

### BACKGROUND

n 1998, the state of Mississippi approved a tobacco prevention pilot program that resulted in the formation of The Partnership for a Healthy Mississippi. The Partnership implemented most of its tobacco control programs by 1999, and at the conclusion of the pilot, approximately \$20 million annually was court ordered to go directly to The Partnership from the state's tobacco settlement. In addition to these funds, The Mississippi Department of Health received funds from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention through a cooperative agreement to implement and enhance tobacco prevention and cessation efforts.

In 2006, Governor Haley Barbour, the state Division of Medicaid, and the Health Care Trust Fund filed motions to vacate the December 2000 order and direct the \$20 million away from tobacco prevention and into the trust fund. This motion was successful.

As of June 1, 2006, counter-marketing campaigns were no longer airing, and the college program for the 18 to 24-year-old market ended. As of November 30, 2006, The Partnership ceased funding of cessation programs, including a statewide quitline and regional tobacco cessation treatment clinics, law enforcement program, and numerous statewide and after-school programs.

In 2007, the Mississippi Legislature called for the development, implementation, and funding of a comprehensive and statewide tobacco education, prevention, and cessation program that is consistent with the Best Practices for Tobacco Control Programs of the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The FY2008 allocated \$8 million for the Office of Tobacco Control, MSDH, to create a state tobacco prevention and cessation program. Funding at this level was sustained for FY2009 and FY2010.

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# KEY OUTCOMES

Cigarette smoking among Mississippi youth has decreased substantially since statewide tobacco control programs were implemented in 1999.

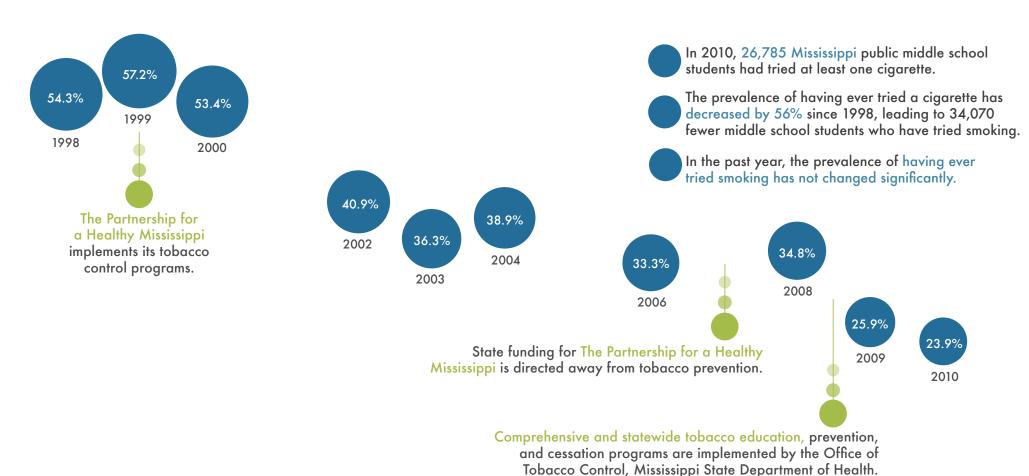
> Current smoking among public middle school students has decreased by 72% since 1998, leading to 16,699 fewer young smokers.

THE PREVALENCE OF HAVING EVER TRIED SMOKING HAS DECREASED BY 56% SINCE 1998, LEADING TO 34,070 FEWER MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO HAVE TRIED SMOKING.

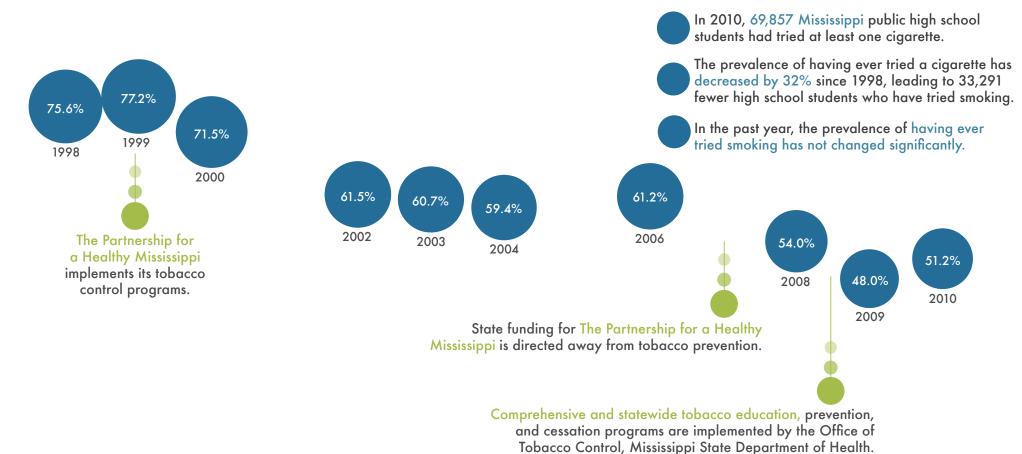
FREQUENT SMOKING HAS DECREASED BY 83% SINCE 1998, LEADING TO 4,931 FEWER MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO ARE FREQUENT SMOKERS.

