

Table 1				
Demographics, number of participants by school type, grade and gender. GYTS Lara State, Venezuela				
Total	814		980	
Grade	n	%	N	%
Grade 6	256	31,9	296	30,6
Grade 7	179	22,3	190	19,6
Grade 8	216	26,9	254	26,3
Grade 9	152	18,9	227	23,5
Age				
11 or younger	184	22,6	249	25,4
12 years	154	18,9	179	18,3
13 years	204	25,1	246	25,1
14 years	171	21,0	198	20,2
15 years	67	8,2	81	8,3
16 years	26	3,2	25	2,6
17 or older	8	1,0	2	0,2

Table 2							
Prevalence (%) of tobacco use among students. GYTS Lara State, Venezuela 2000							
	Total	Male	Female	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9
Never smokers	77.2	74.8	80.6	85.2	80.4	75.8	61.8
Prevalence of students that smoke on 1 or more days in the past 30 days	8.4	8.9	7.0	6.8	8.1	6.9	11.5
Prevalence of current smokers that smoke in more than 20 days in the past 30 days	0.8	1.1	0.6	0.6	0.5	1.4	1.1
Prevalence of tobacco users, other than cigarettes, in the past 30 days	10.6	14.2	7.1	9.2	10.5	13.1	9.5
Prevalence of any tobacco product, in the past 30 days	16.8	19.6	13.2	14.4	16.1	17.1	18.3
Prevalence of chimó (a paste based on tobacco) consumers in the past 30 days	8.7	13.5	0.4	9.8	8.1	7.4	5.8

Table 3							
Prevalence (%) students involved in activities related to access to tobacco products among students.							
GYTS Lara State, Venezuela 2000							
	Total	Male	Female	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9
Smokers that bought cigarettes in store, shop or street vendor in the past 30 days.	43.9	42.9	43.6	29.8	42.1	40.5	58.7
Smokers whom were not refused the sale of cigarettes because of their age, in the past 30 days.	92.4	89.0	94.3	80.8	100	88.1	95.5
Students that indicated that it is possible to buy cigarettes by the unit in their area.	46.6	45.0	47.9	35.7	42.4	51.4	68.6
Never smokers who offered a free cigarette from a sales representative.	8.6	10.4	7.1	7.4	8.8	8.4	11.0
Current smokers who offered a free cigarette from a sales representative.	10.3	7.2	12.8	21.1	11.8	2.9	1.9

Table 4							
Preference for a place to smoke among students. GYTS Lara State, Venezuela 2000							
Prevalence (%) of current smokers who usually smoke at:	Total	Male	Female	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9
school	23.5	20.9	23.4	46.3	10.4	23.8	17.2
home	7.2	6.9	8.9	5.5	5.0	0.0	15.5
friend's house	26.6	24.4	31.7	23.2	36.1	24.8	19.6
social events	3.4	4.5	2.7	0	3.8	4.4	2.8
Public places such as parks, shopping mall and street corners	20.3	20.0	16.9	10.1	25.5	26.8	18.5

Table 5							
Prevalence (%) of attitudes concerning tobacco addition and cessation among students who are current smokers. GYTS Lara State, Venezuela 2000							
	Total	Male	Female	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9
Current smokers who always have or feel like having a cigarette first thing in the morning	8.6	8.1	8.2	8.1	7.3	10.9	11.3
Current smokers who say that they will definitely smoke cigarettes 5 years from now	8.1	8.4	9.1	8.8	8.1	9.9	5.7
Current smokers who definitely think that cigarette smoking is harmful to your health	69.6	67.2	72.5	82.6	67.0	77.2	84.7
Current smokers who say they could stop smoking if they wanted to.	77.9	84.4	68.4	89.4	77.5	82.8	84.7
Current smokers that definitely think that once someone starts smoking it is difficult to quit.	26.0	28.6	26.4	8.7	29.3	38.0	30.0
Current smokers who say they have tried to quit smoking in the past year.	63.1	65.0	59.1	44.5	79.8	79.6	52.5

Table 6							
Prevalence of knowledge and attitudes concerning health effect of tobacco among students.							
GYTS Lara State, Venezuela 2000							
	Total	Male	Female	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9
current smokers who definitely think that cigarette smoking is harmful to your health	69.6	67.2	72.5	52.6	67.0	77.2	84.7
never smokers who definitely think that cigarette smoking is harmful to your health	78.8	75.6	82.0	75.0	74.9	84.7	87.7
current smokers who definitely think that it is OK to smoke for only 1 or 2 years as long as you quit after that.	39.3	46.1	32.1	39.2	42.8	42.7	39.2
never smokers who definitely think that it is OK to smoke for only 1 or 2 years as long as you quit after that.	57.3	56.3	58.5	60.1	54.2	58.0	58.0
current smokers who definitely think that smoking cigarettes makes boys more attractive.	15.7	17.0	13.9	15.2	26.7	6..2	11.1
never smokers who definitely think that smoking cigarettes makes boys more attractive.	5.4	6.9	4.1	6.9	5.7	4.4	1.7
current smokers who definitely think that smoke from other people's cigarettes is harmful to you.	58.8	55.7	48.9	41.2	47.8	49.9	69.6
never smokers who definitely think that smoke from other people's cigarettes is harmful to you.	62.7	60.3	65.0	64.0	95.3	60.1	71.9

	Total	Male	Female	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9
Prevalence of students who have not seen any anti-smoking media messages during the past 30 days	20.4	22.3	18.6	18.8	19.2	19.4	26.2
Prevalence of students who have not seen an actor smoking on TV, videos or movies.	5.8	5.6	5.9	8.0	7.9	3.4	1.9
Prevalence of never smokers who have something with a cigarette brand logo on it.	13.2	16.4	10.1	11.6	14.4	12.2	13.4
Prevalence of current smokers who have something with a cigarette brand logo on it.	24.8	27.9	18.6	37.5	11.5	27.5	25.7
Prevalence of never smokers who have not seen cigarette advertisements in news papers and magazines during the past 30 days.	25.2	26.4	24.3	26.9	25.7	25.3	18.1
Prevalence of current smokers who have not seen cigarette advertisements in news papers and magazines during the past 30 days.	21.0	23.9	18.3	20.9	15.1	30.6	21.2
Prevalence of never smokers who have never seen cigarette advertisements at sporting events, fairs, etc.	33.1	30.2	36.0	34.4	38.2	28.7	27.7
Prevalence of current smokers who have never seen cigarette advertisements at sporting events, fairs, etc.	22.4	24.8	19.9	7.3	27.0	22.6	29.7

Table 8							
Prevalence of issues related to social influences (family, friendship, love) and tobacco use among Venezuelan students. GYTS Lara State, Venezuela 2000							
	Total	Male	Female	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9
Prevalence of never smokers whose parents do not smoke.	59	60.2	58.4	60.4	59.3	54.9	59.8
Prevalence of smokers whose parents do not smoke.	41.1	44.5	38.8	36.6	33.8	52.7	39.4
Prevalence of never smoker that would smoke a cigarette if offered by their best friend.	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.0
Prevalence of smokers that would smoke a cigarette if offered by their best friend	12.3	11.2	15.9	5.7	15.9	9.2	12.4
Prevalence of never smokers that say that all of his/her closest friends smoke.	0.9	0.9	0.8	1.1	1.1	0.5	0.4
Prevalence of current smokers that say that all of his/her closest friends smoke.	6.3	6.0	5.6	8.9	3.6	12.0	4.3

