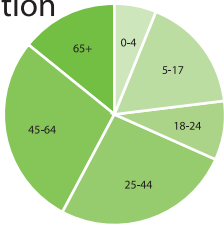


# LaPorte County

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**Healthy Communities of LaPorte County**  
 Coordinator: Sarah Null

Total Population  
 111,467



Population by age group



Population by race

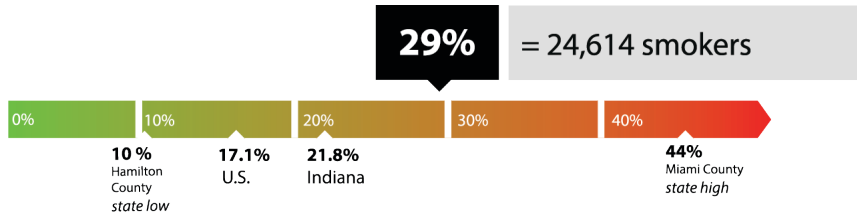
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## TOBACCO AND HEALTH IN LAPORTE COUNTY

### Percent of adults who smoke



### Smoking and pregnancy

**Births affected by smoking** 275

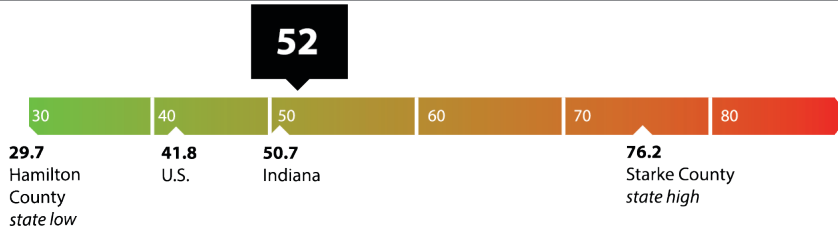
*low birth weight, SIDS, reduced lung function*

**Cost of smoking related births** \$373,450

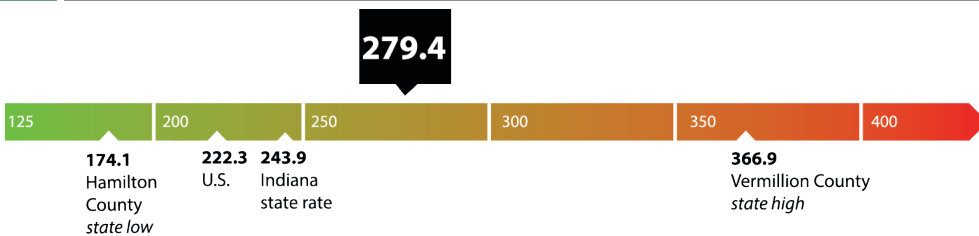
### Percent of pregnant women who smoke

Indiana ..... 13.5%  
 LaPorte County ..... 21.6%

### Lung cancer deaths per 100,000 residents



### Cardiovascular disease deaths per 100,000 residents



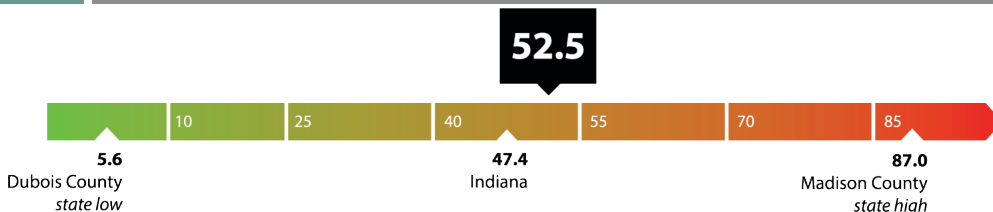
### Smoking deaths

**Deaths attributable to smoking** 196

**Deaths due to secondhand smoke** 23

**Economic burden of secondhand smoke: \$37.2 million**

### Asthma related emergency room visits per 10,000 residents



### Smoking related illness

5,880

## TOBACCO CONTROL FUNDING

**\$188,000**

Funding in LaPorte County for July 2017- June 2019.

**\$6.1 billion**

Economic cost in Indiana due to smoking.

**\$903 per Indiana household**

State and federal tax burden from smoking-caused government expenditures.

## TOBACCO FREE POLICIES

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### **Hospitals and Health Care Facilities:**

- LaPorte Regional Health
- St. Anthony Health Memorial Health

### **Colleges and Universities:**

- Purdue University - North Central
- Ivy Tech - Michigan City

### **School Districts:**

- M S D of New Durham Township
- New Prairie United School Corporation
- South Central Community School Corporation
- Cass Township Schools
- Dewey Township Schools
- LaPorte Community School Corporation
- Tri-Township Consolidated School Corporation

## COMMUNITY-BASED TOBACCO CONTROL COALITION

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- Purdue University North Central
- Michigan City Area Schools
- LaPorte Community School Corporation
- Head Start of LaPorte County
- New Prairie United School Corporation
- Woodland Cancer Clinic
- HealthLinc Community Health Center
- American Cancer Society
- LaPorte County Health Department
- Open Door Adolescent Health Center
- Samaritan Center Counseling Center
- Swanson Center Mental Health Services
- Franciscan Health Saint Anthony
- Indiana University Health Community Center
- Health Council of LaPorte County
- Women's Care Center
- Michigan City Minority Health Coalition
- First United Methodist Church of LaPorte
- LaPorte County Bar Association
- Michigan City Housing Authority
- City of LaPorte Mayor's office
- Michigan City Township Trustee
- Purdue Extension
- Howes & Howes Law Firm
- Fiber Bond Corporation
- Michigan City Economic Development Corporation
- Safe Harbor Afterschool Program
- Dunebrook Child Advocacy
- Youth Services Bureau
- CASA/Harmony House
- Michigan City Head Start
- United Way of La Porte County
- La Porte YMCA
- Covering Kids and Families of LaPorte County
- Drug Free Partnership of LaPorte County

## COMMUNITY INDICATORS

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**Protect and maintain local tobacco control coalition** infrastructure needed to combat tobacco use, as well as working with community organizations to reduce tobacco use among those groups most impacted by tobacco

### **Decrease adult smoking rates by:**

- Promoting the Indiana Tobacco Quitline (1-800-QUIT NOW) throughout the community
- Supporting employers to create healthier employees through employer supported tobacco treatment resources to their workforce

### **Decrease youth smoking rates by:**

- Supporting community efforts for counter tobacco point-of-sale strategies at the local level

### **Protect Hoosiers from exposures to secondhand smoke by:**

- Supporting local or statewide smoke-free air ordinances for worksites, including restaurants, bars and gaming facilities
- Working towards tobacco-free policies in school districts
- Working toward smoke-free policies in multi-unit housing

