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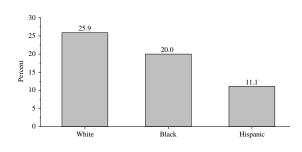
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#### **Current Cigarette Smoking Among** Adults by Race/Ethnicity, 1996-1997

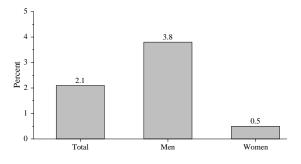
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**Current Smokeless Tobacco Use** Among Adults Aged 18+, 1995-1996

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# **Health Impact and Costs**

Average Annual Deaths Relation to Smoking, 1990–1994	D AVERAGE ANNUAL YEARS OF POTENTIAL LIFE LOST,* 1990–1994	Medical Costs Related to Smoking, 1993	
Overall         5,887           Men         4,105           Women         1,782           Death Rate         340/100,000           Rank         41           (No. 1 is lowest death rate)	90,122 years or an average of 15.3 years for each death due to smoking. *Calculated to life expectancy	Ambulatory Hospital Nursing Home† Drug Other <b>Total</b>	\$112,370,000 \$201,870,000 \$127,940,000 \$38,340,000 \$78,360,000 <b>\$558,890,000</b>

†Preliminary estimates

# Youth Tobacco Use

CIGARETTE SMOKING AMONG YOUTH, GRADES 9–12, 1997		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Smokeless Tobacco Use Among Youth, Grades 9–12, 1997 (Past Month)	
Past	Month	Frequent	All States       9.3%         SC       6.7%         Boys       11.8%         Girls       1.4%	
All States	36.4%	16.7%		
SC	38.6%	18.2%		
Boys	40.6%	20.6%		
Girls	36.5%	15.8%		

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Past Month = tobacco use on one or more days in the past month Frequent = tobacco use on 20+ days in the past month

#### Number of South Carolina youth exposed to ETS in the home in 1996: 240,315

## **Tobacco Control Legislation, 1998**

#### **Minors' Access to Tobacco Products**

Minimum age for sale: 18

**Penalties:** Any person who sells to a minor will be guilty of a misdemeanor and fined up to \$25.

Illegal for minors to:

 Purchase
 No

 Possess
 No

 Use
 No

#### **Restrictions on Vending Machines**

None

Signage

None

#### Licensure

Vending machine license required.

## Excise Tax

Cigarette tax per pack
Rank = 48 (No.1 is highest tax)
Federal and state taxes as a
percentage of retail price 18.8%
Annual gross tax revenue
from cigarettes \$32,242,879

Smokeless tobacco tax: 5% of manufacturer's list price.

#### Advertising

No restrictions

#### **State Preempts Local Laws**

Preemption of minors' access laws and government worksite provisions of smokefree indoor air laws.

#### **Smokefree Indoor Air**

Site	Restrictions				Penalties	
	100% Smokefree	Designated smoking areas with separate ventilation	Designated smoking areas required or allowed	None	To businesses	To smokers
Government worksites			1		1	1
Private worksites				1		
Restaurants				1		
Day care centers	1				1	1
Home-based day care*						

\*Language does not specify home-based day care.

## **Tobacco Economy**

#### Cigarette Sales, 1997

Number of packages sold and taxed, per capita	124.5
Tobacco Agriculture, 1997	
Acres harvested	. 54,000
Production in pounds	. 126,360,000
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### Tobacco Manufacturing, 1996

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Overall tobacco manufacturing	 . \$2,000,000

## **Tobacco Use Prevention and Control Program**

Funding: NCI ASSIST

Regional Network: Southeastern Tobacco Prevention Network (SToP)

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