

ABSTRACT: ANNUAL SYNAR REPORT

Purpose of Synar Survey: To randomly survey licensed tobacco retailers across North Dakota checking compliance with laws that prohibit the sale of tobacco products to minors. ***This is not an enforcement activity;*** it is a check on compliance.

of Years Synar Survey Has Been Conducted: 15

Who Has to Comply with Synar: All 50 States and 9 Jurisdictions

Table 1. Summary of Results, 2005-2011

	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Tobacco Retailer Violation Rate	11.5%	9.5%	6.1%	1.7%	5.8%	8.1%	7.8%
<i>Weighted</i> Tobacco Retailer Violation Rate	11.6%	9.7%	5.9%	1.6%	5.8%	10.0%	8.2%
# of Attempts by Minors to Purchase Tobacco	235	231	180	239	277	221	219
# of Successful Attempts by Minors to Purchase Tobacco	27	22	11	4	16	18	17
# of Counties in which Successful Attempts Were Made	18	15	8	3	10	14	13

Table 2. Successful Attempts by Minors to Purchase Tobacco by Location, 2007-2011

Location	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Western North Dakota	5	4	4	4	4
Eastern North Dakota	22	18	7	0	12
Total	27	22	11	4	16

The Synar Amendment requires that States maintain a noncompliance rate at or below 20%, or they could lose up to 40% of SAPT Block Grant funding.

Since FFY 2006, all 50 States plus the District of Columbia have been in compliance with the Synar Amendment.

Amount of Block Grant Funding **ND** Receives: \$5.5 million (approx.)