology of NYTS that involves stratification, clustering, and strata are discussed in this paper, which fills the gap of lack of explanation of the weighted logistic regression model within the context of complex survey design.

Results demonstrated that social media use, e-cigarette exposure through social media, and the number of social media sites with e-cigarette content were significantly associated with increased ever using e-cigarettes.. However, the three social media predictors were not associated with the increased odds of currently using e-cigarettes. This may be because current e-cigarettes use restricts the ability to distinguish participants from regular users (current e-cig use of 30 days) since participants who reported used 1 day and 30 days fall into the same category. According to Figure 2, the frequency of regular users is the second highest. In this case, addiction may play a more important role in habitual e-cigarette use compared to the influence of social media since researchers have shown that e-cigarettes are even more addictive than traditional cigarettes (Jankowski et al., 2019).

For covariates, we identified that cigarettes use status appeared to be most significant among all the models, which indicates it is significantly associated with both increased ever and current e-cigarettes use. When predicting ever e-cigarettes use, age, race/ethnicity, and school type are significant, which indicates that participants with race/ethnicity of American Indian, Asian, and white in middle school with greater age are significantly associated with increased reports that they have ever used an e-cigarette. When predicting current e-cigarettes use, only gender was significant, which indicates that female students were more likely to report that they had used e-cigarettes on at least 1 day in the last 30 days.

This observation contradicted the finding that women have lower smoking participation than men (Chinwong et al., 2018). This is also because the categorization of current e-cigarette use restricts the ability to differentiate between participants and ordinary users, which is a limitation of the study. For future reference, different methods of categorizing current e-cigarette use can be performed to improve the result. Another limitation is that recall biases since the survey was selfreported, especially for younger participants. Lastly, The results of the 2021 NYTS survey cannot be compared to those of the previous NYTS surveys since they were performed in a different interview environment. Further research on cross-sectional data that deals with the observations on e-cigarette use in different periods can be conducted to verify the findings in this paper.

### Appendix A Analysis Executed in Python

```
# How exposure to social media and advertising affected use of e-
cigarettes among youth during the pandemic?
      Covariates: Age (QN1), gender (QN2), grade (QN3), race (QN5), ethnicity
(QN4A-E), cigarettes use (QN38), how often see ads or promotions on internet,
newspaper/magazines, stores, TV (QN128-QN131), Social Media (QN134), how
often use social media (QN133), who you get from
      Outcomes variable: current e-cigarettes use (how many days in the past
30 days) (QN9), Have you ever used an e-cigarette(QN6)
     Method: Multinomial logistic regression
      Predictors: QN128-QN138: internet, newspaper, stores, social media
(what site, interaction, who)
      ```python
      !pip install scikit-plot
      !pip install mord
      ```python
      import pandas as pd
      import numpy as np
      import scipy.stats as stats
      ```python
      #These are utility tools of the DMBA book.
      from dmba import regressionSummary, exhaustive search
      from dmba import backward elimination, forward selection,
stepwise selection
      from dmba import adjusted r2 score, AIC score, BIC score
      from dmba import classificationSummary, gainsChart, liftChart
      ```python
      # visualization and tuning the aesthetics
      import matplotlib.pylab as plt
      import seaborn as sns
      %matplotlib inline
      sns.set style("whitegrid")
      sns.set context("notebook", font scale=1, rc={"lines.linewidth":
2,'font.family': [u'times']})
      plt.style.use('seaborn-whitegrid')
      plt.rc('text', usetex = False)
     plt.rc('font', family = 'serif')
     plt.rc('xtick', labelsize = 10)
     plt.rc('ytick', labelsize = 10)
     plt.rc('font', size = 12)
      plt.rc('figure', figsize = (6, 5))
```

```
```python
      nyts = pd.read excel('nyts2021.xlsx', na values= ' ',
usecols=['QN1','QN2','QN3','QN4A','QN4B','QN4C','QN4D','QN4E','QN5A','QN5B','
QN5C', 'QN5D', 'QN5E', 'QN6',
'ON20AA', 'ON20AB', 'ON20AC', 'ON20AD', 'ON20AE', 'ON20AF', 'ON20AG', 'ON20AH',
'QN35', 'QN38', 'QN9', 'QN128', 'QN129', 'QN130', 'QN131', 'QN133', 'QN134',
'QN135A', 'QN135B', 'QN135C', 'QN135D', 'QN135E', 'QN135F', 'QN135G', 'QN135H',
'psu','stratum','hsms','finwgt','v stratum'])
      ```python
      nyts
      ```python
      nyts.info()
      ```python
      nyts.columns
      ```python
      nyts.rename(columns = {'QN1':'Age', 'QN2':'Gender', 'QN3':'Grade',
                              'QN4A': 'Not_Hispanic', 'QN4B': 'Yes_Mexican',
'QN4C':'Yes Puerto', 'QN4D':'Yes Cuban', 'QN4E':'Yes Another',
                              'ON9':
'E cigarettes use', 'QN6': 'Ever e cigarettes use',
'QN20AA': 'Myself', 'QN20AB': 'Had someone buy', 'QN20AC': 'Ask someone give', 'QN2
OAD': 'Someone offered', 'QN2OAE': 'Friend', 'QN2OAF': 'Family member', 'QN2OAG': 'S
tore people', 'QN20AH': 'Other',
                               'QN35':'Ever cigarettes use',
'QN38':'Current cigarettes_use',
                              'QN128':'Internet', 'QN129': 'Newspaper',
'QN130':'Store', 'QN131': 'TV',
'QN133':'Social media use', 'QN134':'Social media freq',
                              'QN135A': 'Facebook', 'QN135B':'Instgram',
'QN135C':'Snapchat', 'QN135D':'Tiktok', 'QN135E':'Twitter', 'QN135F':'Raddit',
'QN135G':'Youtube', 'QN135H':'Other site'},
                  inplace = True)
      . . .
      ```python
      nyts
      ```python
      nyts.describe()
```

