



Below are the states with the best and worst grades in the American Lung Association’s “State of Tobacco Control” 2022 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.

 **Best Graded States:**

Even the best states still have work to do, and no state received more than 2 A grades.

- **Alaska:** Tobacco Program Funding: A, Smokefree Air: B, Tobacco Taxes: D, Access to Cessation: B, Flavored Tobacco Products: F
- **California:** Tobacco Program Funding: B, Smokefree Air: A, Tobacco Taxes: B, Access to Cessation: B, Flavored Tobacco Products: I
- **Hawaii:** Tobacco Program Funding: C, Smokefree Air: A, Tobacco Taxes: C, Access to Cessation: B, Flavored Tobacco Products: F
- **Maine:** Tobacco Program Funding: C, Smokefree Air: A, Tobacco Taxes: C, Access to Cessation: A, Flavored Tobacco Products: F
- **Massachusetts:** Tobacco Program Funding: F, Smokefree Air: A, Tobacco Taxes: B, Access to Cessation: C, Flavored Tobacco Products: A
- **Rhode Island:** Tobacco Program Funding: F, Smokefree Air: A, Tobacco Taxes: B, Access to Cessation: B, Flavored Tobacco Products: D

 **Worst Graded States:**

- **Alabama, Mississippi, North Carolina and Texas** rated the worst in the nation, scoring F’s in all five categories
- **Georgia, Missouri, Virginia and West Virginia** received 4 F’s and 1 D grade

 **Most Improved States:**

States that made significant strides forward in 2021:

- **Maryland** (\$1.75 cigarette tax increase), **Oregon** (large increase in tobacco control program funding)

**State Grades Tallied by Grading Category:**

**Tobacco Program Funding**

A – 3  
B – 1  
C – 6  
D – 0  
F – 40 + D.C.

**Smokefree Air**

A – 23 + D.C.  
B – 6  
C – 7  
D – 5  
F – 9

**Tobacco Taxes**

A – D.C.  
B – 7  
C – 6  
D – 5  
F – 32

**Access to Cessation**

A – 6  
B – 11  
C – 8 + D.C.  
D – 9  
F – 15  
I – 1

**Flavored Tobacco Products**

A – 1  
B – 0  
C – 0  
D – 3  
F – 45 + D.C.  
I – 1

**20 years**  
**Proven Policies**  
to Prevent and Reduce  
Tobacco Use