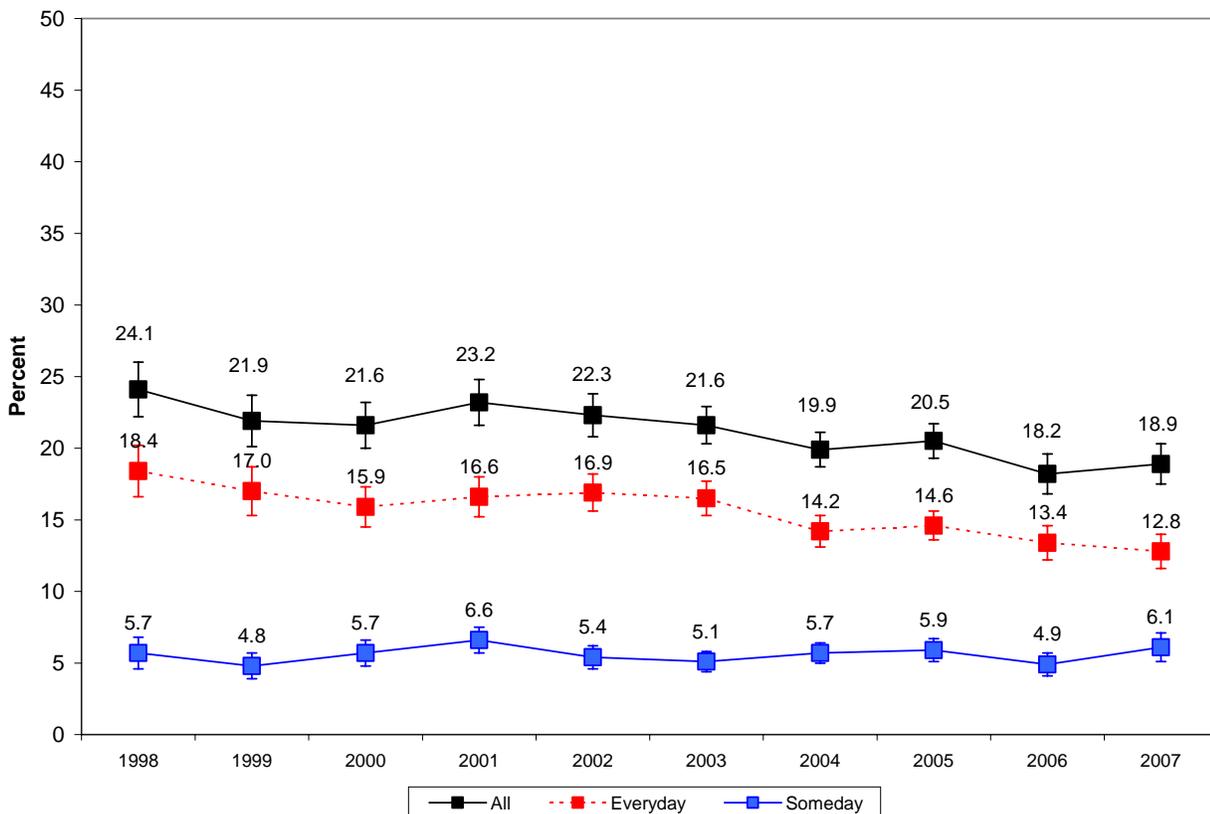


## Smoking among Adults in New York State Remains Under 19%

- In the past 10 years, the prevalence of current smoking among adults has dropped 22%, from 24.1% in 1998 to 18.9% in 2007.
- The rate of smoking among adults has remained under 19% for the past 2 years.
- The greatest change occurred among everyday smokers, a decrease of 30% from the rate of 18.4% in 1998 to 12.8% in 2007.
- No change among someday smokers was observed during this same period.

**Percentage of Adult Smokers in New York State**  
**(Smoked 100 or more cigarettes in a lifetime and**  
**currently smokes everyday or somedays.)**



Source: New York State Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, 1998-2007

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