Frequent smoking has decreased by 51% since 1998, leading to 9,824 fewer high school students who are frequent smokers.

### Ever Tried a Cigarette | MS Public Middle Schools



### Ever Tried a Cigarette | MS Public High Schools

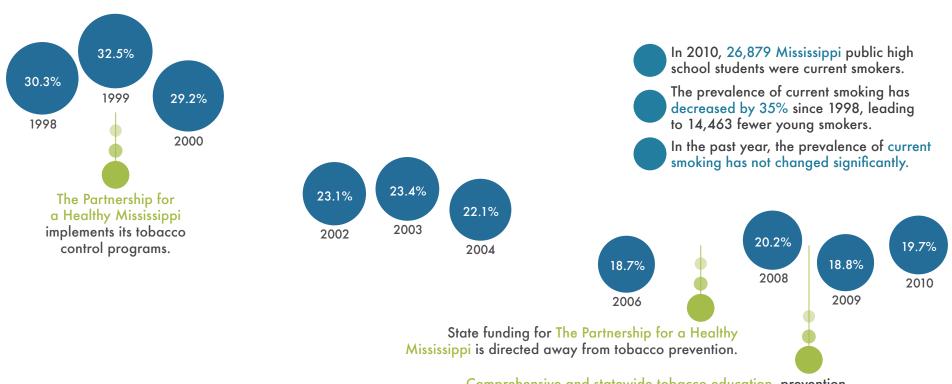


1998-2010: YOUTH SMOKING

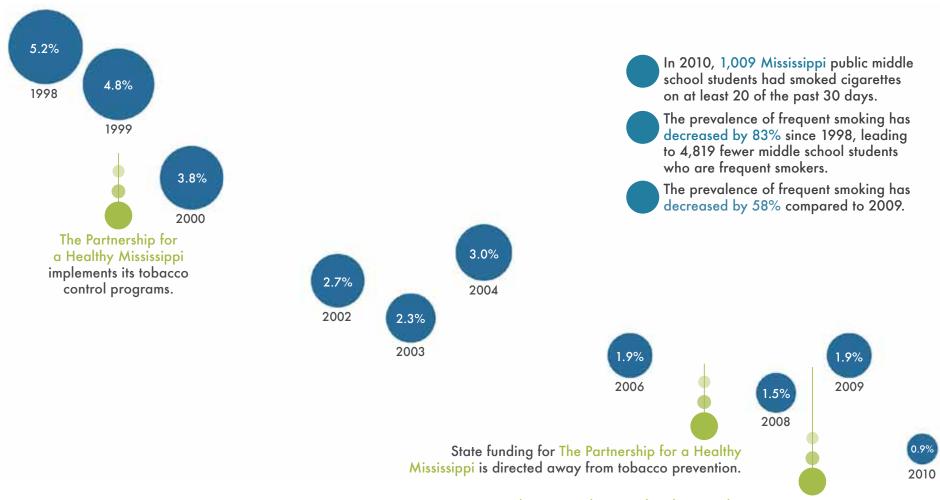
### Current Smokers | MS Public Middle Schools



