

Smoke-free patios

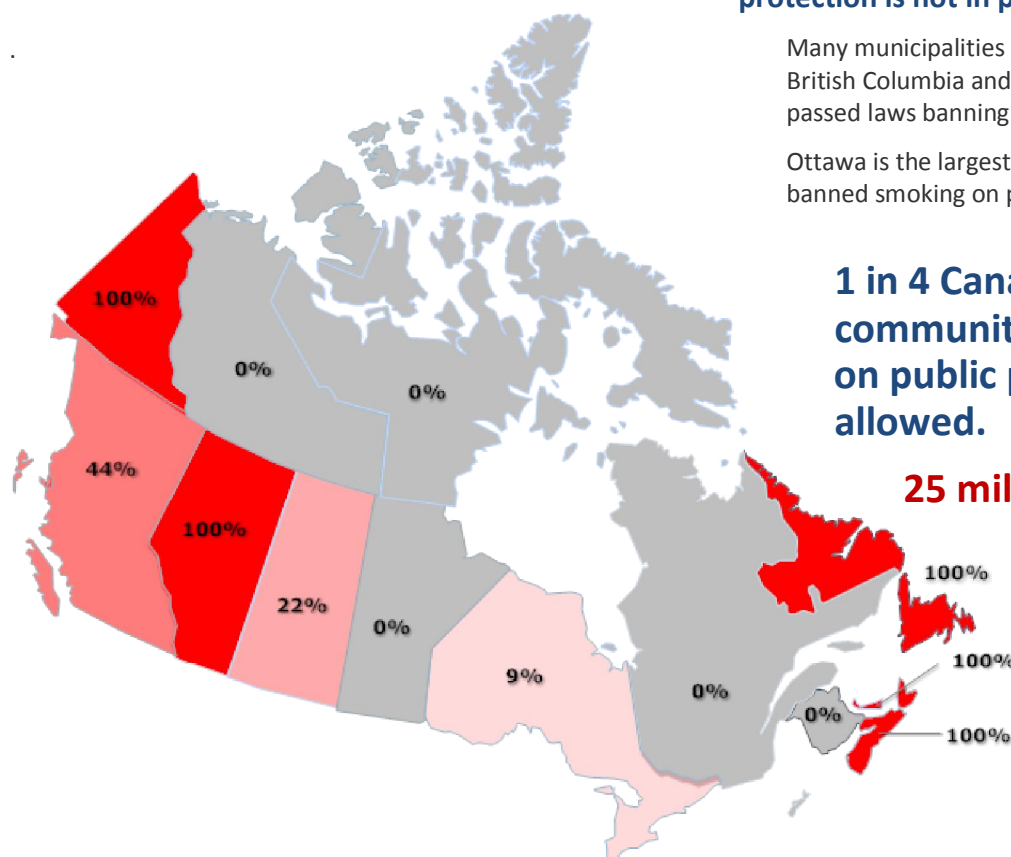
Only 26% of Canadians live in communities where workers and the public are protected from second hand smoke on public patios.

Every level of Canadian government can pass laws to protect the public from exposure to cigarette smoke.

- The federal government has the authority to pass laws to protect federally-regulated workers (including those working in the banking, communications, interprovincial transport sectors as well as federal government employees)

Provincial governments have the authority to pass laws to protect the public from exposure to smoke in areas under their jurisdiction (including bars, sports and other commercial venues)

Percentage of population living in a community where smoking on restaurant patios is not allowed.



Most provinces also allow municipalities to pass laws to provide greater levels of protection than are offered by provincial law.

- 4 provinces and 1 territory have passed laws to ban smoking on patios and outdoor hospitality venues.
- Citizens and workers of Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, Alberta and the Yukon are protected from exposure to smoke on patios. Citizens in Prince Edward Island are also protected until 10 p.m.

Some municipalities (mostly in western Canada) have passed laws to protect their communities because province-wide protection is not in place.

Many municipalities in the lower mainland of British Columbia and on Vancouver Island have passed laws banning smoking on patios.

Ottawa is the largest Ontario municipality to have banned smoking on patios.

1 in 4 Canadians lives in a community where smoking on public patios is not allowed.

25 million Canadians don't.

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Jurisdiction	Date in effect	Population Protected	Provincial population	Percentage protected
British Columbia		1,920,199	4,400,057	44%
Anmore	2008	2,092		
Capital Regional District	July 1, 2007	359,991		
Coquitlam	August 10, 2010	126,456		
North Vancouver	May 15, 2010	84,412		
Powell Rver		13,165		
Richmond	March 31, 2009	190,473		
Surrey	July 31, 2008	468,251		
Vancouver	April 1, 2008	603,502		
West Vancouver	July 27, 2009	42,694		
Whistler	May 19, 2009	9,824		
White Rock	January 1, 2009	19,339		
Alberta	January 1, 2008	3,645,257	3,645,257	100%
Saskatchewan		222,189	1,033,381	22%
Saskatoon	July 1, 2004	222,189		
Manitoba			1,208,268	0%
Ontario		1,202,374	12,851,821	9%
Brighton	December 2, 2008	10,928		
Burpee and Mills	July 7, 2003	308		
Huron Shores	May 31, 2004	1,723		
Kingston	May 1, 2003	159,561		
Ottawa	April 2, 2012	883,391		
Tehkummah	May 4, 2004	406		
Thunder Bay	July 1, 2004	146,057		
Quebec			7,903,011	0%
New Brunswick			751,171	0%
Nova Scotia	December 1, 2006	921,727	921,727	100%
Prince Edward Island	September 15, 2009	140,204	140,204	100%
Newfoundland and Labrador	July 1, 2005	514,536	514,536	100%
Yukon Territory	May 15, 2008	33,897	33,897	100%
Nunavut			31,906	0%
Northwest Territories			41,462	0%
Canada		8,600,383	33,476,688	26%

- NSRA – Compendium of smoke-free bylaws
- Statistics Canada. Census 2011.