State of Tobacco Control Report Card
Tobacco Prevention Programs

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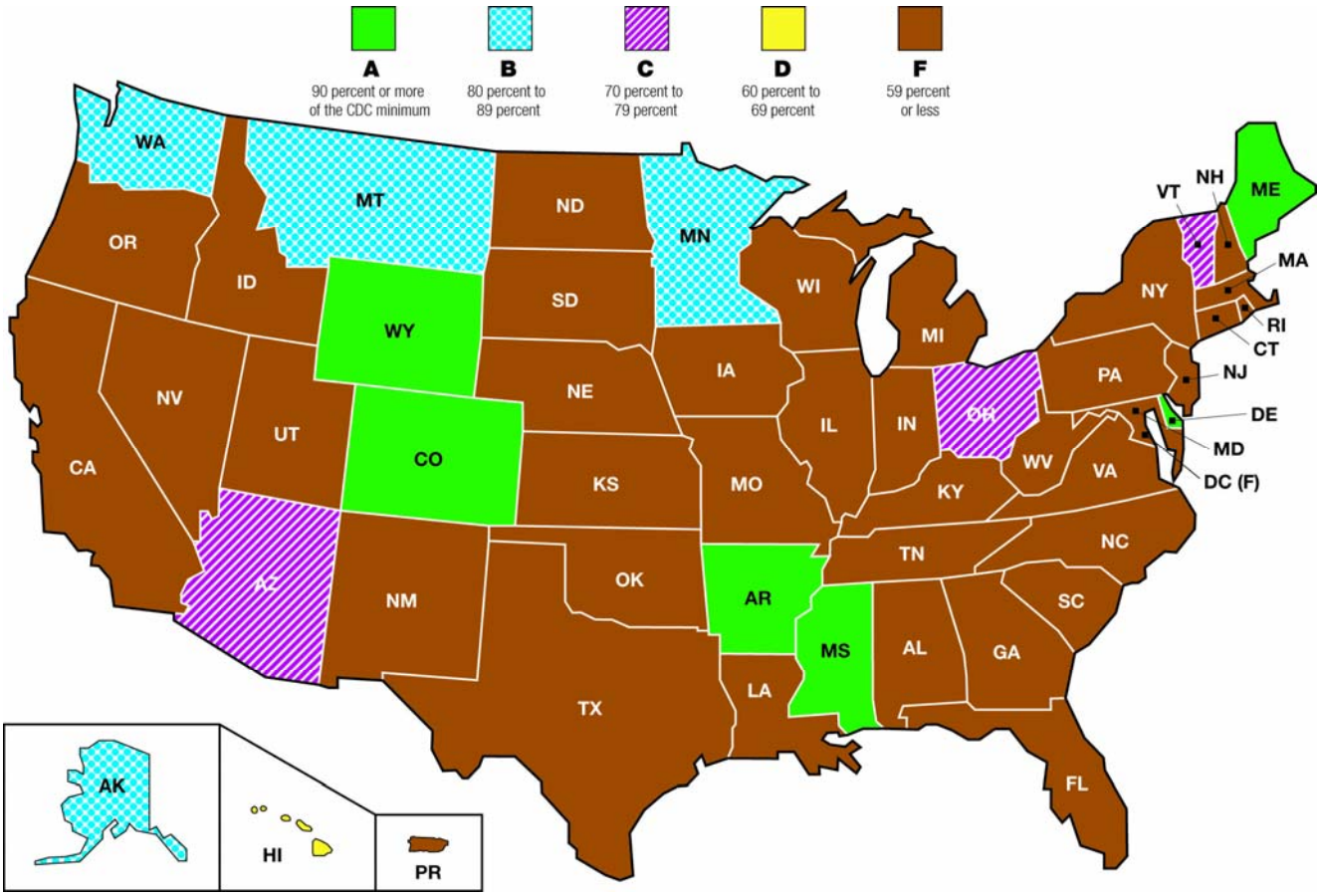

- Six states – Arkansas, Colorado, Delaware, Maine, Mississippi and Wyoming – have committed at least 90 percent of Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's minimum recommended funding level for tobacco control programs.

- Tobacco Prevention Programs Work: Maine's tobacco prevention program has resulted in reducing previously high youth smoking rates by almost 60 percent between 1997 and 2005.

- The tobacco industry spent 25 times more marketing cigarettes than states did to prevent smoking and help smokers quit in 2003.

- Thirty-six states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico received an F for program funding.

- Thousands of illnesses and deaths could be prevented and millions of dollars saved if every state had a comprehensive smokefree air policy.

- Youth smoking would be 3 to 14 percent lower if tobacco prevention programs were funded at adequate levels.