

# Adult Smoking

North Carolina 20/20: 2004 Update of the Report of the North Carolina Progress Board



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**Target 1.2.3:**  
At least 85% of adults will not smoke

**Goal 1.2:**  
Encourage healthy lifestyles

**Imperative 1:**  
Healthy Children and Families

Score: **C-** ↓

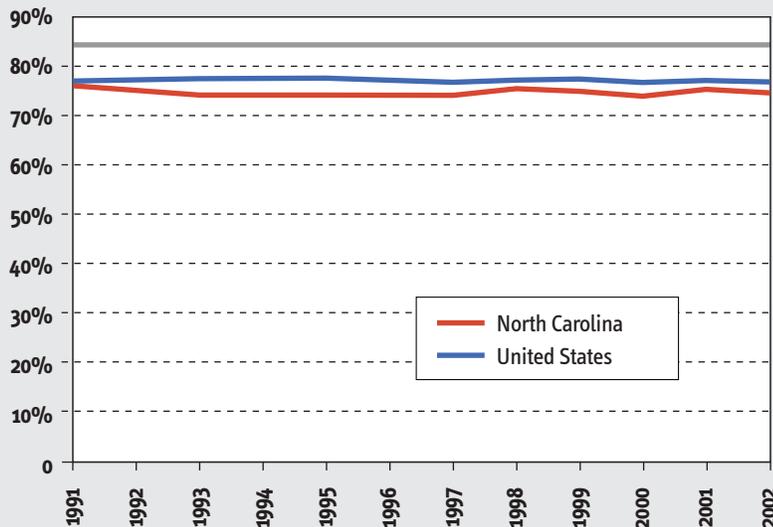
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**U.S. Rank in 2002: 40th**  
(up from 45th in 1995)

**Southeast Rank in 2002: 5th**  
(up from 8th in 1995)  
Southeast Region = AL, FL, GA, KY, MI, NC, SC, TN, VA & WV

## Data Trends

Percent of Adults Not Smoking



2020 Target; 85% of adults will not smoke

**Data Sources:**

Primary—US DHHS, Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, [year] Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance Summary Prevalence Report; US DHHS, Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance, Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report;

Website address—<http://apps.nccd.cdc.gov/brfssl>

Secondary—Rankings from Morgan Quinto

## Other Highlights

- Since 1993, the percent of North Carolina's adults who do not smoke has decreased from 74.2% to 73.6%.
- Since 1993, the percent of the nation's adults who do not smoke has also decreased.

### Definition

Adult smokers are persons 18 years and older who have smoked 100 cigarettes and currently smoke (regularly smoke before 1993).

### Relevance

Smoking and other forms of tobacco use increase aggregate disease and morbidity rates, increase health care costs and decrease worker productivity.

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