

Table 11.7 Tobacco use by women and men

Percentage of women and men age 15-49 and men age 15-54 by their use of tobacco, and percent distribution of those who smoke cigarettes or *bidis* by number of cigarettes/*bidis* smoked each day on average, India, 2019-21

Tobacco use	Women			Men			
	Urban	Rural	Total 15-49	Urban	Rural	Total 15-49	Total 15-54
Use of tobacco							
Smokes cigarettes	0.1	0.1	0.1	14.6	12.5	13.2	13.3
Smokes <i>bidis</i>	0.0	0.2	0.1	4.5	8.3	7.0	7.8
Smokes cigars	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6
Smokes a pipe	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Smokes a <i>hookah</i>	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.7	0.5	0.6
Chews <i>paan masala</i> or <i>gutkha</i>	1.0	1.6	1.4	12.0	15.8	14.5	14.2
Uses <i>khaini</i>	0.4	1.1	0.9	6.6	14.5	11.7	12.1
Chews <i>paan</i> with tobacco	0.7	1.3	1.1	3.4	6.0	5.1	5.3
Other chewing tobacco	0.2	0.4	0.3	1.5	1.9	1.8	1.8
Uses snuff	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1
Other	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.5	0.5
Does not use tobacco	97.5	95.1	95.9	67.9	57.1	60.9	59.7
Number of respondents	235,279	488,836	724,115	32,852	60,291	93,144	101,839
Number of cigarettes smoked each day on average							
<5	83.8	76.7	79.5	67.8	74.4	71.8	70.9
5-9	5.3	6.9	6.3	17.9	10.5	13.4	13.8
10-14	2.1	3.1	2.7	7.1	5.8	6.3	6.6
15-24	5.0	3.4	4.0	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.5
25 or more	3.9	9.9	7.6	1.3	0.4	0.7	0.8
Missing	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.4	7.5	6.3	6.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of cigarette smokers	293	455	748	4,784	7,537	12,321	13,513
Number of <i>bidis</i> smoked each day on average							
<5	52.2	51.3	51.4	19.4	20.8	20.5	19.9
5-9	20.7	25.0	24.6	24.4	25.9	25.6	25.9
10-14	13.2	12.4	12.5	33.9	27.1	28.6	28.1
15-24	9.0	6.4	6.7	14.7	20.7	19.3	19.8
25 or more	4.9	4.8	4.8	3.4	4.2	4.0	4.4
Missing	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.1	1.3	1.9	1.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of <i>bidi</i> smokers	92	858	950	1,474	5,007	6,482	7,974
Number of cigarettes/<i>bidis</i> smoked each day on average							
<5	74.1	55.8	60.1	55.7	50.2	52.1	49.5
5-9	10.3	20.2	17.8	20.0	19.2	19.4	20.1
10-14	5.1	10.3	9.1	13.7	15.5	14.9	15.6
15-24	6.4	6.1	6.1	6.3	10.3	9.0	9.8
25 or more	3.9	6.7	6.0	2.3	3.0	2.8	3.1
Missing	0.3	1.0	0.8	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of cigarette/ <i>bidi</i> smokers	369	1,202	1,571	5,633	11,113	16,746	19,066

Table 11.8 Use of tobacco by background characteristics

Percentage of women and men age 15-49 who use any kind of tobacco and percentage who smoke cigarettes or *bidis*, and among those who smoke cigarettes or *bidis*, percentage who smoke 5 or more cigarettes or *bidis* each day on average, by background characteristics, India, 2019-21