```
```python
      nyts.isna().sum()
      ```python
      nyts['QN5A'].fillna(0, inplace=True)
      nyts['QN5B'].fillna(0, inplace=True)
      nyts['QN5C'].fillna(0, inplace=True)
      nyts['QN5D'].fillna(0, inplace=True)
      nyts['QN5E'].fillna(0, inplace=True)
      conditions = [(nyts['QN5A'] == 1) & (nyts['QN5B'] != 1) & (nyts['QN5C']
!= 1) & (nyts['QN5D'] != 1) & (nyts['QN5E'] != 1), (nyts['QN5B'] == 1) &
(nyts['QN5A'] != 1) & (nyts['QN5C'] != 1) & (nyts['QN5D'] != 1) &
(nyts['QN5E'] != 1), (nyts['QN5C'] == 1) & (nyts['QN5A'] != 1) & (nyts['QN5B']
!= 1) & (nyts['QN5D'] != 1) & (nyts['QN5E'] != 1), (nyts['QN5D'] == 1)&
(nyts['QN5A'] != 1) & (nyts['QN5C'] != 1) & (nyts['QN5B'] != 1) &
(nyts['QN5E'] != 1), (nyts['QN5E'] == 1) & (nyts['QN5A'] != 1) & (nyts['QN5C']
!= 1) & (nyts['QN5D'] != 1) & (nyts['QN5B'] != 1), nyts['QN5A'] +
nyts['QN5B']+ nyts['QN5C']+ nyts['QN5D'] + nyts['QN5E'] > 1]
      outputs = ['American Indian or Alaska Native', 'Asian', 'Black or
African American', 'Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander', 'White',
'Multi-racial']
      nyts['Race'] = np.select(conditions, outputs, 'Missing')
      nyts.head(20)
      ```python
      nyts.rename(columns =
{'QN4A':'Not Hispanic','QN4B':'Yes Mexican','QN4C':'Yes Puerto','QN4D':
'Yes Cuban', 'QN4E':'Yes Another', QN5A':'American Indian or Alaska Native',
'QN5B': 'Asian', 'QN5C': 'Black or African American', 'QN5D': 'Native Hawaiian
or Other Pacific Islander', 'QN5E':'White'}, inplace = True)
      # Stats of Ever Cig Use
      ```python
      nyts.Ever cigarettes use.describe()
      ```python
      nyts.Ever cigarettes use.isna().sum()
      ```python
      nyts.Ever cigarettes use.value counts()
      ```python
      nyts.Ever cigarettes use.value counts()
      ```python
      nyts.Ever cigarettes use.fillna(3, inplace=True)
      ```python
      nyts.Ever cigarettes use.value counts()
```

```
# Stats of Ever E-cig Use
      ```python
      nyts.Ever_e_cigarettes_use.describe()
      ```python
      nyts.Ever e cigarettes use.isna().sum()
      ```python
      nyts.Ever_e_cigarettes_use.value_counts()
      ```python
      nyts['Ever e cigarettes use']=
nyts['Ever_e_cigarettes_use'].replace([2],0)
      ```python
      nyts.Ever_e_cigarettes_use.fillna(2, inplace=True)
      ```python
      nyts.Ever_e_cigarettes_use.value_counts()
      # Stats of Current E-cig Use
      ```python
      nyts.E_cigarettes_use.describe()
      ```python
      nyts.E cigarettes use.isna().sum()
      ```python
      nyts.E_cigarettes_use.value_counts()
      ```python
      sns.displot(nyts['E cigarettes use'], kind='hist', bins=30, kde=True,
rug=False)
      ```python
     E cigarettes use filter= nyts[(nyts['E cigarettes use']>0) &
(nyts['E cigarettes use']<31)]
     E_cigarettes_use_filter
      ```python
```

. . .

```
sns.displot(E cigarettes use filter['E cigarettes use'], kind='hist',
bins=30, kde=True, rug=False)
      ```python
      E cigarettes use filter.E cigarettes use.describe()
      ```python
      E cigarettes days filter1 = E cigarettes use filter['E cigarettes use']
      bins = [0.5, 15.5, 30.5]
      bin names = ['1', '2']
      E cigarettes use filter['E cigarettes use category filter1'] =
pd.cut(E_cigarettes_days filter1, bins, labels=bin names)
      E_cigarettes_use_filter
      ```python
      E cigarettes use filter. E cigarettes use category filter1.value counts (
)
      . . .
      ```python
      E cigarettes use filter.groupby('E cigarettes use category filter1')['E
cigarettes use'].mean()
      ### Cutpoints testing: 3 cuts
      ```python
      E_cigarettes_days_filter2 = E_cigarettes_use_filter['E cigarettes use']
      bins = [0.5, \overline{5}, 5, 2\overline{5}, 5, 30.5]
      bin names = ['1', '2', '3']
      E cigarettes use filter['E cigarettes use category filter2'] =
pd.cut(E_cigarettes_days_filter2, bins, labels=bin names)
      E cigarettes use filter
      ```python
      E cigarettes use filter.E cigarettes use category filter2.value counts(
)
      . . .
      ```python
      E cigarettes use filter.groupby('E cigarettes use category filter2')['E
cigarettes use'].mean()
      ```python
      conditions E cigarettes use = [nyts['E cigarettes use'] >= 1,
nyts['E cigarettes use'] == 0]
      outputs E cigarettes use = ['1', '0']
      nyts['E cigarettes use category'] =
np.select(conditions E cigarettes use, outputs E cigarettes use, '2')
      nyts
      ```python
```

```
nyts['E cigarettes use category'].value counts()
      ```python
      sns.displot(nyts['E cigarettes use category'], kind='hist', bins=10,
kde=True, rug=False)
      # Stats of Age
      ```python
      nyts.Age.describe()
      ```python
      nyts.Age.isna().sum()
      ```python
      nyts.Age.value counts()
      ```python
      nyts['Age'].fillna(12, inplace=True)
      ```python
      nyts.Age.value counts()
      ```python
      nyts.Age.isna().sum()
      ```python
      nyts['Age continuous'] = nyts['Age']+8
      ```python
      Age filter= nyts[(nyts['Age continuous']>0) &
(nyts['Age continuous']<20)]</pre>
     Age_filter
      ```python
      Age filter['Age continuous'].describe()
      ```python
      AgecountByE_cigarettes_use_category =
nyts.groupby('Age')[['E_cigarettes_use_category']].count()
      AgecountByE cigarettes use category
```

```
```python
```

```
pd.crosstab(nyts.Age, nyts.E cigarettes use category, margins=True)
. . .
```python
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
```python
sns.set(color codes=True)
```python
sns.set(style="darkgrid")
```python
sns.displot(nyts['Age'], kind='hist', bins=11, rug=False)
```python
nyts.Age.value_counts()
# Stats of Gender
```python
nyts.Gender.value_counts()
```python
nyts.Gender.isna().sum()
```python
conditions Gender = [(nyts['Gender'] == 1),
                   (nyts['Gender'] == 2)]
outputs Gender = ['1', '2']
nyts['gender'] = np.select(conditions Gender, outputs Gender, '3')
nyts.head(20)
```python
pd.crosstab(nyts.Gender, nyts.E_cigarettes_use_category, margins=True)
# Stats of Race
```python
nyts.Race.value counts()
```

