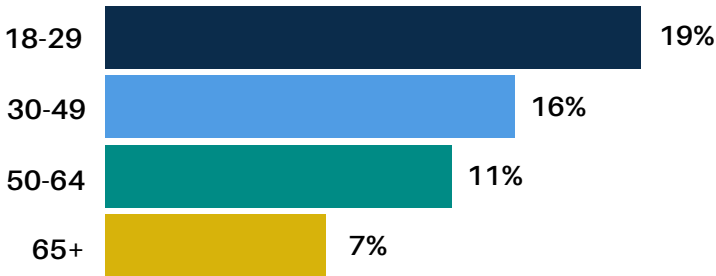


Who is Smartphone Dependent?

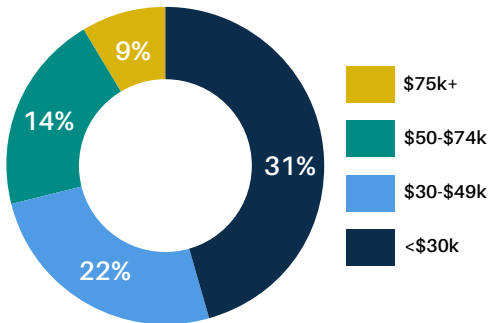
Smartphone dependency varies across age, income, and education levels. Younger, lower-income, and less-educated adults are more likely to rely on smartphones as their main internet access. These differences highlight ongoing digital divides in the U.S.

Smartphone Dependency by Age



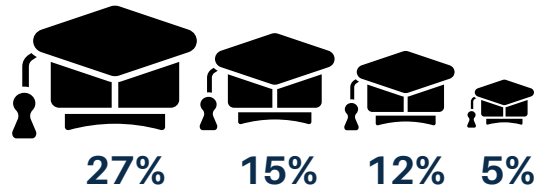
In 2015, younger adults (18-29) were twice as likely to be smartphone-dependent as seniors.

Smartphone Dependency By Household Income



In 2018, low-income households relied most on smartphones as their main source of internet.

Smartphone Dependency By Education



In 2016, those without college degrees show the highest smartphone dependence.

Smartphone dependency is concentrated among younger adults, low-income households, and those with lower education