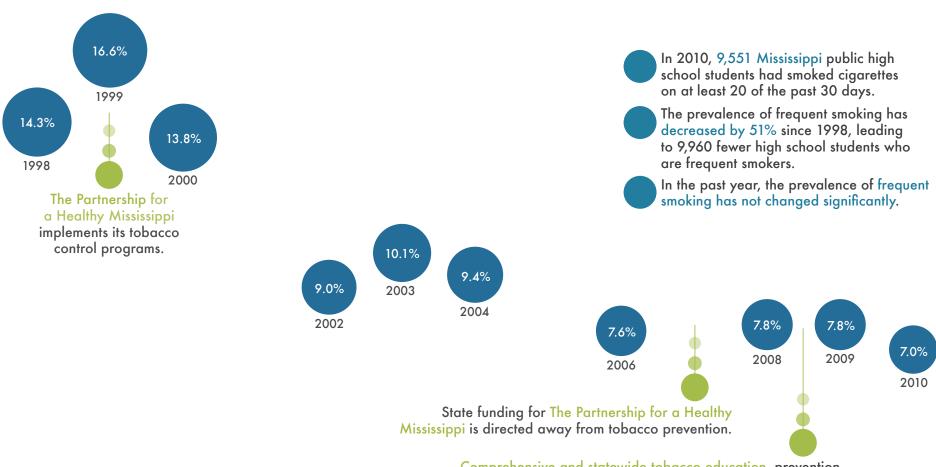
### Current Smokers | MS Public High Schools



### Frequent Cigarette Smoking | MS Public Middle Schools



### Frequent Cigarette Smoking | MS Public High Schools



## KEY DEMOGRAPHIC DIFFERENCES 2010

Among middle school students, there are no differences in the percent of males and females or whites and African-Americans who smoke cigarettes.

> However, 8th graders are more likely to have tried cigarette smoking or to be current smokers than 6th graders.

MALES ARE MORE LIKELY TO HAVE EVER TRIED CIGARETTE SMOKING OR TO BE CURRENT SMOKERS THAN FEMALES.

12TH GRADERS ARE MORE LIKELY TO HAVE EVER TRIED CIGARETTE SMOKING THAN YOUNGER STUDENTS.

| Mississippi Youth Tobacco Use | 1998-2010 | Ever Smokers - Public Middle School |
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|        | 1998        | 1999        | 2000        | 2002        | 2003        | 2004        | 2006        | 2008        | 2009        | 2010        |
|--------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| TOTAL  | 54.3 (±4.1) | 57.2 (±4.2) | 53.4 (±3.3) | 40.9 (±3.5) | 36.3 (±2.5) | 38.9 (±3.9) | 33.3 (±5.1) | 34.8 (±4.8) | 25.9 (±3.5) | 23.9 (±3.3) |
| SEX    |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| FEMALE | 51.2 (±5.3) | 53.7 (±5.1) | 48.6 (±3.4) | 38.5 (±4.6) | 33.6 (±2.7) | 36.4 (±3.9) | 32.3 (±6.2) | 29.9 (±5.6) | 23.8 (±4.5) | 21.7 (±4.3) |
| MALE   | 57.3 (±4.3) | 60.3 (±4.9) | 58.1 (±4.8) | 43.5 (±3.2) | 39.0 (±2.9) | 41.5 (±5.0) | 34.4 (±6.1) | 39.4 (±4.8) | 27.9 (±3.8) | 26.1 (±3.5) |
| RACE   |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| WHITE  | 52.0 (±6.6) | 55.7 (±3.2) | 50.1 (±4.6) | 39.4 (±3.6) | 33.3 (±3.0) | 36.2 (±5.8) | 30.4 (±6.5) | 31.9 (±6.0) | 24.4 (±5.3) | 25.4 (±4.6) |
| BLACK  | 56.3 (±7.1) | 58.3 (±7.6) | 56.7 (±7.9) | 41.8 (±5.8) | 39.3 (±2.7) | 41.5 (±2.9) | 36.2 (±6.2) | 37.0 (±5.0) | 26.7 (±4.4) | 22.3 (±4.5) |
| GRADE  |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| 6      | 41.8 (±4.9) | 45.1 (±5.2) | 40.5 (±7.3) | 32.8 (±4.9) | 25.5 (±3.1) | 29.1 (±5.5) | 19.3 (±4.7) | 22.5 (±6.7) | 18.2 (±4.0) | 14.9 (±5.2) |
| 7      | 55.0 (±7.1) | 59.4 (±5.7) | 57.9 (±5.8) | 46.9 (±5.1) | 37.0 (±3.5) | 41.5 (±5.3) | 36.3 (±6.9) | 36.6 (±5.6) | 24.9 (±6.1) | 23.8 (±5.1) |
| 8      | 64.0 (±5.6) | 66.3 (±6.2) | 61.4 (±5.4) | 50.7 (±4.5) | 46.8 (±2.6) | 45.9 (±5.1) | 43.2 (±7.3) | 45.5 (±6.8) | 34.3 (±5.4) | 33.1 (±6.4) |