```
```python
      nyts.Race.isna().sum()
      # Stats of Multiple Race
      Note: This variable is named race s in the public use data set. The
multiple race categories are Hispanic, non-Hispanic (NH) White, non-Hispanic
Black, non-Hispanic Asian, non-Hispanic American Indian or Alaskan Native
(AIAN), and non-Hispanic Native Hawaiian or Pacific
      Islander (NHOPI).
      ```python
      conditions race = [(nyts['Yes Mexican'] == 1) | (nyts['Yes Puerto'] ==
1) | (nyts['Yes Cuban'] == 1) | (nyts['Yes Another'] == 1),
                         (nyts['Not Hispanic'] == 1)& (nyts['Race'] ==
'White'),
                         (nyts['Not Hispanic'] == 1)& (nyts['Race'] ==
'Asian'),
                         (nyts['Not Hispanic'] == 1)& (nyts['Race'] ==
'American Indian or Alaska Native'),
                         (nyts['Not Hispanic'] == 1)& (nyts['Race'] == 'Black
or African American'),
                         (nyts['Not Hispanic'] == 1) & (nyts['Race'] ==
'Multi-racial')]
      outputs race = ['Hispanic', 'Non-Hispanic White', 'Non-Hispanic Asian',
'Non-Hispanic American Indian', 'Non-Hispanic Black', 'Non-Hispanic Multi-
racial']
      nyts['Multiple Race'] = np.select(conditions race, outputs race,
'Missing')
      nyts.head(20)
      ```python
      nyts.Multiple Race.value counts()
      For poststratification purposes, a unique race and ethnicity was
assigned to respondents with
      missing data on race and ethnicity, those with an "Other"
classification, and those reporting
     multiple races.
      ```python
      conditions race = [(nyts['Multiple Race'] == 'Non-Hispanic Multi-
racial') | (nyts['Multiple Race'] == 'Missing'),
                         (nyts['Multiple Race'] == 'Hispanic'),
                         (nyts['Multiple Race'] == 'Non-Hispanic Black'),
                         (nyts['Multiple Race'] == 'Non-Hispanic White') |
(nyts['Multiple Race'] == 'Non-Hispanic Asian') | (nyts['Multiple Race'] ==
'Non-Hispanic American Indian')]
      outputs race = ['4','2', '3', '1']
      nyts['Race Ethnicity'] = np.select(conditions race, outputs race,
'Missing')
      nyts.head(20)
      ```python
```

```
nyts.Race Ethnicity.value counts()
      ```python
      pd.crosstab(nyts.Race Ethnicity, nyts.E cigarettes use category,
margins=True)
      ```python
      sns.displot(nyts['Race Ethnicity'], kind='hist', bins=10, rug=False,
height=8.27, aspect=18.7/8.27)
      ```python
      sns.set(rc={'figure.figsize':(20,10)})
      g=sns.boxplot(x="Race_Ethnicity", y="E_cigarettes_use", data=nyts)
      g=sns.stripplot(x="Race_Ethnicity", y="E_cigarettes_use", data=nyts)
      # Stats of Education
      ```python
      conditions Grade = [(nyts['Internet'] >= 4)&(nyts['Internet'] < 8),</pre>
(nyts['Internet'] < 4)&(nyts['Internet'] > 0)]
      outputs Grade = ['2', '1']
      nyts['Grade category'] = np.select(conditions Grade, outputs Grade,
'3')
      . . .
      ```python
      nyts.Grade.describe()
      ```python
      nyts.Grade.isna().sum()
      ```python
      nyts.Grade category.isna().sum()
      ```python
      nyts.Grade category.value counts()
      ```python
      pd.crosstab(nyts.Grade category, nyts.E cigarettes use category,
margins=True)
      · · ·
      ```python
      g=sns.boxplot(x="Grade category", y="E cigarettes use", data=nyts)
      g=sns.stripplot(x="Grade category", y="E cigarettes use", data=nyts)
```

```
```python
```

```
g=sns.boxplot(x="Grade", y="E cigarettes use", data=nyts)
      g=sns.stripplot(x="Grade", y="E cigarettes use", data=nyts)
      ```python
      sns.displot(nyts['Grade category'], kind='hist', bins=10, rug=False)
      ```python
      sns.displot(nyts['Grade'], kind='hist', bins=6, rug=False)
      # Stats of Social Media
      ```python
      sns.displot(nyts['Internet'], kind='hist', bins=5, kde=False,
rug=False)
      ```python
      sns.displot(nyts['Newspaper'], kind='hist', bins=5, kde=False,
rug=False)
      ```python
      sns.displot(nyts['Store'], kind='hist', bins=5, kde=False, rug=False)
      ```python
      sns.displot(nyts['TV'], kind='hist', bins=5, kde=False, rug=False)
      ```python
      sns.displot(nyts['Social media freq'], kind='hist', bins=5, kde=False,
rug=False)
      ```python
      conditions2 = [nyts['Internet'] >= 3, (nyts['Internet'] <</pre>
3) & (nyts['Internet'] > 0)]
      outputs2 = ['Yes', 'No']
      nyts['Internet YN'] = np.select(conditions2, outputs2, 'Missing')
      ```python
      conditions3 = [nyts['Newspaper'] >= 3, (nyts['Newspaper'] <</pre>
3) & (nyts['Newspaper'] > 0)]
      outputs3 = ['Yes', 'No']
      nyts['Newspaper YN'] = np.select(conditions3, outputs3, 'Missing')
```

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```python
      conditions4 = [nyts['Store'] >= 3, (nyts['Store'] < 3)&(nyts['Store'] >
0)]
      outputs4 = ['Yes', 'No']
      nyts['Store YN'] = np.select(conditions4, outputs4, 'Missing')
      ```python
      conditions5 = [nyts['TV'] >= 3, (nyts['TV'] < 3)&(nyts['TV'] > 0)]
      outputs5 = ['Yes', 'No']
      nyts['TV YN'] = np.select(conditions5, outputs5, 'Missing')
      ```python
      nyts[['Internet_YN', 'Newspaper_YN', 'Store YN',
'TV YN']].apply(pd.Series.value counts)
      # Social Media Use (time)
      ```python
      nyts.Social media use.isna().sum()
      ```python
      sns.displot(nyts['Social media use'], kind='hist', bins=30, kde=True,
rug=False)
      . . .
      ```python
      conditions7 = [nyts['Social media use'] >= 6, (nyts['Social media use']
< 4)&(nyts['Social media use'] > 1),(nyts['Social media use'] <
6) & (nyts['Social media use'] > 3)]
      outputs7 = ['3', '1', '2']
      nyts['Social media use category'] = np.select(conditions7, outputs7,
'4')
      . . .
      ```python
      nyts.Social media use category.value counts()
      # Social Media (exposure)
      ```python
      sns.displot(nyts['Social media freq'], kind='hist', bins=30, kde=True,
rug=False)
      ```python
      conditions8 = [nyts['Social media freq'] >= 4,
(nyts['Social media freq'] < 3)&(nyts['Social media freq'] >
0), nyts['Social media freq'] == 3]
      outputs8 = ['3', '1', '2']
```

