Adult Cigarette Smoking in Mississippi
Fact Sheet

Results from the 2013 Mississippi Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System

The Mississippi Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) is a state-based system of health surveys that were developed and conducted in order to monitor state-level prevalence of behaviors (including cigarette smoking) that contribute to the leading causes of morbidity and mortality among adults. The 2013 Mississippi BRFSS was completed by 7,453 Mississippians aged 18 or older.

Current cigarette smoking among Mississippi adults

The percentage of Mississippi adults who reported current cigarette use was (Figure 1):

- 24.8% overall
- Significantly higher among males (28.0%) compared to females (22.0%)
- 23.6% among blacks and 25.6% among whites

Current cigarette smoking among Mississippi adults by gender and race

The percentage of Mississippi adults who reported current cigarette smoking was significantly lower among black females compared to other gender and race groups (Figure 2).

Current cigarette smoking among Mississippi adults by age

The percentage of Mississippi adults who reported current cigarette smoking was significantly lower among those 65 years old or more compared to other age groups (Figure 3).
Current cigarette smoking among Mississippi adults by education level

The percentage of Mississippi adults who reported current cigarette smoking was significantly higher among those with less than high school compared to other levels of education (Figure 4).

Current cigarette smoking among Mississippi adults by household income

The percentage of Mississippi adults who reported current cigarette smoking was significantly higher among those with a household income less than $15,000 compared to those with higher levels of income (Figure 5).

Current cigarette smoking among Mississippi, 2012 vs. 2013

The percentage of Mississippi adults who reported current cigarette smoking was 24.0% in 2012 and 24.8% in 2013 (Figure 6).

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