



STATES AND LOCALITIES THAT HAVE RAISED THE MINIMUM LEGAL SALE AGE FOR TOBACCO PRODUCTS TO 21

On December 20, 2019, President Trump signed legislation to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, and raise the federal minimum age of sale of tobacco products from 18 to 21 years, effective immediately. Prior to the federal increase, nineteen states – Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Illinois, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia and Washington – had raised the tobacco age to 21, along with Washington, DC and at least 540 localities, covering over half of the US population. Subsequent to the federal age of sale increase, Colorado, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Minnesota, Mississippi, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Tennessee and Wyoming have raised their tobacco age to 21. The strength of state and local laws, such as their enforcement and penalties, varies substantially.

States

States listed in order of effective date. States in bold passed their legislation prior to the federal minimum age of sale increase.

Hawaii (effective 1/1/16)
California (effective 6/9/16)
New Jersey (effective 11/1/17)
Oregon (effective 1/1/18)
Maine (effective 7/1/18)
Massachusetts (effective 12/31/18)
Illinois (effective 7/1/19)
Virginia (effective 7/1/19)
Delaware (effective 7/16/19)
Arkansas (effective 9/1/19)
Texas (effective 9/1/19)
Vermont (effective 9/1/19)
Connecticut (effective 10/1/19)
Maryland (effective 10/1/19)
Ohio (effective 10/17/19)

New York (effective 11/13/19)
Washington (effective 1/1/20)
Oklahoma (effective 5/19/20)
Iowa (effective 6/29/20)
Indiana (effective 7/1/20)
Pennsylvania (effective 7/1/20)
South Dakota (effective 7/1/20)
Utah (effective 7/1/20)
Wyoming (effective 7/1/20)
Colorado (effective 7/14/20)
Kentucky (effective 8/1/20)
Minnesota (effective 8/1/20)
Mississippi (effective 7/8/20)
New Mexico (effective 1/1/21)
Tennessee (effective 1/1/21)

Localities

Local laws enacted after increase in federal age of sale not listed.

Alaska (2)

1. Anchorage
2. Sitka

Arizona (5)

1. Cottonwood
2. Douglas
3. Flagstaff
4. Goodyear
5. Tucson

Arkansas (3)

1. Harrison
2. Helena/West Helena
3. Phillips County

California (16)¹

1. Arvin
2. Elk Grove
3. Fairfax
4. Healdsburg
5. Kern County
6. Los Gatos
7. Novato
8. Palo Alto
9. San Francisco City/Ctny
10. Santa Clara County
11. Santa Cruz County
12. Saratoga
13. Scotts Valley
14. Sonoma County
15. South El Monte

California (cont'd)

16. South Pasadena

Colorado (22)

1. Aspen
2. Avon
3. Basalt
4. Boulder
5. Breckenridge
6. Broomfield
7. Carbondale
8. Castle Pines
9. Denver
10. Dillon
11. Edgewater
12. Frisco

Colorado (cont'd)

13. Glenwood Springs
14. Golden
15. Gypsum
16. Lafayette
17. Louisville
18. Minturn
19. Silverthorne
20. Snowmass
21. Summit County
22. Superior

Connecticut (8)

1. Bridgeport
2. Hartford
3. Meriden
4. Milford
5. Southington
6. South Windsor
7. Trumbull
8. Wallingford

Florida (2)

1. Alachua County
2. Fort Lauderdale

Georgia (1)

1. Smyrna

Hawaii (1)

1. Hawaii County

Illinois (40)

1. Arlington Heights
2. Aurora
3. Barrington
4. Berwyn
5. Bolingbrook
6. Buffalo Grove
7. Chicago
8. Cook County
9. Deerfield
10. Des Plaines
11. Downers Grove
12. Elgin
13. Elk Grove
14. Evanston
15. Glen Ellyn
16. Gurnee
17. Highland Park
18. Hoffman Estates
19. Hopkins Park
20. Lake County²
21. Lake in the Hills
22. Lake Zurich
23. Lincolnshire

Illinois (cont'd)

24. Maywood
25. Mount Prospect
26. Mundelein
27. Naperville
28. Normal
29. Oak Park
30. Park Ridge
31. Peoria
32. Plainfield
33. Riverwoods
34. Rolling Meadows
35. Skokie
36. Vernon Hills
37. Washington
38. West Chicago
39. Wheaton
40. Wilmette

Kansas (25)

