

# NEBRASKA

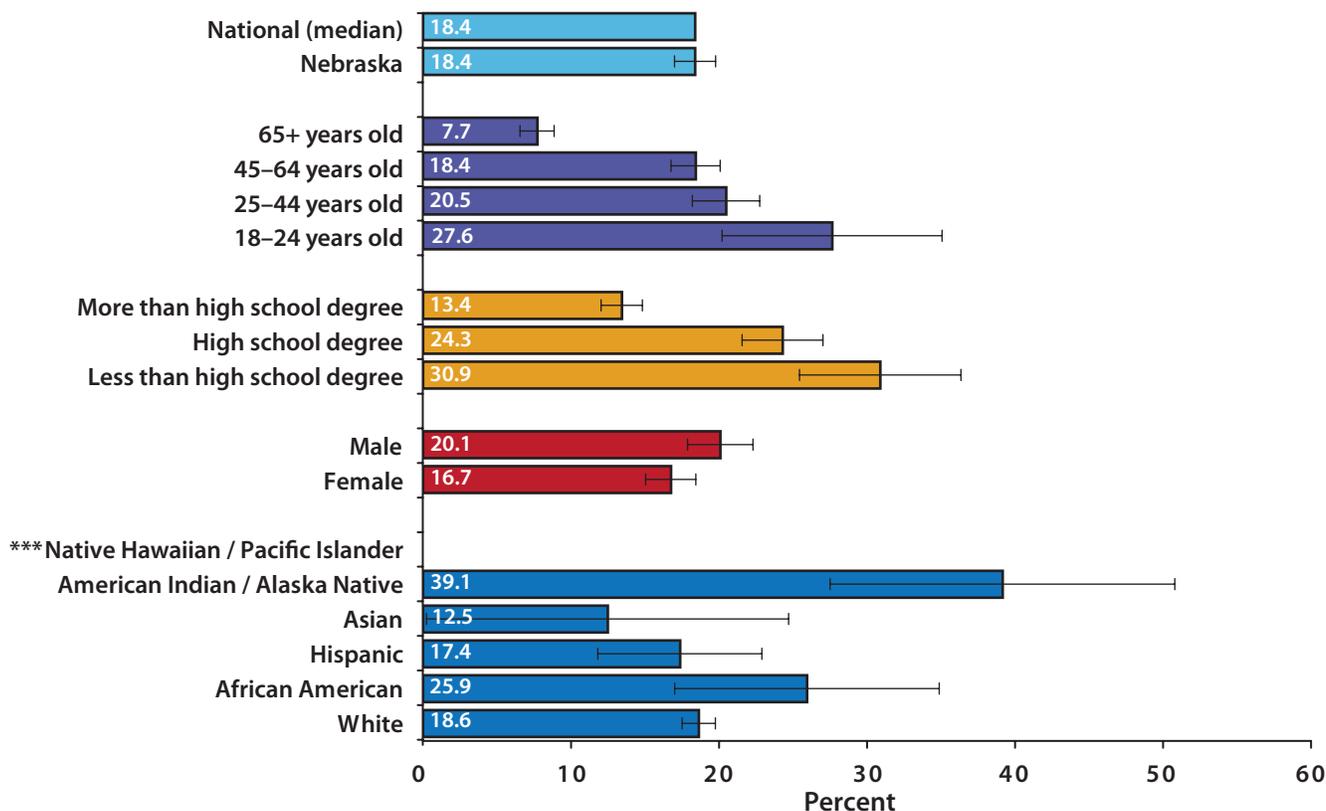
## Monitor

In Nebraska, 18.4% of the adult population (aged 18+ years)—over 245,000 individuals—are current cigarette smokers. Across all states, the prevalence of cigarette smoking among adults ranges from 9.3% to 26.5%. Nebraska ranks 26<sup>th</sup> among the states.

Among youth aged 12–17 years, 11.0% smoke in Nebraska. The range across all states is 6.5% to 15.9%. Nebraska ranks 27<sup>th</sup> among the states.

Among adults aged 35+ years, over 2,300 died as a result of tobacco use per year, on average, during 2000–2004. This represents a smoking-attributable mortality rate of 235.8/100,000. Nebraska's smoking-attributable mortality rate ranks 7<sup>th</sup> among the states.

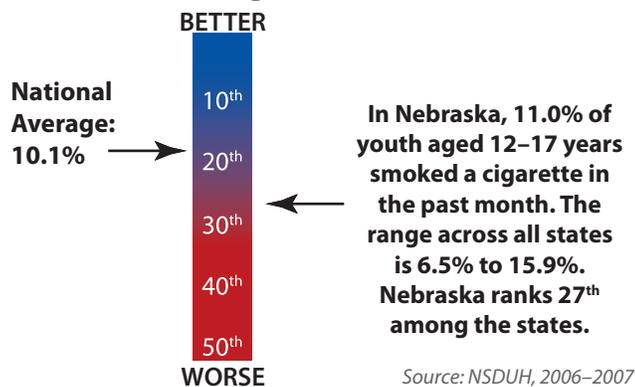
### Current Smoking Among Adults by Demographic Characteristics



