

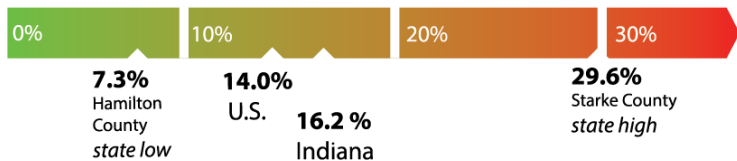
# The state of tobacco control in Blackford County

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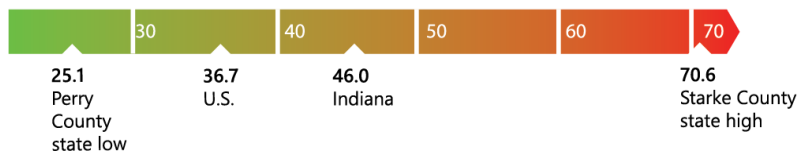
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## Tobacco and Health in Blackford County

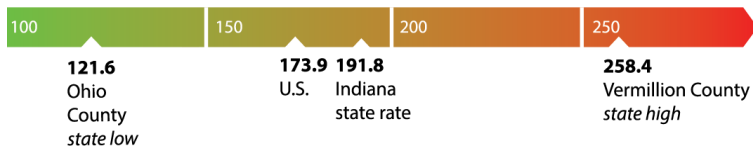
 **Percent of adults who smoke** **24.3%**



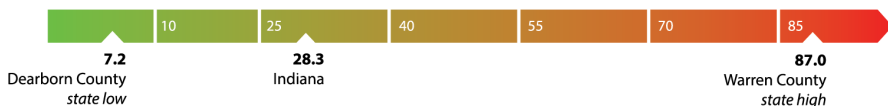
 **Lung cancer deaths** **67.7**  
per 100,000 residents



 **Heart disease deaths** **205.4**  
per 100,000 residents



 **Asthma related emergency room visits** **36.8**  
per 10,000 residents



## Tobacco Control Funding

**\$100,000**

Funding in Blackford 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

**Total Population**  
**12,112**

White: 11,380  
Black: 59  
Hispanic: 252  
Asian: 24  
Other\*: 98



## Smoking and Pregnancy

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

Percent of pregnant women who smoke:

Indiana: **6.6%**

Blackford County: **11.3\*%**



## Smoking deaths

Deaths attributable to smoking

**20**

Deaths due to secondhand smoke

**3**



## Smoking related illness

**594**

\*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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