

# Reducing Tobacco Use and Secondhand Smoke Exposure: Interventions to Increase the Unit Price for Tobacco Products

## Summary Evidence Table - Economic Evidence

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Ahmad, 2005	Simulated CA	Simulated price increases of 20%, 40%, 60%, 80%, 100% from baseline average of \$3.95/pack	<p>Econometric estimates of price elasticity using BRFSS data (see Table 1 on p. 279 in original). Note that this is prevalence only.</p> <p>Age- and gender-specific initiation, cessation, and relapse probabilities from regression models (TUS, NHIS).</p> <p>Simulation parameter sources:  <b>Population:</b> US Census  <b>Smoking prevalence:</b> BRFSS, TAPS, CA DHS  <b>Fertility:</b> CA DHS  <b>Mortality:</b> estimated as function of age, gender, smoking status (CPS, NHIS) assuming Weibull distribution  <b>Migration:</b> CA DF</p> <p>Medical costs increasing over time in model.</p>	N/A	<p>Health care (HC) costs averted calculated with MEPS data and from Hodgson 2001. Sum of medical costs of population; each individual assigned their age/ gender/ smoking status average medical cost.</p> <p>Additional tax revenue.</p>	<p>Medical cost savings (\$2003 billion)</p> <p>20%: 187.8 (229.58)            40%: 286.1 (349.76)            60%: 345.1 (421.88)            80%: 384.0 (469.44)            100%: 411.6 (503.18)</p> <p>Additional tax revenues (\$2003 billion):</p> <p>20%: 10 (12.22)            40%: 18.14 (22.18)            60%: 25.26 (30.88)            80%: 31.97 (39.08)            100%: 38.15 (46.64)</p> <p>(see Table 3 on p. 281 in original)</p> <p>Life years, [quality-adjusted life year (QALYs)] gained (see Table 2 on p. 280 in original)</p>

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			Model results calibrated to external sources (CA Dept. of Health Services, CA Dept. of Finance, and American Academy of Actuaries).  No discounting.			
Ahmad & Franz, 2008	Simulated USA  Based on USA population  20 years	Simulated price increases of 20%, 40%, 60%, 80%, 100% from baseline average of \$3.37/pack  Sensitivity analysis on elasticity (see Table 3 on p. 8 in original).	Econometric estimates of price elasticity using BRFSS data (see Table 1 on p. 6 in original).  Age- and gender-specific initiation, cessation, and relapse probabilities from regression models (data from TUS, NHIS, TAPS II).  Simulation parameters (publicly available data): <b>Population:</b> Fertility <b>Mortality:</b> estimated as function of age, gender, smoking status assuming Weibull distribution <b>Net migration:</b> US Census Smoking status: BRFSS, TAPS  Model calibrated to external data sources (e.g. CDC, TIPS, CPS, American	N/A	HC costs averted calculated with MEPS data and estimates from literature (Hodgson 1992). Sum of medical costs of population; each individual assigned their age/gender/smoking status average medical cost.  Additional tax revenue.	Medical cost savings (\$2000 billion) 20%: 178.7 (233.43) 40%: 316.7 (413.69) 60%: 428.2 (559.34) 80%: 521 (680.57) 100%: 600 (783.76)  Additional tax revenues (\$2000 billion): 20%: 194.98 (254.70) 40%: 364.87 (476.62) 60%: 516.8 (675.08) 80%: 655.04 (855.66) 100%: 782.39 (1022.01)  Life years, QALYs gained  (see Table 2 on p. 7 in original)

