

Table 5.3: Cigarette Smoking (Percent)^{1,2}

Smoking Status ³	Total	Age Group			Disability Level		
		65-74	75-84	85+	Moderate ⁴	ADL Difficulty	
						Receives No Help	Receives Help
All Participants	(N=1002)	(N=388)	(N=311)	(N=303)	(N=343)	(N=478)	(N=181)
Current smoking status ⁵							
Never smoked	49.9	41.8	52.4	66.6	44.5	51.2	57.3
Former smoker who quit more than 1 year ago	33.1	36.1	32.5	25.8	34.1	32.7	32.1
Former smoker who quit 1 year ago or less	3.9	4.6	3.8	2.1	5.8	3.2	2.1
Current smoker	13.1	17.5	11.2	5.6	15.7	12.9	8.5
Current and Former Cigarette Smokers	(N=469)	(N=224)	(N=147)	(N=98)	(N=182)	(N=217)	(N=70)
Cigarette pack years ⁶							
Less than 20	43.7	40.4	46.3	51.1	42.2	43.8	47.4
20-39	18.5	16.8	19.5	23.8	18.0	19.1	18.2
40-59	17.6	19.1	17.1	11.9	18.2	18.0	15.1
60 or more	20.1	23.7	17.1	13.2	21.6	19.2	19.3
Current Cigarette Smokers	(N=115)	(N=66)	(N=34)	(N=15)	(N=49)	(N=51)	(N=15)
Cigarettes per day ⁷							
1-19	51.4	51.1	50.1	60.6	43.3	58.1	53.9
20-39	40.9	40.4	41.9	39.4	51.6	32.1	36.8
40 or more	7.8	8.5	8.0	0.0	5.1	9.8	9.3
For how many years have you smoked?							
1-19	2.3	0.0	5.9	3.1	4.8	0.0	1.8
20-39	12.1	15.7	8.3	0.0	17.6	7.5	10.2
40-59	58.8	79.9	30.4	22.4	44.9	73.3	51.8
60 or more	26.9	4.5	55.4	74.6	32.7	19.3	36.3
Former Cigarette Smokers	(N=354)	(N=158)	(N=113)	(N=83)	(N=133)	(N=166)	(N=55)
Cigarettes per day ⁷							
1-19	51.7	47.2	52.6	68.6	50.7	50.7	56.8
20-39	34.8	34.0	37.9	27.0	34.6	37.3	28.0
40 or more	13.5	18.8	9.5	4.4	14.7	12.0	15.2
For how many years did you smoke?							
1-19	32.6	32.1	31.9	37.7	30.0	31.3	42.9
20-39	29.8	28.5	31.0	31.3	23.5	39.0	18.4
40 or more	37.6	39.4	37.2	31.1	46.5	29.8	38.7

(Women's Health and Aging Study, baseline interview, 1992-1995)

¹ All variables have less than 3% missing data. Results are based on non-missing data.

² Descriptive statistics are based on weighted data.

³ Categories for each item may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

⁴ No ADL difficulty; disabled in two more domains (see Chapter 1).

⁵ Which of the following best describes your current cigarette smoking status?

⁶ (c/20)y, where c=cigarettes (On average, how many cigarettes (do/did) you smoke per day?) and y=years (For how many years (have/did) you smoke(d)?)

⁷ On average, how many cigarettes (do/did) you smoke per day?