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Current cigarette smokers:

- Twenty-one percent of Pennsylvania adults reported in 2012 that they were current smokers.
- Pennsylvania women had a significantly lower percentage (20 percent, CI: 18-21) compared to Pennsylvania men (23 percent, CI: 22-25).
- Pennsylvania adults age 45-64 had a significantly lower percentage (21 percent, CI: 20-23) compared to Pennsylvania adults age 30-44 (29 percent, CI: 27-32).
- Pennsylvania adults age 65 and older had a significantly lower percentage (8 percent, CI: 7-9) compared to Pennsylvania adults age 18-29 (26 percent, CI: 23-29), adults age 30-44 (29 percent, CI: 27-32) and adults age 45-64 (21 percent, CI: 20-23).
- Pennsylvania adults with a high school education had a significantly lower percentage (24 percent, CI: 22-25) compared to Pennsylvania adults with less than a high school education (39 percent, CI: 35-43).
- Pennsylvania adults with some college education had a significantly lower percentage (22 percent, CI: 20-24) compared to Pennsylvania adults with less than a high school education (39 percent, CI: 35-43).
- Pennsylvania adults with a college degree had a significantly lower percentage (9 percent, CI: 8-10) compared to Pennsylvania adults with less than a high school education (39 percent, CI: 35-43), adults with a high school education (24 percent, CI: 22-25) and adults with some college education (22 percent, CI: 20-24).
- Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of $15,000 to $24,999 had a significantly lower percentage (28 percent, CI: 25-31) compared to Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of less than $15,000 (38 percent, CI: 35-42).
- Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of $25,000 to $49,999 had a significantly lower percentage (23 percent, CI: 21-25) compared to Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of less than $15,000 (38 percent, CI: 35-42).
- Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of $50,000 to $74,999 had a significantly lower percentage (19 percent, CI: 16-21) compared to Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of less than $15,000 (38 percent, CI: 35-42) and adults with household incomes of $15,000 to $24,999 (28 percent, CI: 25-31).
- Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of $75,000 or more had a significantly lower percentage (12 percent, CI: 11-14) compared to Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of less than $15,000 (38 percent, CI: 35-42), adults with household incomes of $15,000 to $24,999 (28 percent, CI: 25-31), adults with household incomes of $25,000 to $49,999 (23 percent, CI: 21-25) and adults with household incomes of $50,000 to $74,999 (19 percent, CI: 16-21).
- Pennsylvania white, non-Hispanic adults had a significantly lower percentage (20 percent, CI: 19-21) compared to Pennsylvania black, non-Hispanic adults (28 percent, CI: 24-31).

Former cigarette smokers:

- Twenty-five percent of Pennsylvania adults indicated in 2012 that they were former smokers.
- Pennsylvania women had a significantly lower percentage (22 percent, CI: 21-23) compared to Pennsylvania men (29 percent, CI: 28-31).
- Pennsylvania adults age 18-29 had a significantly lower percentage (8 percent, CI: 7-10) compared to Pennsylvania adults age 30-44 (19 percent, CI: 18-21), adults age 45-64 (28 percent, CI: 27-30) and adults age 65 and older (44 percent, CI: 42-46).
- Pennsylvania adults age 30-44 had a significantly lower percentage (19 percent, CI: 18-21) compared to Pennsylvania adults age 45-64 (28 percent, CI: 27-30) and adults age 65 and older (44 percent, CI: 42-46).
- Pennsylvania adults age 45-64 had a significantly lower percentage (28 percent, CI: 27-30) compared to Pennsylvania adults age 65 and older (44 percent, CI: 42-46).
- Pennsylvania adults with a college degree had a significantly lower percentage (23 percent, CI: 22-25) compared to Pennsylvania adults with a high school education (27 percent, CI: 26-29).