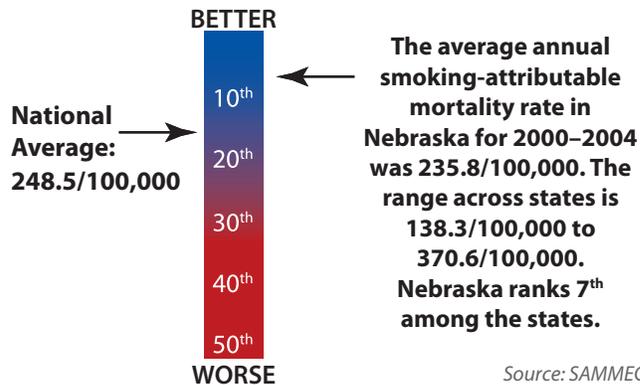
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Source: BRFSS, 2007–2008

### Past-Month Cigarette Use Among Youth Aged 12–17 Years



### Smoking-Attributable Adult (35+ Years) Mortality



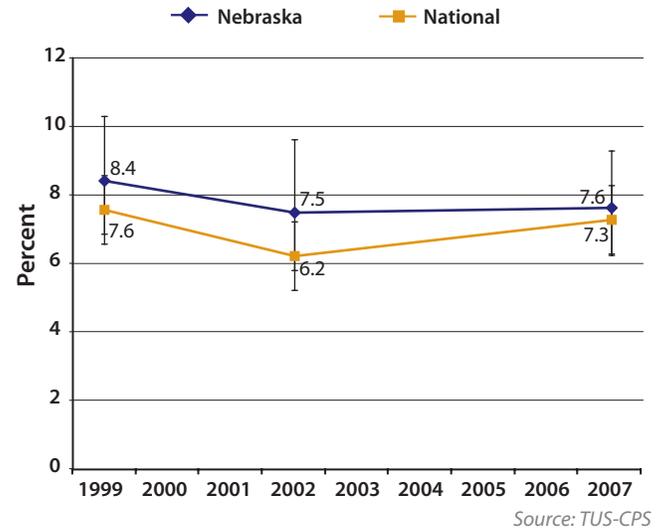
## Protect

Nebraska has a smoke-free law that provides for strong protection against exposure to secondhand smoke in workplaces and public places.

State Smoke-Free Policy		
Smoke-Free Workplaces	Smoke-Free Restaurants	Smoke-Free Bars
 <b>Yes</b>	 <b>Yes</b>	 <b>Yes</b>

Source: STATE System, 2009

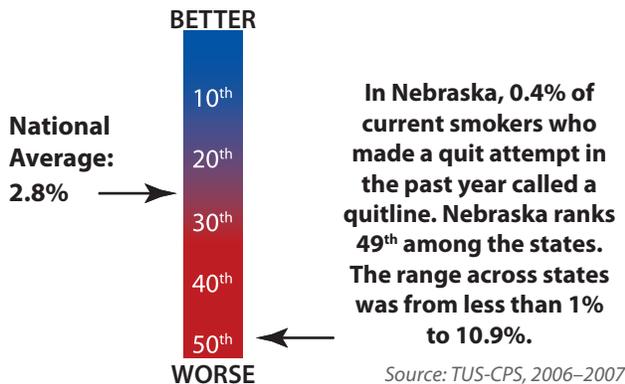
## Adults Who Reported Anyone Smoking in Work Area Within Past 2 Weeks



Among adults who work indoors, the percentage who reported anyone smoking in their work area within the preceding 2 weeks has remained higher in Nebraska than in the nation overall. Currently, Nebraska ranks 27<sup>th</sup> among the states for workplace exposure, at 7.6%.

## Offer

### Percentage of Smokers Calling Quitline



Best Practices estimates 8% of smokers could access quitlines each year. In Nebraska, 0.4% of current smokers who made a quit attempt in the past year called a quitline.

The Medicaid fee-for-service program in Nebraska only covers bupropion without prior authorization; therefore, it could have been used for smoking cessation, although this was not the intention of the coverage policy.

### Medicaid Coverage for Counseling and Medications

Nicotine Replacement	Varenicline	Bupropion	Counseling
 <b>No</b>	 <b>No</b>	 <b>Yes</b>	 <b>No</b>

Source: MMWR 2009;58(43):1199–204

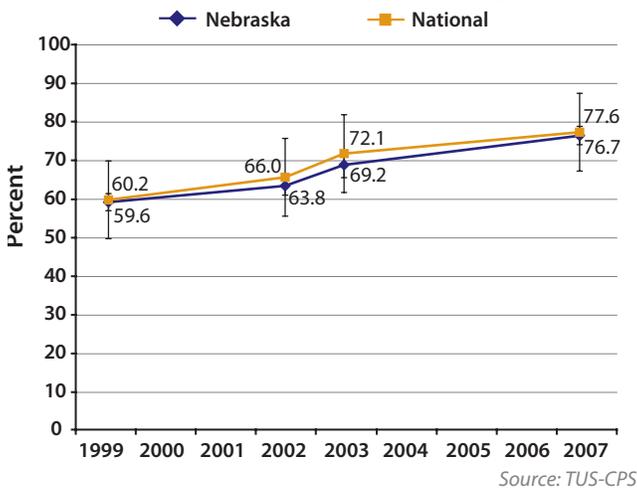
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## Warn

