

# INJURY PREVENTION

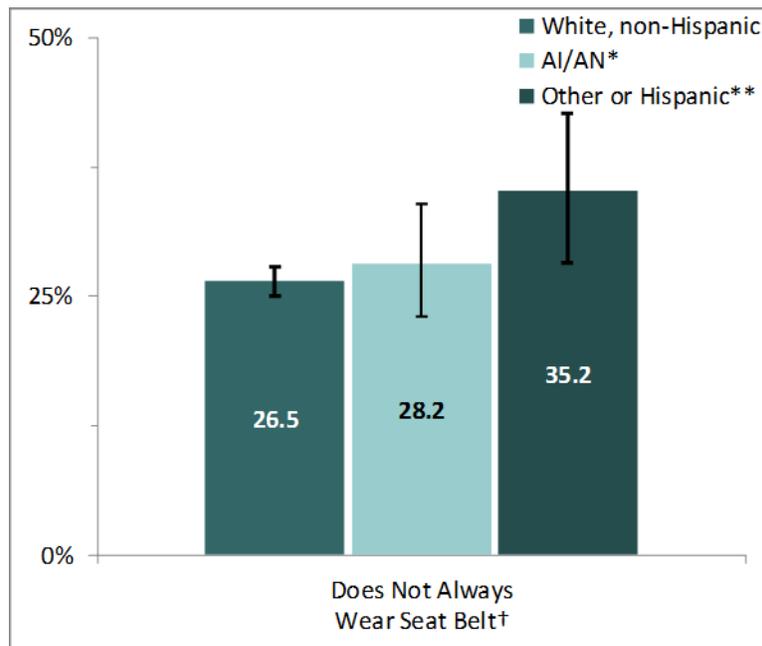
Montana BRFSS, 2011

In 2011, 26.9% of Montana adults reported that they did not always wear a seat belt.

## Sociodemographic Trends

- ◆ Men reported not always wearing seat belts more often than women.
- ◆ Younger adults reported not always wearing seat belts more often than older adults.
- ◆ Adults with less education and lower household income levels reported not always wearing seat belts more frequently than adults with higher education and household income levels.
- ◆ The prevalence of not always wearing a seat belt was higher among adults from Hispanic or other racial-ethnic groups than White, non-Hispanic adults.
- ◆ The prevalence of not always wearing a seat belt was higher among adults living in the Eastern health region than adults in other regions. The prevalence of not always wearing a seat belt was also higher among adults living in the North Central health region than adults living in the Northwestern health region.

**Figure 18. Injury Prevention and Racial-Ethnic Group, Montana BRFSS, 2011**



**Table 19: Injury Prevention, Montana Adults, 2011**

	Does Not Always Wear Seat Belt †			
	Wt. %	95% CI		UnWt. N
LL		UL		
<b>All Adults:</b>	<b>26.9</b>	25.6	28.3	2,623
<b>Sex:</b>				
Male	<b>33.6</b>	31.5	35.7	1,461
Female	<b>20.5</b>	18.9	22.2	1,162
<b>Age:</b>				
18 - 24	<b>38.9</b>	33.7	44.3	199
25 - 34	<b>32.3</b>	28.6	36.2	324
35 - 44	<b>23.5</b>	20.2	27.1	284
45 - 54	<b>27.0</b>	23.9	30.2	495
55 - 64	<b>24.0</b>	21.7	26.5	622
65+	<b>20.1</b>	18.2	22.2	688
<b>Education:</b>				
<High School	<b>33.1</b>	28.1	38.6	233
High School	<b>30.6</b>	28.2	33.2	967
Some College	<b>27.5</b>	25.1	30.0	791
College Degree	<b>19.4</b>	17.5	21.5	630
<b>Income:</b>				
<\$15,000	<b>32.2</b>	27.9	36.7	328
\$15,000 - \$24,999	<b>28.6</b>	25.7	31.8	531
\$25,000 - \$49,999	<b>27.9</b>	25.5	30.5	781
\$50,000 - \$74,999	<b>26.2</b>	22.8	29.8	351
\$75,000 +	<b>22.1</b>	19.0	25.5	393
<b>Race/Ethnicity:</b>				
White, non-Hispanic	<b>26.5</b>	25.1	27.9	2,292
AI/AN*	<b>28.2</b>	23.1	33.9	167
Other or Hispanic**	<b>35.2</b>	28.3	42.7	153
<b>Disability:</b>				
No Disability	<b>27.1</b>	25.5	28.7	1,788
Disability	<b>26.4</b>	24.1	28.9	821
<b>Region:</b>				
1- Eastern MT	<b>40.8</b>	36.5	45.2	443
2- N Central MT	<b>31.3</b>	28.1	34.6	593
3- S Central MT	<b>26.5</b>	23.4	29.9	424
4- Southwest MT	<b>25.7</b>	23.2	28.5	514
5- Northwest MT	<b>23.0</b>	20.7	25.5	619

† How often do you use seat belts when you drive or ride in a car?  
 Total Sample Size: 9,694, Weighted Prevalence Estimate:  
 194,600.

\* American Indian or Alaska Native only.

\*\* All other non-White (including multi-racial or Hispanic).