

Smoking Policies in the 35 Busiest U.S. Airports*April 1, 2012*

This list describes the smoking policies of the 35 busiest U.S. airports. Airports are ranked according to the number of total volume of passenger traffic. As of April 2012, **27 of the top 35 U.S. airports are 100% smokefree indoors.**

1. **Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL)** – Smoking is permitted in 13 smoking rooms throughout the airport, as well as in selected food and beverage areas. Internal tobacco industry documents show that many of these rooms were designed, constructed, and financed by Philip Morris front groups as part of a sophisticated airport strategy to protect millions of dollars in annual profits by enabling product consumption. Promoting the social acceptability of smoking was also an important objective for the tobacco industry in the Hartsfield Airport: construction of the smoking rooms was completed in time for the 1996 Summer Olympics, held in Atlanta. This drew millions of passengers from around the world through Hartsfield and past its newly built smoking lounges.
2. **Chicago O'Hare International Airport (ORD)** – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
3. **Los Angeles International Airport (LAX)** – **Completely smokefree indoors.** Smoking is permitted in three *outdoor* smoking areas located past security gates at the Tom Bradley International Terminal, Terminal 2, and Terminal 7.
4. **Dallas/Ft. Worth International Airport (DFW)** – Smoking allowed in airline club lounges.
5. **Denver International Airport (DIA)** – Smoking permitted in two Aviator's Clubs as well as in several bars. The airport is an egregious exemption in the Colorado statewide smokefree law.
6. **John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK)** – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
7. **George Bush Intercontinental Airport (IAH) in Houston** – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
8. **San Francisco International (SFO)** – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
9. **McCarran International Airport (LAS) in Las Vegas** – Smoking is permitted in the Budweiser Racing Track Lounge in the Esplanade Pre-Security area. The airport was completely smokefree indoors from 12/2006 until 8/2010 by Nevada law. Smoking is permitted in the bar because it stopped serving food, and Nevada law stipulates that smoking is permitted in bars if there is no food service.
10. **Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport (PHX)** – **Completely smokefree indoors**
11. **Charlotte-Douglas International Airport (CLT)** – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
12. **Miami International Airport (MIA)** – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
13. **Orlando International Airport (MCO)** – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
14. **Newark Liberty International Airport (EWR)** – **Completely smokefree indoors.**

15. Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport (DTW) – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
16. Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport (MSP) – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
17. Seattle Tacoma International Airport (SEA) – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
18. Philadelphia International Airport (PHL) – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
19. Logan International Airport (BOS) in Boston – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
20. La Guardia Airport in New York (LGA) – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
21. Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD) – Smoking rooms are throughout the airport.
22. Baltimore/Washington International Airport (BWI) – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
23. Ft. Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport (FLL) – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
24. Salt Lake City International Airport (SLC) – Smoking is permitted in smoking rooms located throughout the airport. Tobacco industry documents show that Healthy Buildings International, a tobacco industry front group that touts the “benefits” of “accommodation” and smoking lounge ventilation systems, met with Salt Lake Airport architects to discuss smoking lounge ventilation systems. The document makes suggestions for future plans concerning smoking lounges at SLC and suggests the airport be used as a “demonstration facility.”
25. Honolulu International Airport (HNL) – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
26. Regan-Washington National Airport (DCA) – Smoking lounges are located in Gates B, C and D.
27. Chicago Midway Airport (MDW) – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
28. San Diego International Airport (SAN) – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
29. Tampa International Airport (TPA) – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
30. Portland (OR) International Airport (PDX) – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
31. Lambert-St. Louis International Airport (STL) – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
32. Kansas City International Airport (MCI) – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
33. Memphis International Airport (MEM) – Smoking is allowed in Maggie O’Shea’s in Terminal B and the Blue Note Café between Concourses A and B.
34. General Mitchell International in Milwaukee (MKE) – **Completely smokefree indoors.**
35. Metropolitan Oakland International (OAK) – **Completely smokefree indoors.**

Source: Telephone interviews, online smokefree policies, and email correspondence conducted by ANR 2003-2012.

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