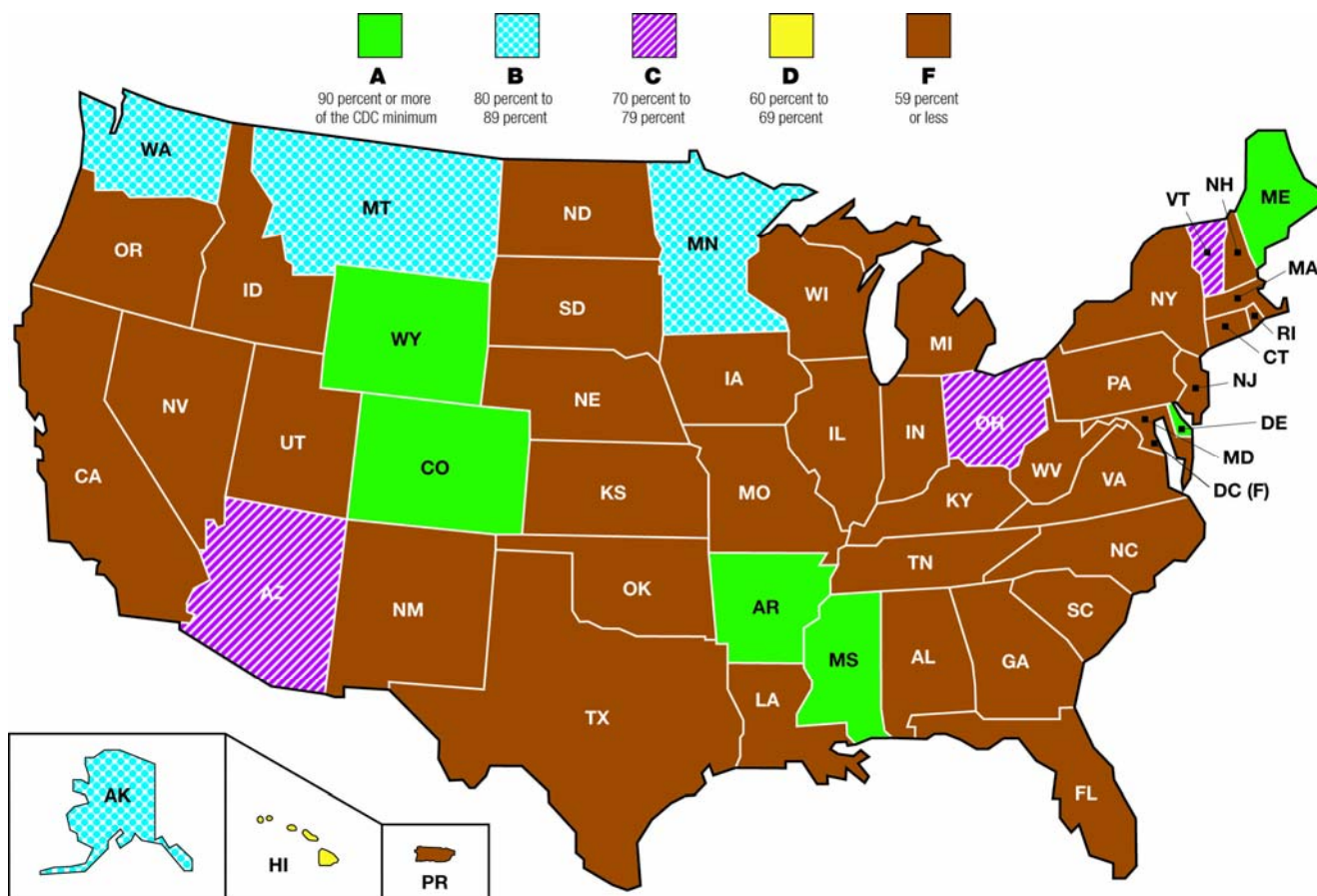


State of Tobacco Control Report Card Tobacco Prevention Programs



- 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.