

National Scorecard 2025

State and Territory Progress on Tobacco and Vaping



South Australia

A+

The South Australian Government has shown significant improvement and is a role model for others in tobacco control legislation and enforcement.

Queensland

A

The Queensland Government is progressing strong legislative changes in compliance and enforcement to protect the community with genuine commitment to tackling the issue.

Tasmania

B

The Tasmanian Government is showing progress by updating state legislation, however their funding commitment to public education and campaigns needs to be lifted and maintained at evidence-based levels.

New South Wales

C

NSW has seen a lot of recent progress with the introduction of a positive licensing scheme to control the supply of tobacco across the state. Focus should now be on optimal resourcing for compliance and enforcement.

Victoria

C

The Victorian Government is progressing tobacco control reforms at a state level, and whilst some details are yet to be released, we expect the new licensing scheme to improve the state of play next year.

Australian Capital Territory

C

The ACT Government has progressed legislation to align with the federal reforms, although compliance and enforcement efforts need to be strengthened.

Western Australia

D

Whilst WA has made progress in some areas of vaping regulation, we're yet to see any state tobacco laws updated, which is hampering compliance and enforcement efforts. Prioritising updates will see WA improve in the next scorecard.

Northern Territory

F

The NT Government needs to urgently prioritise tobacco and vaping reforms and progress legislative changes. They have fallen well behind other jurisdictions and need immediate action.