# Tobacco Sales in Baltimore

In 2019, total tobacco sales equaled \$28.9M/year or \$80K per day. This included cigarettes, vaping products, smokeless tobacco, cigars, and loose/ pipe tobacco.

Tobacco sales data (Dec. 30, 2018 to Dec. 28, 2019) were licensed from Nielsen, a company that collects proprietary data from convenience stores (chains and smaller independent stores) as well as supermarkets, pharmacies, mass merchandisers (e.g., Walmart/dollar stores), and military commissaries. Nielsen data do not include liquor stores, smoke/vape shops, and online sales.

## Cigarettes

**Cigarettes** were **79%** of tobacco dollar sales.

58% of cigarette sales were for menthol flavored cigarettes.

Average pack price:

\$7.23 \$7.36 non-menthol menthol

### Cigars

30% of cigar dollar sales were for cheap packs of 2. SAVE ~2 SAVE ~

At least 397 different cigar products

(including cigarillos, large cigars, premium cigars, and little filtered cigars) were sold.

#### **Pod Vaping Products**



In one year, stores sold approximately **897 pods per day**, totaling **\$1.6M**.

The Nielsen data underestimate vape product sales. The sales period (12/30/18-12/28/19) occurred after JUUL Labs announced its intent to discontinue US retail distribution of some flavored pods (except mint, menthol, tobacco), and preceded the federal sales restriction on flavored pod/cartridge products. 74% of pod dollar sales were for mint/menthol flavors.

74%	22%	
Mint/menthol	Tobacco	4%
flavors	flavor	Other flavors

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