

Table 16-4. Smoking status: Estimated prevalence by current occupation, U.S. residents age 18 and over, 2000

Occupation	Number of Respondents	Current Smokers		Former Smokers	
		Prevalence (%)	95% Confidence Interval	Prevalence (%)	95% Confidence Interval
Machine operators and tenderers, except precision	743	45.9	41.9 - 49.8	18.2	15.3 - 21.1
Forestry and fishing occupations	20	42.0	16.3 - 67.7	2.4	0.0 - 7.1
Construction and extractive trades	806	41.3	37.4 - 45.2	18.6	15.3 - 21.9
Material moving equipment operators	139	40.5	31.3 - 49.7	15.8	8.5 - 23.1
Food service	839	39.8	35.5 - 44.1	11.4	9.2 - 13.6
Precision production occupations	527	36.2	31.5 - 40.9	19.0	15.3 - 22.7
Motor vehicle operators	597	34.8	30.5 - 39.1	20.4	16.9 - 23.9
Construction laborers	149	34.3	26.3 - 42.3	13.2	6.1 - 20.3
Health service	475	32.8	27.7 - 37.9	14.3	10.6 - 18.0
Freight, stock and material handlers	583	32.5	28.0 - 37.0	13.8	10.5 - 17.1
Mechanics and repairers	623	31.5	27.2 - 35.8	22.0	18.5 - 25.5
Cleaning and building service	534	30.8	26.3 - 35.3	15.0	11.7 - 18.3
Other protective service occupations	158	28.6	20.6 - 36.6	20.0	12.9 - 27.1
Farm workers and other agricultural workers	337	28.6	22.9 - 34.3	14.1	9.2 - 19.0
Fabricators, assemblers, inspectors and samplers	401	28.1	22.8 - 33.4	18.2	13.5 - 22.9
Other transportation, except motor vehicles	36	25.3	7.9 - 42.7	28.8	11.6 - 46.0
Managers and administrators, except public administration	1,857	25.2	23.0 - 27.4	23.0	20.8 - 25.2
Health technologists and technicians	281	24.9	18.8 - 30.9	15.2	10.5 - 19.9
Other sales	905	24.4	21.3 - 27.5	17.2	14.3 - 20.1
Supervisors and proprietors	601	23.4	19.7 - 27.1	24.2	19.9 - 28.5
Financial records processing occupations	343	23.1	18.0 - 28.2	18.1	13.4 - 22.8
Personal service	467	20.8	16.7 - 24.9	17.5	13.4 - 21.6
Secretaries, stenographers and typists	405	20.5	16.2 - 24.8	19.7	14.8 - 24.6
Officials and administrators, public health administration	117	20.1	11.7 - 28.5	31.6	22.6 - 40.6
Management related occupation	793	19.9	16.6 - 23.2	20.2	16.9 - 23.5
Mail and message distributing	133	19.3	11.9 - 26.7	24.0	15.2 - 32.8
Other administrative support	1,941	19.3	11.8 - 26.7	19.0	17.0 - 21.0
Sales representatives, commodities and finances	623	18.9	15.4 - 22.4	26.5	22.6 - 30.4
Writers, artists, entertainers and athletes	343	18.6	14.1 - 23.1	23.3	18.4 - 28.2
Technologists, technicians except health	378	18.5	14.4 - 22.6	20.9	16.4 - 25.4
Architects and surveyors	27	17.1	1.6 - 32.6	16.5	0.6 - 32.4
Police and firefighters	188	16.3	10.8 - 21.8	21.5	14.8 - 28.2
Private households occupations	147	16.0	8.4 - 23.6	18.3	9.3 - 27.3
Natural mathematical and computer scientists	377	15.6	11.3 - 19.9	19.6	15.5 - 23.7
Other professional specialty occupations	434	14.6	11.1 - 18.1	24.2	19.3 - 29.1
Engineers	292	13.4	9.3 - 17.5	18.6	13.9 - 23.3
Farm operators and managers	127	13.2	7.9 - 18.5	25.9	18.1 - 33.7
Health assessment and treating occupations	510	12.5	9.8 - 15.2	22.5	18.6 - 26.4
Computer equipment operators	42	10.3	1.9 - 18.7	17.4	3.3 - 31.5
Teachers, librarians and counselors	1,115	9.6	7.6 - 11.6	20.9	18.0 - 23.8
Health diagnosing occupations	153	3.7	0.2 - 7.2	18.1	11.2 - 25.0
Military	5	0.0	- -	30.9	0.0 - 71.9
TOTAL	20,094	25.0	24.2 - 25.8	19.4	18.8 - 20.0

- No estimates due to no smokers/former smokers among respondents.

NOTE: Industries were classified according to 1995 Standard Industrial Classification System and then regrouped by NCHS. See appendices for source description and methods.

SOURCE: National Center for Health Statistics 2000 National Health Interview Survey.