

Health Status of Racial and Ethnic Groups in Oregon - Oregon BRFSS, 1989-1994

Conditions or behaviors which elevate risk to health among major racial and ethnic groups.

Based on Adult Behavior Risk Factor and Surveillance Survey (BRFSS) indicators (baseline data from 1989-94)

GROUP HEALTH RISK PROFILE: AFRICAN AMERICANS (Non-Hispanic)

Inter-view years	HEALTH INDICATORS	TOTAL all ages	Male	Female	18-34	35-64
			(weighted percents)			
93-94	Fair or poor health	15	**10	**21	**14	**10
89-93	Hypertension	21	17	25	12	23
89-93	High cholesterol	39	**34	**46	*24	**47
89-94	Diabetes	5	*2	8	*2	7
89-94	Overweight	26	26	25	25	23
89-94	Current smokers	28	31	24	29	29
89-94	Former smokers	17	16	18	15	16
89-93	Acute alcohol users	21	30	10	34	13
89-93	Chronic alcohol users	9	15	*1	16	*4
89-93	Drinking & driving	5	8	*2	*9	*4
91-93	Fail to use seatbelts	10	**13	*5	**16	*3
89-94	Inactive lifestyle	49	**43	56	49	49
91-94	No health insurance	24	29	19	22	29
91-94	Unable to see doctor	19	20	19	19	20

Number of actual interviews upon which weighted estimates are based.

HEALTH INDICATORS	TOTAL	Male	Female	18-34	35-64
Fair or poor health	79	32	47	38	35
Hypertension	131	61	70	52	67
High cholesterol	87	40	47	26	49
Diabetes	159	71	88	69	77
Overweight	159	71	88	69	77
Current smokers	157	70	87	70	74
Former smokers	157	70	87	70	74
Acute alcohol users	129	61	68	52	65
Chronic alcohol users	130	61	69	52	66
Drinking & driving	131	61	70	52	67
Fail to use seatbelts	96	44	52	42	48
Inactive lifestyle	110	49	61	50	52
No health insurance	125	54	71	60	58
Unable to see doctor	125	54	71	60	58

*Estimate may be unreliable: <5 resp. with condition.

**Estimate may be unreliable: <50 respondents.