Overall, 20.5% of adults in Louisiana smoke cigarettes. Some of the highest rates are among adults who face health and socioeconomic challenges.¹

**STATE & NATIONAL TRENDS**

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**EDUCATION**

In Louisiana, 35.4% of people without a high school diploma smoke cigarettes compared to 7.5% of college graduates.¹

**INCOME**

24.6% of people in households earning below $50,000 smoke compared to 15.8% earning above $50,000. In households earning below $15,000, 30.7% smoke.¹

**RACE**

22.9% of white men and white women smoke cigarettes, compared to 21.9% of black men and 10.9% of black women.¹

**SEXUAL ORIENTATION**

24.8% of people who identify as LGBT smoke cigarettes in Louisiana.¹

**CHRONIC HEALTH CONDITIONS**

Percentages of people who smoke that reported having or experienced the following chronic health conditions:

**MENTAL**¹

- Depressive Disorder: 31.9%

**ORAL**¹

- All teeth lost: 35.6%
- Some teeth lost: 35.6%

**LUNG**¹

- COPD, Emphysema, or Chronic Bronchitis: 30.8%

Sources:

1. BRFSS, 2018.
2. NHIS, 2018.

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