

# Adult Cigarette Smoking in Mississippi

## Fact Sheet



MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

## Results from the 2015 Mississippi Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System

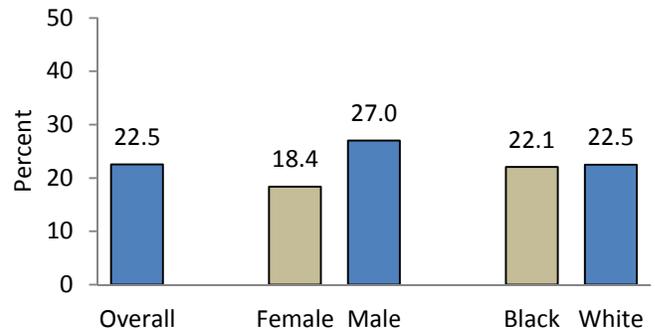
The Mississippi Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) is a state-based surveillance that was developed and conducted in order to monitor state-level prevalence of behaviors (including cigarette smoking) that contribute to the leading causes of morbidity and mortality among adults. The 2015 Mississippi BRFSS was completed by 6,035 Mississippians aged 18 years or older.

### Current cigarette smoking among Mississippi adults

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

- 22.5% overall
- Significantly higher among males (27.0%) compared to females (18.4%)
- 22.1% among blacks and 22.5% among whites

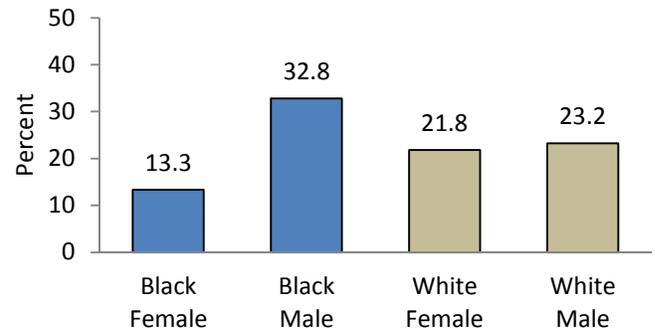
Figure 1. Percent of current cigarette smoking among Mississippi adults, 2015 BRFSS



### Current cigarette smoking among Mississippi adults by gender and race

The percentage of Mississippi adults who reported current cigarette smoking was significantly higher among black males (32.8%) compared to other gender and race groups, and the percentage among black females (13.3%) was significantly lower compared to their counterparts (Figure 2).

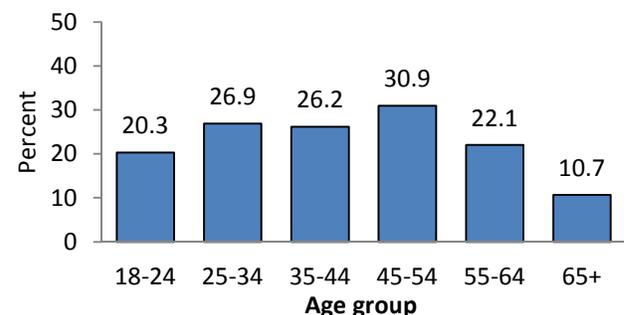
Figure 2. Percent of current cigarette smoking among Mississippi adults by gender and race, 2015 BRFSS



### Current cigarette smoking among Mississippi adults by age group

The percentage of Mississippi adults who reported current cigarette smoking was significantly lower among those 65 years or older (10.7%) compared to other age groups (Figure 3).

Figure 3. Percent of current cigarette smoking among Mississippi adults by age group, 2015 BRFSS

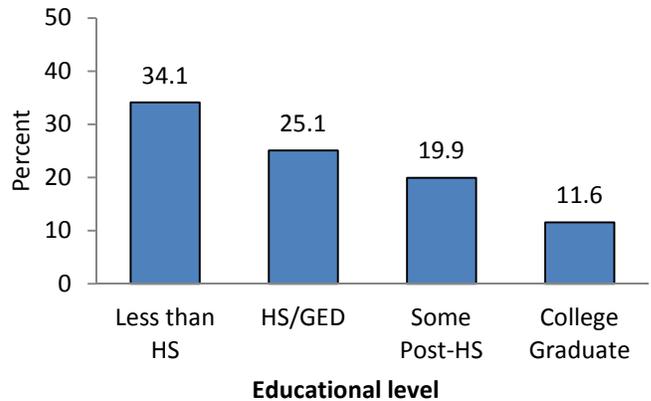


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## Current cigarette smoking among Mississippi adults by education level

The percentage of Mississippi adults who reported current cigarette smoking was significantly higher among those with less than high school (34.1%) compared to other educational levels (Figure 4).

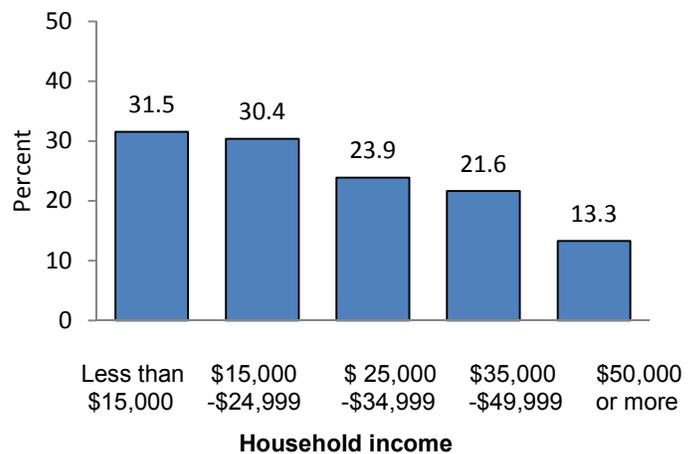
Figure 4. Percent of current cigarette smoking among Mississippi adults by education level, 2015 BRFSS



## 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 an annual household income of less than \$15,000 compared to those with incomes of \$35,000 or more (Figure 5).

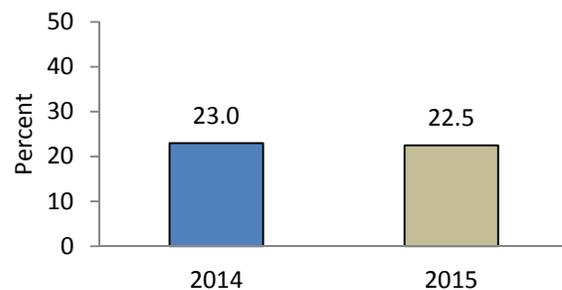
Figure 5. Percent of current cigarette smoking among Mississippi adults by household income, 2015 BRFSS



## 2014 vs. 2015 comparison for current cigarette smoking among Mississippi adults

The percentage of Mississippi adults who reported current cigarette smoking was 23.0% in 2014 and 22.5% in 2015 (Figure 6).

Figure 6. Percent of current cigarette smoking among Mississippi adults, 2014-2015 BRFSS



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