. . .

```
nyts['Social media category'] = np.select(conditions8, outputs8, '4')
      ```python
      nyts.Social_media_category.value_counts()
      # Social media Site
      'QN135A': 'Facebook', 'QN135B':'Instgram',
'QN135C':'Snapchat', 'QN135D':'Tiktok', 'QN135E':'Twitter', 'QN135F':'Raddit',
'QN135G':'Youtube', 'QN135H':'Other site'
      ```python
      nyts['Facebook'].fillna(0, inplace=True)
      nyts['Instgram'].fillna(0, inplace=True)
      nyts['Snapchat'].fillna(0, inplace=True)
     nyts['Tiktok'].fillna(0, inplace=True)
     nyts['Twitter'].fillna(0, inplace=True)
      nyts['Raddit'].fillna(0, inplace=True)
     nyts['Youtube'].fillna(0, inplace=True)
      nyts['Other site'].fillna(0, inplace=True)
      conditions9 = [nyts['Facebook'] + nyts['Instgram']+ nyts['Snapchat']+
nyts['Tiktok'] + nyts['Twitter'] + nyts['Raddit']+ nyts['Youtube'] +
nyts['Other site'] == 0,
                    nyts['Facebook'] + nyts['Instgram']+ nyts['Snapchat']+
nyts['Tiktok'] + nyts['Twitter'] + nyts['Raddit']+ nyts['Youtube'] +
nyts['Other site'] == 1,
                    nyts['Facebook'] + nyts['Instgram']+ nyts['Snapchat']+
nyts['Tiktok'] + nyts['Twitter'] + nyts['Raddit']+ nyts['Youtube'] +
nyts['Other site'] == 2,
                    nyts['Facebook'] + nyts['Instgram']+ nyts['Snapchat']+
nyts['Tiktok'] + nyts['Twitter'] + nyts['Raddit']+ nyts['Youtube'] +
nyts['Other site'] == 3,
                   nyts['Facebook'] + nyts['Instgram']+ nyts['Snapchat']+
nyts['Tiktok'] + nyts['Twitter'] + nyts['Raddit']+ nyts['Youtube'] +
nyts['Other site'] == 4,
                    nyts['Facebook'] + nyts['Instgram']+ nyts['Snapchat']+
nyts['Tiktok'] + nyts['Twitter'] + nyts['Raddit']+ nyts['Youtube'] +
nyts['Other site'] == 5,
                    nyts['Facebook'] + nyts['Instgram']+ nyts['Snapchat']+
nyts['Tiktok'] + nyts['Twitter'] + nyts['Raddit']+ nyts['Youtube'] +
nyts['Other site'] == 6,
                    nyts['Facebook'] + nyts['Instgram']+ nyts['Snapchat']+
nyts['Tiktok'] + nyts['Twitter'] + nyts['Raddit']+ nyts['Youtube'] +
nyts['Other site'] == 7,
                    nyts['Facebook'] + nyts['Instgram']+ nyts['Snapchat']+
nyts['Tiktok'] + nyts['Twitter'] + nyts['Raddit']+ nyts['Youtube'] +
nyts['Other site'] == 8,
      outputs9 = ['0','1', '2', '3', '4', '5', '6', '7','8']
      nyts['Social_media sites'] = np.select(conditions9, outputs9, '9')
      nyts.head(20)
      1
      ```python
```

```
nyts.Social_media_sites = pd.to_numeric(nyts.Social_media_sites)
```python
nyts.Social_media_sites.describe()
```python
nyts.Social_media_sites.value_counts()
```python
nyts.to_csv('nyts.csv',index=False)
```
```

