

Table 2.34A Cigarette Use in Past Year: Among People Aged 12 or Older; by Age Group and Geographic and Socioeconomic Characteristics, Numbers in Thousands, 2021

Geographic/Socioeconomic Characteristic	Aged 12+ (2021)	Aged 12-17 (2021)	Aged 18+ (2021)	Aged 18-25 (2021)	Aged 26+ (2021)	Aged 12-20¹ (2021)	Aged 21+¹ (2021)
TOTAL	52,364	944	51,420	6,225	45,195	2,770	49,594
GEOGRAPHIC REGION							
Northeast	7,961	113	7,848	926	6,922	390	7,571
Midwest	12,427	237	12,190	1,555	10,635	674	11,753
South	21,532	360	21,171	2,373	18,798	1,050	20,482
West	10,445	234	10,210	1,371	8,840	656	9,789
COUNTY TYPE							
Large Metro	24,161	359	23,802	2,858	20,944	1,201	22,960
Small Metro	17,111	378	16,733	2,136	14,597	1,021	16,090
Nonmetro	11,092	208	10,884	1,230	9,654	548	10,544
Urbanized	3,780	77	3,704	528	3,176	256	3,524
Less Urbanized	6,031	121	5,910	579	5,331	256	5,775
Completely Rural	1,280	10	1,271	124	1,147	36	1,245
POVERTY LEVEL²							
Less Than 100%	13,337	162	13,175	1,878	11,297	901	12,436
100-199%	13,413	218	13,195	1,546	11,649	628	12,785
200% or More	25,609	564	25,045	2,796	22,249	1,236	24,373
HEALTH INSURANCE³							
Private	22,589	521	22,068	3,225	18,843	1,428	21,161
Medicaid/CHIP	15,836	419	15,416	1,627	13,789	1,039	14,797
Other ⁴	12,585	20	12,565	517	12,048	147	12,438
No Coverage	8,804	47	8,758	1,131	7,626	304	8,500

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Table 2.34B Cigarette Use in Past Year: Among People Aged 12 or Older; by Age Group and Geographic and Socioeconomic Characteristics, Percentages, 2021

Geographic/Socioeconomic Characteristic	Aged 12+ (2021)	Aged 12-17 (2021)	Aged 18+ (2021)	Aged 18-25 (2021)	Aged 26+ (2021)	Aged 12-20¹ (2021)	Aged 21+¹ (2021)
TOTAL	18.7	3.6	20.3	18.6	20.5	7.1	20.6
GEOGRAPHIC REGION							
Northeast	16.3	2.7	17.5	16.2	17.7	6.0	17.8
Midwest	21.4	4.3	23.2	21.9	23.4	8.3	23.6
South	20.2	3.6	22.0	18.7	22.4	7.0	22.4
West	15.8	3.8	17.0	17.3	17.0	7.0	17.2
COUNTY TYPE							
Large Metro	15.8	2.5	17.2	15.9	17.4	5.6	17.5
Small Metro	20.0	4.8	21.6	19.5	21.9	8.4	21.9
Nonmetro	26.7	5.5	28.9	27.2	29.1	9.8	29.4
Urbanized	23.9	5.3	25.8	27.2	25.6	11.5	26.0
Less Urbanized	28.4	6.3	30.6	27.3	31.0	9.2	31.3
Completely Rural	28.8	2.6	31.3	27.3	31.8	6.6	31.9
POVERTY LEVEL²							
Less Than 100%	31.0	3.0	35.0	22.1	38.8	9.9	36.8
100-199%	24.0	3.9	26.2	19.5	27.5	7.3	27.0
200% or More	14.2	3.7	15.1	16.5	14.9	5.8	15.3
HEALTH INSURANCE³							
Private	13.4	3.7	14.3	17.0	13.9	6.8	14.3
Medicaid/CHIP	27.8	4.0	33.2	19.2	36.3	7.1	35.0
Other ⁴	16.4	1.4	16.7	20.4	16.6	6.1	16.8
No Coverage	32.8	3.4	34.4	22.7	37.3	10.1	35.7

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Geographic/Socioeconomic Characteristic	Aged 12+ (2021)	Aged 12-17 (2021)	Aged 18+ (2021)	Aged 18-25 (2021)	Aged 26+ (2021)	Aged 12-20¹ (2021)	Aged 21+¹ (2021)
TOTAL	43,615	392	43,222	3,839	39,383	1,331	42,284
GEOGRAPHIC REGION							
Northeast	6,702	45	6,656	568	6,088	207	6,495
Midwest	10,480	103	10,377	1,041	9,336	355	10,125
South	18,170	124	18,046	1,431	16,614	443	17,726
West	8,264	121	8,143	799	7,344	326	7,938
COUNTY TYPE							
Large Metro	19,690	154	19,536	1,699	17,837	580	19,109
Small Metro	14,193	149	14,044	1,233	12,810	434	13,759
Nonmetro	9,732	90	9,642	906	8,736	316	9,416
Urbanized	3,213	37	3,175	379	2,797	147	3,066
Less Urbanized	5,376	50	5,326	436	4,891	145	5,231
Completely Rural	1,144	3	1,140	92	1,048	24	1,119
POVERTY LEVEL²							
Less Than 100%	11,636	75	11,561	1,227	10,334	486	11,150
100-199%	11,371	87	11,284	1,067	10,217	289	11,082
200% or More	20,603	230	20,373	1,541	18,832	551	20,052
HEALTH INSURANCE³							
Private	17,662	209	17,453	1,809	15,644	639	17,022
Medicaid/CHIP	13,760	177	13,583	1,164	12,419	523	13,236
Other ⁴	11,259	12	11,247	306	10,940	82	11,178
No Coverage	7,566	20	7,546	752	6,794	165	7,401

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TOTAL	15.6	1.5	17.0	11.5	17.9	3.4	17.6
GEOGRAPHIC REGION							
Northeast	13.7	1.1	14.9	9.9	15.6	3.2	15.3
Midwest	18.1	1.9	19.8	14.7	20.5	4.4	20.3
South	17.0	1.2	18.7	11.3	19.8	2.9	19.4
West	12.5	1.9	13.6	10.1	14.1	3.5	13.9
COUNTY TYPE							
Large Metro	12.9	1.1	14.1	9.5	14.8	2.7	14.5
Small Metro	16.6	1.9	18.1	11.3	19.2	3.6	18.7
Nonmetro	23.5	2.4	25.6	20.1	26.3	5.7	26.2
Urbanized	20.4	2.6	22.1	19.5	22.5	6.6	22.6
Less Urbanized	25.3	2.6	27.6	20.5	28.5	5.2	28.3
Completely Rural	25.7	0.9	28.1	20.3	29.1	4.5	28.7
POVERTY LEVEL²							
Less Than 100%	27.1	1.4	30.8	14.4	35.5	5.3	33.0
100-199%	20.4	1.6	22.4	13.5	24.1	3.4	23.4
200% or More	11.4	1.5	12.3	9.1	12.6	2.6	12.6
HEALTH INSURANCE³							
Private	10.5	1.5	11.3	9.5	11.5	3.0	11.5
Medicaid/CHIP	24.1	1.7	29.2	13.8	32.6	3.6	31.3
Other ⁴	14.7	0.9	15.0	12.1	15.1	3.4	15.1
No Coverage	28.2	1.4	29.7	15.1	33.2	5.5	31.1

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