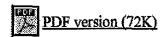
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Tobacco Use in Rhode Island



Currently, there are 172,800 adult smokers in Rhode Island. However, another 232,100 adults in Rhode Island have quit smoking.

Current Cigarette Smoking Among Adults Aged 18 and Older, 1992-1993

All States	Percent 22.9
Rhode Island	23.0
Men	25.2
Women	21.0
White	23.2
Black	25.5
Hispanic	18.3
Women 18-44 yrs	25.3
< 12 yrs Education	23.6
12 yrs Education	25.4
> 12 yrs Education	18.4

Current Cigarette Smoking Among Adults by Age, 1992-1993

	Percent
18-24	29.6
25-44	25.6
45-64	24.7
65±	10.0

Past Month Cigarette Smoking Among Youth, Grades 9-12, 1993

All States	Past Month Smokers Frequent Smokers	Percent 30.5 13.8
Rhode Island	Past Month Smokers Frequent Smokers	31.5* 14.8*
Boys-	Past Month Smokers Frequent Smokers	31.1* 15.8*
Girls-	Past Month Smokers Frequent Smokers	32.0* 13.8*

Note: Frequent smokers are individuals who smoked 20+ days in the past month. *Regional estimate

Health Impact and Costs, 1990

Deaths Related to Smoking, 1990

Rhode Island 1,881
Men 1,250
Women 631
Death Rate 350.3
per 100,000

Years of Potential Life Lost, 1990*

Rhode Island 21,541 Men 14,006 Women 7,535

Direct Medical Costs Related to Smoking, 1990

Rhode Island: \$186,000,000

Smokeless Tobacco Use

Current Smokeless Tobacco Use Among Adults Aged 18 and Older, 1992-1993

	Percent
All States	2.1
Rhode Island	0.2
Men	0.4
Women	0.1

Past Month Smokeless Tobacco Use Among Youth, Grades 9-12, 1993

	Percent
All States	11.5
Northeastern Region	8.5*
Boys	15.5*
Girls	7 2*

^{*}Regional estimate

Tobacco Control Legislation, 1995

Minors' Access to Tobacco Products

Minimum age for sale: 18

Illegal for minors to purchase, possess, or use: Yes

Restrictions on Vending Machines: Vending machines in all locations except bars must be supervised and equipped with a locking device at all times. Vending machines located in bars must be supervised at all times.

Signage: Signs required on premises.

Licensure: Retail license and vending machine license required.

Penalties: Penalties to business owner, manager, or clerk. Revocation/suspension of license for

violation.

Smokefree Indoor Air

^{*}calculated to life expectancy

State government worksites: Designated smoking areas required or allowed (Penalties: To

businesses)

Private worksites: Designated smoking areas required or allowed (Penalties: To businessses)

Restaurants: Designated smoking areas required or allowed (Penalties: To businesses and smokers)

Day care centers: No restrictions

Grocery stores: Designated smoking areas required or allowed (Penalties: To businesses and

smokers)

Excise Tax

Cigarette tax per pack: 61 cents Rank = 4 (No. 1 is highest tax)

Federal and state taxes as a percentage of retail price: 38.2%*

Annual net tax revenue from cigarettes: \$40,377,000* Smokeless tobacco tax: 20% of wholesale sales price

*Based on previous tax rate of 56 cents/pack

Advertising: No restrictions

State Preempts Local Laws: No preemption

Tobacco Economy

Tobacco Agriculture, 1994:

None

Tobacco Manufacturing, 1992:

None

Tobacco Use Prevention and Control Program

Funding: NCI ASSIST

Regional Network: Tobacco-Free New England

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State & National Data- List of States



State & National Tobacco Control Highlights