

**Table 4.56A Numbers (in Thousands) of Females Who First Used Alcohol in the United States by Underage and Legal Drinking Age Groups, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2002, Based on 2002 and 2003 NSDUHs**

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES <sup>1</sup>	
	All Ages	Under 21	21 or Older		12-20	21-25
1965	1,480	1,076	404	18.6	86.3	164.0
1966	1,400	1,085	315	18.1	87.0	156.5
1967	1,770	1,460	311	17.9	117.0	135.4
1968	1,766	1,428	337	18.2	113.8	131.1
1969	1,914	1,390	524	18.0	110.3	262.0
1970	2,091	1,592	499	18.1	127.0	214.2
1971	1,920	1,520	401	17.6	120.6	162.6
1972	2,160	1,617	543	18.2	131.3	251.3
1973	2,110	1,791	319	17.3	145.6	138.6
1974	2,104	1,761	343	17.6	143.3	154.6
1975	1,998	1,609	388	17.8	131.7	151.7
1976	2,010	1,662	348	17.7	139.4	134.4
1977	2,216	1,861	355	17.3	162.6	152.4
1978	2,028	1,675	354	17.1	150.9	154.8
1979	2,109	1,764	346	17.3	163.2	164.3
1980	2,035	1,714	320	17.7	163.9	126.8
1981	2,097	1,789	308	17.5	178.1	133.9
1982	1,841	1,561	280	17.4	157.7	105.5
1983	1,690	1,453	237	17.3	147.0	103.0
1984	1,787	1,475	312	17.4	156.7	154.4
1985	1,658	1,378	279	17.8	145.5	142.6
1986	1,684	1,441	242	17.0	156.3	140.5
1987	1,539	1,312	227	17.2	143.1	111.3
1988	1,622	1,341	281	17.0	146.2	168.3
1989	1,773	1,471	302	17.3	163.4	166.8
1990	1,534	1,259	275	17.3	141.8	157.0
1991	1,501	1,229	272	17.4	136.3	151.5
1992	1,582	1,238	344	17.4	132.4	179.1
1993	1,650	1,404	245	17.0	145.8	132.0
1994	1,742	1,468	273	16.7	150.4	156.4
1995	1,723	1,453	270	16.8	146.2	168.6
1996	1,808	1,507	301	17.1	147.4	169.3
1997	1,889	1,661	229	16.4	158.7	143.2
1998	1,965	1,691	274	17.1	163.8	145.5
1999	2,167	1,844	323	16.8	177.4	194.3
2000	2,606	2,275	331	16.5	227.3	225.7
2001 <sup>2</sup>	2,802	2,422	380	16.6	245.2	260.8
2002 <sup>2</sup>	--	--	340	--	263.9	243.0

\*Low precision; no estimate reported.

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NOTE: Comparisons between years, particularly between recent estimates and those from 10 or more years prior, should be made with caution due to potential reporting and other biases.

<sup>1</sup> The numerator of each rate is the number of females in the age group who first used the drug in the year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of females in the age group measured in thousands of years.

<sup>2</sup> Estimated using 2003 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

**Table 4.57A Numbers (in Thousands) of Females Who First Used Any Cigarettes in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2002, Based on 2002 and 2003 NSDUHs**

