### About the BRFSS

The Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) is the largest continuously conducted health survey system in the world with more than 400,000 American adults participating each year. The BRFSS was established in 1984 by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Indiana was one of the 15 states that participated from the start. By 1993, all states and territories had implemented the BRFSS. The Indiana Department of Health (IDOH) is responsible for collecting this vital information for our state so we all can know more about the health status of Hoosiers.

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All of the prevalence estimates and confidence intervals provided in this report are weighted prevalence estimates. These estimates were generated using the \_LLCPWT final weight provided by the CDC as part of the final BRFSS dataset.

# 2015 Indiana State Added Question Topics

#### **Oral Health**

These questions were asked for the purpose of gaining information about the prevalence of gum disease in the Indiana adult population.

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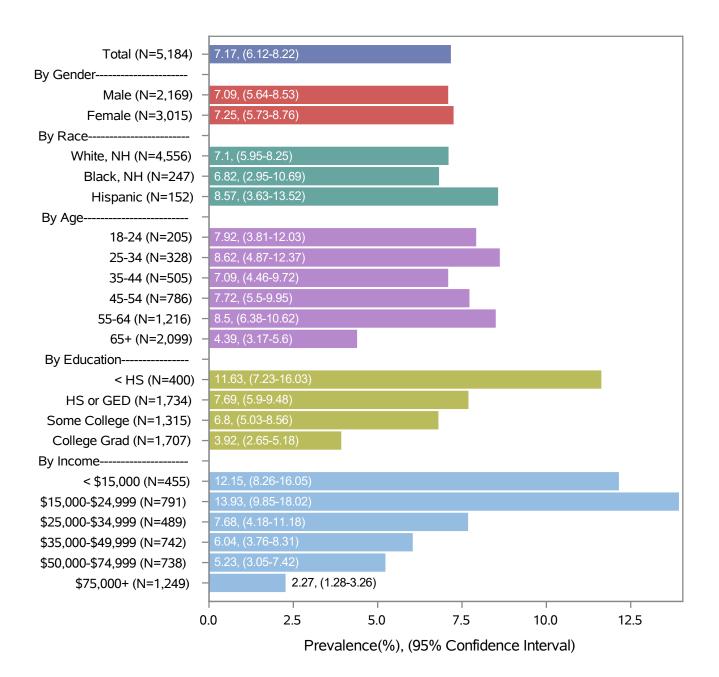
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#### Race

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#### Age

Group	is	Comparison Group(s)
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#### Education

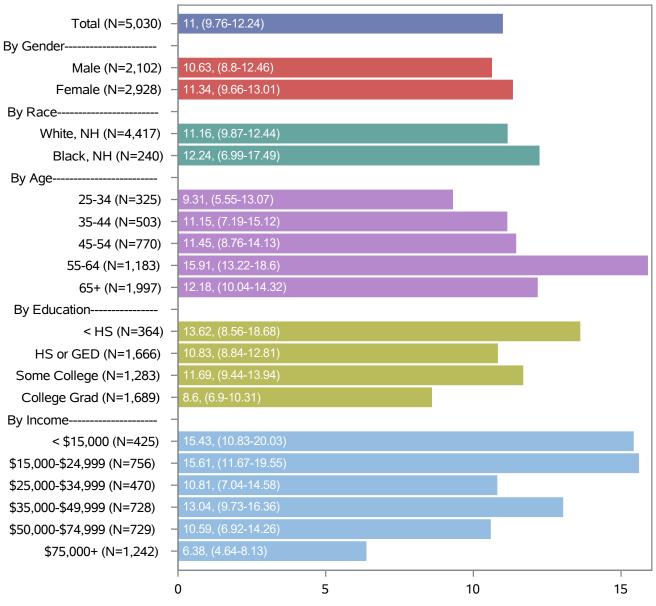
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< H	S	greater than	College Grad
HS	or GED	greater than	College Grad

#### Income

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\$15,000-\$24,999	greater than	\$35,000-\$49,999, \$50,000-\$74,999, \$75,000+
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