





OTHER TOBACCO PRODUCT USE

- The prevalence of smokeless tobacco use among adults in New Mexico was 4.3% in 2013. 8.9% of adult current cigarette smokers in New Mexico were also current smokeless tobacco users in 2013.
- In 2014, 9.5% of adults in New Mexico used e-cigarettes, e-hookahs, or vape pens on at least one day in the past 30 days.⁴
- In 2013, 8% of high school students in New Mexico used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip on at least one day in the past 30 days. Nationally, 8.8% of high school students used smokeless tobacco on at least one day in the past 30 days. ²
- In 2013, 12.3% of high school students in New Mexico smoked cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars on at least one day in the past 30 days. Nationally, 12.6% of high school students smoked cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars on at least one day in the past 30 days.²

ECONOMICS OF TOBACCO USE AND TOBACCO CONTROL

- In FY2015, New Mexico allocated \$5.9 million in state funds to tobacco prevention, which is 26.0% of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Annual Spending Target.
- The health care costs in New Mexico, directly caused by smoking, amount to \$844 million

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annually.5

- State and federal Medicaid costs for New Mexico total \$222.8 million annually for smoking-caused health care.⁶
- New Mexico loses \$596.8 million in productivity each year due to smoking.
- New Mexico received an estimated \$129 million in tobacco settlement payments and taxes in FY2015.⁵

STATE TOBACCO LAWS^{7,8}

EXCISE TAX

• The state tax increased to \$1.66 per pack of cigarettes in July 2010. Cigars that look like, are packaged and labeled like, or are marketed and advertised like cigarettes are taxed \$1.66 per twenty cigars. Roll-your-own tobacco is taxed \$1.66 per 1.8 ounces of tobacco. Bidis and kreteks are taxed \$1.66 per twenty. All other tobacco products are taxed 25% of the product value.

CLEAN INDOOR AIR ORDINANCES

Smoking is prohibited in all schools, government workplaces, private workplaces (non-public
workplaces with two or fewer employees are exempt), childcare facilities, health care facilities,
restaurants, bars (cigar bars are exempt), retail stores, and recreational facilities.

YOUTH ACCESS LAWS

- The minimum age requirement for the purchase of tobacco products is 18, and penalties exist for both minors and merchants who violate this law.
- Establishments are required to post signs stating that sales to minors are prohibited.
- Sales clerks must restrict access to tobacco products prior to sale.

CESSATION STATISTICS AND BENEFITS

- The CDC estimates that 51.7% of adult smokers in New Mexico tried to guit smoking in 2013. $^{\circ}$
- New Mexico Medicaid program's coverage of the seven recommended cessation medications varies by health plan. All plans cover individual counseling. Some plans cover phone counseling.
- Some health plans in the state Medicaid program require prior authorization, have limits on duration, and/or have annual limits on quit attempts.⁸
- New Mexico's state quitline invests \$6.78 per smoker; the national average investment per smoker is \$3.65.8
- New Mexico has a private insurance mandate provision for cessation.

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