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Congressional Budget Office, 2012 Projection Benefit-only Government	USA Based on USA population projections  Size, demographic breakdown, and smoking behavior to match USA population as projected over time horizon  Short term (through 2021), long term (through 2085)	\$0.50 per pack increase in federal excise tax on cigarettes and small cigars, adjusted to keep pace with inflation and (in the long term) income growth.	Assumed average prevalence elasticity slightly less than - 0.3 (with sensitivity analysis).  Regression estimates of the effects of smoking on health care spending (MEPS, NHIS), longevity (NHIS, Nat'l Death Index), earnings (CPS and TUS—adjusts for unobservable differences).  (Also looked at second hand smoke (SHS))  Age- and gender-specific initiation, cessation, and relapse probabilities from regression models.  Created an index to control for delay in health improvement upon quitting.	N/A	Medicaid, Medicare, HI exchange subsidies, FEHB, SS, Civil Service retirement, Military (both health care costs and retirement costs) Revenues from excise tax and from increased income taxes from more productive, longer-lived labor force.	2013-2021 Medicaid: -\$563million(m), including \$95m from pregnancy outcomes and \$103m from children's exposure to SHS  Medicare: -\$251m (savings from smoking-related costs minus longevity costs) Subsidies through HI exchanges: -\$95m  FEHB: -\$17m for retirees, - \$24m for current workers Social Security: OASI +\$152m, DI - \$1m  Civil Service Retirement: +\$19m  Military Programs: +\$17m retirement, -\$3m and -\$61m health care, -

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						<p>\$18m VHA</p> <p>Revenues: add \$38b, mostly from excise tax</p> <p>2013-2085: Increase non-interest spending by 0.002% of GDP in 2035, and by 0.012% of GDP in 2085</p> <p>Increase revenues by 0.025% GDP in 2035, by 0.027% of GDP in 2085, (overall deficit reducing)</p>
<p>MacKillop et al., 2012</p> <p>In-person descriptive survey assessment (informed by behavioral econ theory)</p> <p>Estimate cost savings and tax revenue</p> <p>Societal</p>	<p>Academic departments at 3 universities (Athens, GA; Providence, RI; Aiken, SC)</p> <p>Estimates of benefits for 10 US states (AL, GA, ID, KY, LA, NC, ND, SC, VA, WV)</p>	<p>Survey of hypothetical cigarette consumption at 73 prices, from \$0 to \$10.</p> <p>Then projected effects of \$1 per pack increase in price, with incomplete pass-through (equivalent to</p>	<p>Changes in demand according to hypothetical consumption from survey. Note, left-digit effects, bitonic curvilinear demand.</p> <p>Reduction in HC costs and lost productivity from estimated economic burden per pack sold (campaign for tobacco-free kids)</p>	N/A	<p>Average HC cost averted of \$530.6m (varies by state)</p> <p>(See Table 3 on p. 7 in original.)</p>	<p>Disability-adjusted life year (DALYs) gained: 85,000 for men, 60,000 for women</p> <p>Average HC cost averted \$530.6m</p> <p>(See Table 3 on p. 7 in original for state-by-state savings.)</p>

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Ranson et al., 2011	Global [high income countries (HIC)]	10% price increase	Elasticity of -0.2 to -0.8; with 3x higher for 15-19 year olds and 2x higher for 20-29 year olds than for 30+ (no difference by gender)	0.005-0.02% of GNP (assumed value)	0.5-1.6m deaths averted in high income region	\$116/DALY saved to \$3884/DALY saved, depending on cost of intervention and discount rate applied
Static cohort model	Smokers in 1995				Does not include tax revenues	
Cost effectiveness analysis (CEA)	Smokers (age and gender breakdown where appropriate)		Assume 50% of impact is on prevalence.			
Societal	1995 to death of cohort		95% of quitters aged 15-29 avoid tobacco-related death; 75% of quitters aged 30-39, 70% of 40-49, 50% of 50-59, 10% of 60+			
			Discount rates used are 3% and 10%			
			Account for delay in health improvement upon quitting.			
Reed, 2010	UK	Postulated 5% real price increase, afterwards adjusted for inflation	Prevalence elasticity of -0.35 (with separate sensitivity analysis for -0.25 and -0.54)	N/A	CBA (all monetized)	CBA: 50 year horizon £10.2b in NPV (\$15.98b)
Projection	Changes to size and age structure of UK pop from U.K. Office of National Statistics (ONS).		Risk of developing a smoking-related disease (aggregated): two possible risk evolution profiles, low and high, account for fact		-Does not include end-of-life HC costs for those who quit smoking (or never start) on philosophical grounds -Savings to NHS (£1.97b/\$3.08b)	PFA: 5 year average £519m (\$811.19m) (see Tables 3 and 4)
Cost benefit analysis (CBA), Public finances analysis (PFA)						

