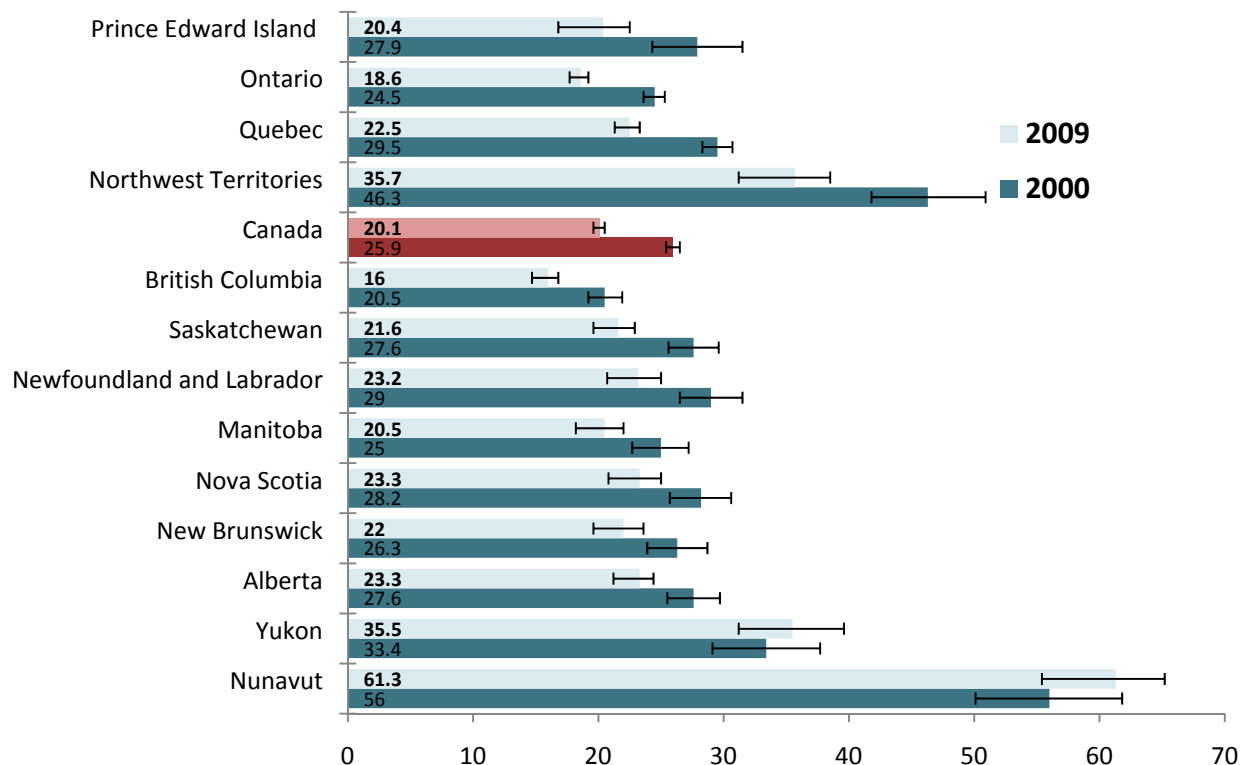


# Smoking rates in Canadian Provinces, 2000-2009

## Key Finding

- According to data collected during the Canadian Community Health Surveys taken in 2001 and 2009, the rate of smoking fell in all Canadian jurisdictions, although in some jurisdictions the reduction was not statistically significant.
- The overall decline was 5.8 percentage points (from 25.9% to 20.1%), a decline of 22%. Because there was population growth during this period, the number of smokers fell at a somewhat smaller rate (14%).

