Cessation in the African American Community:

- 70% of current African American smokers want to quit.

- African American smokers are more likely than white smokers to have quit for at least one day in 2009.

- Consequently, African Americans may have lower cessation rates than whites because African Americans usually have higher levels of nicotine dependence because of mentholated cigarettes.

- In 2008, the percentage of everyday smokers who made a quit attempt in the past 12 months by age group was:
  
  o 53% among adults aged 18 to 24
  o 48% among adults aged 25 to 34
  o 44% among adults aged 35 to 44
  o 38% among adults aged 65 and older

- African Americans were the only ethnic group with a significant decrease in smoking prevalence from 2006 to 2007 (19.8%).