

CAMPAIGN For TOBACCO-FREE Kids[®]

STATE EXCISE TAX RATES FOR NON-CIGARETTE TOBACCO PRODUCTS

Forty-seven of the 50 states have at least some tax on non-cigarette tobacco products. Kentucky, Pennsylvania, and Virginia do not. Georgia taxes only cigars, and Florida does not tax on cigars but does tax pipe or other loose smoking tobacco, chewing tobacco, and snuff tobacco. Washington State, Alaska, and Oregon have the highest taxes of 129.42%, 75%, and 65% of wholesale price, respectively. North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and West Virginia have the lowest taxes of 2%, 5%, 6%, and 7% of wholesale price, respectively. Tennessee (24.3%) and West Virginia (28.6%) also have two of the highest rates of smokeless tobacco use (chewing tobacco and snuff) by high school males. Nationwide, 14.2% of all high school boys and 1.3% of high school girls use smokeless tobacco.¹ For more information, see the Campaign factsheet *Spit (Smokeless) Tobacco and Kids*, www.tobaccofreekids.org/research/factsheets/pdf/0003.pdf.

<u>State</u>	<u>Cigar Tax</u>	<u>Smoking Tob. Tax</u>	<u>Chewing Tob. Tax</u>	<u>Snuff Tax</u>	<u>Cigarette Tax (cents/pack)</u>	<u>Cigarette Tax (as % mfr. price)</u>
Alabama	1.5 to 20.25 cents/10 cigars	0.6-4.4 cents/ounce	.75 cents/ounce	0.6-4.4 cents/ounce	16.5	6.7%
Alaska	75% Wholesale price	75% Wholesale price	75% Wholesale price	75% Wholesale price	100	40.5%
Arizona	6.5 to 64 cents/10 cigars	6.5 cents/ounce	6.5 cents/ounce	6.5 cents/ounce	58	23.5%
Arkansas	23% Manufactures price	23% Manufactures price	23% Manufactures price	23% Manufactures price	34	13.8%
California	56.65% Wholesale price	56.65% Wholesale price	56.65% Wholesale price	56.65% Wholesale price	87	35.2%
Colorado	20% Manufactures price	20% Manufactures price	20% Manufactures price	20% Manufactures price	20	8.1%
Connecticut	20% Wholesale price	40 cents/ounce	40 cents/ounce	40 cents/ounce	111	44.9%
Delaware	15% Wholesale price	15% Wholesale price	15% Wholesale price	15% Wholesale price	24	9.7%
District of Columbia	5.75% Wholesale price	5.75% Wholesale price	5.75% Wholesale price	5.75% Wholesale price	65	26.3%
Florida	None	25% Wholesale price	25% Wholesale price	25% Wholesale price	33.9	13.7%
Georgia	2¢/10 cigars or 13% Wholesale	None	None	None	12	4.9%
Hawaii	40% Wholesale price	40% Wholesale price	40% Wholesale price	40% Wholesale price	120	48.6%
Idaho	40% Wholesale price	40% Wholesale price	40% Wholesale price	40% Wholesale price	28	11.3%
Illinois	18% Wholesale price	18% Wholesale price	18% Wholesale price	18% Wholesale price	98	39.7%
Indiana	18% Wholesale price	18% Wholesale price	18% Wholesale price	18% Wholesale price	55.5	22.5%
Iowa	22% Wholesale price	22% Wholesale price	22% Wholesale price	22% Wholesale price	36	14.6%
Kansas	10% Manufactures price	10% Manufactures price	10% Manufactures price	10% Manufactures price	70	28.3%
Kentucky	None	None	None	None	3	1.2%
Louisiana	8%-20% Manufactures price	33% Manufactures price	20% Manufactures price	33% Manufactures price	36	14.6%
Maine	16% Wholesale price	16% Wholesale price	62% Wholesale price	62% Wholesale price	100	40.5%
Maryland	15% Wholesale price	15% Wholesale price	15% Wholesale price	15% Wholesale price	100	40.5%
Massachusetts	15% Wholesale price	15% Wholesale price	75% Wholesale price	75% Wholesale price	76	30.8%
Michigan	20% Wholesale price	20% Wholesale price	20% Wholesale price	20% Wholesale price	125	50.6%
Minnesota	35% Wholesale price	35% Wholesale price	35% Wholesale price	35% Wholesale price	48	19.4%