### Appendix B Analysis Executed in R

```
```{r}
library(readr)
nyts <- read csv('nyts.csv')</pre>
nyts
```{r}
library(tidyverse)
library("haven")
library("survey")
library("jtools")
library("remotes")
library("svrepmisc")
library("car")
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```{r}
str(nyts)
```{r}
nyts$Gender <- factor(nyts$gender)</pre>
nyts$E cigarettes use category <- factor(nyts$E cigarettes use category)</pre>
nyts$Ever cigarettes use <- factor(nyts$Ever cigarettes use)</pre>
nyts$Ever e cigarettes use <- factor(nyts$Ever e cigarettes use)
nyts$Social media use category <- factor(nyts$Social media use category)
nyts$Social media category <- factor(nyts$Social media category)</pre>
nyts$Social media sites <- as.numeric(nyts$Social media sites)</pre>
nyts$Grade category <- factor(nyts$Grade category)</pre>
nyts$Race Ethnicity <- factor(nyts$Race Ethnicity)</pre>
str(nyts)
```{r}
#Test the data with missing values as a seperate category first
d nyts<- svydesign(id=~psu, strata=~v stratum, weights=~finwgt,
survey.lonely.psu = "adjust", data=nyts,
nest=TRUE)
d_nyts
```{r}
summary(d nyts)
```{r}
# Calculate weighted stats
svyciprop(~I(gender==1), d nyts, method="likelihood")
```{r}
svyciprop(~I(gender==2), d nyts, method="likelihood")
```

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```{r}
svyciprop(~I(Ever e cigarettes use==0), d nyts, method="likelihood")
svyciprop(~I(Ever e cigarettes use==1), d nyts, method="likelihood")
svyciprop(~I(Ever e cigarettes use==2), d nyts, method="likelihood")
```{r}
nyts %>%
  drop na(Ever e cigarettes use) %>%
  group_by(Ever_e_cigarettes_use) %>%
  summarize(n=n()) %>%
 mutate(Prop=round(n/sum(n),3
                  ))
. . .
```{r}
svyciprop(~I(E cigarettes use category==0), d nyts, method="likelihood")
svyciprop(~I(E cigarettes use category==1), d nyts, method="likelihood")
svyciprop(~I(E cigarettes use category==2), d nyts, method="likelihood")
```{r}
nyts %>%
  drop na(E cigarettes use category) %>%
  group by (E cigarettes use category) %>%
  summarize(n=n()) %>%
 mutate(Prop=round(n/sum(n),3
                  ))
. . .
```{r}
svyciprop(~I(Social media use category==1), d nyts, method="likelihood")
svyciprop(~I(Social_media_use_category==2), d_nyts, method="likelihood")
svyciprop(~I(Social_media_use_category==3), d_nyts, method="likelihood")
svyciprop(~I(Social media use category==4), d nyts, method="likelihood")
```{r}
nyts %>%
  drop na(Social media use category) %>%
  group by (Social media use category) %>%
  summarize(n=n()) %>%
 mutate(Prop=round(n/sum(n), 3
                  ))
. . .
```{r}
svyciprop(~I(Social media category==1), d nyts, method="likelihood")
svyciprop(~I(Social media category==2), d nyts, method="likelihood")
svyciprop(~I(Social media category==3), d nyts, method="likelihood")
svyciprop(~I(Social media category==4), d nyts, method="likelihood")
```{r}
nyts %>%
 drop na(Social media category) %>%
  group by (Social media category) %>%
  summarize(n=n()) %>%
 mutate(Prop=round(n/sum(n), 3
                  ))
. . .
```{r}
```

```
svyciprop(~I(Gender==1), d nyts, method="likelihood")
svyciprop(~I(Gender==2), d nyts, method="likelihood")
svyciprop(~I(Gender==3), d nyts, method="likelihood")
```{r}
nyts %>%
 drop na(Gender) %>%
  group by(Gender) %>%
  summarize(n=n()) %>%
 mutate(Prop=round(n/sum(n),3
                  ))
. . .
```{r}
svyciprop(~I(Grade category==1), d nyts, method="likelihood")
svyciprop(~I(Grade category==2), d nyts, method="likelihood")
svyciprop(~I(Grade category==3), d nyts, method="likelihood")
```{r}
nyts %>%
 drop na(Grade category) %>%
  group by (Grade category) %>%
 summarize(n=n()) %>%
 mutate(Prop=round(n/sum(n), 3
                  ))
. . .
```{r}
svyciprop(~I(Ever cigarettes use==1), d nyts, method="likelihood")
svyciprop(~I(Ever cigarettes use==2), d nyts, method="likelihood")
svyciprop(~I(Ever cigarettes use==3), d nyts, method="likelihood")
```{r}
nyts %>%
 drop na(Ever cigarettes use) %>%
  group by (Ever cigarettes use) %>%
  summarize(n=n()) %>%
 mutate(Prop=round(n/sum(n),3
                  ))
. . .
```{r}
svyciprop(~I(Race Ethnicity==1), d nyts, method="likelihood")
svyciprop(~I(Race Ethnicity==2), d nyts, method="likelihood")
svyciprop(~I(Race Ethnicity==3), d nyts, method="likelihood")
svyciprop(~I(Race Ethnicity==4), d nyts, method="likelihood")
```{r}
nyts %>%
 drop na(Race Ethnicity) %>%
  group by (Race Ethnicity) %>%
 summarize(n=n()) %>%
 mutate(Prop=round(n/sum(n),3
                  ))
. . .
```{r}
#Return the missing value from categorical value to NA
nyts2 <- nyts %>%
 mutate(Age=na if(Age,12),
         Age continuous= na if (Age continuous, 20),
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Gender = na if(Gender, 3),
         Grade category = na if(Grade category, 3),
         Ever cigarettes use = na if (Ever cigarettes use, 3),
         Social media category = na if (Social media category, 4),
         Social media use category = na if (Social media use category, 4),
         Ever e cigarettes use = na if (Ever e cigarettes use, 2),
             E cigarettes use category = na if(E cigarettes use category, 2),
                        )
. . .
```{r}
#Fit the logistic regression model with the svyglm() function from the survey
package
nyts3 <- nyts2 %>%
dplyr::select(Ever e cigarettes use, E cigarettes use category, E cigarettes us
e,
Social media use category, Social media category, Social media sites, Age contin
uous, Race Ethnicity, Gender, Grade category, Ever cigarettes use, psu, finwgt, v st
ratum)
d nyts3<- svydesign(id=~psu, strata=~v stratum, weights=~finwgt,
survey.lonely.psu = "adjust", data=nyts3,
nest=TRUE)
nyts4 <- nyts3 %>% dplyr::select(Ever e cigarettes use,
Social media use category, Social media category, Social media sites, Age contin
uous, Race Ethnicity, Gender, Grade category, Ever cigarettes use, psu, finwgt, v st
ratum)
d nyts4<- svydesign(id=~psu, strata=~v stratum, weights=~finwgt,
survey.lonely.psu = "adjust", data=nyts4,
nest=TRUE)
* * *
```{r}
svymean(~Age continuous+Social media sites,d nyts3, na = TRUE)
svysd(~Age continuous+Social media sites,d nyts3, na = TRUE)
svyquantile(~Age continuous+Social media sites,d nyts3, na = TRUE,
c(0,.25,.5,.75,1),ci=TRUE)
```{r}
svyciprop(~I(Gender==2), d nyts4, method="likelihood")
logit gender <- (svyglm(Ever e cigarettes use~Gender, family=quasibinomial,
design=d nyts4
, na.action = na.omit))
summary(logit gender)
```{r}
#Outcome 1: Ever e-cig use
#To get around the warning regarding noninteger counts created by sample
weights, use the quasibinomial method.
logit1d <-
(svyglm(Ever e cigarettes use~Social media use category+Social media category
+Social media sites+Age continuous+Race Ethnicity+Gender+Grade category+Ever
cigarettes use, family=quasibinomial, design=d nyts4
, na.action = na.omit))
logit1d
```

```
```{r}
summ(
  logit1d,
  scale = TRUE,
  confint = getOption("summ-confint", TRUE),
  ci.width = getOption("summ-ci.width", 0.95),
  digits = getOption("jtools-digits", default = 2),
  pvals = getOption("summ-pvals", TRUE),
  n.sd = 1,
  center = FALSE,
  transform.response = FALSE,
  scale.only = FALSE,
  exp = FALSE,
  vifs = getOption("summ-vifs", TRUE),
  model.info = getOption("summ-model.info", TRUE),
 model.fit = getOption("summ-model.fit", TRUE),
 which.cols = NULL
)
```{r}
# Find adjusted odds ratio
library(basecamb)
or model summary (
  logit1d,
  conf int = 1.96,
  print intercept = FALSE,
 round est = 2,
 round p = 4
)
,
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```{r}
#Access the model
psrsq(logit1d, method = c("Cox-Snell"))
# The Rao-Scott approximation to the weighted loglikelihood is used to
construct AIC.
AIC(logit1d)
BIC(logit1d, maximal=logit1d)
# The Anova() function in the car package handles "svyglm" by default type-II
Wald tests
Anova(logit1d)
```{r}
#Predictor 1: Social media use
logit1a <-
(svyglm(Ever e cigarettes use~Social media use category+Age continuous+Race E
thnicity+Gender+Grade category+Ever cigarettes use, family=quasibinomial,
design=d nyts4
, na.action = na.omit))
logit1a
```

