

Table 2.36A Smokeless Tobacco 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	9,835	352	9,483	1,559	7,924	760	9,075
GEOGRAPHIC REGION							
Northeast	1,177	66	1,111	220	891	121	1,056
Midwest	2,522	77	2,445	422	2,023	199	2,323
South	4,243	151	4,092	537	3,555	292	3,951
West	1,893	59	1,835	380	1,455	148	1,745
COUNTY TYPE							
Large Metro	3,418	167	3,251	551	2,700	313	3,105
Small Metro	3,487	96	3,392	589	2,803	255	3,232
Nonmetro	2,929	90	2,840	419	2,421	192	2,737
Urbanized	1,042	48	994	158	836	89	953
Less Urbanized	1,504	39	1,464	197	1,268	87	1,417
Completely Rural	384	2	381	64	317	17	367
POVERTY LEVEL²							
Less Than 100%	1,673	73	1,600	375	1,224	208	1,464
100-199%	2,115	48	2,067	349	1,718	107	2,008
200% or More	6,047	231	5,816	834	4,982	445	5,602
HEALTH INSURANCE³							
Private	5,718	197	5,521	950	4,572	430	5,288
Medicaid/CHIP	2,115	145	1,969	326	1,644	249	1,866
Other ⁴	1,691	31	1,661	119	1,542	70	1,621
No Coverage	1,546	7	1,539	243	1,296	68	1,478

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TOTAL	3.5	1.4	3.7	4.7	3.6	1.9	3.8
GEOGRAPHIC REGION							
Northeast	2.4	1.6	2.5	3.8	2.3	1.9	2.5
Midwest	4.3	1.4	4.7	5.9	4.5	2.4	4.7
South	4.0	1.5	4.2	4.2	4.2	1.9	4.3
West	2.9	0.9	3.1	4.8	2.8	1.6	3.1
COUNTY TYPE							
Large Metro	2.2	1.2	2.3	3.1	2.2	1.5	2.4
Small Metro	4.1	1.2	4.4	5.4	4.2	2.1	4.4
Nonmetro	7.1	2.4	7.5	9.3	7.3	3.5	7.6
Urbanized	6.6	3.4	6.9	8.1	6.7	4.0	7.0
Less Urbanized	7.1	2.0	7.6	9.3	7.4	3.1	7.7
Completely Rural	8.6	0.6	9.4	14.2	8.8	3.1	9.4
POVERTY LEVEL²							
Less Than 100%	3.9	1.4	4.3	4.4	4.2	2.3	4.3
100-199%	3.8	0.9	4.1	4.4	4.1	1.2	4.2
200% or More	3.3	1.5	3.5	4.9	3.3	2.1	3.5
HEALTH INSURANCE³							
Private	3.4	1.4	3.6	5.0	3.4	2.0	3.6
Medicaid/CHIP	3.7	1.4	4.2	3.9	4.3	1.7	4.4
Other ⁴	2.2	2.1	2.2	4.7	2.1	2.9	2.2
No Coverage	5.8	0.5	6.0	4.9	6.3	2.2	6.2

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TOTAL	7,340	150	7,191	973	6,218	368	6,973
GEOGRAPHIC REGION							
Northeast	807	52	755	117	637	81	726
Midwest	1,878	25	1,853	298	1,555	106	1,771
South	3,496	46	3,450	344	3,106	123	3,374
West	1,159	27	1,133	213	920	57	1,102
COUNTY TYPE							
Large Metro	2,210	81	2,129	271	1,858	149	2,061
Small Metro	2,624	45	2,579	376	2,203	128	2,496
Nonmetro	2,507	23	2,483	327	2,157	91	2,416
Urbanized	855	12	843	117	726	34	821
Less Urbanized	1,311	10	1,301	158	1,143	44	1,267
Completely Rural	341	2	339	*	288	13	328
POVERTY LEVEL²							
Less Than 100%	1,060	22	1,038	241	798	112	948
100-199%	1,648	13	1,635	231	1,405	41	1,606
200% or More	4,632	115	4,517	501	4,016	214	4,418
HEALTH INSURANCE³							
Private	4,390	91	4,299	573	3,726	201	4,189
Medicaid/CHIP	1,310	54	1,256	230	1,026	110	1,200
Other ⁴	1,364	8	1,357	84	1,273	35	1,329
No Coverage	1,205	4	1,201	140	1,060	48	1,157

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TOTAL	2.6	0.6	2.8	2.9	2.8	0.9	2.9
GEOGRAPHIC REGION							
Northeast	1.6	1.3	1.7	2.1	1.6	1.3	1.7
Midwest	3.2	0.4	3.5	4.2	3.4	1.3	3.6
South	3.3	0.5	3.6	2.7	3.7	0.8	3.7
West	1.7	0.4	1.9	2.7	1.8	0.6	1.9
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Large Metro	1.4	0.6	1.5	1.5	1.5	0.7	1.6
Small Metro	3.1	0.6	3.3	3.4	3.3	1.1	3.4
Nonmetro	6.0	0.6	6.6	7.2	6.5	1.6	6.7
Urbanized	5.4	0.8	5.9	6.0	5.8	1.5	6.1
Less Urbanized	6.2	0.5	6.7	7.5	6.6	1.6	6.9
Completely Rural	7.7	0.4	8.4	*	8.0	2.3	8.4
POVERTY LEVEL²							
Less Than 100%	2.5	0.4	2.8	2.8	2.7	1.2	2.8
100-199%	3.0	0.2	3.3	2.9	3.3	0.5	3.4
200% or More	2.6	0.8	2.7	3.0	2.7	1.0	2.8
HEALTH INSURANCE³							
Private	2.6	0.6	2.8	3.0	2.8	1.0	2.8
Medicaid/CHIP	2.3	0.5	2.7	2.7	2.7	0.8	2.8
Other ⁴	1.8	0.5	1.8	3.3	1.8	1.5	1.8
No Coverage	4.5	0.3	4.7	2.8	5.2	1.6	4.9

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