### Mississippi Youth Tobacco Use 1998-2010 Ever Smokers - Public High School

|        | 1998        | 1999        | 2000        | 2002        | 2003        | 2004        | 2006         | 2008        | 2009        | 2010        |
|--------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| TOTAL  | 75.6 (±3.0) | 77.2 (±2.4) | 71.5 (±2.2) | 61.5 (±2.5) | 60.7 (±1.7) | 59.4 (±2.5) | 61.2 (±3.9)  | 54.0 (±4.5) | 48.0 (±3.1) | 51.2 (±3.2) |
| SEX    |             |             |             |             |             |             |              |             |             |             |
| FEMALE | 72.6 (±3.7) | 73.6 (±3.9) | 70.0 (±4.0) | 59.3 (±2.9) | 57.4 (±2.6) | 54.8 (±3.5) | 61.0 (±6.9)  | 59.7 (±5.3) | 43.5 (±4.1) | 48.7 (±4.0) |
| MALE   | 78.7 (±3.3) | 80.9 (±3.1) | 73.1 (±2.9) | 64.0 (±3.7) | 64.2 (±1.8) | 63.9 (±3.3) | 61.2 (±4.2)  | 48.2 (±4.2) | 53.1 (±3.6) | 53.5 (±4.7) |
| RACE   |             |             |             |             |             |             |              |             |             |             |
| WHITE  | 79.4 (±3.3) | 81.0 (±3.2) | 75.5 (±4.9) | 61.4 (±3.5) | 63.1 (±2.1) | 64.3 (±3.6) | 67.1 (±8.6)  | 56.2 (±6.3) | 53.2 (±5.0) | 59.0 (±5.0) |
| BLACK  | 70.6 (±4.5) | 72.3 (±4.4) | 65.9 (±3.8) | 61.1 (±3.8) | 57.5 (±2.7) | 54.2 (±4.2) | 56.0 (±3.4)  | 50.9 (±7.4) | 42.6 (±4.1) | 44.0 (±4.0) |
| GRADE  |             |             |             |             |             |             |              |             |             |             |
| 9      | 73.1 (±4.3) | 75.2 (±3.1) | 69.3 (±3.5) | 54.5 (±4.9) | 57.9 (±3.1) | 56.3 (±4.8) | 59.8 (±6.9)  | 51.0 (±9.3) | 42.3 (±4.8) | 42.9 (±5.4) |
| 10     | 75.0 (±7.7) | 77.7 (±6.8) | 69.3 (±4.5) | 62.4 (±3.7) | 59.6 (±2.6) | 58.7 (±5.4) | 57.2 (±5.6)  | 52.1 (±6.8) | 50.4 (±4.3) | 49.9 (±5.3) |
| 11     | 76.9 (±5.3) | 75.8 (±6.9) | 72.7 (±8.3) | 65.0 (±5.2) | 62.3 (±2.9) | 58.4 (±6.8) | 65.8 (±10.5) | 48.9 (±8.3) | 48.0 (±7.1) | 56.6 (±6.8) |
| 12     | 78.2 (±5.6) | 80.8 (±4.6) | 75.9 (±6.8) | 66.5 (±4.1) | 64.5 (±2.6) | 67.1 (±4.9) | 63.9 (±7.2)  | 66.7 (±7.1) | 53.3 (±6.5) | 58.7 (±5.9) |

