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Smokers also litterbugs

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A new survey has given the nation another reason to malign smokers — they are to blame for most of Australia's litter. The Keep Australia Beautiful national litter index points to cigarette butts as the most common item of litter in 2009/10. The national survey found the most litter per 1000 square metres in Tasmania, and the least in Victoria. The national average was 66 items of litter per 1000 square metres or 7.55 litres in volume.