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- Raising tobacco taxes is a win-win thing for Mexico.
- Total Revenue \$38 billion pesos in 2016
- Special Tax for Products and Services(STPS) and VAT
- In 2018, tobacco excise revenue in Mexico exceeded 41 billion pesos. The ad valorem of STPS on cigarettes is 160% at the price for the consumer.



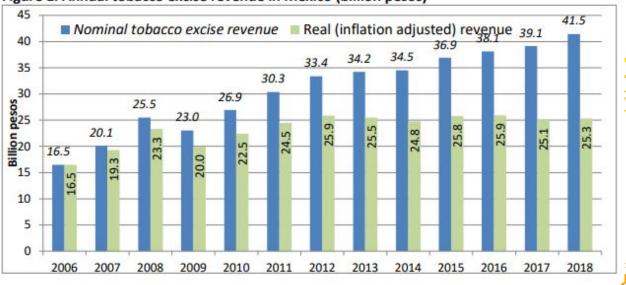
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- The total price of the cigarette added 62.8% of the original price.
- Actual average price of tobacco is \$55 pesos(2.5 euros)
- Some advantages for adding specific taxes to cigarette products are:
  - Easier to manage
  - Reduce prices for competition
  - Licensing of all commercial stores
  - Tax revenue for health campaigns



### Mexico...







# TOBACCO DUTY IN PHILIPPINES





#### Let the numbers talk

- 87K per year or 240 per day
- 187K 302K
  - o lung cancer
  - o cerebro-vascular
  - o coronary artery
  - chronic obstruction

- Php 260B (US\$ 5B)
- Php 26.1 44.6B (US\$ 501 \* 858M)
- Php 96M (US\$ 2M)
- 7% GDP



Date of Effectivity of Tax Rates		Products (per pack)	
		Cigarettes packed by hand	Cigarettes packed by machine
Effective on January 2013	nuary 1,	PhP12.00	PhP12.00- if net retail price is PhP11.50 and below per pack
			PhP25.00- if net retail price is more than PhP11.50 per pack
Effective on Jan 2014	nuary 1,	PhP15.00	PhP17.00- if net retail price is PhP11.50 and below per pack
			PhP27.00- if net retail price is more than PhP11.50 per pack
Effective on Jan 2015	nuary 1,	PhP18.00	PhP21.00- if net retail price is PhP11.50 and below per pack
			PhP28.00- if net retail price is more than PhP11.50 per pack
Effective on Jan 2016	nuary 1,	PhP21.00	PhP25.00- if net retail price is PhP11.50 and below per pack
			PhP29.00- if net retail price is more than PhP11.50 per pack
Effective on Jan 2017	nuary 1,	PhP30.00	PhP30.00

# TOBACCO DUTY IN THE UNITED STATES



### Federal Rates

- × Three taxes
  - × Excise, sales, and ad valorem taxes
- × Federal excise tax on cigarettes was just under \$1.01 per pack
- × Revenue: \$12.8 billion (12.3 billion euros)
- × Cost: \$300 billion (264 billion euros)



#### State

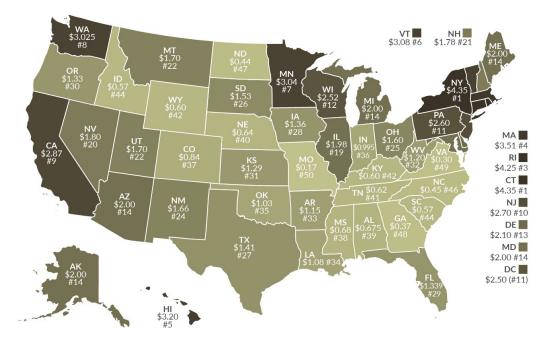
#### Rates

- All 50 states tax tobacco
- The average state excise tax on cigarettes is \$1.75 per pack
- Some localities have an additional excise tax on top of the state tax
  - #1 New York (\$4.35) (3.81 euros)
  - #5 Hawai'i (\$3.20)(2.80 euros)
  - #19 Illinois (\$1.98) (1.73 euros)
  - #47 North Dakota (\$0.44) (.38 euros)
  - #50 Missouri (\$0.17) (.14 euros)



#### How High Are Cigarette Taxes in Your State?

State Cigarette Excise Tax Rates, 2018 (dollars per 20-pack)



Note: Local taxes are not included and can be substantial. D.C.'s rank does not affect states' ranks, but the figure in parentheses indicates where it would rank if included

Source: Bloomberg BNA; state statutes



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#### Tax Drift

- When the price increases:
  - Many drive to another state to buy cigarettes at a cheaper price.
  - o Or invest in a new product



Tax Competition

- The states is known to be "racing to the bottom"
  - A competition in which participants respond to each other's movements in the same direction.
- Tax competition may lead to a decrease in the provision of local public goods.

# Consequences of tobacco tax

#### Positive

- Revenue comes back into the public
- Only those who smoke get the tax directly
- × Deterrent to tobacco

#### Negative

- Healthcare costs are extreme
- Smaller companies will suffer
- × Users find other methods





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#### Goal

- × Healthier citizens
- × Less addiction
- × Lower healthcare costs
- × Stimulate the economy

- When the price increased 20.46%
  - Number of cigarettes smoked decreased by 32.62%
  - Analysts discovered raising the cost of a cigarette pack by 50 per cent would lead to 67 million men quitting

## Quick Facts

Average number of daily smokers: 20.43 million

Average price of pack of cigarettes: 4.36 euros



#### Howso?

- × 8% duty on all tobacco products
  - × Cigarettes, cigars, chew, rolling, etc.
- Slowly raise the price over time
  - Raise by 50 cents every 6 months
  - × 1 euro each year

- × 5% duty on vapor products
- × 5% duty on other nicotine alternatives
  - < Regulations
    - × Advertisements
    - × Anti-TobaccoCampaigns



# Strategic Implementation

70% Universal health coverage

15% Health infrastructure projects

15% Tobacco-growing districts

Political will



## Effects

- × Major deterrent for users
- × Encourages "safer" alternatives
- × Source of revenue for the government
- × Provides a market for small companies



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