CURRENT SMOKING (2005)**

Lewis County | All adults | Washington State
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Lewis County | 19.8% (± 6.0%) | 17.5% (± 0.7%)
Washington State | 17.5% (± 0.7%) | 17.5% (± 0.7%)

CURRENT SMOKELESS TOBACCO USE (2003-2005)**

Lewis County | All adults | Males only
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Lewis County | 4.4% (± 2.0%) | 9.8% (± 4.4%)
Washington State | 3.0% (± 0.3%) | 5.8% (± 0.6%)

** Current smoking and smokeless prevalence include both English and Spanish language surveys.

YOUTH TOBACCO USE

CURRENT SMOKELESS TOBACCO USE (2004)

Lewis County | All 10th Graders | Washington State | 10th Grade Males only
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Lewis County | 5.9% (± 2.0%) | 4.9% (± 0.6%) | 9.9% (± 3.5%)
Region** | 5.1% (± 0.4%) | 8.0% (± 1.2%)
Washington State | 4.9% (± 0.6%) | 8.0% (± 1.2%)

** Region includes school districts in Grays Harbor, Lewis, Mason, Pacific, and Thurston counties.

DATA SOURCES: ADULT TOBACCO USE – WA. DEPT OF HEALTH, BEHAVIORAL RISK FACTOR SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM (BRFSS); YOUTH TOBACCO USE – WA STATE HEALTHY YOUTH SURVEY (HYS); POPULATION ESTIMATES – OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MGMT (OFM), YEAR 2000 CENSUS; MATERNAL SMOKING DURING PREGNANCY – WA BIRTH CERT SYSTEM; TOBACCO-RELATED CANCER – WA STATE CANCER REGISTRY; ESTIMATED TOTAL DEATHS – WA DEATH CERT SYSTEM.

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Tobacco Use by Pregnant Women


People Affected in Lewis County

- 10,000 adults smoke
- 2,200 adults use smokeless tobacco
- 200 infants are born annually to mothers who smoke during pregnancy
- 800 youth smoke
- 400 youth use smokeless tobacco
- 12,200 adults are exposed to secondhand smoke
- 3,000 youth are exposed to secondhand smoke
- 70 cancers diagnosed each year are smoking-related
- 100 adults die annually from smoking-related causes

Community Indicators for Lewis County

- All restaurants and bars are now completely smokefree
- 80% of households have a ban on smoking (95% C.I. ± 4%)
- 0% of retailers sold tobacco products to minors
- 35% of 10th graders say tobacco is “hard to get” (95% C.I. ± 6%)
- 19 tobacco industry sampling event occurred in the past year – 102 samples were distributed
- 258 people called the Quitline in the past year
- 48% of smokers tried to quit in the past year (95% C.I. ± 9%)
- 64% of tobacco users who had a healthcare visit in the past year were advised to quit by a healthcare professional (95% C.I. ± 8%)
- 24% of tobacco users did not have a healthcare visit in the past year (95% C.I. ± 6%)
- 25% of smokers who have health insurance say that their insurance covers help in quitting smoking, such as counseling or nicotine patches (95% C.I. ± 9%)
- 42% of smokers with health insurance do not know if it covers help in quitting smoking (95% C.I. ± 11%)

Priorities for Tobacco Prevention and Control

- Preventing Youth from Initiating Tobacco Use
- Increasing Tobacco Cessation
- Eliminating Exposure to Secondhand Smoke
- Identifying and Eliminating Tobacco-Related Disparities in High Risk Groups

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