### Prevalence of Current Smoking, 2000 and 2009: by province daily or occasional smoking ages 12+, ranked in order of reduction in smoking prevalence, 2001-2009



## Current Smoking, daily and occasional, 2000-2009

## Number of smokers

	2000	2003	2005	2007	2008	2009	Change
<b>Canada</b>	<b>6,677,856</b>	<b>6,080,504</b>	<b>5,874,689</b>	<b>6,112,442</b>	<b>6,009,311</b>	<b>5,730,321</b>	<b>-14%</b>
Newfoundland and Labrador	133,698	110,558	103,663	111,851	108,884	103,409	-23%
Prince Edward Island	32,410	28,196	26,031	25,555	25,235	24,694	-24%
Nova Scotia	222,300	187,392	180,176	194,307	188,488	186,514	-16%
New Brunswick	167,004	161,474	13,543	149,124	149,932	142,147	-15%
Quebec	1,835,890	1,646,853	1,577,008	1,650,863	1,542,295	1,499,501	-18%
Ontario	2,417,474	2,271,303	2,186,991	2,242,443	2,172,468	2,055,964	-15%
Manitoba	226,687	207,180	190,762	211,692	230,436	197,714	-13%
Saskatchewan	222,536	190,529	187,522	204,209	201,824	175,651	-21%
Alberta	683,918	595,072	610,996	628,853	660,351	695,369	2%
British Columbia	701,636	658,728	639,351	662,026	700,691	617,778	-12%
Yukon	8,336	6,868	8,257	9,655	8,594	9,870	18%
Northwest Territories	15,050	12,068	12,495	12,858	11,728	12,271	-18%
Nunavut	10,916	8,904	7,896	9,006	8,384	9,437	-14%

## Current Smoking, daily and occasional, 2000-2009

## Percentage of population who smoke

	2000	2003	2005	2007	2008	2009	Change
<b>Canada</b>	<b>25.9</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>21.8</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>21.4</b>	<b>20.1</b>	<b>-22%</b>
	25.5-26.3	22.7-23.4	21.4-22.1	21.6-22.5	20.9-21.9	19.6-20.7	
• Newfoundland and Labrador	29	24.1	23.1	25.4	24.6	23.2	-20%
	27.1-30.8	22.1-26.2	21.3-24.9	22.9-27.8	22.2-27	20.7-25.7	
• Prince Edward Island	27.9	23.7	22.2	21.5	21.1	20.4	-27%
	25.7-30	21.2-26.1	19.7-24.6	19-24.1	17.9-24.3	16.8-24	
• Nova Scotia	28.2	23.6	22.7	24.4	23.5	23.3	-17%
	26.6-29.9	21.9-25.2	21-24.3	22.1-26.6	21.2-25.9	20.8-25.7	
• New Brunswick	26.3	25.4	22.5	23.4	23.3	22	-16%
	24.8-27.9	23.7-27.1	21.1-24	21.4-25.3	21.2-25.5	19.6-24.4	
• Quebec	29.5	26	24.4	25.1	23.3	22.5	-24%
	28.6-30.3	25.1-26.8	23.7-25.1	23.9-26.3	22.1-24.5	21.3-23.7	
• Ontario	24.5	22.3	20.9	20.8	19.8	18.6	-24%
	23.8-25.1	21.6-22.9	20.3-21.5	20-21.5	18.9-20.8	17.7-19.4	
• Manitoba	25	22.8	20.5	22.5	24.2	20.5	-18%
	23.5-26.5	21.2-24.4	19-21.9	20.1-24.9	21.8-26.6	18.2-22.7	
• Saskatchewan	27.6	24	23.9	26	25.1	21.6	-22%
	26.3-28.9	22.5-25.4	22.6-25.3	23.9-28.1	23.2-27.1	19.6-23.6	
• Alberta	27.6	23	22.8	22	22.7	23.3	-16%
	26.4-28.7	21.9-24.2	21.7-23.9	20.4-23.6	21-24.4	21.2-25.4	
• British Columbia	20.5	18.8	17.8	17.8	18.6	16	-22%
	19.7-21.3	17.9-19.6	17-18.6	16.8-18.9	17.3-19.9	14.7-17.4	
• Yukon	33.4	27.6	30.4	36	31.6	35.5	6%
	29.4-37.5	23.6-31.6	25.9-34.9	29.8-42.1	25.7-37.6	31.2-39.8	
• Northwest Territories	46.3	36.5	36.1	38.3	34.3	35.7	-23%
	43.5-49.1	30.9-42	32.2-40	30.4-46.2	29.8-38.9	31.2-40.3	
• Nunavut	56	64.8	53.1	59	54.2	61.3	9%
	52.1-59.9	59.6-70.1	48.7-57.5	51.2-66.9	48.3-60.2	55.4-67.1	

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