



## Scotland Smoking Statistics

Smoking Prevalence	Scotland %
Current smoking prevalence (16 yrs plus) <sup>1</sup>	Men 28.1% Women 26.5% Total 27.2%
Deaths attributed to smoking between 2000-2004 <sup>1</sup>	24%
Smoking in first trimester of pregnancy <sup>2</sup>	22.7%
15 year olds who smoke regularly <sup>3</sup>	Girls 18% Boys 12%
13 year olds who smoke regularly <sup>3</sup>	Girls 5% Boys 3%
15 and 13 year old regular smokers who reported buying cigarettes from a shop <sup>3</sup>	15 yrs 82% 13 yrs 47%

### National View<sup>1</sup>

It is estimated that 24% (13,473 deaths) of all deaths in Scotland in 2004 were attributable to smoking with 89.5% of all lung cancer deaths attributable to smoking. Amongst the 35-69 age group, an average of 22 years of life are lost per death from smoking.

The NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde area has the highest rates of deaths attributable to smoking for both men and women. 34% of all deaths in the 35-69 age group are attributed to smoking. NHS Lanarkshire has the second highest proportion with a total of 26%, with 31% of deaths of males in the 35-69 age group due to smoking. The lowest rates of deaths attributable to smoking are in the Island Boards with Shetland at 15% and Orkney and the Western Isles at 16%.

In 2003/04 it is estimated that there were approximately 1.1 million adult smokers in Scotland, 27.2% of the adult population. A slightly higher proportion of men smoke than women, 28.1% and 26.5% but, given that the female population is larger than the male population, there are slightly more female smokers at 570,000 to 542,000.

Glasgow Shettleston constituency has the highest smoking rate in Scotland at 40.1%, with Eastwood the lowest at 19.2%. At local authority level, both the highest and lowest smoking rates are in the west. Glasgow has the highest at 34%, followed by West Dunbartonshire at 33.3%, and East Ayrshire at 32.1%. The lowest are East Dunbartonshire at 18.6% and East Renfrewshire at 19.2%. Among the city councils, Dundee at 30.5% has the second highest smoking prevalence to Glasgow, with Edinburgh the lowest at 23.5%.

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<sup>1</sup> NHS Health Scotland, ISD Scotland and ASH Scotland. [2007] *An atlas of tobacco smoking in Scotland*. Edinburgh: NHS Health Scotland.

<sup>2</sup> ISD Scotland. *Smoking at booking (revised) - Scotland*. [online]. 2 November 2006. Available from: [www.isdscotland.org/isd/files/mat\\_bb\\_Smoking%20at%20Booking\\_revised.xls](http://www.isdscotland.org/isd/files/mat_bb_Smoking%20at%20Booking_revised.xls) [accessed 1/6/07]

<sup>3</sup> BMRB Social Research. 2007. *Scottish Schools Adolescent Lifestyle and Substance Use Survey (SALSUS) - National Report 2006* [online]. Available from: [www.drugmisuse.isdscotland.org/publications/abstracts/salsus\\_national06.htm](http://www.drugmisuse.isdscotland.org/publications/abstracts/salsus_national06.htm) [accessed 1/6/07]