```
```{r}
summ(
  logit1a,
  scale = TRUE,
  confint = getOption("summ-confint", TRUE),
  ci.width = getOption("summ-ci.width", 0.95),
  digits = getOption("jtools-digits", default =2),
  pvals = getOption("summ-pvals", TRUE),
  n.sd = 1,
  center = FALSE,
  transform.response = FALSE,
  scale.only = FALSE,
  exp = FALSE,
  vifs = getOption("summ-vifs", TRUE),
  model.info = getOption("summ-model.info", TRUE),
 model.fit = getOption("summ-model.fit", TRUE),
 which.cols = NULL
)
```{r}
or model summary(
  logit1a,
  conf int = 1.96,
  print_intercept = FALSE,
 round est = 2,
 round p = 4
)
,
. . .
```{r}
#repeat
psrsq(logit1a, method = c("Cox-Snell"))
AIC(logit1a)
BIC(logit1a, maximal=logit1d)
Anova(logit1a)
```{r}
#Predictor 2: Social media exposure
logit1b <-
(svyglm(Ever e cigarettes use~Social media category+Age continuous+Race Ethni
city+Gender+Grade category+Ever cigarettes use, family=quasibinomial,
design=d nyts4
, na.action = na.omit))
logit1b
```{r}
summ(
  logit1b,
  scale = TRUE,
  confint = getOption("summ-confint", TRUE),
  ci.width = getOption("summ-ci.width", 0.95),
  digits = getOption("jtools-digits", default = 2),
  pvals = getOption("summ-pvals", TRUE),
 n.sd = 1,
  center = FALSE,
```

```
transform.response = FALSE,
  scale.only = FALSE,
  exp = FALSE,
  vifs = getOption("summ-vifs", TRUE),
  model.info = getOption("summ-model.info", TRUE),
  model.fit = getOption("summ-model.fit", TRUE),
  which.cols = NULL
)
```{r}
or model summary(
 logit1b,
  conf int = 1.96,
 print_intercept = FALSE,
 round est = 2,
 round p = 4
)
```{r}
psrsq(logit1b, method = c("Cox-Snell"))
AIC(logit1b)
BIC(logit1b, maximal=logit1d)
Anova(logit1b)
```{r}
#Predictor 3: Social media sites
logit1c <-</pre>
(svyglm(Ever e cigarettes use~Social media sites+Age continuous+Race Ethnicit
y+Gender+Grade category+Ever cigarettes use, family=quasibinomial,
design=d nyts4
, na.action = na.omit))
logit1c
```{r}
summ(
 logit1c,
 scale = TRUE,
  confint = getOption("summ-confint", TRUE),
  ci.width = getOption("summ-ci.width", 0.95),
  digits = getOption("jtools-digits", default = 2),
  pvals = getOption("summ-pvals", TRUE),
  n.sd = 1,
  center = FALSE,
  transform.response = FALSE,
  scale.only = FALSE,
  exp = FALSE,
 vifs = getOption("summ-vifs", TRUE),
  model.info = getOption("summ-model.info", TRUE),
  model.fit = getOption("summ-model.fit", TRUE),
 which.cols = NULL
)
```{r}
or model summary(
  logit1c,
```