| Mississippi Youth Tobacco Use | 1998-2010 | Current Smokers - Public Middle School |
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|        | 1998        | 1999        | 2000        | 2002        | 2003        | 2004        | 2006        | 2008        | 2009        | 2010       |
|--------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| TOTAL  | 20.6 (±3.1) | 23.0 (±3.2) | 18.1 (±2.3) | 11.9 (±1.6) | 11.0 (±1.2) | 12.0 (±2.0) | 8.4 (±1.6)  | 8.9 (±2.0)  | 7.2 (±1.7)  | 5.7 (±1.5) |
| SEX    |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |            |
| FEMALE | 18.2 (±4.8) | 19.4 (±2.6) | 16.9 (±2.6) | 11.5 (±2.0) | 9.8 (±1.3)  | 11.0 (±2.5) | 7.8 (±2.4)  | 6.9 (±2.8)  | 6.2 (±1.8)  | 4.4 (±1.8) |
| MALE   | 23.0 (±3.4) | 26.1 (±4.8) | 19.2 (±3.5) | 12.1 (±1.8) | 12.0 (±1.4) | 12.8 (±2.8) | 9.0 (±2.6)  | 11.0 (±2.3) | 8.0 (±2.5)  | 6.8 (±1.9) |
| RACE   |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |            |
| WHITE  | 22.8 (±4.4) | 23.4 (±3.7) | 20.9 (±3.6) | 13.3 (±2.0) | 10.7 (±1.5) | 13.5 (±3.4) | 9.9 (±2.6)  | 11.2 (±3.0) | 8.8 (±3.1)  | 6.2 (±2.0) |
| BLACK  | 17.6 (±4.0) | 21.8 (±5.0) | 15.0 (±3.5) | 8.8 (±2.9)  | 10.8 (±1.4) | 10.2 (±2.1) | 7.0 (±2.3)  | 6.9 (±1.9)  | 5.6 (±2.0)  | 5.2 (±2.4) |
| GRADE  |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |            |
| 6      | 11.9 (±4.7) | 17.7 (±4.5) | 13.6 (±4.2) | 8.8 (±2.1)  | 7.1 (±1.3)  | 6.8 (±1.9)  | 4.0 (±2.1)  | 4.4 (±2.8)  | 3.6 (±2.0)  | 2.8 (±1.8) |
| 7      | 21.8 (±7.7) | 21.8 (±4.1) | 22.0 (±2.7) | 14.9 (±2.7) | 10.8 (±1.8) | 13.6 (±3.5) | 7.2 (±2.2)  | 10.1 (±3.1) | 6.7 (±2.7)  | 6.5 (±1.7) |
| 8      | 25.8 (±5.3) | 29.0 (±5.2) | 18.5 (±4.1) | 14.7 (±3.7) | 14.9 (±1.8) | 15.1 (±4.5) | 13.5 (±2.6) | 12.5 (±3.8) | 11.1 (±3.6) | 7.8 (±3.2) |

#### Current Smokers - Public High School Mississippi Youth Tobacco Use 1998-2010

|        | 1998        | 1999        | 2000        | 2002        | 2003        | 2004        | 2006        | 2008        | 2009        | 2010        |
|--------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| TOTAL  | 30.3 (±3.0) | 32.5 (±3.3) | 29.2 (±3.6) | 23.1 (±2.6) | 23.4 (±1.5) | 22.1 (±2.6) | 18.7 (±5.1) | 20.2 (±4.4) | 18.8 (±2.2) | 19.7 (±2.5) |
| SEX    |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| FEMALE | 27.1 (±4.6) | 30.7 (±5.2) | 26.2 (±5.9) | 21.1 (±3.6) | 20.6 (±2.0) | 19.7 (±2.9) | 16.9 (±5.5) | 15.7 (±3.8) | 15.6 (±3.0) | 17.8 (±3.6) |
| MALE   | 33.9 (±4.0) | 34.4 (±4.2) | 32.3 (±4.6) | 25.1 (±3.1) | 26.0 (±1.9) | 24.3 (±3.1) | 20.1 (±5.5) | 24.8 (±5.8) | 22.2 (±3.1) | 21.5 (±3.0) |
| RACE   |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| WHITE  | 43.8 (±4.2) | 42.7 (±4.8) | 41.7 (±5.9) | 29.3 (±2.7) | 31.0 (±2.3) | 29.9 (±3.8) | 25.9 (±4.7) | 28.9 (±5.4) | 27.6 (±3.7) | 29.0 (±3.3) |
| BLACK  | 14.2 (±2.7) | 16.6 (±3.2) | 13.3 (±3.0) | 16.7 (±4.0) | 14.1 (±1.4) | 14.1 (±2.8) | 11.6 (±3.5) | 10.1 (±6.0) | 9.8 (±2.5)  | 11.1 (±2.1) |
| GRADE  |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| 9      | 27.6 (±5.0) | 28.2 (±4.1) | 25.3 (±5.3) | 20.0 (±4.4) | 22.4 (±2.6) | 19.8 (±4.3) | 17.0 (±4.3) | 17.7 (±7.4) | 14.4 (±3.5) | 14.7 (±4.2) |
| 10     | 31.4 (±6.6) | 30.3 (±5.6) | 27.6 (±5.5) | 19.7 (±2.7) | 21.8 (±2.4) | 22.9 (±4.3) | 12.9 (±7.4) | 19.0 (±6.1) | 20.0 (±3.3) | 20.0 (±4.7) |
| 11     | 33.5 (±6.5) | 38.3 (±8.3) | 32.9 (±8.5) | 27.1 (±5.9) | 24.2 (±2.8) | 22.7 (±4.6) | 20.1 (±5.9) | 15.5 (±7.5) | 19.8 (±3.1) | 22.0 (±4.1) |
| 12     | 29.4 (±6.8) | 35.1 (±6.7) | 32.6 (±8.9) | 26.6 (±5.8) | 25.5 (±2.4) | 24.6 (±6.4) | 27.5 (±6.1) | 29.9 (±8.2) | 22.8 (±6.3) | 23.9 (±6.3) |