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Former cigarette smokers: (continued)

- Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of less than $15,000 had a significantly lower percentage (20 percent, CI: 18-23) compared to Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of $15,000 to $24,999 (26 percent, CI: 24-28), adults with household incomes of $25,000 to $49,999 (29 percent, CI: 27-31), adults with household incomes of $50,000 to $74,999 (28 percent, CI: 25-30) and adults with household incomes of $75,000 or more (25 percent, CI: 24-27).
- Pennsylvania black, non-Hispanic adults had a significantly lower percentage (16 percent, CI: 14-19) compared to Pennsylvania white, non-Hispanic adults (27 percent, CI: 27-28).
- Pennsylvania Hispanic adults had a significantly lower percentage (18 percent, CI: 14-23) compared to Pennsylvania white, non-Hispanic adults (27 percent, CI: 27-28).

Current smokers who quit smoking for at least one day in the past year:

- Fifty-five percent of Pennsylvania adults reported in 2012 that they quit for at least one day in the past year.
- Pennsylvania adults age 30-44 had a significantly lower percentage (54 percent, CI: 48-59) compared to Pennsylvania adults age 18-29 (68 percent, CI: 60-74).
- Pennsylvania adults age 45-64 had a significantly lower percentage (49 percent, CI: 45-54) compared to Pennsylvania adults age 18-29 (68 percent, CI: 60-74).
- Pennsylvania adults age 65 and older had a significantly lower percentage (40 percent, CI: 33-47) compared to Pennsylvania adults age 18-29 (68 percent, CI: 60-74) and adults age 30-44 (54 percent, CI: 48-59).
- Pennsylvania adults with a high school education had a significantly lower percentage (50 percent, CI: 46-55) compared to Pennsylvania adults with some college education (63 percent, CI: 58-68).
- Pennsylvania white, non-Hispanic adults had a significantly lower percentage (53 percent, CI: 50-56) compared to Pennsylvania black, non-Hispanic adults (68 percent, CI: 58-77).

Currently use chewing tobacco, snuff or snus:

- Four percent of Pennsylvania adults reported in 2012 that they currently use chewing tobacco, snuff or snus.
- Pennsylvania women had a significantly lower percentage (1 percent, CI: 0-1) compared to Pennsylvania men (8 percent, CI: 7-9).
- Pennsylvania adults age 45-64 had a significantly lower percentage (3 percent, CI: 3-4) compared to Pennsylvania adults age 18-29 (7 percent, CI: 5-9) and adults age 30-44 (6 percent, CI: 5-7).
- Pennsylvania adults age 65 and older had a significantly lower percentage (2 percent, CI: 1-2) compared to Pennsylvania adults age 18-29 (7 percent, CI: 5-9), adults age 30-44 (6 percent, CI: 5-7) and adults age 45-64 (3 percent, CI: 3-4).
- Pennsylvania adults with a college degree had a significantly lower percentage (2 percent, CI: 2-2) compared to Pennsylvania adults with less than a high school education (7 percent, CI: 5-10), adults with a high school education (5 percent, CI: 4-6) and adults with some college education (4 percent, CI: 4-5) .
- Pennsylvania black, non-Hispanic adults had a significantly lower percentage (2 percent, CI: 1-3) compared to Pennsylvania white, non-Hispanic adults (5 percent, CI: 4-5).

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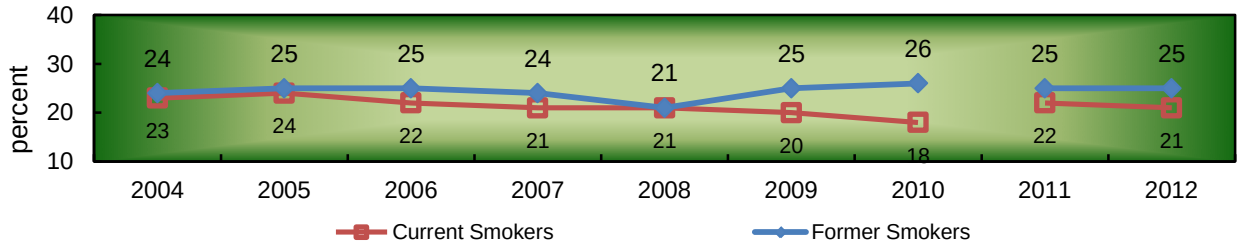
Figure 13A: Current Smokers, Pennsylvania Adults, 2004-2012*



*A change in the survey methodology created a discontinuity for 2011. Please refer to the technical notes for more information.

