

Healthy People 2010 Operational Definition

16-17. Increase abstinence from alcohol, cigarettes, and illicit drugs among pregnant women.

16-17c. Cigarette smoking.

National Data Source	National Vital Statistics System - Natality (NVSS-N), CDC, NCHS.
State Data Source	National Vital Statistics System - Natality (NVSS-N), CDC, NCHS.
Healthy People 2000 Objective	14.10 (Maternal and Infant Health).
Changes since the 2000 Publication	None.
Measure	Percent.
Baseline (Year)	87 (1998)
Target	99
Target-Setting Method	Better than the best racial/ethnic subgroup. For a discussion of target-setting methods, see Part A, section 4.
Numerator	Number of women having live births reporting abstaining from cigarette smoking during pregnancy.
Denominator	Number of live births.
Population Targeted	Resident population (selected areas—see Comments).
Questions Used to Obtain the National Baseline Data	From the U.S. Standard Certificate of Live Birth (1989 revision): ➤ <i>Other risk factors for this pregnancy - Complete all items.</i> [A number of check boxes are provided including...] <i>Tobacco use during pregnancy..... yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/></i> <i>Average number of cigarettes per day _____</i>
Expected Periodicity	Annual

Comments

Baseline data for smoking during pregnancy are for 46 States, the District of Columbia, and New York City. Data on smoking during pregnancy were not available for California, Indiana, New York State (New York City did report), and South Dakota.

Due to comparability issues between the data on tobacco use during pregnancy from the 1989 and 2003 revisions of the U.S. Standard Certificate of Live Birth, tracking of this objective ended in 2002, the last year before States began to implement the 2003 revisions.¹

The measure tracked by this subobjective is identical to one the measures monitored by Healthy People 2000 objective 14.10.

See Part C for a description of NVSS-N and Appendix A for focus area contact information.

References

1. National Center for Health Statistics. 2003 Revision of the U.S. Standard Certificate of Live Birth. 2003. Available at www.cdc.gov/nchs/vital_certs_rev.htm.