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Mississippi	15% Manufactures price	15% Manufactures price	15% Manufacture's price	15% Manufactures price	18	7.3%
Missouri	10% Manufactures price	10% Manufactures price	10% Manufactures price	10% Manufactures price	17	6.9%
Montana	12.5% Wholesale price	12.5% Wholesale price	12.5% Wholesale price	12.5% Wholesale price	18	7.3%
Nebraska	20% Wholesale price	20% Wholesale price	20% Wholesale price	20% Wholesale price	64	25.9%
Nevada	30% Wholesale price	30% Wholesale price	30% Wholesale price	30% Wholesale price	35	14.2%
New Hampshire	21.6% Wholesale price	21.6% Wholesale price	21.6% Wholesale price	21.6% Wholesale price	52	21.1%
New Jersey	30% Wholesale price	30% Wholesale price	30% Wholesale price	30% Wholesale price	150	60.7%
New Mexico	25% Manufactures price	25% Manufactures price	25% Manufactures price	25% Manufactures price	21	8.5%
New York	35% Wholesale price	35% Wholesale price	35% Wholesale price	35% Wholesale price	150	60.7%
North Carolina	2% Wholesale price	2% Wholesale price	2% Wholesale price	2% Wholesale price	5	2.0%
North Dakota	28% Wholesale price	28% Wholesale price	16 cents/ounce	60 cents/ounce	44	17.8%
Ohio	17% Wholesale price	17% Wholesale price	17% Wholesale price	17% Wholesale price	55	22.3%
Oklahoma	9 to 30 cents/10 cigars	40% Manufactures price	30% Manufactures price	30% Manufactures price	23	9.3%
Oregon	65% Wholesale price	65% Wholesale price	65% Wholesale price	65% Wholesale price	68	27.5%
Pennsylvania	None	None	None	None	100	40.5%
Rhode Island	20% Wholesale price	20% Wholesale price	20% Wholesale price	20% Wholesale price	132	53.4%
South Carolina	5% Manufactures price	5% Manufactures price	5% Manufactures price	5% Manufactures price	7	2.8%
South Dakota	10% Wholesale price	10% Wholesale price	10% Wholesale price	10% Wholesale price	33	13.4%
Tennessee	6% Wholesale price	6% Wholesale price	6% Wholesale price	6% Wholesale price	20	8.1%
Texas	1 to 15 cents/10 cigars	35.213% Manufactures	35.213% Manufactures	35.213% Manufactures	41	16.6%
Utah	35% Manufactures price	35% Manufactures price	35% Manufactures price	35% Manufactures price	69.5	28.1%
Vermont	41% Manufactures price	41% Manufactures price	41% Manufactures price	41% Manufactures price	93	37.7%
Virginia	None	None	None	None	2.5	1.0%
Washington	129.42% Wholesale price	129.42% Wholesale price	129.42% Wholesale price	129.42% Wholesale price	142.5	57.7%
West Virginia	7% Wholesale price	7% Wholesale price	7% Wholesale price	7% Wholesale price	17	6.9%
Wisconsin	25% Manufactures price	25% Manufactures price	25% Manufactures price	25% Manufactures price	77	31.2%
Wyoming	20% Wholesale price	20% Wholesale price	20% Wholesale price	20% Wholesale price	12	4.9%
US Government	\$1.828 to \$48.75/1000	7¢/ounce	1.2¢/ounce	4¢/ounce	39	15.8%

States in bold type raised their non-cigarette taxes since 1/1/02; states with cigarette tax rate in bold raised their cigarette tax rates since 1/1/02. **Manufactures Price** is the price charged to wholesalers/distributors by the tobacco company that makes the product. **Wholesale Price** is either the price charged to retailers by the wholesalers/distributors or, in some states, it is the same as the Manufactures Price. Check state statutes for details. Current price charged by the major cigarette manufacturers to wholesalers is \$2.47 per pack. Nebraska's tax rates effective 10/1/02; Michigan's tax rates effective 8/1/02. New Jersey lowered its non-cigarette tax from 48% of wholesale price to 30% in January, 2002. In February, 2002, a bill was introduced to raise the tax back to 48%. Sources: Federation of Tax Administrators, 2002, <http://www.taxadmin.org>; Orzechowski & Walker, *The Tax Burden on Tobacco*, 2002; press reports; U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms, <http://www.atf.treas.gov/alcohol/info/faq/subpages/atftaxes.htm>. Economic Resource Service, USDA, <http://www.ers.usda.gov/Briefing/tobacco/Data/table8.pdf>. For more information on state tobacco taxes (and the benefits from increasing them), see the Campaign's website at <http://tobaccofreekids.org/reports/prices>.

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¹ Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance (YRBS), 1999. The Youth Tobacco Survey (YTS) for 2000 -- which does not include extensive state-specific data -- found that in high school 11.8% of males and 1.4% of females use smokeless tobacco. Because of different procedures, the YTS and YRBS are not directly comparable.