1. Bonner Springs
2. Douglas County²
3. Garden City
4. Holcomb
5. Iola
6. Johnson County²
7. Kansas City/Wyandotte Cty
8. Lansing
9. Leavenworth
10. Leawood
11. Lenexa
12. Merriam
13. Mission Hills
14. Newton
15. Olathe
16. Overland Park
17. Paola
18. Parsons
19. Prairie Village
20. Roeland Park
21. Sabetha
22. Shawnee County²
23. Topeka³
24. Westwood
25. Westwood Hills

Maine (1)

1. Portland

Massachusetts (237)⁴

1. Acton
2. Acushnet
3. Adams
4. Agawam
5. Amesbury
6. Amherst

Massachusetts (cont'd)

7. Andover
8. Arlington
9. Ashburnham
10. Ashby
11. Ashland
12. Athol
13. Attleboro
14. Avon
15. Ayer
16. Barnstable
17. Bedford
18. Belchertown
19. Bellingham
20. Belmont
21. Beverly
22. Billerica
23. Blackstone
24. Bolton
25. Boston
26. Bourne
27. Braintree
28. Brewster
29. Bridgewater
30. Brimfield
31. Brockton
32. Brookline
33. Buckland
34. Burlington
35. Cambridge
36. Canton
37. Carver
38. Charlemont
39. Chatham
40. Chelmsford
41. Chelsea
42. Chicopee
43. Chilmark
44. Clinton
45. Cohasset
46. Concord
47. Conway
48. Dalton
49. Danvers
50. Dartmouth
51. Dedham
52. Deerfield
53. Dighton
54. Dover
55. Dracut
56. Duxbury
57. East Longmeadow
58. Eastham
59. Easthampton
60. Easton
61. Edgartown

Massachusetts (cont'd)

62. Egremont
63. Essex
64. Everett
65. Fairhaven
66. Fall River
67. Falmouth
68. Fitchburg
69. Foxboro
70. Framingham
71. Franklin
72. Georgetown
73. Gill
74. Gloucester
75. Grafton
76. Great Barrington
77. Greenfield
78. Groton
79. Hadley
80. Halifax
81. Hamilton
82. Hanover
83. Harvard
84. Harwich
85. Hatfield
86. Haverhill
87. Heath
88. Hingham
89. Hinsdale
90. Holbrook
91. Holden
92. Holliston
93. Holyoke
94. Hopedale
95. Hopkinton
96. Hubbard
97. Hudson
98. Hull
99. Ipswich
100. Kingston
101. Lancaster
102. Lanesborough
103. Lawrence
104. Lee
105. Lenox
106. Leominster
107. Leverett
108. Lexington
109. Lincoln
110. Littleton
111. Longmeadow
112. Lowell
113. Ludlow
114. Lynn
115. Lynnfield
116. Malden

Massachusetts (cont'd)

117. Manchester
118. Mansfield
119. Marblehead
120. Marion
121. Marlborough
122. Marshfield
123. Mashpee
124. Maynard
125. Medfield
126. Medford
127. Medway
128. Melrose
129. Mendon
130. Methuen
131. Middleton
132. Milford
133. Millbury
134. Millis
135. Milton
136. Montague
137. Nantucket
138. Natick
139. Needham
140. New Bedford
141. Newton
142. Norfolk
143. North Adams
144. North Andover
145. North Attleboro
146. Northborough
147. Northbridge
148. Northampton
149. North Reading
150. Norton
151. Norwell
152. Norwood
153. Oak Bluffs
154. Orange
155. Orleans
156. Otis
157. Oxford
158. Palmer
159. Peabody
160. Pembroke
161. Pittsfield
162. Plainville
163. Plymouth
164. Provincetown
165. Quincy
166. Randolph
167. Raynham
168. Reading
169. Revere
170. Rockland
171. Rockport

Massachusetts (cont'd)

172. Rowley
173. Rutland
174. Salem
175. Salisbury
176. Saugus
177. Scituate
178. Sharon
179. Sheffield
180. Shelburne
181. Sherborn
182. Shrewsbury
183. Somerville
184. South Hadley
185. Southampton
186. Southborough
187. Southbridge
188. Southwick
189. Spencer
190. Springfield
191. Stockbridge
192. Stoneham
193. Stoughton
194. Stow
195. Sturbridge
196. Sudbury
197. Sunderland
198. Sutton
199. Swampscott
200. Swansea
201. Taunton
202. Templeton
203. Tewksbury
204. Tisbury
205. Topsfield
206. Townsend
207. Tyngsboro
208. Uxbridge
209. Wakefield
210. Walpole
211. Waltham
212. Wareham
213. Watertown
214. Wayland
215. Wellesley
216. Wellfleet
217. Wenham
218. Westboro
219. West Boylston
220. Westfield
221. Westford
222. Weston
223. Westport
224. West Tisbury
225. Westwood
226. Weymouth

