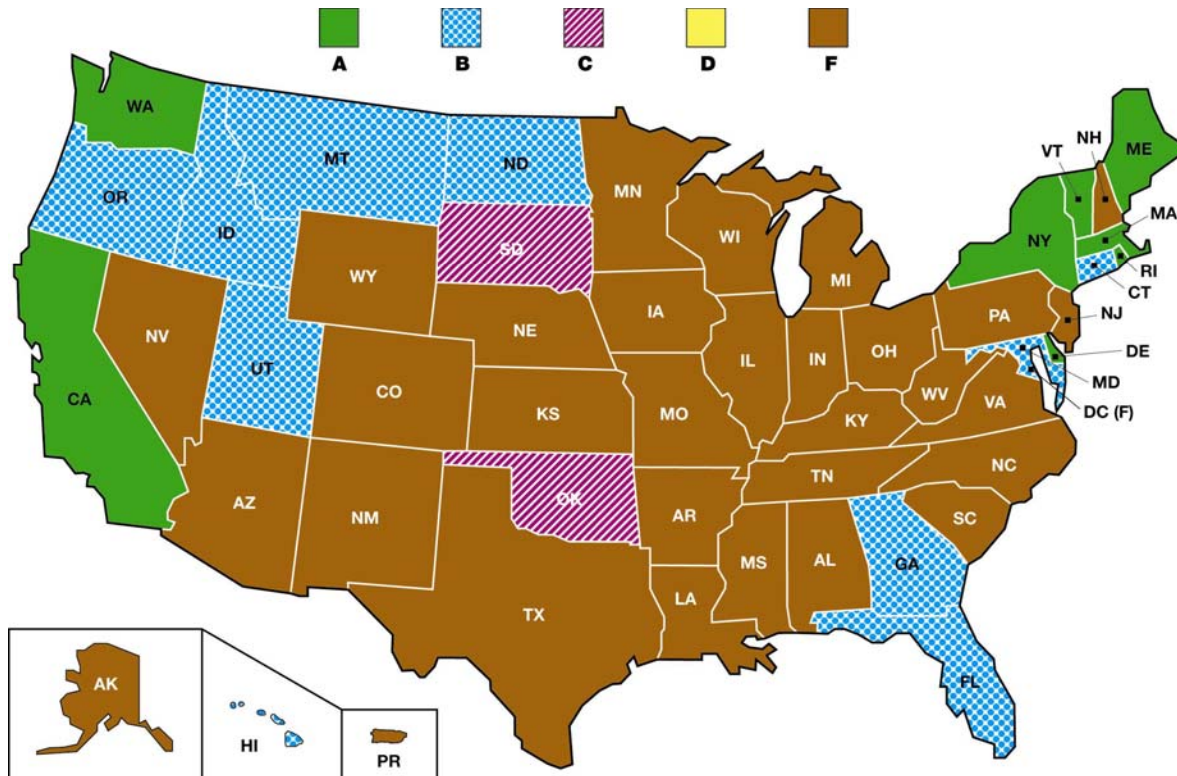


State of Tobacco Control Report Card Smokefree Air



- Nine states – **California, Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Massachusetts, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont and Washington** – have gone smokefree by prohibiting smoking in most public places and workplaces.
- Exposure to secondhand smoke causes an estimated **38,000 deaths among nonsmokers** each year.
- Food service workers have a **50% greater risk of dying from lung cancer** than the general population.
- **Thirty states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico** received an F for smokefree policies.
- A 2005 Gallup Poll found that **a majority of Americans support smokefree air policies** including a ban on smoking in restaurants.
- A study in Helena, MT found that the number of **heart attacks fell by 40 percent** during a six-month period in 2002 when the city's smokefree air law was in effect.