

About 20 percent of U.S. adults currently use tobacco products

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(HealthDay)—About one in five U.S. adults currently uses any tobacco



product, according to a study published online Nov. 9 in *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report*.

Elyse Phillips, M.P.H., from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and colleagues used data from the 2015 National Health Interview Survey to examine the most recent national estimates of tobacco product use among adults. Data were included for 33,672 adults aged 18 years and older.

The researchers found that 20.1 percent of U.S. adults currently used any tobacco product, 17.6 percent used any combustible tobacco product, and 3.9 percent used two or more tobacco products in 2015. By product, 15.1 percent of adults used cigarettes; 3.5 percent used electronic cigarettes; 3.4 percent and cigars, cigarillos, or filtered little cigars; 2.3 percent used smokeless tobacco; and 1.2 percent used regular pipes, water pipes, or hookahs. Males had higher current use of any tobacco product, as did those aged >65 years; whites, blacks, and those of multiple races; individuals with annual household income of

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