

# Table 199. Current Cigarette Smoking: 1990 to 2007

[In percent. Prior to 1992, a current smoker is a person who has smoked at least 100 cigarettes and who now smokes. Beginning 1995, definition includes persons who smoke only "some days." Excludes unknown smoking status. Based on National Health Interview Survey; for details, see Appendix III]

Sex, age, and race	1990 <sup>1</sup>	2000	2005	2007	Sex, age, and race	1990 <sup>1</sup>	2000	2005	2007
<b>Total smokers, age-adjusted <sup>2</sup> . . . . .</b>	<b>25.3</b>	<b>23.1</b>	<b>20.8</b>	<b>19.7</b>	Black, total . . . . .	32.5	26.2	26.5	24.6
Male . . . . .	28.0	25.2	23.4	22.0	18 to 24 years . . . . .	21.3	<sup>4</sup> 20.9	21.6	21.4
Female . . . . .	22.9	21.1	18.3	17.5	25 to 34 years . . . . .	33.8	23.2	29.8	32.3
White male . . . . .	27.6	25.4	23.3	22.2	35 to 44 years . . . . .	42.0	30.7	23.3	17.4
Black male . . . . .	32.8	25.7	25.9	23.4	45 to 64 years . . . . .	36.7	32.2	32.4	28.3
White female . . . . .	23.5	22.0	19.1	18.5	65 years and over . . . . .	21.5	14.2	16.8	14.3
Black female . . . . .	20.8	20.7	17.1	15.6	Female, total . . . . .	22.8	20.9	18.1	17.4
<b>Total smokers <sup>3</sup> . . . . .</b>	<b>25.5</b>	<b>23.2</b>	<b>20.9</b>	<b>19.8</b>	18 to 24 years . . . . .	22.5	24.9	20.7	19.1
Male, total . . . . .	28.4	25.6	23.9	22.3	25 to 34 years . . . . .	28.2	22.3	21.5	19.6
18 to 24 years . . . . .	26.6	28.1	28.0	25.4	35 to 44 years . . . . .	24.8	26.2	21.3	19.6
25 to 34 years . . . . .	31.6	28.9	27.7	28.8	45 to 64 years . . . . .	24.8	21.7	18.8	19.5
35 to 44 years . . . . .	34.5	30.2	26.0	23.2	65 years and over . . . . .	11.5	9.3	8.3	7.6
45 to 64 years . . . . .	29.3	26.4	25.2	22.6	White, total . . . . .	23.4	21.4	18.7	18.1
65 years and over . . . . .	14.6	10.2	8.9	9.3	18 to 24 years . . . . .	25.4	28.5	22.6	21.6
White, total . . . . .	28.0	25.7	23.6	22.3	25 to 34 years . . . . .	28.5	24.9	23.1	21.4
18 to 24 years . . . . .	27.4	30.4	29.7	26.5	35 to 44 years . . . . .	25.0	26.6	22.2	20.7
25 to 34 years . . . . .	31.6	29.7	27.7	29.0	45 to 64 years . . . . .	25.4	21.4	18.9	19.6
35 to 44 years . . . . .	33.5	30.6	26.3	24.4	65 years and over . . . . .	11.5	9.1	8.4	8.0
45 to 64 years . . . . .	28.7	25.8	24.5	22.1	Black, total . . . . .	21.2	20.8	17.3	15.9
65 years and over . . . . .	13.7	9.8	7.9	8.9	18 to 24 years . . . . .	<sup>4</sup> 10.0	<sup>4</sup> 14.2	14.2	<sup>4</sup> 8.7
					25 to 34 years . . . . .	29.1	15.5	16.9	14.9
					35 to 44 years . . . . .	25.5	30.2	19.0	17.7
					45 to 64 years . . . . .	22.6	25.6	21.0	22.6
					65 years and over . . . . .	11.1	10.2	10.0	6.4

<sup>1</sup> Data prior to 1997 are not strictly comparable with data for later years due to the 1997 questionnaire redesign. <sup>2</sup> Data are age adjusted to the year 2000 standard using five age groups: 18–24 years, 25–34 years, 35–44 years, 45–64 years, 65 years and over. <sup>3</sup> Crude, not age adjusted. <sup>4</sup> Figure does not meet standard of reliability or precision.