Massachusetts (cont'd)

227. Whately
228. Whitman
229. Wilbraham
230. Williamstown
231. Wilmington
232. Winchendon
233. Winchester
234. Winthrop
235. Woburn
236. Worcester
237. Yarmouth

Michigan (2)

1. Ann Arbor
2. Genesee County³

Minnesota (60)

1. Adams
2. Albert Lea
3. Arden Hills
4. Austin
5. Beltrami County
6. Bemidji
7. Benton County
8. Bloomington
9. Braham
10. Byron
11. Brooklyn Center
12. Cook County
13. Duluth
14. Eden Prairie
15. Edina
16. Excelsior
17. Falcon Heights
18. Fergus Falls
19. Forest Lake
20. Golden Valley
21. Greenfield
22. Hennepin County
23. Hermantown
24. Isanti County
25. Lauderdale
26. Lilydale
27. Little Canada
28. Mankato
29. Mendota Heights
30. Minneapolis
31. Minnetonka
32. Mound
33. Mounds View
34. New Brighton
35. North Mankato
36. North Oaks
37. Olmsted County
38. Otter Tail County

Minnesota (cont'd)

39. Owatonna
40. Plymouth
41. Pope County
42. Richfield
43. Robbinsdale
44. Rockford
45. Roseville
46. Rushford
47. St. Anthony
48. St. Bonifacius
49. St. James
50. St. Louis Park
51. St. Paul
52. St. Peter
53. Scandia
54. Shoreview
55. Stevens County
56. Stewartsville
57. Waseca
58. West St. Paul
59. Wilkin County
60. Wright County

Mississippi (1)

1. Adams County²

Missouri (27)

1. Belton
2. Carl Junction
3. Columbia
4. Crestwood
5. Des Peres
6. Eldon
7. Excelsior Springs
8. Gladstone
9. Grandview
10. Hallsville
11. Independence
12. Jackson County²
13. Jefferson City
14. Joplin
15. Kansas City
16. Kearney
17. Lee's Summit
18. Liberty
19. Oak Grove
20. Parkville
21. Peculiar
22. Pleasant Valley
23. Raymore
24. Smithville Springfield
25. St. Louis City
26. St. Louis County
27. Wildwood

New Hampshire (5)

1. Dover
2. Durham
3. Franklin
4. Keene
5. Newmarket

New Jersey (28)

1. Belleville
2. Bergenfield
3. Bloomingdale
4. Bogota
5. Bradley Beach
6. Cedar Grove
7. East Orange
8. East Rutherford
9. Englewood
10. Fairlawn
11. Garfield
12. Haledon
13. Hanover
14. Highland Park
15. Maplewood
16. Oradell
17. Paterson
18. Princeton
19. Raritan
20. Rutherford
21. Sayreville
22. Teaneck
23. Tenafly
24. Trenton
25. Union City
26. West Orange
27. Westwood
28. Wyckoff

New York (25)

1. Albany County
2. Baxter Estates
3. Cattaraugus County
4. Chautauqua County
5. Cortland County
6. Essex County
7. Great Neck Plaza
8. Hempstead
9. Long Beach
10. Nassau County
11. New Castle
12. New York City
13. North Hempstead
14. Onondaga County
15. Orange County
16. Port Washington North
17. Putnam County
18. Rockland County

New York (cont'd)

19. Schenectady County
20. Suffolk County
21. Sullivan County
22. Tompkins County
23. Ulster County
24. Westchester County
25. Williston Park

Ohio (26)

1. Akron
2. Bexley
3. Brooklyn
4. Brook Park
5. Cincinnati
6. Cleveland
7. Cleveland Heights
8. Columbus
9. Dublin
10. Euclid
11. Girard
12. Grandview Heights
13. Green
14. Kent
15. Lakewood
16. Mogadore
17. New Albany
18. Newburgh Heights
19. Norton
20. Powell
21. Richfield
22. Summit County²
23. Twinsburg
24. Upper Arlington
25. Wickliffe
26. Worthington

Oregon (1)

1. Lane County

Rhode Island (2)

1. Barrington³
2. Central Falls

Texas (3)

1. Kirby
2. Leon Valley
3. San Antonio

Utah (2)

1. Cedar Hills
2. Lehi

Washington, DC**US Territories**

1. Guam

¹CA localities courtesy of ANR

² Only applies to unincorporated areas of the County

³Challenged in court

⁴ MA localities courtesy of the Municipal Tobacco Control Technical Assistance Program