

Tobacco Use in North Central Health District*:

2014 Data Summary

Cigarette Smoking and Smoking-attributable Mortality in the 5-2 North Central (Macon) Health District during 2008-2013

- The prevalence of smoking among adults aged 18 years and older in overall (23%; 92,000 adults) was higher than both the Georgia (19%; 1.35 million adults) and the national (18%; 42 million adults) prevalence.
- Cigarette smoking was higher among males (26%; 53,000) than among females (20%; 40,000).
- Cigarette smoking was similar among Non-Hispanic (NH) White (25%; 57,000) to Non-Hispanic (NH) Black adults (24%; 35,000).
- Approximately 15% (711) of all deaths among adults aged 35 years and older were attributed to cigarette smoking.
- Annually, about 711 of 2,156 deaths among adults aged 35 years and older were attributable to smoking (Figure 1). Of these, o 300 of 491 deaths were due to cancer. o 200 of 1,335 deaths were due to cardiovascular disease.
 o 198 of 330 deaths were due to respiratory

disease.

Lung Cancer Incidence among Adults Aged 35 Years and Older in the Macon Health District and Georgia as a whole during 2008-2013

- The age-adjusted lung cancer incidence rate among males (147.6 per 100,000; 925 deaths) was significantly^a higher than the state lung cancer incidence rate (128.2 per 100,000; 12,920 deaths).
- The age-adjusted lung cancer incidence rate among females (76.4 per 100,000; 608 deaths) was higher than the state lung cancer incidence rate among females (70.4 per 100,000; 9,281 deaths) (Figure 2).

Figure 1. Smoking-attributable Mortality among Adults Aged 35 Years and Older, Macon Health District, 2008-2013*



Source: 2008, 2010-2013 SAMMEC *Because of data quality issues, 2009 mortality data are not used for analysis.

Figure 2. Age-Adjusted Lung Cancer Incidence Rate among Adults Aged 35 Years and Older, Macon Health District and Georgia, 2008-2013*



Source: 2008, 2010-2013 Georgia Comprehensive Cancer Registry (GCCR) * Because of data quality issues, 2009 mortality data are not used for analysis.

Figure 3. Age-Adjusted Lung Cancer Incidence Rate among Adults Aged 35 Years and Older, by Race and Sex, Macon Health District, 2008-2013*



Source: 2008, 2010-2013 Georgia Comprehensive Cancer Registry (GCCR) * Because of data quality issues, 2009 mortality data are not used for analysis.

- In the Macon Health District, the lung cancer incidence rate among NH Black males (147.0 per 100,000; 269 deaths) was similar to the lung cancer incidence rate among NH White males (147.7 per 100,000; 651 deaths) (Figure 3).
- The lung cancer incidence rate for NH White females (87.9 per 100,000; 465 deaths) was significantly higher than for NH Black females (53.7 per 100,000; 142 deaths) (Figure 3).

Secondhand Smoke Exposure in the Macon Health District in 2014

- Approximately 49% (233,000) of Macon Health District adults were exposed to secondhand smoke^b which was more than the statewide prevalence of secondhand smoke exposure (45%; 5.3 million).
- Adults were significantly more likely to be exposed to secondhand smoke in public places (35%; 165,000) than in a vehicle (23%; 110,000), at home (14%; 66,000), and in the workplace (12%; 36,000) (Figure 4).
- Secondhand smoke exposure was higher among males (54%; 148,000) than females (42%; 85,000).



Figure 4. Exposure to Secondhand Smoke by Location, Macon Health District, 2014

Source: 2014 Adult Tobacco Survey (ATS)

Home

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• NH Black adults (48%; 71,000) were more likely than NH White adults (42%; 107,000) to be exposed to secondhand smoke.

Work

Public Places

Vehicle

- Adults with less than a college degree (32%; 35,000) were *less* likely to be exposed to secondhand smoke than college graduates (59%; 83,000).
- Overall, the percent of adults in Macon Health District who support strict enforcement of tobacco use polices in indoor/outdoor public places^c decreased from 94% (247,000) in 2009-2010 to 91% (425,100) in 2013.

*Macon Health District: Baldwin, Bibb, Crawford, Hancock, Houston, Jasper, Hones, Monroe, Peach, Putman, Twiggs, Washington, and Wilkinson Counties

^a Statistically significant based on comparison of 95% confidence intervals

^bSecondhand smoke exposure includes exposure at home, work, public place, or vehicle

^cResults based on 2014 ATS question, "Should policies that don't allow tobacco use in indoor or outdoor public places be strictly enforced?" Yes or No

Definitions

- 1. Adults are defined as civilian persons aged 18 years and older, unless otherwise stated.
- 2. Cigarette smokers are defined as those who have smoked at least 100 cigarettes in their lifetime and are currently smoking.

3. Lung cancer incidence rates are age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard population.

Data sources

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- 2. Georgia Vital Statistics, 2008, 2010-2013; CDC SAMMEC web application (http://apps.nccd.cdc.gov/sammec/)

3. CDC. Current Cigarette Smoking Among Adults – United States, 2013; Available at:

http://www.cdc.gov/tobacco/data_statistics/fact_sheets/adult_data/cig_smoking/index.htm#national

4. Georgia Comprehensive Cancer Registry (GCCR), 2008, 2010-2013

5. 2009-2010 National Adult Tobacco Survey (NATS) and 2014 Adult Tobacco Survey (ATS)