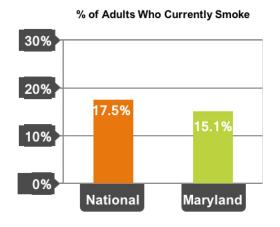
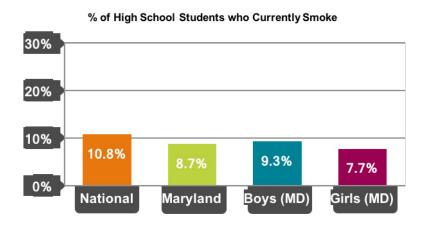


# Tobacco in Maryland

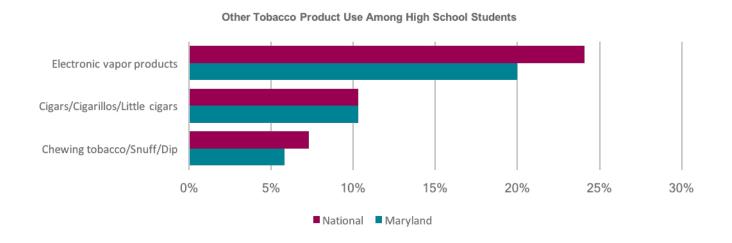
# **CIGARETTE USE\*1-2**





#### OTHER TOBACCO USE

- The prevalence of smokeless tobacco use among adults in Maryland was 1.7% in 2014.<sup>3</sup>
- In 2015, 5.8% of high school students in Maryland used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip on at least one day in the past 30 days. Nationally, 7.3% of high school students used smokeless tobacco on at least one day in the past 30 days.<sup>2</sup>
- In 2015, 10.3% of high school students in Maryland smoked cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars on at least one day in the past 30 days. Nationally, 10.3% of high school students smoked cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars on at least one day in the past 30 days.<sup>2</sup>
- In 2015, 20.0% of high school students in Maryland used electronic vapor products on at least one day in the past 30 days. Nationally, 24.1% of high school students used electronic vapor products on at least one day in the past 30 days.<sup>2</sup>



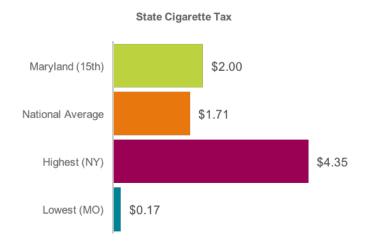
### ECONOMICS OF TOBACCO USE AND TOBACCO CONTROL

- In FY2017, Maryland allocated \$10.6 million in state funds to tobacco prevention, which is 22% of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Annual Spending Target.<sup>4</sup>
- Maryland received an estimated \$553.9 million in tobacco settlement payments and taxes in FY2017.<sup>4</sup>
- The health care costs in Maryland, directly caused by smoking, amount to \$2.71 billion annually.<sup>4</sup>
- Maryland loses \$2.22 billion in productivity each year due to smoking.<sup>5</sup>

## STATE TOBACCO LAWS<sup>6-8</sup>

#### **EXCISE TAX**

- The state tax increased to \$2.00 per pack of cigarettes in January 2008. Maryland is ranked 14th in the United States for its cigarette tax. The national average cigarette tax is \$1.71 per pack of cigarettes. The highest state cigarette tax is New York (\$4.35) and the lowest state cigarette tax is Missouri (\$0.17).
- Cigars are taxed 70% of the wholesale price and premium cigars are taxed 15% of the wholesale price. All other tobacco products are taxed 30% of the wholesale price.



#### **CLEAN INDOOR AIR ORDINANCES**

• Smoking is prohibited in all government workplaces, private workplaces, schools, childcare facilities, restaurants, bars, casinos/gaming establishments, retail stores, and recreational/cultural facilities.

#### YOUTH ACCESS LAWS

- The minimum age requirement for the purchase of tobacco products is 18, and penalties exist for both minors and merchants who violate this law.
- The sale to minors of electronic cigarettes is prohibited.

## **CESSATION STATISTICS AND BENEFITS**

- The CDC estimates that 51.2% of adult every day smokers in Maryland quit smoking for one or more days in 2015.9
- The Affordable Care Act requires all Medicaid programs cover all tobacco cessation medications beginning January 1, 2014.<sup>8†</sup>
- Maryland's state quitline invests \$1.87 per smoker; the national average investment per smoker is \$3.46.
- Maryland does have a private insurance mandate provision for cessation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup>The seven recommended cessation medications are NRT Gum, NRT Patch, NRT Nasal Spray, NRT Inhaler, NRT Lozenge, Varenicline (Chantix), and Bupropion (Zyban).

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