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Overview List – How many Smokefree Laws?

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Since the 1970s, the nonsmokers' rights movement has made significant progress toward clean indoor air. As of October 2, 2017, there are 4,979 states, commonwealths, territories, and municipalities with laws in effect that restrict where smoking is allowed, many of which are 100% smokefree Non-Hospitality Workplace,* Restaurant,** or Bar laws, and combinations of the three. We hope that the following concise statements are helpful.

Local Laws

- A total of **4,924** municipalities in the United States have laws in effect that restrict where smoking is allowed.
- Of these 4,924, a total of 1,415 municipalities have a 100% smokefree provision in effect in non-hospitality workplaces, and/or restaurants, and/or bars.
- There are **1,168** municipalities with laws in effect that require non-hospitality workplaces to be 100% smokefree.
- There are **1,255** municipalities with laws in effect that require restaurants to be 100% smokefree.
- There are **1,119** municipalities with laws in effect that require bars to be 100% smokefree.
- There are **931** municipalities with laws in effect that require non-hospitality workplaces, restaurants, **and** bars to be 100% smokefree.
- There are **1,012** municipalities with laws in effect that require **both** non-hospitality workplaces **and** restaurants to be 100% smokefree.
- There are **1,114** municipalities with laws in effect that require **both** restaurants **and** bars to be 100% smokefree.

Note: Since some of the above municipalities have 100% smokefree coverage in more than one category, *the numbers are not mutually exclusive.*

State and Local Laws

- Across the United States, **22,650** municipalities, representing **81.6%** of the US population, are covered by a 100% smokefree provision in non-hospitality workplaces, **and/or** restaurants, **and/or** bars, by **either** a state, commonwealth, territorial, or local law.
- 42 states and the District of Columbia have *local* laws in effect that require non-hospitality workplaces and/or restaurants and/or bars to be 100% smokefree.
- There are 3,649 states, commonwealths, territories, cities, and counties with a law that restricts smoking in one or more outdoor areas, including 1,672 that restrict smoking near entrances, windows, and ventilation systems of enclosed places; 3,017 that restrict smoking in public outdoor places such as parks, beaches and service lines; and 489 that prohibit smoking in all outdoor stadiums and other sports and entertainment venues.

- There are **317** cities and counties with smokefree beach laws. Maine and Puerto Rico also have such a law.
- There are **1,531** cities and counties with smokefree parks laws. Oklahoma and Puerto Rico also have such a law.
- There are 454 cities and counties with smokefree outdoor dining laws. Hawaii, Iowa, Maine, Michigan, Washington, and Puerto Rico also have such a law.
- As of October 2, 2017, there are 2,049 colleges and universities with 100% smokefree campuses. Of these, 1,736 are also 100% tobacco-free, and 1,634 prohibit the use of e-cigarettes anywhere on campus, 830 prohibit hookah use, and 209 prohibit smoking/vaping marijuana. Under state laws, Arkansas's public colleges and universities are smokefree, and prohibit the use of e-cigarettes, Illinois's public colleges and universities are smokefree, and prohibit the use of e-cigarettes and hookah, Iowa's public and private colleges and universities are smokefree. In addition, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands' public colleges and universities are tobacco-free, and prohibit the use of e-cigarettes.
- There are **688** cities and counties that restrict e-cigarette use in 100% smokefree venues. California, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Maine, New Jersey, North Dakota, Northern Mariana Islands, Oregon, Puerto Rico, Utah and Vermont also have such a law. In addition, Arkansas, Colorado, Georgia, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Minnesota, New Hampshire, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin restrict ecigarette use in other venues.

State, Commonwealth, and Territorial Laws

 36 states, along with the District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands, have laws in effect that require non-hospitality workplaces and/or restaurants and/or bars and/or state-run gambling establishments to be 100% smokefree:

American Samoa: Restaurants Arizona: Workplaces, Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling California: Workplaces, Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling Colorado: Restaurants, Bars, and State-**Regulated Gambling** Connecticut: Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling **Delaware:** Workplaces, Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling District of Columbia: Workplaces, Restaurants, and Bars Florida: Workplaces, Restaurants, and State-**Regulated Gambling Guam:** Restaurants and Bars Hawaii: Workplaces, Restaurants, and Bars **Idaho:** Restaurants Illinois: Workplaces, Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling Indiana: Workplaces and Restaurants **Iowa:** Workplaces, Restaurants, and Bars **Kansas:** Workplaces, Restaurants, and Bars Louisiana: Workplaces and Restaurants

Maine: Workplaces, Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling Facilities opened in July 2003 or later Maryland: Workplaces, Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling Massachusetts: Workplaces, Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling Michigan: Workplaces, Restaurants, and Bars Minnesota: Workplaces, Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling Montana: Workplaces, Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling Nebraska: Workplaces, Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling **Nevada:** Workplaces and Restaurants **New Hampshire:** Restaurants and Bars New Jersey: Workplaces, Restaurants, and Bars New Mexico: Restaurants and Bars New York: Workplaces, Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling North Carolina: Restaurants and Bars

North Dakota: Workplaces, Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling Northern Mariana Islands: Workplaces Ohio: Workplaces, Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling Oregon: Workplaces, Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling Pennsylvania: Workplaces Puerto Rico: Workplaces, Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling Rhode Island: Workplaces, Restaurants, and Bars South Dakota: Workplaces, Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling U.S. Virgin Islands: Workplaces, Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling Utah: Workplaces, Restaurants, and Bars Vermont: Workplaces, Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling Washington: Workplaces, Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling Wisconsin: Workplaces, Restaurants, Bars, and State-Regulated Gambling

- 25 states, along with the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands, have laws in effect that require non-hospitality workplaces, restaurants, and bars to be 100% smokefree. These laws, along with local laws in other states, protect 58.3% of the U.S. population.
- **30** states, along with the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands, have laws in effect that require restaurants **and** bars to be 100% smokefree. These laws, along with local laws in other states, protect **65.6%** of the U.S. population.
- 21 states, along with Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands, have laws in effect that require all state-regulated gambling to be 100% smokefree. (Note: Maine's smokefree Gambling law is for those facilities opened July 2003 or later.)

*Includes both public and private **non-hospitality workplaces**, including, but not limited to, offices, factories, and warehouses.

**Includes any attached bar in the restaurant.

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