

Comments on Countries with 50% or more Bans and Restrictions in identified Locations/Areas

1. U.S.A. Continuous pressure on restrictions and bans since the early 1970s - at State or local, not Federal levels.

All restrictions attributed to "Health" and "Non-Smokers' Rights". "Passive" smoking is strong in transport facilities.

2. Netherlands Many restrictions stem from "Non-Smoker rights and interests". A few are attributable to "health" - i.e. clinics and hospitals and, to a lesser degree, hotels.

3. Norway Restrictions are claimed due to a wide variety of reasons, none predominating.

4. Switzerland Health reasons have prompted a number of restrictions. "Passive" smoking claimed in hotels and restaurants.

5. Canada "Municipal smoking legislation (33 cities so far) will continue".

Growing segregation of smokers in offices anticipated.

6. Germany "Non-Smoker rights and interests" predominate throughout all locations, except Medical (= "health")

7. Denmark As for Germany, with greater pressure from "non-smoker rights and interests".

8. Finland Health reasons dominate restrictions to the exclusion of all other reasons.

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9. Brazil Health reasons tend to predominate, plus fire and safety precautions. Municipal legislation anticipated to increase slowly.
10. South Africa A mixture of reasons given, none predominating. Restrictions/bans stem from local authority level, not Federal.
11. Hong Kong Substantial restrictions since the Smoking (Public Health) Ordinance of August 1983. The reasons - presumed - are "health" plus "non-smokers' rights and interests".
12. New Zealand There are obviously very few bans. "Non-smokers' rights" predominate as reasons, and restrictions are largely dictated by "commonsense rather than fanaticism".
- Heavy pressure anticipated from ASH.
13. Belgium A wide range of reasons given, but the "actual trend (in restrictions/bans) is static".
14. Greece Self-imposed bans/restrictions by "public administration", mainly on grounds of health and fire/safety precautions. No legislation.
15. Singapore Health reasons outweigh others, and stem from legislation.
16. Uruguay Health and especially "passive" smoking claimed as reasons for restrictions: the latter is puzzling because most restrictions occurred before 1979.
17. France Legislation figures significantly. There has been pressure for restrictions in restaurants, but with "small success".

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18. Kenya Here there is pressure from W.H.O., taken up by public and private organisations since April, 1980: radio announcements by Voice of Kenya by way of courtesy reminders.

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