



“State of Tobacco Control” 2018 – State Grades Summary

Below are the states with the best and worst grades in the American Lung Association’s “State of Tobacco Control” 2018 report, as well as a breakdown of the grades for all 50 states and the District of Columbia in each state grading category. Grades range from A to F with one state earning an “I” for Incomplete.

Best States

Even the best states still have work to do, and no state received all A grades.

- **California:** Tobacco Program Funding: A, Smokefree Air: A, Tobacco Taxes: B, Cessation Coverage: C, Tobacco 21: B
- **Hawaii:** Tobacco Program Funding: F, Smokefree Air: A, Tobacco Taxes: A, Cessation Coverage: D, Tobacco 21: A
- **Massachusetts:** Tobacco Program Funding: F, Smokefree Air: A, Tobacco Taxes: A, Cessation Coverage: D, Tobacco 21: D
- **Minnesota:** Tobacco Program Funding: F, Smokefree Air: A, Cigarette Tax: B, Cessation Coverage: A, Tobacco 21: F
- **Vermont:** Tobacco Program Funding: D, Smokefree Air: A, Cigarette Tax: B, Cessation Coverage: B, Tobacco 21: F

Worst States

The following states rated the worst in the nation, scoring F’s in all five categories:

- Mississippi, North Carolina, Texas and Virginia

Most Improved

States that made significant strides forward in 2017:

- California, Kentucky, New Jersey, Oregon and South Carolina

State Grades Organized by Grading Category:

<u>Tobacco Prog. Funding</u>	<u>Smokefree Air</u>	<u>Tobacco Taxes</u>	<u>Access to Cessation</u>
A – 2	A – 24 + D.C.	A – 1	A – 2
B – 0	B – 6	B – 6	B – 6 + D.C.
C – 1	C – 8	C – 3	C – 11
D – 6	D – 2	D – 6 + D.C.	D – 11
F – 41 + D.C.	F – 10	F – 34	F – 20

Tobacco 21

A – 3
B – 1
C – 1
D – 4
F – 40 + DC
I – 1