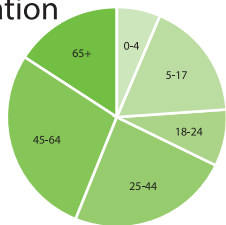


Starke County

Lead agency:
Drug and Tobacco Free Starke County
 Coalition Coordinator: Linda Molenda

Total Population
 23,363



Population by age group

Hispanic	766
White	22,683
African American	66

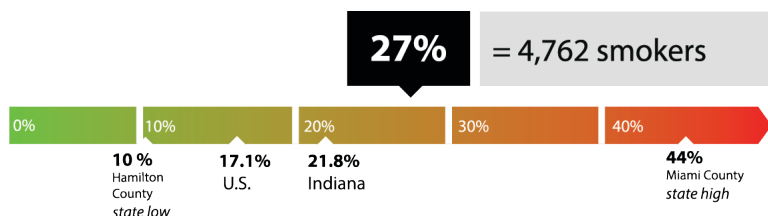
Population by race

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TOBACCO AND HEALTH IN STARKE COUNTY

Percent of adults who smoke



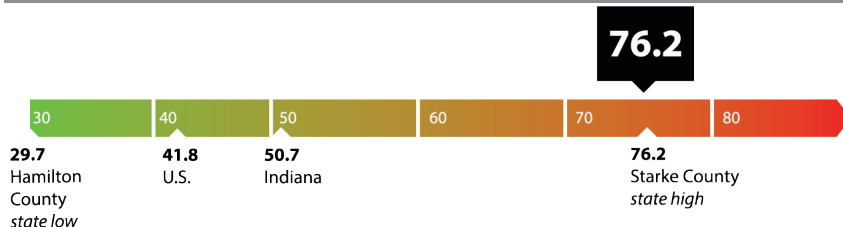
Smoking and pregnancy

Births affected by smoking **57**

low birth weight, SIDS, reduced lung function

Cost of smoking related births **\$77,406**

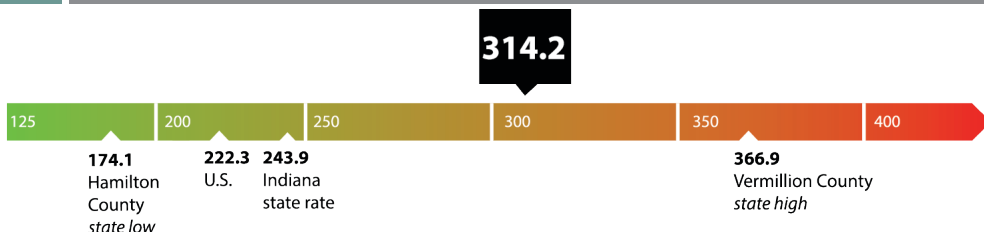
Lung cancer deaths per 100,000 residents



Percent of pregnant women who smoke

Indiana 13.5%
 Starke County 21.6%

Cardiovascular disease deaths per 100,000 residents

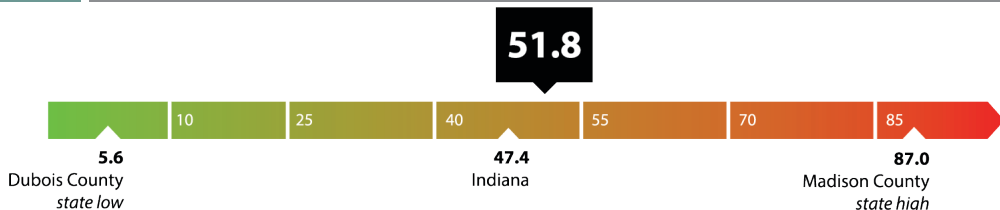


Smoking deaths

Deaths attributable to smoking
40

Deaths due to secondhand smoke
5

Asthma related emergency room visits per 10,000 residents



Smoking related illness

1,207

TOBACCO CONTROL FUNDING

\$60,000

Funding in Starke 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

Hospitals and Health Care Facilities:

- IU Health Starke Hospital
- Porter-Starke Services

School Districts:

- North Judson-San Pierre School Corporation
- Knox Community School Corporation
- Oregon-Davis School Corporation

COMMUNITY-BASED TOBACCO CONTROL COALITION

- Knox Community School Corporation
- North Judson-San Pierre School Corporation
- Oregon-Davis School Corporation
- Porter-Starke Services
- Drug and Tobacco Free Starke County
- Governor's Commission for a Drug Free Indiana
- Drug Free Fulton County
- Marshall County Drug and Tobacco Free
- Porter-Starke Services
- HealthLinc
- Indiana University Health Starke Hospital
- First Baptist Church of Knox
- Youth of Integrity
- Community Corrections
- Starke County Sheriff's Department
- Indiana State Police
- Hamlet Police Department
- Knox Police Department
- Starke County Youth Club
- Youth of Integrity
- Head Start
- Early Head Start
- The Caring Place
- Coalition Against Domestic Abuse
- Moving Starke County Forward
- Hamlet Lion's Club

COMMUNITY INDICATORS

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 a healthier workforce through providing tobacco employer-sponsored cessation resources to their employees

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 toward smoke-free policies in multi-unit housing

