# **AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE**

## COMMERCIAL TOBACCO USE FACT SHEET

#### U.S. American Indian and Alaska Native Population

4.4 million	Number of American Indians and Alaska Natives in 2012.
	Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) 2013.
	http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/hus/hus13.pdf#058
566	Number of federally recognized American Indian and Alaska Native Tribes
	Source: Bureau of Indian Affairs 2012. ( <a href="http://www.bia.gov/FAQs/Index.htm">http://www.bia.gov/FAQs/Index.htm</a> )

#### **Health Effects of Tobacco Use**

128.6%	Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death among American Indians and
	Alaska Natives (AI/AN) tobacco use is an significant risk factor for this disease.
	Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) 2013. <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/hus/hus13.pdf#058">http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/hus/hus13.pdf#058</a>
45.2%	Nationally, lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death among American
	Indians and Alaska Natives.
	Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Program of Cancer Registry (NPCR) 2011.
	http://apps.nccd.cdc.gov/uscs/cancersbyraceandethnicity.aspx

### **Cigarette Smoking Prevalence among Adults**

24.6%	Percent of American Indian or Alaska Native men 18 years and over who currently
	smoke cigarettes compared with non-Hispanics whites (24.6% vs 21.1%; 2013).
	Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) 2013.
	http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/hus/hus13.pdf#058
23.8%	Percent American Indian or Alaska Native women 18 years and over who currently
	smoke cigarettes compared with non-Hispanics whites (23.8% vs 17.2%; 2013).
	Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) 2013.
	http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/hus/hus13.pdf#058

## **Cigarette Use among Pregnant Women**

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26.0%	Smoking during pregnancy was highest among American Indians/Alaska
	Natives (26.0%) compared with non-Hispanics whites (26.0% vs 14.3%)
	Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Morbidity & Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR)
	2013.
	http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/ss6206a1.htm