| Mississippi Youth Tobacco | Use 1998-2010 | Frequent Smokers - | Public Middle School |
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|        | 1998       | 1999       | 2000       | 2002       | 2003       | 2004       | 2006       | 2008       | 2009       | 2010       |
|--------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| TOTAL  | 5.2 (±2.2) | 4.8 (±1.2) | 3.8 (±1.1) | 2.7 (±0.9) | 2.3 (±0.4) | 3.0 (±0.7) | 1.9 (±0.9) | 1.5 (±0.7) | 1.9 (±0.8) | 0.9 (±0.4) |
| SEX    |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| FEMALE | 3.6 (±2.7) | 3.6 (±1.0) | 3.6 (±1.2) | 2.2 (±0.8) | 1.6 (±0.5) | 2.6 (±1.2) | 1.9 (±1.0) | 0.6 (±0.5) | 1.8 (±0.8) | 0.4 (±0.3) |
| MALE   | 6.8 (±3.1) | 5.9 (±1.9) | 4.1 (±1.3) | 3.2 (±1.2) | 2.9 (±0.6) | 3.2 (±0.8) | 1.9 (±1.2) |            | 2.0 (±1.2) |            |
| RACE   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| WHITE  | 6.4 (±3.5) | 6.9 (±1.6) | 5.9 (±1.9) | 3.8 (±1.6) | 2.8 (±0.7) | 4.1 (±1.6) | 3.5 (±1.4) | 2.1 (±1.2) |            |            |
| BLACK  | 2.6 (±1.8) | 1.7 (±1.2) | 1.7 (±0.9) | 1.4 (±0.8) | 1.6 (±0.5) | 1.8 (±0.5) | 0.3 (±0.4) | 0.8 (±0.6) | 0.7 (±0.8) |            |
| GRADE  |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| 6      | 1.2 (±0.6) | 2.7 (±1.5) | 2.8 (±2.1) | 1.3 (±0.8) | 1.3 (±0.4) | 1.1 (±0.9) | 0.7 (±0.7) | 0.6 (±0.6) | 0.7 (±0.6) |            |
| 7      | 5.1 (±3.2) | 4.1 (±1.9) | 4.0 (±1.8) | 3.4 (±1.0) | 1.8 (±0.4) | 3.0 (±1.2) | 1.2 (±0.8) | 1.2 (±0.8) |            | 0.7 (±0.6) |
| 8      | 7.1 (±3.1) | 7.5 (±2.1) | 4.8 (±1.5) | 5.2 (±2.2) | 3.8 (±0.7) | 4.7 (±2.0) | 3.5 (±1.9) | 2.7 (±1.6) |            |            |