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES <sup>1</sup>	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	1,318	922	397	15.9	97.7	98.9
1966	1,208	793	415	16.4	82.8	84.3
1967	1,484	1,110	374	16.1	120.8	70.8
1968	1,469	950	520	16.5	98.3	101.7
1969	1,375	1,030	346	16.0	107.6	62.8
1970	1,478	1,043	435	15.9	102.9	84.8
1971	1,770	1,263	507	16.0	123.6	94.3
1972	1,926	1,400	526	15.7	139.5	97.7
1973	1,890	1,461	429	15.2	154.5	76.0
1974	1,880	1,454	426	15.2	150.5	78.9
1975	1,838	1,382	457	15.7	157.5	79.2
1976	1,809	1,274	535	15.9	140.8	90.9
1977	1,431	1,037	394	15.7	117.2	69.2
1978	1,687	1,315	373	15.8	152.9	58.8
1979	1,719	1,312	407	15.5	156.3	70.8
1980	1,498	1,060	438	16.3	131.0	70.9
1981	1,408	1,016	392	15.7	123.5	68.8
1982	1,248	973	274	15.8	121.4	42.2
1983	1,332	1,014	318	16.7	131.8	49.3
1984	1,171	932	239	15.3	117.6	46.0
1985	1,306	1,015	291	15.3	126.9	58.8
1986	1,136	869	267	15.7	111.3	52.2
1987	1,187	882	305	15.4	108.0	60.0
1988	1,257	878	379	15.7	114.0	71.2
1989	1,268	897	371	16.3	116.9	65.0
1990	1,153	843	310	15.9	107.1	54.2
1991	1,209	932	277	15.6	116.9	46.1
1992	1,285	937	348	16.3	116.5	55.3
1993	1,427	1,058	369	15.5	125.3	63.3
1994	1,357	1,048	309	15.4	121.0	51.4
1995	1,573	1,164	409	15.7	133.9	73.7
1996	1,607	1,218	389	15.5	137.1	70.3
1997	1,593	1,186	407	15.6	132.5	73.8
1998	1,649	1,289	361	15.4	144.9	66.5
1999	1,598	1,170	427	16.1	134.4	77.7
2000	1,484	1,087	396	16.2	126.2	70.6
2001 <sup>2</sup>	1,300	978	322	16.1	112.6	59.8
2002 <sup>2</sup>	--	--	306	--	109.4	54.5

\*Low precision; no estimate reported.

-- Not available.

NOTE: Comparisons between years, particularly between recent estimates and those from 10 or more years prior, should be made with caution due to potential reporting and other biases.

<sup>1</sup> The numerator of each rate is the number of females in the age group who first used the drug in the year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of females in the age group measured in thousands of years.

<sup>2</sup> Estimated using 2003 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

**Table 4.58A Numbers (in Thousands) of Females Who Began Daily Cigarette Use in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2002, Based on 2002 and 2003 NSDUHs**

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES <sup>1</sup>	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	809	356	453	18.4	33.4	55.7
1966	579	198	381	18.9	18.6	47.2
1967	678	362	316	17.3	33.8	38.3
1968	744	283	462	19.2	24.5	49.1
1969	845	268	577	19.2	22.6	61.0
1970	901	394	507	19.1	34.4	45.0
1971	885	404	481	18.2	35.6	44.2
1972	952	465	487	17.8	40.4	48.1
1973	1,138	610	528	18.0	52.4	44.3
1974	1,031	549	482	17.7	46.1	45.3
1975	1,138	656	482	17.7	56.6	42.7
1976	1,049	587	462	18.1	52.7	38.5
1977	1,052	566	486	18.2	51.0	40.2
1978	1,020	507	512	18.9	46.2	43.7
1979	1,018	528	490	18.3	49.5	39.1
1980	959	421	537	19.2	38.5	38.9
1981	957	496	461	18.5	48.8	34.8
1982	923	447	476	18.5	43.5	38.4
1983	747	382	364	18.7	37.0	29.5
1984	718	374	345	18.3	38.4	27.5
1985	731	392	338	17.8	40.9	30.5
1986	705	424	281	18.1	43.5	21.6
1987	626	324	302	18.6	32.0	22.7
1988	659	298	361	19.2	32.5	28.9
1989	638	304	335	18.8	32.7	28.5
1990	718	364	355	18.5	39.9	30.2
1991	757	341	416	20.1	36.4	29.0
1992	700	351	349	18.9	36.7	27.5
1993	681	403	279	17.9	41.6	23.9
1994	845	418	427	18.3	41.0	35.5
1995	835	473	362	17.9	46.1	31.0
1996	944	521	423	18.5	49.3	35.7
1997	933	526	407	18.4	49.6	35.9
1998	882	502	380	18.0	46.3	33.3
1999	1,004	540	463	19.3	49.5	37.4
2000	913	487	426	18.4	43.6	37.6
2001	783	417	367	19.5	37.7	27.5
2002 <sup>2</sup>	685	350	336	19.8	31.1	22.5

\*Low precision; no estimate reported.

-- Not available.

NOTE: Comparisons between years, particularly between recent estimates and those from 10 or more years prior, should be made with caution due to potential reporting and other biases.

<sup>1</sup> The numerator of each rate is the number of females in the age group who first used the drug in the year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of females in the age group measured in thousands of years.

