

## IMPACT ON YOUTH SMOKING, DEATHS & RELATED HEALTH COSTS FROM CHANGES TO NEW JERSEY TOBACCO PREVENTION FUNDING

Current State investments in tobacco prevention each year: \$7.6 million
[CDC recommended tobacco prevention funding for New Jersey: \$119.8 million]

## Youth Smoking Impacts from Eliminating State Tobacco Prevention Funding

- Increase in youth smoking rates: 1.3%
- > More state kids growing up to become addicted adult smokers: 7,090
- ➤ More kids growing up to die prematurely from smoking: 2,260
- > Related increased future healthcare expenditures in state: \$124.0 million
  - State Medicaid Program's healthcare spending increases: \$26.2 million

For Additional Information, see: http://tobaccofreekids.org/research/factsheets/index.php?CategoryID=6.

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Notes & Sources: U.S. Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, Best Practices for Comprehensive Tobacco Control Programs, October 2007, <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/tobacco/tobacco-control-programs/stateandcommunity/best-practices">http://www.cdc.gov/tobacco/tobacco-control-programs/stateandcommunity/best-practices</a>. Changes to future healthcare costs occur during the lifetimes of the affected youths. Tauras, J, et al., "State Tobacco Control Spending and Youth Smoking," American Journal of Public Health 95(2):338-44, February 2005 (and related data from authors). Hodgson, TA, "Cigarette Smoking and Lifetime Medical Expenditures," Milbank Quarterly 70(1), 1992. Warner, KE, et al., "Medical Costs of Smoking in the United States: Estimates, Their Validity, and Their Implications," Tobacco Control 8(3): 290-300, Autumn 1999. CDC, "Annual Smoking-Attributable Mortality, Years of Potential Life Lost, and Economic Costs—United States 1995-1999," Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR) 51(14):300-03, April 11, 2002. See also, Lightwood, JM, et al., "Effect of the California Tobacco Control Program on Personal Health Care Expenditures," PLOS Medicine 5(8):1214-22, August 2008. Sly, D, et al., "Effect of Ending an Antitobacco Youth Campaign on Adolescent Susceptibility to Cigarette Smoking – Minnesota, 2002-2003," MMWR 53(14):301-304, 2004. Farrelly, MC, et al., "The Impact of Tobacco Control Program Expenditures on Aggregate Cigarette Sales: 1981-2000," Journal of Health Economics 22:843-859, 2003.