

Data Source Documentation

Indicator	Exposure to smoking at home, adults 18+
Demographic Group	Wisconsin adults aged 18 and older
Numerator	Adults in the Wisconsin Behavioral Risk Factor Survey (BRFS) sample who reported that they were exposed to tobacco smoke at home in the past 30 days.
Denominator	All adults in the Wisconsin BRFS sample. Cases with don't know/refused responses or missing data are excluded.
Details about Data Item	<p>In the tables, the 95% confidence interval (the “+/-“ column) indicates the range in which 95 of 100 identical surveys would estimate the percent of Wisconsin adults who are exposed to smoke at home. Add the confidence interval to the estimated percent to find the high boundary and subtract it to find the low boundary. Smaller numbers of cases in the denominator produce larger confidence intervals. Results shown in the tables are weighted to represent the overall population of adults in Wisconsin.</p> <p>BRFS question: “In the past 30 days, has anyone, including yourself, smoked cigarettes, cigars or pipes anywhere inside your home?”</p>
Other Data Information	<p>The Wisconsin Behavioral Risk Factor Survey (BRFS) is a sample survey conducted by the Bureau of Health Information and Policy (BHIP) in conjunction with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The number of BRFS cases was approximately 2,700 in 2000. In recent years the sample size has been gradually increased and is currently approximately 4,000 cases. Weighted BRFS data are considered representative of the Wisconsin adult population living in households with landline telephones. The CDC calculates the weights using Wisconsin population data and provides them to BHIP.</p>
Reference Time Period	The 30 days preceding the respondent’s BRFS interview.
Data Source	<p>Wisconsin Behavioral Risk Factor Survey, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health Services.</p> <p>The BRFS is an ongoing probability survey conducted by telephone and carried out in conjunction with the CDC. Each survey year begins on January 1 and ends on December 31.</p>
Additional Information	<p>The CDC Web site (http://www.cdc.gov/brfss/) provides substantial information about the BRFS at both the national and state levels, including prevalence and trend data and historical question information. Information about the Wisconsin BRFS is also available at http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/stats/BRFS.htm.</p>

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