

MISSOURI RECEIVES ABOUT



\$130 Million

FROM MAJOR TOBACCO COMPANIES EVERY YEAR TO COMPENSATE FOR HEALTH PROBLEMS CAUSED BY SMOKING.

Missouri spends about

0.1 PERCENT

of what the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends the state spend on tobacco prevention and cessation.



MISSOURI RANKED

48

for tobacco cessation spending in fiscal year 2019.



1998

was the year Missouri and 45 other states signed the Master Settlement Agreement for tobacco. Missouri is the only state in the agreement where small tobacco companies that did not exist in 1998 do not have to pay into the settlement.



Missouri ranked
51

for its state tobacco tax in 2018. In the same year, the national average tax on a pack of cigarettes was \$1.73 while in Missouri it was only 17 cents.

About

2,600

people under the age of 18 become daily smokers in Missouri every year.