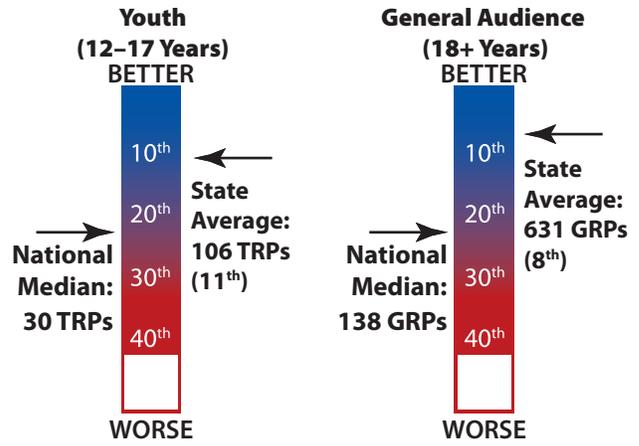
Smoke-free home rules represent awareness of the dangers of secondhand smoke. In Nebraska, as in the nation, an increasing number of families have such a rule.

Currently, 76.7% of Nebraska homes have this rule. Nebraska ranks 24<sup>th</sup> among the states.

### Households with No-Smoking Rules



### Antitobacco Media Campaign Intensity, Per Quarter



Rating point data were available for 42 states and the District of Columbia. *Best Practices* recommendations translate into an average of 800 targeted rating points (TRPs) in effective youth and 1,200 gross rating points (GRPs) in effective general audience antitobacco media campaigns per quarter. Nebraska's major media market(s) aired an average of 106 youth TRPs and 631 general audience GRPs per quarter in 2008. Nebraska ranks 11<sup>th</sup> among the states for the number of youth TRPs and 8<sup>th</sup> among the states for the number of general audience GRPs aired.

## Enforce

Nebraska allows local regulation on promotions, sampling, and display of tobacco products in commercial establishments.

### State Allows Local Advertising and Promotion Laws

Display	Promotion	Sampling
Yes	Yes	Yes

Source: STATE System, 2009

### Retail Environment Tobacco Licensure

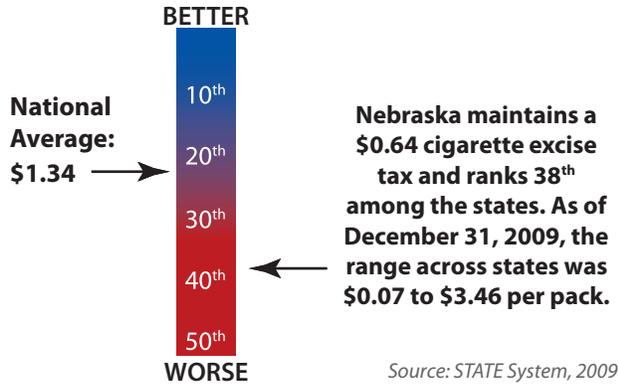
Over the Counter	Vending Machines
Yes	Yes

Source: STATE System, 2009

Nebraska requires all establishments selling tobacco products over the counter and by vending machine to be licensed. Currently, 38 states require licensure for both over-the-counter and vending machine sales.

# Raise

## Amount of Cigarette Excise Tax

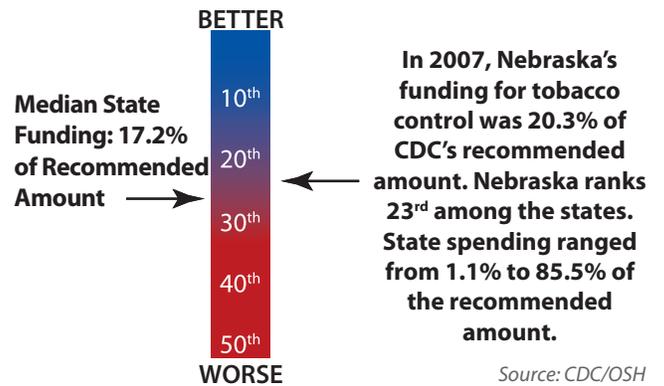


Nebraska maintains a \$0.64 per pack tax and ranks 38<sup>th</sup> among the states.

Nebraska has a minimum price law. Wholesalers must mark up cigarettes by 4.75% and retailers must mark up cigarettes by at least 8%. This law has the effect of limiting the amount of discounting that can be offered through coupons and other types of sales promotions.

Approximately 20% of the annual revenue generated from state excise taxes and settlement payments would fund Nebraska's tobacco control program at the *Best Practices* recommended amount. However, in 2007, Nebraska's funding for tobacco control was 20.3% of the recommended level. Nebraska ranks 23<sup>rd</sup> among the states.

## State Funding for Tobacco Control



## Minimum Price Law for Cigarettes



Source: CDC/OSH