



FATHER'S DAY DATA ON SMOKING DADS AND RELATED HARMS

For many kids, Father's Day means taking dad out to breakfast, giving him a gift, or just saying thanks. But hundreds of thousands of kids throughout the country have fathers who smoke and who need to be reminded that smoking is America's number one preventable cause of death. On this special day for dads, one terrific way to celebrate Father's Day might be to pledge to give dads who currently smoke the kind of loving support and encouragement that could help them to be tobacco-free before Father's Day next year. Another lasting tribute would be to support new public and private tobacco-control initiatives that will not only help smoking fathers quit but also prevent their sons from ever becoming another statistic in the terrible toll that tobacco addiction takes on America's dads and their families.

States	Smoking Rate Among Men	State Rank Men Smoking (1 st is lowest)	Number of Men Smokers	Annual Smoking Deaths Among Men	Kids in State Who Have Already Lost Their Dads to Smoking	New Kids Who Lose Their Dads to Smoking Each Year	Taxes paid for SSSI Payments to Kids With Dads Lost to Smoking (millions/year)	Total State Health Costs to Treat Male Smokers (millions/year)
United States	23.5%	--	26,959,000	269,000	216,000	30,000	\$1.9 billion	\$58.8 billion
Alabama	25.7%	47th	438,200	4,800	4,100	590	\$26.7	\$960.5
Alaska	20.7%	33rd	55,400	300	500	80	\$4.4	\$107.9
Arizona	18%	14th	435,800	4,000	3,900	550	\$30.5	\$767.4
Arkansas	21.0%	34th	221,100	3,100	2,600	360	\$14.0	\$513.6
California	15.6%	3rd	2,132,800	21,400	21,800	3,000	\$226.1	\$5,334.4
Colorado	19.5%	25th	371,000	2,500	2,700	380	\$29.2	\$774.0
Connecticut	16.2%	7th	211,200	2,600	2,100	300	\$31.8	\$899.5
Delaware	20.2%	30th	65,400	700	600	90	\$6.9	\$168.3
Washington, DC	15.8%	4th	35,500	400	500	70	\$6.0	\$147.8
Florida	18.0%	14th	1,267,800	17,000	14,200	2,000	\$95.3	\$3,771.6
Georgia	20.0%	28th	702,800	6,600	7,200	1,000	\$55.9	\$1,418.2
Hawaii	16.8%	10th	84,600	800	700	100	\$8.8	\$232.0
Idaho	18.7%	20th	104,900	900	900	120	\$7.6	\$197.4
Illinois	20.6%	32nd	975,600	9,900	8,600	1,200	\$96.5	\$2,464.2
Indiana	24.9%	45th	585,600	5,800	4,700	660	\$45.7	\$1,254.6
Iowa	19.6%	26th	219,600	2,800	1,600	220	\$20.3	\$651.1
Kansas	18.6%	18th	193,200	2,300	1,600	230	\$19.1	\$568.8
Kentucky	27.1%	48th	433,200	4,800	3,500	490	\$24.1	\$919.0
Louisiana	25.1%	46th	404,200	4,000	4,900	700	\$22.9	\$929.5
Maine	18.9%	21st	95,400	1,300	800	110	\$7.7	\$352.9
Maryland	16.7%	9th	346,300	3,900	4,400	620	\$43.2	\$1,125.3
Massachusetts	16.1%	5th	398,100	4,900	3,600	510	\$52.1	\$1,958.2
Michigan	21.1%	35th	780,700	8,600	7,600	1,000	\$82.6	\$2,014.4
Minnesota	18.6%	18th	367,400	3,400	2,400	340	\$40.6	\$1,269.0
Mississippi	27.2%	50th	282,400	3,100	3,300	460	\$15.2	\$471.9
Missouri	24.3%	43rd	533,300	5,800	5,200	730	\$0.0	\$1,297.1

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Montana	16.4%	8th	61,500	800	700	100	\$5.2	\$165.5
Nebraska	18.5%	16th	122,100	1,400	1,000	140	\$11.8	\$345.1
Nevada	22.7%	41st	226,100	1,900	1,600	230	\$12.2	\$330.2
New Hampshire	17.3%	12th	87,300	1,000	700	100	\$10.4	\$320.2
New Jersey	17.6%	13th	566,800	6,300	5,500	780	\$80.0	\$1,795.7
New Mexico	19.9%	27th	146,200	1,200	1,600	230	\$9.9	\$279.8
New York	19.3%	22nd	1,397,000	14,200	11,700	1,600	\$154.9	\$4,592.3
North Carolina	23.1%	42nd	791,100	7,600	6,400	910	\$54.6	\$1,530.2
North Dakota	19.3%	22nd	48,500	500	300	50	\$4.1	\$167.4
Ohio	21.2%	36th	900,200	11,000	7,200	1,000	\$77.5	\$2,599.2
Oklahoma	27.1%	48th	366,000	3,700	3,200	460	\$19.1	\$701.4
Oregon	18.5%	16th	268,400	2,900	2,500	360	\$24.1	\$652.0
Pennsylvania	21.5%	37th	1,014,700	11,800	8,100	1,100	\$94.0	\$3,082.6
Rhode Island	15.3%	2nd	60,400	900	600	80	\$7.9	\$285.4
South Carolina	21.5%	37th	358,600	3,900	3,900	560	\$25.4	\$697.2
South Dakota	16.9%	11th	51,300	700	600	90	\$4.4	\$181.4
Tennessee	24.6%	44th	567,700	6,000	5,800	820	\$39.4	\$1,352.2
Texas	22.1%	39th	1,955,400	15,000	18,000	2,500	\$127.0	\$3,580.8
Utah	11.9%	1st	113,500	700	1,100	160	\$12.7	\$238.7
Vermont	19.4%	24th	46,800	400	300	50	\$4.3	\$135.1
Virginia	22.5%	40th	659,600	5,500	4,900	690	\$50.8	\$1,260.7
Washington	16.1%	5th	406,700	4,400	3,900	550	\$45.7	\$1,140.2
West Virginia	27.7%	51st	192,300	2,200	1,500	220	\$10.3	\$411.5
Wisconsin	20.3%	31st	434,200	4,400	2,900	410	\$41.9	\$1,230.1
Wyoming	20.1%	29th	42,000	400	400	60	\$3.2	\$81.4
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Men = 18 years and older. Kids = Less than 18 years old.

For information to help smoking dads quit, see the Campaign website at [http://www.tobaccofreekids.org/facts issues/more resources/quitting](http://www.tobaccofreekids.org/facts_issues/more_resources/quitting).

Sources: State-specific smoking rates: 2009 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS). National: 2009 National Health Interview Survey (NHIS); U.S. Bureau of Census, population estimates used to compute number of men smokers. Annual smoking deaths from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's STATE System (average annual deaths from 2000-2004), <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/PDF/wk/mm5802.pdf>; Estimates of lost dads: Leistikow, B, et al., "Estimates of Smoking-Attributable Deaths at Ages 15-54, Motherless or Fatherless Youths, and Resulting Social Security Costs in the United States in 1994," *Preventive Medicine* 30(5):353-360, May 2000, and state-specific data provided by the author, Costs: CDC, *Sustaining State Programs for Tobacco Control: Data Highlights 2006*, http://www.cdc.gov/tobacco/data_statistics/state_data/data_highlights/2006/index.htm.