

Tobacco-Related Disparities in Alabama

**Satellite Conference and Live Webcast
Wednesday, November 18, 2009
2:00 - 3:00 p.m. Central Time**

Produced by the Alabama Department of Public Health
Video Communications and Distance Learning Division

Faculty

**Vontrese McGhee
Surveillance and Evaluation Coordinator
Tobacco Prevention and Control Branch
Alabama Department of Public Health**

Tobacco Disparities

- **Tobacco use among members of certain racial or ethnic populations or people of low socioeconomic status is higher than for general population**
- **Often these groups have less access to health care and other resources that would help prevent and treat their illnesses**

Tobacco Disparities

- **Results in disproportionate burden of tobacco-related disease and death**
- **Eliminating tobacco-related health disparities poses a great challenge to Alabama and the nation**

ADPH Workgroup

- **Formed by Tobacco Prevention and Control Branch in June 2007**
- **Goal**
 - **Develop a strategic plan for addressing disparities related to tobacco**

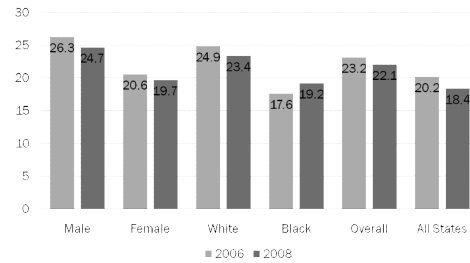
ADPH Workgroup

- **Functions**
 - **Exchanging ideas**
 - **Identifying issues around tobacco-related disparities**
 - **Developing new strategies**
 - **Establishing new partnerships**
 - **Providing statewide leadership**

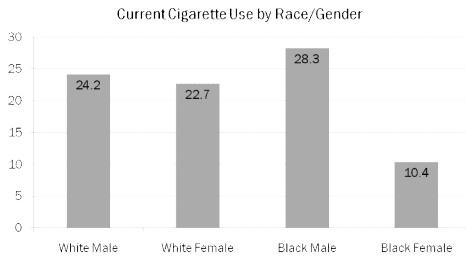
ADPH Workgroup

- Developed statewide strategic plan to guide future work to eliminate tobacco-related disparities
 - Provides a blueprint for policy makers, public health professionals, and community activists to protect people from premature death, illness, and suffering caused by tobacco

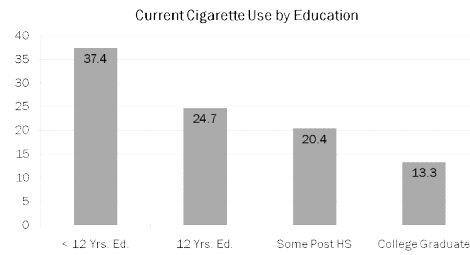
Adult Cigarette Use, BRFSS



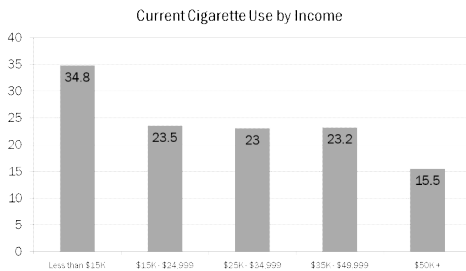
Adult Cigarette Use BRFSS 2008



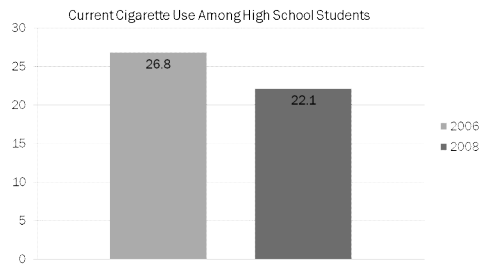
Adult Cigarette Use BRFSS 2008



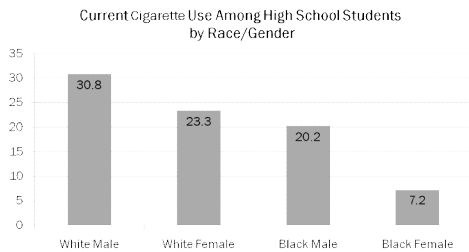
Adult Cigarette Use BRFSS 2008



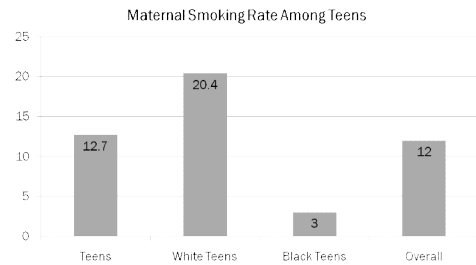
Youth Cigarette Use ALYTS



Youth Cigarette Use ALYTS 2008



Maternal Smoking Rate 2007



Contact

Vontrese McGhee
Surveillance and Evaluation Coordinator
Tobacco Prevention and Control Branch
Alabama Department of Public Health

201 Monroe Street, Suite 1276 G
Montgomery, AL 36104

(334) 206-2918

Vontrese.McGhee@adph.state.al.us