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# The Economics of Tobacco Use

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Message from the Guest Editors

Tobacco use is the cause of a wide range of conditions including neoplasms, cardiovascular and respiratory diseases. The world spends about 6% of global health expenditure in treating tobacco-attributable diseases, and when productivity losses are included, the economic burden of tobacco use equates roughly to 2% of the global annual GDP. Countries that have implemented evidencedbased tobacco control have been able to drive the decline in the prevalence of tobacco use. However, the fight against the scourge of tobacco seems far from victory. Notably, economic arguments have been central to policy debates around tobacco control. We need more robust, economic evidence to support countries choose the best options available to address the scourge of tobacco.

In this Special Issue, we invite researchers who are active in this area to submit high quality empirical articles exploring the economics of tobacco use in both low/middle- and high-income countries. Articles can be in any area of applied economics in relation to tobacco.

All articles are required to provide rich but succinct discussions on wider implications of the findings, particularly for policy and practice.





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