

ORAL HEALTH

Montana BRFSS, 2011

In 2011, 38.6% of Montana adults had not visited a dentist in the past year.

Sociodemographic Trends

- ◆ Women reported visiting a dentist in the previous year more frequently than men.
- ◆ The prevalence of no dental visit in the past year decreased with increasing education and household income levels.
- ◆ American Indians/Alaska Natives and adults from other racial-ethnic groups visited a dentist less frequently in the previous year than White, non-Hispanic adults.
- ◆ Adults with a disability visited a dentist in the preceding year less often than adults without a disability.
- ◆ The prevalence of visiting a dentist in the preceding year was significantly higher for adults in the Southwest health planning region than adults living in the Eastern health planning region.

Figure 6. Oral Health by Household Income Category, Montana BRFSS, 2011

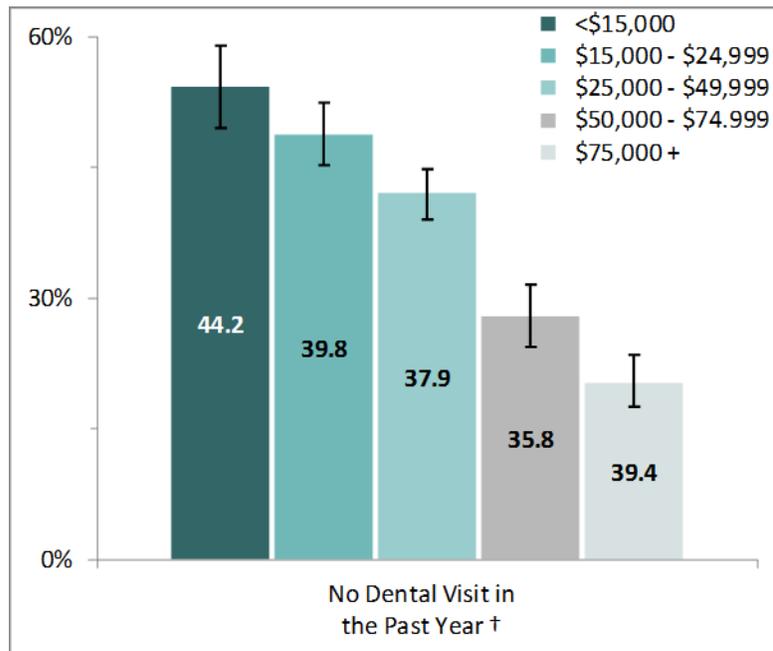


Table 5: Oral Health, Montana Adults, 2011

	No Dental Visit in the Past Year †			
	Wt. %	95% CI		UnWt. N
LL		UL		
All Adults:	38.6	37.1	40.1	3,381
Sex:				
Male	42.6	40.3	44.9	1,638
Female	34.6	32.7	36.7	1,743
Age:				
18 - 24	34.1	28.9	39.7	158
25 - 34	40.2	36.1	44.5	353
35 - 44	38.1	33.9	42.5	375
45 - 54	39.5	36.0	43.1	614
55 - 64	35.7	32.8	38.7	744
65+	42.4	39.8	45.1	1,123
Education:				
<High School	55.8	50.0	61.5	370
High School	46.6	43.9	49.4	1,313
Some College	36.5	33.8	39.2	996
College Degree	25.4	23.0	27.9	697
Income:				
<\$15,000	54.3	49.5	59.0	555
\$15,000 - \$24,999	48.8	45.2	52.4	804
\$25,000 - \$49,999	42.0	39.1	44.8	1,007
\$50,000 - \$74,999	27.9	24.4	31.6	352
\$75,000 +	20.3	17.5	23.5	345
Race/Ethnicity:				
White, non-Hispanic	37.5	35.9	39.1	2,920
AI/AN*	45.9	39.3	52.7	234
Other or Hispanic**	49.3	41.6	57.0	210
Disability:				
No Disability	36.4	34.6	38.2	2,118
Disability	43.9	41.2	46.6	1,244
Region:				
1- Eastern MT	44.2	39.7	48.7	439
2- N Central MT	39.8	36.3	43.4	642
3- S Central MT	37.9	34.2	41.6	542
4- Southwest MT	35.8	32.8	38.9	675
5- Northwest MT	39.4	36.6	42.2	1,052

† How long since you last visited a dentist for any reason? Total Sample Size: 9,419. Weighted Prevalence Estimate: 270,000.

* American Indian or Alaska Native only.

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