Tobacco Facts

Trends in Adult Tobacco Use

The percentage of North Dakota adults who currently smoke is 18.7 percent. (Source: BRFSS)

The percentage of North Dakota adults who currently smoke cigars, cigarillos or small cigars is 10.4 percent. (Source: Adult Tobacco Survey)

Smokeless tobacco is used almost exclusively by males in North Dakota. The percentage of North Dakota male adults who currently use smokeless tobacco is 14.1 percent. In 2015, females used smokeless tobacco at a rate of .7 percent. (Source: BRFSS)

NOTE: Due to changes in BRFSS survey sampling methodology (the addition of cell phone-only users and a new method of weighting data), North Dakota Department of Health Division of Tobacco Prevention and Control tobacco data collected prior to 2011 cannot be compared to data collected in 2011 and moving forward.

The Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) – The BRFSS is an ongoing state-based telephone surveillance system supported by the CDC. Through a series of monthly telephone interviews, states uniformly collect data on the behaviors and conditions that place people at risk for chronic diseases, injuries and preventable infectious diseases.