```
conf int = 1.96,
  print intercept = FALSE,
  round est = 2,
 round p = 4
)
```{r}
psrsq(logit1c, method = c("Cox-Snell"))
AIC(logit1c)
BIC(logit1c, maximal=logit1d)
Anova(logit1c)
```{r}
#Outcome 2: Current e-cig Use
nyts5 <- nyts3 %>% dplyr::select(E cigarettes use category,
Social_media_use_category,Social_media_category,Social_media_sites,Age_contin
uous, Race Ethnicity, Gender, Grade category, Ever cigarettes use, psu, finwgt, v st
ratum)
d nyts5<- svydesign(id=~psu, strata=~v stratum, weights=~finwgt,
survey.lonely.psu = "adjust", data=nyts5,
nest=TRUE)
logit2d <-
(svyglm(E cigarettes use category~Social media use category+Social media cate
gory+Social media sites+Age continuous+Race Ethnicity+Gender+Grade category+E
ver cigarettes use, family=quasibinomial, design=d nyts5
, na.action = na.omit))
logit2d
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```{r}
summ(
  logit2d,
  scale = TRUE,
  confint = getOption("summ-confint", TRUE),
  ci.width = getOption("summ-ci.width", 0.95),
  digits = getOption("jtools-digits", default = 2),
  pvals = getOption("summ-pvals", TRUE),
  n.sd = 1,
  center = FALSE,
  transform.response = FALSE,
  scale.only = FALSE,
  exp = FALSE,
  vifs = getOption("summ-vifs", TRUE),
  model.info = getOption("summ-model.info", TRUE),
  model.fit = getOption("summ-model.fit", TRUE),
  which.cols = NULL
)
```{r}
or model summary (
 logit2d,
  conf int = 1.96,
 print intercept = FALSE,
 round est = 2,
  round p = 4
)
```

```
. . .
```{r}
psrsq(logit2d, method = c("Cox-Snell"))
AIC(logit2d)
BIC(logit2d, maximal=logit2d)
Anova(logit2d)
```{r}
#Predictor 1: Social media use
logit2a <-
(svyglm(E cigarettes use category~Social media use category+Age continuous+Ra
ce Ethnicity+Gender+Grade category+Ever cigarettes use, family=quasibinomial,
design=d nyts5
, na.action = na.omit))
logit2a
~ ~ `
```{r}
summ(
  logit2a,
  scale = TRUE,
  confint = getOption("summ-confint", TRUE),
  ci.width = getOption("summ-ci.width", 0.95),
  digits = getOption("jtools-digits", default = 2),
  pvals = getOption("summ-pvals", TRUE),
  n.sd = 1,
  center = FALSE,
  transform.response = FALSE,
  scale.only = FALSE,
  exp = FALSE,
 vifs = getOption("summ-vifs", TRUE),
 model.info = getOption("summ-model.info", TRUE),
  model.fit = getOption("summ-model.fit", TRUE),
  which.cols = NULL
)
```{r}
or model summary (
 logit2a,
 conf int = 1.96,
 print intercept = FALSE,
 round est = 2,
  round p = 4
)
```{r}
psrsq(logit2a, method = c("Cox-Snell"))
AIC(logit2a)
BIC(logit2a, maximal=logit2d)
Anova(logit2a)
```{r}
#Predictor 2: Social media exposure
```

```
logit2b <-
(svyglm(E cigarettes use category~Social media category+Age continuous+Race E
thnicity+Gender+Grade category+Ever cigarettes use, family=quasibinomial,
design=d nyts5
, na.action = na.omit))
logit2b
```{r}
summ(
  logit2b,
  scale = TRUE,
  confint = getOption("summ-confint", TRUE),
  ci.width = getOption("summ-ci.width", 0.95),
  digits = getOption("jtools-digits", default = 2),
  pvals = getOption("summ-pvals", TRUE),
  n.sd = 1,
  center = FALSE,
  transform.response = FALSE,
  scale.only = FALSE,
  exp = FALSE,
 vifs = getOption("summ-vifs", TRUE),
 model.info = getOption("summ-model.info", TRUE),
 model.fit = getOption("summ-model.fit", TRUE),
 which.cols = NULL
)
```{r}
or model summary (
  logit2b,
 conf int = 1.96,
 print_intercept = FALSE,
 round est = 2,
  round p = 4
)
,
. . .
```{r}
psrsq(logit2b, method = c("Cox-Snell"))
AIC(logit2b)
BIC(logit2b, maximal=logit2d)
Anova(logit2b)
```{r}
#Predictor 3: Social media sites
logit2c <-
(svyglm(E cigarettes use category~Social media sites+Age continuous+Race Ethn
icity+Gender+Grade category+Ever cigarettes use, family=quasibinomial,
design=d nyts5
, na.action = na.omit))
logit2c
```{r}
summ(
  logit2c,
```

```
scale = TRUE,
  confint = getOption("summ-confint", TRUE),
  ci.width = getOption("summ-ci.width", 0.95),
  digits = getOption("jtools-digits", default = 2),
  pvals = getOption("summ-pvals", TRUE),
 n.sd = 1,
  center = FALSE,
  transform.response = FALSE,
  scale.only = FALSE,
  exp = FALSE,
 vifs = getOption("summ-vifs", TRUE),
 model.info = getOption("summ-model.info", TRUE),
 model.fit = getOption("summ-model.fit", TRUE),
 which.cols = NULL
)
. . .
```{r}
or model summary(
 logit2c,
 conf int = 1.96,
 print intercept = FALSE,
 round est = 2,
 round p = 4
)
```{r}
psrsq(logit2c, method = c("Cox-Snell"))
AIC(logit2c)
BIC(logit2c, maximal=logit2d)
Anova(logit2c)
```{r}
#Test if model 1 and 2 from Outcome 1 are the same
anova(logit1d, logit1b)
```{r}
#Test if models from Outcome 2 are the same
anova(logit2a, logit2d)
anova(logit2b,logit2d)
anova(logit2c,logit2d)
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```{r}
# test reduced model without social media exposure
logit2b gnf <-</pre>
(svyglm(E cigarettes use category~Age continuous+Race Ethnicity+Gender+Grade
category+Ever cigarettes use, family=quasibinomial, design=d nyts5
, na.action = na.omit))
logit2b gnf
anova(logit2b gnf,logit2b)
```{r}
#Compare the best models from the 2 outcome variables
compareCoefs(logit2d,logit2b)
```

```
```{r}
summary(logit1d)$coefficients[,4]
summary(logit2b)$coefficients[,4]
```{r}
#Interactions
# All pair-wise interactions for model 1d
logit1d int all <- (svyglm(Ever e cigarettes use~</pre>
(Social media use category+Social media category+Social media sites+Age conti
nuous+Race Ethnicity+Gender+Grade category+Ever cigarettes use)*
(Social media use category+Social media category+Social media sites+Age conti
nuous+Race Ethnicity+Gender+Grade category+Ever cigarettes use),
family=quasibinomial, design=d nyts4
, na.action = na.omit))
summ(logit1d int all,
  scale = TRUE,
  confint = getOption("summ-confint", TRUE),
  ci.width = getOption("summ-ci.width", 0.95),
  digits = getOption("jtools-digits", default = 2),
 pvals = getOption("summ-pvals", TRUE),
 n.sd = 1,
  center = FALSE,
  transform.response = FALSE,
  scale.only = FALSE,
  exp = FALSE,
  vifs = getOption("summ-vifs", TRUE),
 model.info = getOption("summ-model.info", TRUE),
 model.fit = getOption("summ-model.fit", TRUE),
 which.cols = NULL)
anova(logit1d,logit1d int all)
```{r}
# All pair-wise interactions for model 2b
logit2b int all <-</pre>
(svyglm(E cigarettes use category~(Social media category+Age continuous+Race
Ethnicity+Gender+Grade category+Ever cigarettes use)*(Social media category+A
ge continuous+Race Ethnicity+Gender+Grade category+Ever cigarettes use),
family=quasibinomial, design=d nyts5
, na.action = na.omit))
logit2b int all
summ(logit1d int,
  scale = TRUE,
  confint = getOption("summ-confint", TRUE),
  ci.width = getOption("summ-ci.width", 0.95),
  digits = getOption("jtools-digits", default = 2),
  pvals = getOption("summ-pvals", TRUE),
  n.sd = 1,
  center = FALSE,
  transform.response = FALSE,
  scale.only = FALSE,
  exp = FALSE,
  vifs = getOption("summ-vifs", TRUE),
  model.info = getOption("summ-model.info", TRUE),
 model.fit = getOption("summ-model.fit", TRUE),
 which.cols = NULL)
anova(logit2b,logit2b int all)
```