### Mississippi Youth Tobacco Use 1998-2010 Frequent Smokers - Public High School

|        | 1998        | 1999        | 2000        | 2002        | 2003        | 2004        | 2006        | 2008        | 2009       | 2010        |
|--------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| TOTAL  | 14.3 (±3.0) | 16.6 (±3.0) | 13.8 (±3.0) | 9.0 (±1.6)  | 10.1 (±1.0) | 9.4 (±1.7)  | 7.6 (±1.9)  | 7.8 (±1.8)  | 7.8 (±1.9) |             |
| SEX    |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |            |             |
| FEMALE | 11.6 (±2.3) | 16.9 (±4.2) | 12.5 (±3.6) | 7.8 (±1.9)  | 9.1 (±1.2)  | 7.7 (±2.1)  | 5.5 (±2.9)  | 9.4 (±2.2)  | 7.4 (±2.5) | 6.6 (±1.9)  |
| MALE   | 17.3 (±3.3) | 16.1 (±3.6) | 15.1 (±3.3) | 10.4 (±2.5) | 11.0 (±1.4) | 11.1 (±2.5) | 9.8 (±2.2)  | 6.7 (±1.8)  |            |             |
| RACE   |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |            |             |
| WHITE  | 23.2 (±4.5) | 24.8 (±4.3) | 21.6 (±4.4) | 13.9 (±2.2) | 14.9 (±1.7) | 13.9 (±2.8) | 10.9 (±3.7) | 11.8 (±2.9) |            |             |
| BLACK  | 3.4 (±2.2)  | 4.1 (±1.2)  | 4.3 (±2.1)  | 4.4 (±1.7)  | 4.1 (±0.8)  | 4.7 (±1.5)  | 4.3 (±2.2)  | 3.9 (±2.5)  |            | 2.5 (±1.2)  |
| GRADE  |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |            |             |
| 9      | 8.3 (±2.7)  | 12.0 (±3.8) | 11.1 (±5.1) | 7.7 (±2.7)  | 7.5 (±1.5)  | 7.8 (±2.1)  | 7.1 (±2.1)  | 6.0 (±3.1)  |            |             |
| 10     | 16.7 (±5.0) | 14.8 (±4.0) | 14.3 (±4.8) | 7.8 (±1.9)  | 8.6 (±1.3)  | 9.5 (±2.8)  | 5.5 (±4.5)  | 7.9 (±2.7)  |            | 6.2 (±2.5)  |
| 11     | 17.9 (±5.6) | 20.2 (±9.0) | 17.0 (±6.3) | 7.9 (±3.3)  | 11.2 (±1.9) | 9.5 (±2.9)  | 7.0 (±2.7)  | 6.5 (±3.2)  |            | 7.5 (±3.1)  |
| 12     | 16.1 (±5.4) | 21.8 (±7.0) | 13.9 (±5.9) | 12.8 (±3.8) | 14.5 (±2.1) | 12.2 (±4.3) | 12.2 (±3.4) | 12.7 (±3.4) |            | 10.9 (±5.0) |

## **METHODS**

### BACKGROUND

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Office on Smoking and Health (OSH) provides technical assistance to the states to administer this survey. Mississippi has administered the Youth Tobacco Survey (YTS) in 1998, 1999, 2000, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2006, 2008, 2009, and 2010.

THE PURPOSE OF THE YTS is to provide states with the data needed to design, implement, and evaluate comprehensive tobacco control programs that work to prevent young people from beginning tobacco use and help those who have already started using tobacco to quit.

THE YTS COLLECTS DATA from young people in grades 6 through 12.

YTS DATA provide information on many key intermediate and long-term tobacco-related indicators, allowing states to measure progress toward state goals and objectives.

#### SAMPLE DESIGN

A multi-stage sample design was applied with public middle and high schools selected proportional to enrollment size. Classrooms were chosen randomly within selected schools and all students in selected classes were eligible for participation. Data were collected by means of an anonymous and confidential self-administered questionnaire. The questionnaires were group administered in classrooms during a normal class period by teachers following standardized procedures.

### EDITING, WEIGHTING, AND INITIAL ANALYSIS OF DATA

The Research Triangle Institute and the CDC's Office of Smoking and Health provided technical assistance with the processing and weighting of the data. A weighting factor was applied to each student record to adjust for non-response at the school, class, and student levels. SUDAAN statistical software was used to calculate standard errors for estimates and 95 percent confidence intervals. Weight adjustments were made for the following:

WEIGHT = W1 \* W2 \* f1 \* f2 \* f3 \* f4

W1 = inverse of the probability of selecting the school

W2 = inverse of the probability of selecting the classroom within the school

F1 = a school-level non-response adjustment factor calculated by school size (small, medium, large)

F2 = a class adjustment factor calculated by school

F3 = a student-level non-response adjustment factor calculated by class

F4 = a post stratification adjustment factor calculated by gender and grade

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