<sup>2</sup> Estimated using 2003 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

**Table 4.59A Numbers (in Thousands) of Females Who First Used Smokeless Tobacco in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2002, Based on 2002 and 2003 NSDUHs**

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES <sup>1</sup>	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	59	40	*	17.6	2.3	*
1966	51	41	*	10.7	*	*
1967	58	57	*	12.4	*	*
1968	93	54	*	16.5	2.3	*
1969	63	48	*	13.5	*	*
1970	90	63	*	14.8	4.1	*
1971	102	77	25	15.1	4.7	*
1972	91	86	*	12.2	3.8	*
1973	107	72	*	15.8	5.5	*
1974	79	54	*	16.3	3.5	*
1975	129	68	61	20.0	3.1	2.4
1976	130	95	35	15.1	4.8	*
1977	115	76	39	17.2	5.0	1.6
1978	136	113	23	14.4	7.2	1.5
1979	139	95	44	14.5	5.3	2.8
1980	181	94	87	20.7	6.6	3.9
1981	208	148	60	16.5	10.7	2.5
1982	182	135	47	14.8	8.8	2.9
1983	221	176	45	15.7	14.6	2.0
1984	201	155	46	15.0	11.8	2.7
1985	169	109	61	16.2	8.9	3.4
1986	173	140	33	15.2	12.4	1.9
1987	181	122	59	17.5	10.9	2.6
1988	174	117	57	16.4	10.0	3.7
1989	152	94	58	16.5	8.1	3.6
1990	168	114	54	15.9	10.7	4.0
1991	141	83	58	18.9	7.5	2.7
1992	200	112	89	18.1	9.8	4.9
1993	249	151	98	17.4	13.3	5.9
1994	226	136	91	18.1	12.0	5.2
1995	211	117	94	19.5	9.9	5.6
1996	210	141	69	17.3	11.6	4.5
1997	188	118	70	18.2	9.3	4.9
1998	223	131	93	18.0	10.0	5.1
1999	205	128	78	17.1	9.8	5.2
2000	195	116	79	19.0	9.3	4.1
2001	219	119	100	19.1	9.5	5.9
2002 <sup>2</sup>	236	117	120	19.2	9.5	5.9

\*Low precision; no estimate reported.

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<sup>2</sup> Estimated using 2003 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

**Table 4.60A Numbers (in Thousands) of Females Who First Used Cigars in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2002, Based on 2002 and 2003 NSDUHs**

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES <sup>1</sup>	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	110	41	68	19.5	*	5.6
1966	124	38	85	21.1	2.8	7.1
1967	158	53	105	19.0	4.1	7.3
1968	186	49	137	19.5	3.7	9.9
1969	189	69	120	19.7	5.2	8.3
1970	305	73	232	21.6	5.5	13.8
1971	265	109	156	21.1	7.9	8.1
1972	279	146	133	18.8	11.5	7.5
1973	298	128	169	19.0	9.3	11.4
1974	327	84	243	23.2	6.0	10.3
1975	396	174	222	20.3	11.3	12.3
1976	316	93	223	24.9	7.1	8.0
1977	277	92	184	19.9	6.9	10.8
1978	279	75	203	21.2	6.3	10.6
1979	229	56	173	21.7	4.5	9.4
1980	307	60	247	22.1	3.9	11.8
1981	266	52	214	23.5	4.7	6.9
1982	356	83	273	22.1	7.3	13.2
1983	279	113	166	20.1	9.6	6.8
1984	276	56	220	22.0	4.4	10.7
1985	269	68	201	22.1	6.4	9.8
1986	247	86	162	20.4	8.3	7.4
1987	307	42	265	27.2	3.7	10.8
1988	381	68	312	24.4	6.6	12.5
1989	356	68	288	23.7	6.5	13.2
1990	348	76	272	24.7	7.8	10.7
1991	397	76	320	25.4	6.8	10.8
1992	522	93	430	26.5	8.5	14.9
1993	597	113	484	26.9	10.3	15.5
1994	834	194	641	24.5	17.6	28.0
1995	950	265	686	23.6	23.5	33.9
1996	1,228	329	899	23.6	29.4	43.4
1997	1,393	412	981	23.1	35.7	50.0
1998	1,609	485	1,125	23.9	42.2	55.3
1999	1,535	485	1,050	23.3	42.4	54.5
2000	1,569	528	1,042	24.2	46.4	47.4
2001	1,411	566	845	22.9	50.4	41.8
2002 <sup>2</sup>	1,343	477	866	23.7	42.4	38.3

\*Low precision; no estimate reported.

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