

spirited dialogue factoids on smoking

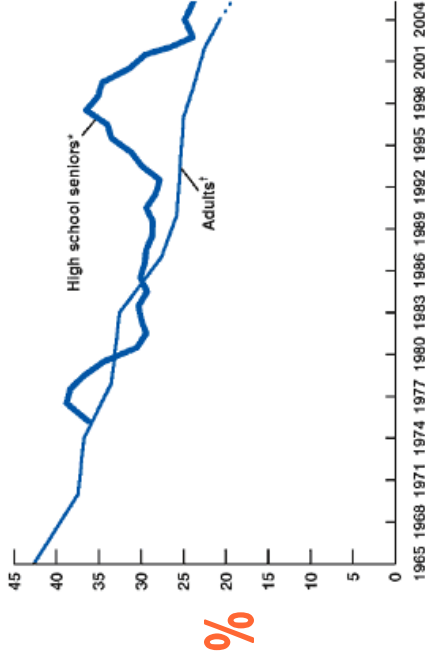
smoking kills...

- 440 thousand Americans a year, according to Center for Disease Control (CDC), or 100 thousand, according to Heartland Institute (out of about 2.5 million deaths)



how many of us are smoking

- 44.5 million adults (about 25%)
- About 20% of high school seniors (said they had a cigarette in past 30 days)
- Average smoker smokes 19 cigarettes a day (in 1995)



From CDC

Costs, according to CDC

- \$75 billion per year in medical expenditures
- \$92 billion per year resulting from lost productivity

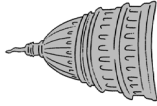


taxes

- federal tax on cigarettes: 39 cents
- State tax: average of 70 cents (median—80 cents)
 - highest tax: \$2.46 in Rhode Island
 - lowest tax: 7 cents in South Carolina

state laws

- number of states that restrict smoking
 - in public places: 46 (2005)
 - in private workplaces: 41 (2005)



over the years

- 1964 - Surgeon General says cigarettes cause cancer
- 1965 - Congress requires warning labels on cigarettes
- 1966 - Surgeon General says cigarettes cause cancer
- 1968 - Surgeon General says cigarettes cause cancer
- 1971 - tv ads for cigarettes are banned
- 1972 - federal law requiring states restrict sales of cigarettes to minors
- 1973 - EPA classifies second hand smoke as a carcinogen
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- 1988 - Congress bans smoking on short domestic flights of two hours or less
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- 1995 - Surgeon General says cigarettes cause cancer
- 1996 - FDA calls cigarettes "drug delivery devices" and proposes regs
- 1997 - Surgeon General says cigarettes cause cancer
- 1998 - 46 states and tobacco industry settle lawsuit for \$200 billion over 20 years
- 1999 - Surgeon General says cigarettes cause cancer
- 2000 - Supreme Court rules FDA can't regulate tobacco until Congress says so

