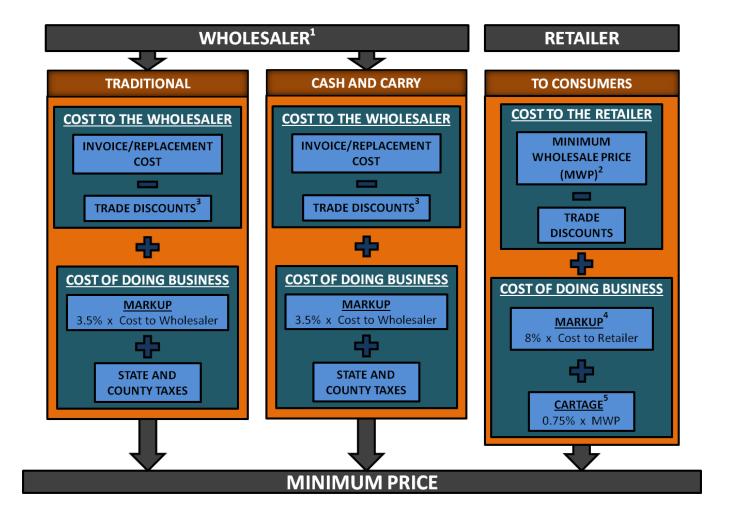


Cigarette Pricing – 2015



Note: This state does not set a minimum price for OTP.

Ohio

Formulating Price

State Pricing Regulation Strength: Factors that Decrease versus Increase Statutory Price*

Pricing Formula Elements That **DECREASE PRICE**

Number of factors decreasing price: **Above Average**

Total Decrease Factors (State):	4
Average Decrease Factors (National):	3.2
Below-Cost Combination Sales Explicitly Permitted	
Below-Cost Coupons Permitted	\checkmark
Consumers Can Receive Below-Cost Coupons	✓
Trade Discounts Explicitly Permitted	\checkmark
Trade Discounts Include Discount Programs	
Competitor Price-Matching Permitted	\checkmark

Pricing Formula Elements That INCREASE PRICE

Number of factors increasing price: Above Average

Total Increase Factors (State):	4
Average Increase Factors (National):	3.3
≥ 2 Parties Regulated	\checkmark
Markup Applied	\checkmark
Taxes	\checkmark
Cartage	✓
Other Costs	

*Note: See "How to Read" for an explanation of terms and factors, and "Methods" for detailed methodology.

Markup Rates Across Standard Distribution Chain

	Stamping Agent	Wholesaler/ Distributor	Retailer/ Dealer	Total Standard Markup	State vs Nat'l Total Markups
Ohio		3.5%	8%	11.5%	
Nat'l Average Markup of States Where Distribution Level Regulated	1.15% (N=3)	3.67% (N=26)	8.02% (N=24)	12.84 %	↓ Below Average
Nat'l Average Markup of All Markup States (N=27)	0.13%	3.53%	7.13%	10.79%	↑ Above Average

Combination Sales

Types of Combination Sales Permitted

Buy-One-Get-One or Multi-Pack	
Tobacco Product + Coupon	
Tobacco Product + Non-Tobacco Product	

Coupons

Who May Distribute Coupons to Consumers?

Manufacturer	
Wholesaler/Distributor	

Retailer/Dealer	
Distributing Party Not Addressed	✓

Footnotes

Ohio- Cigarette

- 1. Any wholesaler who operates as a retailer shall, in determining "cost to the retailer", first compute the "cost to the wholesaler" and use that value as the minimum wholesale price for the purposes of computing minimum retail price. Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 1333.11.
- 2. A retailer's basic cost is calculated using the invoice or the replacement cost of the cigarettes to the retailer. R.C. § 1333.11. In practical terms, this is the minimum price the products can be purchased from the wholesaler ("minimum wholesale price" or "MWP").
- 3. Trade discounts do not include discounts for cash payments. Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 1333.11.
- 4. The retailer's presumptive markup is to be applied to the MPW, exclusive of the value of any county cigarette taxes that may have been paid. R.C. § 1333.11.
- 5. Cartage is to only be applied where purchases are made from a cash and carry wholesaler. R.C. § 1333.11.