



SDG Goal 3 Good health and well-being

SDG Target 3.a Strengthen the implementation of the World Health Organization

Framework Convention on Tobacco Control in all countries, as

appropriate

SDG Indicator 3.a.1 Age-standardized prevalence of current tobacco use among persons aged 15 years

and older

Time series Current tobacco use among persons aged 15 years and older (age-standardised to

WHO Standard Population)

1. General information on the time series

• Date of national metadata: 02 September 2021

• National data: http://sdg-indikatoren.de/en/3-a-1/

• Definition: The smoking rate among adults indicates the share of those surveyed aged 15 and above who answered the questions in the micro census regarding smoking behavior as well as smoke regularly or occasionally. The data are age-standardised to the WHO Standard Population.

• Disaggregation: Not available.

2. Comparison with global metadata

• Date of global metadata: November 2020

• Global metadata: https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/metadata/files/Metadata-03-0a-01.pdf

• The time series is compliant with the global metadata. In contrast to the global metadata the reported time series is only based on a survey. There is no extra statistical model used, as requested in the global metadata.

3. Data description

• The data are surveyed every four years as part of the Microcensus conducted by the Federal Statistical Office. The Microcensus is an inquiry directed to households, designed to obtain information on the labour market and related issues through a series of personal interviews with a sample of 1%. The Microcensus is designed as a multi-topic survey, integrating many different subject fields. The European Labour Force Survey (LFS) is integrated into the Microcensus and is harmonised in all EU member states. Since the Microcensus is a representative survey, the data recorded is not weighted according to education level. The responses to the questions regarding smoking habits are voluntary and were provided by 80% of those surveyed in 2013.

4. Accessibility of source data

• Smoking habits of the population (Results of Microcensus):

https://www.destatis.de/EN/Themes/Society-Environment/Health/Health-Status-Behaviour-Relevant-Health/Tables/liste-smoking-habits-sex-age-groups.html

5. Metadata on source data

• Quality report of Microcensus (only available in German):

https://www.destatis.de/DE/Methoden/Qualitaet/Qualitaetsberichte/Bevoelkerung/mikrozensus-2019.pdf

• Standard Populations:

https://www.gbe-

bund.de/gbe/ergebnisse.prc_fid_anzeige?p_fid=10216&p_fund_typ=DEF&p_sprachkz=E&p_prot=3&p_uid=gast&p_aid=71967392

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6. Timeliness and frequency

• Timeliness: t + 1 year

• Frequency: Every 4 years

7. Calculation method

• Unit of measurement: %

• Calculation method:

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