Background characteristic	Women					Men				
	Percentage who use any kind of tobacco	Percentage who smoke cigarettes	Percentage who smoke <i>bidis</i>	Number of women	Percentage who smoke 5 or more cigarettes/ <i>bidis</i> each day on average	Number of women who smoke cigarettes/ <i>bidis</i>	Percentage who use any kind of tobacco	Percentage who smoke cigarettes	Percentage who smoke <i>bidis</i>	Number of men who smoke cigarettes/ <i>bidis</i> each day on average
Age										
15-19	0.8	0.1	0.0	122,544	19.6	91	14.3	6.2	1.2	16,385
20-34	3.0	0.1	0.0	336,968	26.1	463	38.6	14.9	4.7	41,688
35-49	7.1	0.1	0.3	264,603	43.3	1,017	51.2	14.5	12.3	35,071
Residence										
Urban	2.5	0.1	0.0	235,279	23.9	369	32.1	14.6	4.5	32,852
Rural	4.9	0.1	0.2	488,836	40.8	1,202	42.9	12.5	8.3	60,291
Maternity status										
Pregnant	2.6	0.0	0.0	27,125	39.7	19	na	na	na	na
Breastfeeding (not pregnant)	3.3	0.1	0.1	100,596	34.8	118	na	na	na	na
Neither	4.3	0.1	0.1	596,394	37.0	1,434	na	na	na	na
Schooling										
No schooling	9.4	0.2	0.5	163,492	44.3	982	61.8	15.4	18.7	9,982
<5 years complete	9.4	0.1	0.1	37,549	39.9	72	64.1	16.5	18.0	5,842
5-7 years complete	5.1	0.0	0.1	96,806	34.5	101	53.1	15.5	10.9	12,082
8-9 years complete	2.9	0.0	0.0	129,094	25.5	83	43.5	14.0	6.4	18,472
10-11 years complete	1.1	0.1	0.0	109,777	15.3	68	29.6	11.3	3.6	16,735
12 or more years complete	0.6	0.1	0.0	187,396	18.2	265	23.5	11.6	1.6	30,032

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Background characteristic	Women					Men				
	Percentage who use any kind of tobacco	Percentage who smoke cigarettes	Percentage who smoke <i>bidis</i>	Number of women	Percentage who smoke 5 or more cigarettes/ <i>bidis</i> each day on average	Number of women who smoke cigarettes/ <i>bidis</i>	Percentage who use any kind of tobacco	Percentage who smoke cigarettes	Percentage who smoke <i>bidis</i>	Number of men who smoke cigarettes/ <i>bidis</i> each day on average
Religion										
Hindu	4.1	0.1	0.1	589,164	37.3	1,283	39.1	12.7	6.7	73,632
Muslim	4.1	0.1	0.1	97,595	36.1	176	40.9	14.4	9.0	14,633
Christian	7.2	0.3	0.1	16,995	26.6	55	36.6	24.0	6.9	2,426
Sikh	0.3	0.1	0.0	11,404	13.1	16	12.2	6.6	3.8	886
Buddhist/Neo-Buddhist	4.7	0.4	0.1	4,571	28.4	19	39.7	12.8	2.2	1,017
Jain	0.6	0.0	0.0	1,632	nc	0	29.7	8.9	3.9	280
Other	14.1	0.7	0.1	2,754	63.7	22	45.9	21.3	3.6	269
Caste/tribe										
Scheduled caste	4.6	0.1	0.2	158,483	44.0	427	43.8	15.0	10.6	18,977
Scheduled tribe	11.1	0.2	0.2	67,263	31.4	229	51.5	15.2	8.5	8,441
Other backward class	2.9	0.1	0.1	310,783	44.2	562	35.3	10.8	4.7	38,986
Other	3.2	0.1	0.1	182,474	19.9	336	36.9	14.8	7.2	26,244
Don't know	6.8	0.2	0.2	5,112	20.0	17	52.0	17.9	9.2	496
Wealth index										
Lowest	9.0	0.1	0.3	133,973	37.8	533	58.7	14.8	14.3	15,606
Second	5.6	0.1	0.2	144,813	43.5	376	48.8	14.6	9.9	18,497
Middle	3.6	0.1	0.1	148,616	41.9	259	38.4	12.8	6.4	19,829
Fourth	2.0	0.1	0.0	150,680	41.7	174	31.5	12.8	3.8	20,658
Highest	1.0	0.1	0.0	146,032	14.3	229	22.0	11.5	2.1	18,553
Total age 15-49	4.1	0.1	0.1	724,115	36.9	1,571	39.1	13.2	7.0	93,144
Age 50-54	na	na	na	na	na	na	53.1	13.7	17.2	8,695
Total age 15-54	na	na	na	na	na	na	40.3	13.3	7.8	101,839

na = Not applicable

nc = No cases