

# Person—tobacco smoking daily use status, code N

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Tobacco smoking—ever daily use
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	270329
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health</a> , Standard 01/03/2005
<b>Definition:</b>	An indicator of whether a person has ever smoked tobacco in any form on a daily basis in their lifetime, as represented by a code.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Person—tobacco smoking daily use status</a>
<b>Value Domain:</b>	<a href="#">Tobacco smoking daily use status code N</a>

## Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code	
<b>Data type:</b>	Number	
<b>Format:</b>	N	
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	1	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>Permissible values:</b>	1	Ever-daily
	2	Never-daily

### Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	CODE 1   Ever-daily  If a person reports that they now smoke cigarettes, cigars, pipes or any other tobacco products daily OR if they report that in the past they have been a daily smoker, they are coded to 1 (ever-daily).  CODE 2   Never-daily  If a person reports that they have never smoked cigarettes, cigars, pipes or any other tobacco products daily AND they have never in the past been a daily smoker then they are coded to 2 (never-daily).
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<b>Collection methods:</b>	The recommended standard for collecting this information is the Standard Questions on the Use of Tobacco Among Adults (1998) - interviewer administered (Question 1 and 5) and self-administered (Question 1 and 3) versions. The questions cover persons aged 18 years and over.
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**Comments:**

Whether a person has ever smoked on a daily basis can be used to assess an individual's health risk from smoking and to monitor population trends in smoking behaviour.

It can also be used to:


- evaluate health promotion and disease prevention programs (assessment of interventions);
- monitor health risk factors;
- ascertain determinants and consequences of smoking.

Where the information is collected by survey and the sample permits, population estimates should be presented by sex and 5-year age groups. Summary statistics may need to be adjusted for age and other relevant variables.

It is recommended that in surveys of smoking, data on age, sex and other socio-demographic variables should be collected. It is also recommended that when smoking is investigated in relation to health, data on other risk factors including pregnancy status, physical activity, overweight and obesity, and alcohol consumption should be collected.

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:**

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