TABLE 13: Tobacco Use, Pennsylvania Adults, 2012 (with 95% confidence intervals)

	Current Smoker* **		Former Smoker*		Quit At Least 1 Day in Past Year* ***		Currently Use Chewing Tobacco, Snuff or Snus* ****	
	%	CI	%	CI	%	CI	%	CI
All Adults	21	20-22	25	25-26	55	52-58	4	4-5
Gender:								
Male	23	22-25	29	28-31	53	48-57	8	7-9
Female	20	18-21	22	21-23	57	53-61	1	0-1
Age:								
18-29	26	23-29	8	7-10	68	60-74	7	5-9
30-44	29	27-32	19	18-21	54	48-59	6	5-7
45-64	21	20-23	28	27-30	49	45-54	3	3-4
65+	8	7-9	44	42-46	40	33-47	2	1-2
Education:								
<High School	39	35-43	26	23-29	55	47-62	7	5-10
High School	24	22-25	27	26-29	50	46-55	5	4-6
Some College	22	20-24	26	24-27	63	58-68	4	4-5
College Degree	9	8-10	23	22-25	54	47-61	2	2-2
Household Income:								
<$15,000	38	35-42	20	18-23	53	45-61	4	3-6
$15,000 to $24,999	28	25-31	26	24-28	54	48-60	4	3-6
$25,000 to $49,999	23	21-25	29	27-31	59	53-65	4	4-5
$50,000 to $74,999	19	16-21	28	25-30	46	38-55	4	3-5
$75,000+	12	11-14	25	24-27	55	47-62	4	3-5
Race:								
White, non-Hispanic	20	19-21	27	27-28	53	50-56	5	4-5
Black, non-Hispanic	28	24-31	16	14-19	68	58-77	2	1-3
Hispanic	25	20-31	18	14-23	NSR	NSR	4	2-9

*Excludes missing, don't know, and refused

**Includes adults who smoke cigarettes every day or some days

***Denominator is current smokers who smoke every day or some days

****Includes adults who currently use chewing tobacco, snuff or snus every day or some days

Note: When comparing demographic estimates, confidence intervals that do not overlap indicate a significant difference.

Note: If "NSR" is displayed, then the total response is less than 50 and/or the percentage prevalence is considered "not statistically reliable."

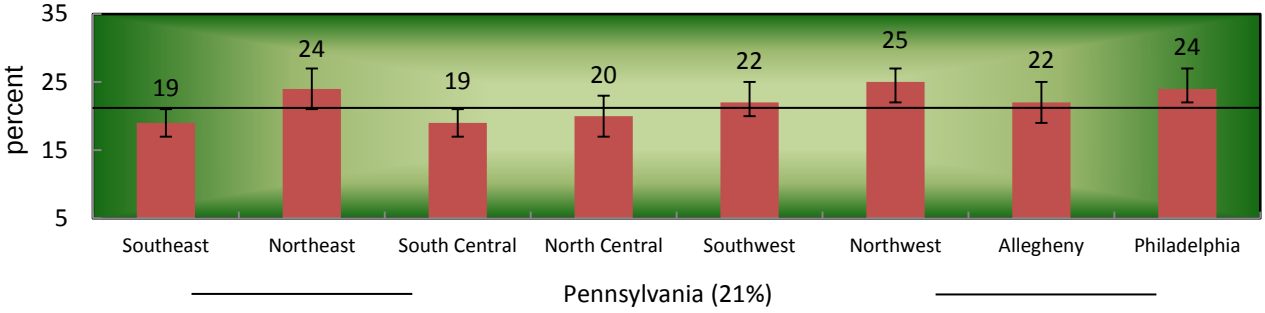



Figure 13B: Current Smokers, Pa. Health Districts vs. Pennsylvania, 2012