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Government	50 years (2010-2059) for CBA, 5 years (2010-2014) for PFA		<p>that risk of smoking-related adverse health outcomes declines gradually upon quitting</p> <p>Age-adjusted mortality figures for smokers and ex-smokers from literature.</p> <p>Discount rate: 3.5%</p>		<p>-Output gains due to reduced mortality (£1.15b/\$1.79b)</p> <p>-Output gains due to reduced absenteeism (£1.36b/\$2.13b)</p> <p>-Years of life gained ('human value' of prevention of a fatality just under £1 million) (£5.75b/\$8.98b)—note that this accounts for the lion's share of the benefits in the CBA</p> <p>PFA</p> <p>-Increased revenue from tobacco tax (£433.7m/\$677.86m)</p> <p>-Savings to NHS (£27.4m/\$42.83m)</p> <p>-Increased tax revenue from additional years of working life (£14.9m/\$23.29m) and reduced absenteeism (£16.7m/\$26.10m)</p> <p>-Reduced benefit</p>	

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					spending on sickness/disability (£33.3m/\$52.05m)  -Increased benefit spending for retired people (-£3.6m/- \$5.63m)  (€2010)	
Van Baal et al., 2007  Discrete dynamic simulation (Chronic Disease Model(CDM))  CEA	The Netherlands  25, 50, 100 years	10% price increase (via 15% tax increase)	Total elasticity of demand - 0.4; prevalence modeled as 25%, 50%, 75% of total elasticity  Initiation, quit and relapse rates return to baseline after first year. Note: no effect through decreased initiation.  Parameters and variables specified for age/gender in CDM  HC costs from Dutch Cost of Illness study Discount rate 4% for costs, 1.5% for effects	N/A - strict health care perspective	Smoking-related HC costs decrease, but increased longevity means incidence of all diseases increases (cost savings over 20 years, then expensive chronic diseases mean net positive costs)  Assuming prevalence elasticity of -0.2, total health care costs increase by €84m (\$109.92m) over 100 years.  Tax revenues in NPV (4% discount rate) over 100 years: €3.7b-4.2b (\$4.84b-5.50b).  (€2004)	Over 50 years: €1700/LY (\$2224.54/LY)  €2000/QALY (\$2617.11/QALY)  Over 100 years: €2000/LY (\$2617.11/LY)  €2500/QALY (\$3271.38/QALY)  Note: 3% of additional revenues cover the additional health care cost over the 100 year time horizon  Cost saving over 25 yrs. (see Table 2)

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Van Genugten et al., 2003  Dynamic model  Benefit only	The Netherlands  Birth cohorts by gender  Looking at lung cancer, coronary heart disease, stroke, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)  Cohorts followed from 1994-2050	50% price increase (via tax increase)	Start and quit rates from age-period cohort analysis  Prevalence elasticities: -1.2 for teenagers -0.08 for adult men -0.23 for adult women  In first year, start rates 60% lower than references value; quit rates are 4% (male) and 11.5% (female) higher. Effects diminish 3% per year due to inflation, returning quit rates to baseline values in 1 year. Thus mostly affect teenagers.  Assume no remission from smoking related diseases  HC costs from Cost of Illness in The Netherlands  Migration, birth, total mortality by gender/age from Statistics Netherlands	N/A - strict health care perspective	HC costs averted: €145m for men, €120m for women  See Figure on p. 498 in original.  (€1999)	DALYs gained: 85,000 for men, 60,000 for women  €145m for men (\$215.14m)  €120m for women (\$178.04m)  Approximate—values taken from figures in the paper.