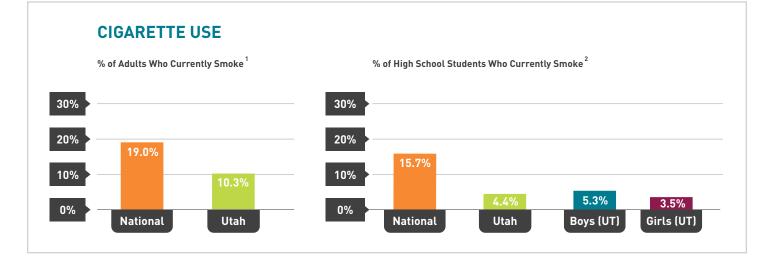




# UTAH + TOBACCO



# **OTHER TOBACCO PRODUCT USE**

- The prevalence of smokeless tobacco use among adults in Utah was 2.9% in 2013. 10.2% of adult current cigarette smokers in Utah were also current smokeless tobacco users in 2013.<sup>3</sup>
- In 2013, 4.8% of adults in Utah used e-cigarettes on at least one day in the past 30 days.<sup>4</sup>
- In 2013, 2.6% of high school students in Utah 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.<sup>2</sup>
- In 2013, 4.1% of high school students in Utah 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.<sup>2</sup>
- In 2013, 5.8% of 8th, 10th, and 12th graders in Utah used e-cigarettes on at least one day in the past 30 days.  $^{\rm 5}$

## ECONOMICS OF TOBACCO USE AND TOBACCO CONTROL

- In FY2015, Utah allocated \$7.4 million in state funds to tobacco prevention, which is 38.2% of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Annual Spending Target.<sup>6</sup>
- The health care costs in Utah, directly caused by smoking, amount to \$542 million annually.<sup>6</sup>

- State and federal Medicaid costs for Utah total \$125.8 million annually for smoking-caused health care.  $^{7}$
- Utah loses \$356.5 million in productivity each year due to smoking.<sup>7</sup>
- Utah received an estimated \$151 million in tobacco settlement payments and taxes in FY2015.<sup>6</sup>

### STATE TOBACCO LAWS<sup>8,9</sup>

#### **EXCISE TAX**

• The state tax increased to \$1.70 per pack of cigarettes in July 2010. Little cigars are taxed \$0.085 per cigar. The tax on moist snuff is \$1.83 per ounce. All other tobacco products are taxed 0.86 multiplied by the manufacturer's selling price.

#### **CLEAN INDOOR AIR ORDINANCES**

- Smoking is prohibited in all childcare facilities, government workplaces, health care facilities, restaurants, schools, private workplaces, retail stores, and recreational facilities.
- Smoking is prohibited in bars/taverns and private clubs. Hookah bars that meet specific requirements are exempt until July 1, 2017.

#### YOUTH ACCESS LAWS

- The minimum age requirement for the purchase of tobacco products is 19, and penalties exist for both minors and merchants who violate this law.
- Only sales clerks are allowed access to tobacco products prior to sale.
- The sale to minors of electronic cigarettes is prohibited.

## **CESSATION STATISTICS AND BENEFITS**

- The CDC estimates that 52.4% of adult smokers in Utah tried to quit smoking in 2013.<sup>10</sup>
- Utah's Medicaid program covers group and individual counseling for pregnant women only, and covers Varenicline (Chantix) and Bupropion (Zyban). Other medications are covered only for certain types of Medicaid.<sup>9\*</sup>
- The state Medicaid program's barriers to coverage include minimal co-payments and prior authorization requirements for some medications.<sup>9</sup>
- Utah's state quitline invests \$7.24 per smoker; the national average investment per smoker is \$3.65.<sup>9</sup>
- Utah does not have a private insurance mandate provision for cessation.<sup>9</sup>

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