



Data Brief

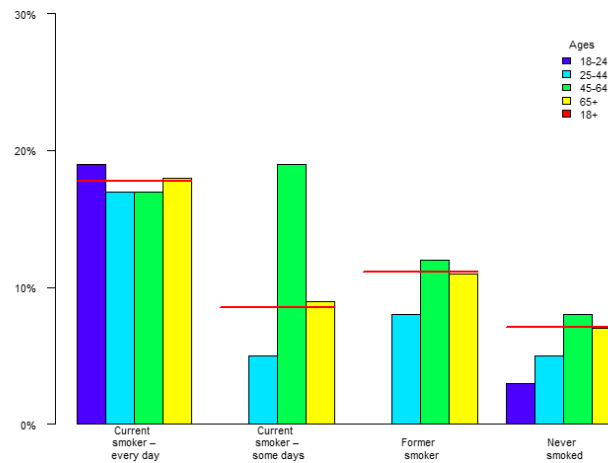
Poor physical health related to cigarette smoking

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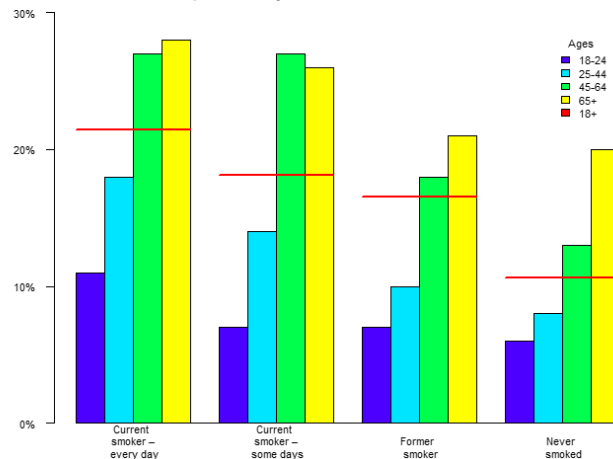
Smokers report more physical health issues than non-smokers

Smokers, both those smoking every day and some days, report physical health issues of not feeling well at a higher rate than former and non-smokers. Approximately 18% (SD) and 22% (US) of current smokers were sick at least 7 days out of the past month. Non-smokers report substantially lower illness with 7% (SD) and 11% (US) being sick 7 of the 30 days. Data for US population shows physical health issues for all age groups as highest for smokers(22%), lower for occasional smokers (18%), lower yet for former smokers (17%), and lowest for those that never smoked (11%). Both current smokers and individuals who never smoked show similar patterns for US and SD. However because of small sample sizes for occasional and former smokers in South Dakota, interpretation of results in these categories should be used with caution.

Physical health issues reported by Smokers and Non-smokers in South Dakota, 2010



Physical health issues reported by Smokers and Non-Smokers in United States, 2010



SOURCE BRFSS data, 2010 WEAT: Web Enabled Analysis Tool for the CDC's BRFSS. http://apps.nccd.cdc.gov/s_broker/WEATSQL.exe/weat/freq_Year.hspl

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