

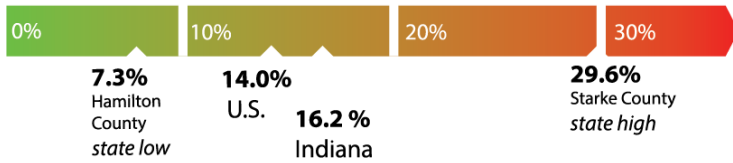
# The state of tobacco control in Spencer County

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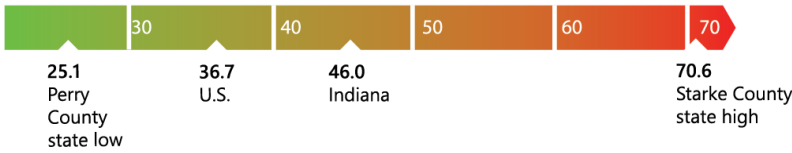
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## Tobacco and Health in Spencer County

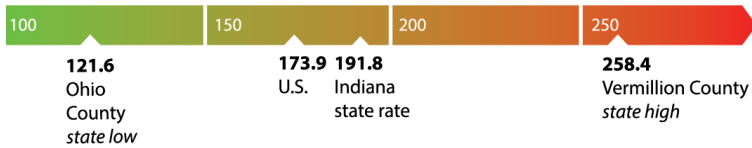
 **Percent of adults who smoke** **19.4%**



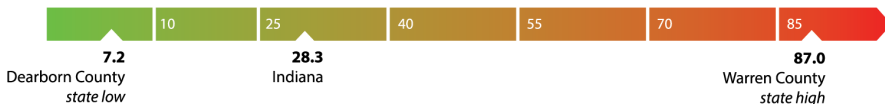
 **Lung cancer deaths** **49.6**  
per 100,000 residents



 **Heart disease deaths** **217.2**  
per 100,000 residents



 **Asthma related emergency room visits** **14.7**  
per 10,000 residents



**Total Population**  
**19,810**

White: 18,557  
Black: 131  
Hispanic: 676  
Asian: 73  
Other\*: 289

### **Smoking and Pregnancy**

**Births affected by smoking** **12**  
*low birth weight, SIDS, reduced lung function*

**Percent of pregnant women who smoke:**  
Indiana: **6.6%**  
Spencer County: **5.8\*%**

### **Smoking deaths**

**Deaths attributable to smoking**  
**32**  
**Deaths due to secondhand smoke**  
**5**

 **Smoking related illness**  
**972**

## Tobacco Control Funding

**\$240,000**

Funding in Spencer County for July 2023-June 2025



**\$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.

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