Adult Smokeless Tobacco Use in Mississippi Fact Sheet



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 smokeless tobacco use among Mississippi adults

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

- 7.5% overall
- Significantly higher among males (12.9%) compared to females (2.6%)
- Significantly higher among whites (9.6%) compared to blacks (4.4%)

Current smokeless tobacco use among Mississippi adults by gender and race

The percentage of Mississippi adults who reported current smokeless tobacco use was significantly higher among white males (17.6%) compared to other gender and race groups (Figure 2).

2014 vs. 2015 comparison for current smokeless tobacco use among Mississippi adults

The percentage of Mississippi adults who reported current smokeless tobacco use was 7.5% both in 2014 and 2015 (Figure 3).

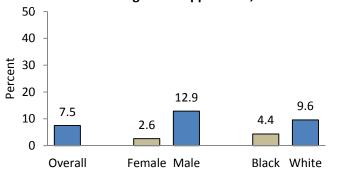
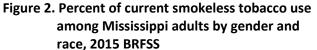
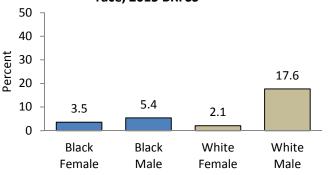
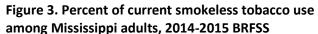
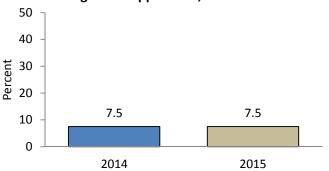


Figure 1. Percent of current smokeless tobacco use among Mississippi adults, 2015 BRFSS









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