

Table 1. Fitted trends in current tobacco use among persons aged 15 years and older

Year	CURRENT TOBACCO USE (%)								
	Men			Women			Both sexes		
	Lower 95% credible limit	Point estimate	Upper 95% credible limit	Lower 95% credible limit	Point estimate	Upper 95% credible limit	Lower 95% credible limit	Point estimate	Upper 95% credible limit
2000
2005
2010
2015
2020
2025
30% relative reduction target									

Men - current tobacco use (%)

Women - current tobacco use (%)

Both sexes - current tobacco use (%)

No estimate

No estimate

No estimate

Table 2. Fitted trends in current tobacco smoking among persons aged 15 years and older

Year	CURRENT TOBACCO SMOKING (%)								
	Men			Women			Both sexes		
	Lower 95% credible limit	Point estimate	Upper 95% credible limit	Lower 95% credible limit	Point estimate	Upper 95% credible limit	Lower 95% credible limit	Point estimate	Upper 95% credible limit
2000
2005
2010
2015
2020
2025

Men - current tobacco smoking (%)

Women - current tobacco smoking (%)

Both sexes - current tobacco smoking (%)

No estimate

No estimate

No estimate

Table 3. Fitted trends in current cigarette smoking among persons aged 15 years and older

Year	CURRENT CIGARETTE SMOKING (%)								
	Men			Women			Both sexes		
	Lower 95% credible limit	Point estimate	Upper 95% credible limit	Lower 95% credible limit	Point estimate	Upper 95% credible limit	Lower 95% credible limit	Point estimate	Upper 95% credible limit
2000
2005
2010
2015
2020
2025

Men - current cigarette smoking (%)

Women - current cigarette smoking (%)

Both sexes - current cigarette smoking (%)

No estimate

No estimate

No estimate

Table 4. Fitted age-specific rates of current tobacco use, 2000, 2010, 2018 and 2025

Age (years)	Men				Women				Both sexes			
	2000	2010	2018	2025	2000	2010	2018	2025	2000	2010	2018	2025
15–24
25–39
40–54
55–69
≥ 70

Men - age-specific rates of current tobacco use (%)

Women - age-specific rates of current tobacco use (%)

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No estimate

No estimate

Table 5. Nationally representative population-based surveys used to calculate above estimates of tobacco use (most recent six surveys)

Survey name	Survey year	Age (years)	Tobacco use		Tobacco smoking		Cigarette smoking		Smokeless use	
			Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
Demographic and Health Survey	2009	15-59 (men), 15-49	53.5	...	53.1	8.9	46.8	2.3	8.5	4.2
Smoking Survey	2001	16+	37.4	15.6	27.3	2.2	8.2	8.1
Smoking Survey	1997	16+	57.4	29.0	37.3	4.2	13.5	13.7
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Table 6. Nationally representative school-based surveys (most recent six surveys)

Survey name	Survey year	Age (years)	Tobacco use		Tobacco smoking		Cigarette smoking		Smokeless use	
			Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls
Global School-Based Student Health Survey	2014	13-15	15.8	6.8	...	...	12.3	5.4	...	...
Global Youth Tobacco Survey	2011	13-15	15.2	6.7	10.4	5.0	6.2	2.4	9.2	2.9
Global School-Based Student Health Survey	2009	13-15	17.1	6.0	...	...	13.9	4.3	...	...
Global Youth Tobacco Survey	2007	13-15	8.5	3.4	6.6	0.9
Global Youth Tobacco Survey	2004	13-15	15.5	6.5	9.0	3.1
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Table 7. National surveillance planning

An effective monitoring system needs at least one nationally representative population-based survey and one school-based survey among adolescents to be completed every five years. Based on surveys already completed, future surveys should be run in or before the years indicated below.

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2024	2025
Population-based survey	X				X						X	
School-based adolescent survey	X					X					X	

Key messages

Estimates of rates of tobacco use (smoking and smokeless combined) were not calculable due to insufficient information available in national surveys of Maldives.

The most recent national adult survey, conducted in 2009, shows that around 53% of men and around 9% of women aged 15-59 (men), 15-49 (women) smoked in Maldives. Projection of these rates to 2025 will be possible when additional data become available.

If Maldives adopts the global target of a 30% relative reduction in tobacco use by 2025, additional surveys are required to enable monitoring of trends.