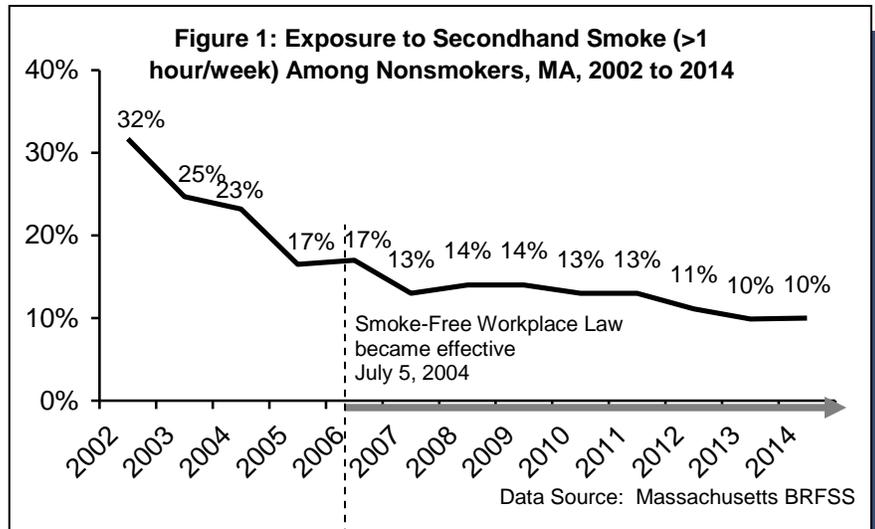


# Non-Smoking Adults Exposed to Secondhand Smoke

## Massachusetts Fact Sheet

**E**xposure to secondhand smoke among adult nonsmokers declined in Massachusetts from 32% in 2002 to 10% in 2014 (Figure 1). The Massachusetts Legislature enacted a comprehensive statewide smoking ban in workplaces, including restaurants and bars, in July 2004. Since enactment of the Smoke-Free Workplace Law, exposure to secondhand tobacco smoke has been reduced. However, nonsmokers continue to report exposure to secondhand smoke in their homes or in other places, such as work sites that are non-compliant or exempt and private vehicles.

- 16.4% of Massachusetts households currently allow smoking in their homes.
- An estimated 456,000 adult nonsmokers are exposed to secondhand smoke at home, work or other places for more than one hour per week.



Exposure to secondhand smoke among nonsmokers is most prevalent among low socio-economic groups, those with MassHealth insurance, people with disabilities, and people who identify as LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender).

