

Beliefs About ThirdHand Smoke (BATHS)© scale

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The following questions ask for your opinions on the effects of smoking inside your home.

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Not sure	Agree	Strongly agree
1. Breathing air in a room today where people smoked yesterday can harm the health of infants and children.	1	2	3	4	5
2. Breathing air in a room today where people smoked yesterday can harm the health of adults.	1	2	3	4	5
3. Particles in rooms where people smoked yesterday can cause cancer.	1	2	3	4	5
4. Smoke particles can remain in a room for days.	1	2	3	4	5
5. Smoke particles can remain in a room for weeks.	1	2	3	4	5
6. Smoke particles get absorbed into furniture and walls.	1	2	3	4	5
7. After smoking a cigarette, smoke particles on skin, hair, and clothing can be passed on to others through touch.	1	2	3	4	5
8. After touching surfaces where cigarette smoke has settled, particles can enter the body through the skin.	1	2	3	4	5
9. Opening windows or using air conditioners does not eliminate all smoke particles in a room.	1	2	3	4	5

To derive sub-scores for the BATHS scale, calculate

1. The mean of items 1,2,3,7, and 8 for the THS impact on health sub-scale
2. The mean of items 4,5,6, and 9 for the THS persistence in the environment sub-scale