```
```{r}
library(WeightedROC)
predROC1 <- function (glm.obj1, newData1)</pre>
options(survey.lonely.psu="adjust")
  pred1 <- rep(NA, nrow(newData1)); names(pred1) <- rownames(newData1)</pre>
  model terms1 <- attributes(glm.obj1$terms)$variables</pre>
  predictors1 <- as.character(model terms1[3:length(model terms1)])</pre>
  response1 <- as.character(model terms1[2])</pre>
  newData1 <- newData1[,c("finwgt", response1, predictors1)]</pre>
  xnn1 <- na.omit(newData1)</pre>
  pred1[-attr(xnn1, "na.action")] <- predict(glm.obj1, xnn1)</pre>
  guess1 <- 1/(1+\exp(-pred1))
  dframe1 <- data.frame(responsel=ifelse(newData1[, responsel]==0, -1, 1),</pre>
                         guess1=guess1,
                         WEIGHT1=newData1$finwgt)
  dframe1 <- na.omit(dframe1)</pre>
  dframe1$Ever e cigarettes use<-as.factor(dframe1$Ever e cigarettes use)
subset(WeightedROC::WeightedROC(dframe1$guess1,
dframe1$Ever e cigarettes use, weight=dframe1$WEIGHT1))
}
```{r}
predROC1(logit1d, nyts4)
```{r}
library(ggplot2)
plotAUC1 <- function (glm.obj1, newData1)</pre>
options(survey.lonely.psu="adjust")
  pred1 <- rep(NA, nrow(newData1)); names(pred1) <- rownames(newData1)</pre>
  model terms1 <- attributes(glm.obj1$terms)$variables</pre>
  predictors1 <- as.character(model terms1[3:length(model terms1)])</pre>
  response1 <- as.character(model terms1[2])</pre>
  newData1 <- newData1[,c("finwgt",response1,predictors1)]</pre>
  xnn1 <- na.omit(newData1)</pre>
  pred1[-attr(xnn1, "na.action")] <- predict(glm.obj1, xnn1)</pre>
  guess1 <- 1/(1+\exp(-pred1))
  dframe1 <- data.frame(responsel=ifelse(newData1[, responsel]==0, -1, 1),</pre>
                         guess1=guess1,
                         WEIGHT1=newData1$finwgt)
  dframe1 <- na.omit(dframe1)</pre>
  dframe1$Ever e cigarettes use<-as.factor(dframe1$Ever e cigarettes use)
tp.fp1 <- WeightedROC::WeightedROC(dframe1$guess1,</pre>
dframe1$Ever e cigarettes use, weight=dframe1$WEIGHT1)
gqplot() + geom path(aes(FPR, TPR), data=tp.fp1) +
coord equal()+theme classic() + ggtitle("Area Under Curve for Ever E-cig
Use") + geom abline(intercept = 0, slope = 1)+
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annotate("text", x = .75, y = .25, label = paste("AUC
=", round(WeightedAUC(tp.fp1),3)))
}
,
. . .
```{r}
png(file="C:/Users/zhulu/Desktop/BIOST 2099/AUC1.png",
width=600, height=350)
plotAUC1 (logit1d, nyts4)
dev.off()
```{r}
library(WeightedROC)
nyts5 <- nyts2 %>% dplyr::select(E cigarettes use category,
Social media use category, Social media category, Social media sites, Age contin
uous, Race Ethnicity, Gender, Grade category, Ever cigarettes use, psu, finwgt, v st
ratum)
. . .
```{r}
predROC2 <- function (glm.obj2, newData2)</pre>
options(survey.lonely.psu="adjust")
  pred2 <- rep(NA, nrow(newData2)); names(pred2) <- rownames(newData2)
  model terms2 <- attributes(glm.obj2$terms)$variables</pre>
  predictors2 <- as.character(model terms2[3:length(model terms2)])</pre>
  response2 <- as.character(model terms2[2])</pre>
  newData2 <- newData2[,c("finwgt",response2,predictors2)]</pre>
  xnn2 <- na.omit(newData2)</pre>
  pred2[-attr(xnn2, "na.action")] <- predict(glm.obj2, xnn2)</pre>
  guess2 <- 1/(1+exp(-pred2))</pre>
  dframe2 <- data.frame(response2=ifelse(newData2[, response2]==0, -1, 1),</pre>
                        guess2=guess2,
                        WEIGHT2=newData2$finwgt)
  dframe2 <- na.omit(dframe2)</pre>
subset(WeightedROC::WeightedROC(dframe2$guess2,
dframe2$E cigarettes use category, weight=dframe2$WEIGHT2))
}
```{r}
#png(file="C:/Users/zhulu/Desktop/BIOST 2099/AUC2.png",
#width=600, height=350)
predROC2 (logit2b, nyts5)
#dev.off()
```{r}
plotAUC2 <- function (glm.obj2, newData2)</pre>
options(survey.lonely.psu="adjust")
  pred2 <- rep(NA, nrow(newData2)); names(pred2) <- rownames(newData2)</pre>
  model terms2 <- attributes(glm.obj2$terms)$variables</pre>
```

```
predictors2 <- as.character(model terms2[3:length(model terms2)])</pre>
  response2 <- as.character(model terms2[2])</pre>
  newData2 <- newData2[,c("finwgt", response2, predictors2)]</pre>
  xnn2 <- na.omit(newData2)</pre>
  pred2[-attr(xnn2, "na.action")] <- predict(glm.obj2, xnn2)</pre>
  guess2 <- 1/(1+exp(-pred2))
  dframe2 <- data.frame(response2=ifelse(newData2[, response2]==0, -1, 1),</pre>
                        guess2=guess2,
                        WEIGHT2=newData2$finwgt)
  dframe2 <- na.omit(dframe2)</pre>
  tp.fp2 <- WeightedROC::WeightedROC(dframe2$guess2,</pre>
dframe2$E cigarettes use category, weight=dframe2$WEIGHT2)
ggplot()+ geom path(aes(FPR, TPR), data=tp.fp2)+
coord equal()+theme classic() + ggtitle("Area Under Curve for Current E-cig
Use") + geom abline(intercept = 0, slope = 1)+
     annotate("text", x = .75, y = .25, label = paste("AUC
=",round(WeightedAUC(tp.fp2),3)))
}
```{r}
png(file="C:/Users/zhulu/Desktop/BIOST 2099/AUC2.png",
width=600, height=350)
plotAUC2(logit2b, nyts5)
dev.off()
```

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