The state of tobacco control
Wells County

There is no tobacco control grant in Wells County for 2021-2023.

Tobacco and Health in Wells County

Percent of adults who smoke: 21.3%

Lung cancer deaths per 100,000 residents: 42.4

Cardiovascular disease deaths per 100,000 residents: 221.2

Asthma related emergency room visits per 100,000 residents: 28.0

Smoking and Pregnancy

Births affected by smoking:
- low birth weight
- SIDS
- reduced lung function

Cost of smoking related births: $86,912

Percent of pregnant women who smoke:
- Indiana: 11.8%
- Wells County: 19.1%

Smoking deaths

Deaths attributable to smoking: 46

Deaths due to secondhand smoke: 7

Economic burden of secondhand smoke: $9.1 Million

Smoking related illness

1,383

$6.1 billion
Economic cost in Indiana due to smoking

$903 per Indiana household
State and federal tax burden from smoking-caused government expenditures

*Asian, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, American Indians, and those identifying as multiple races. These racial groups are combined due to being underrepresented in Indiana.