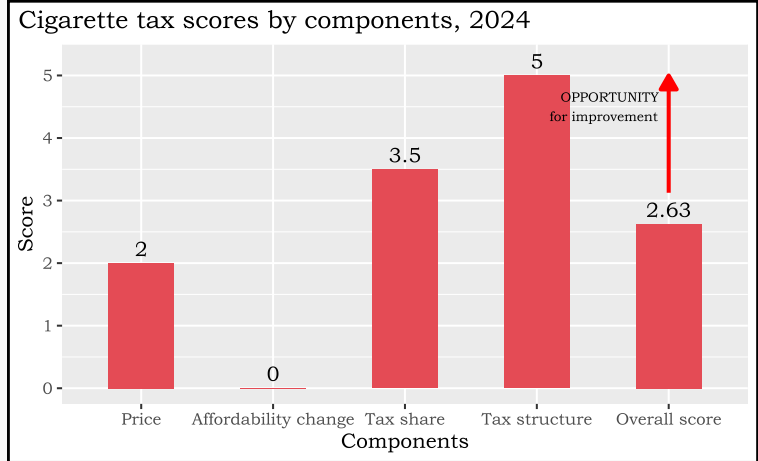


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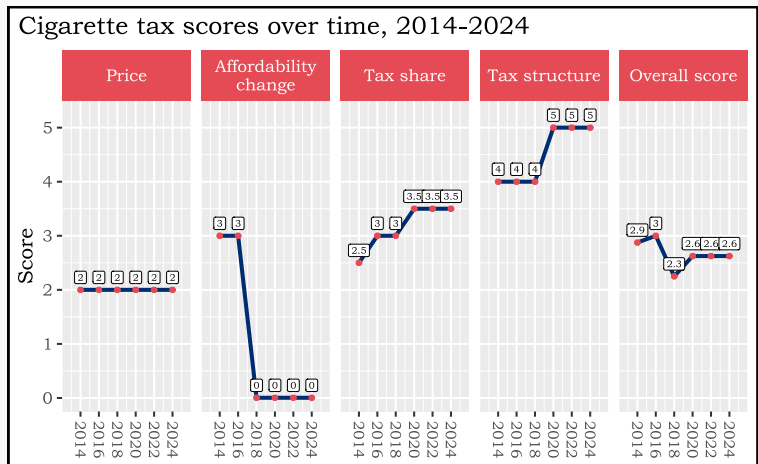
Cigarette tax policies in 2024

The Scorecard assessed four key tax components using a 5-point scale, namely cigarette price, change in cigarette affordability, tax share and tax structure, with the overall score reflecting an average of Albania's component scores. The score reflects the current strengths and opportunities in Albania to further increase tax revenue and improve health.



Cigarette tax policies over time

Albania's overall score has remained constant since 2018, mainly driven by a failure to reduce affordability over time. Zero points in the affordability change score indicates that consumers have more available income to buy cigarettes even if prices increase. The tax share and tax structure scores, meanwhile, increased, so Albania can focus on the price and affordability change components to strengthen their cigarette tax policies.



Comparing Albania to other countries

Albania's overall score is lower than those in the European region, and significantly less than the top countries average. Albania has room for improvement in price, tax share and affordability.

