

Table 4.16C Standard Errors of Numbers (in Thousands) of Persons Who Initiated Alcohol Use in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2003, Based on 2002-2004 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	154	115	105	0.3	6.5	16.8
1966	136	103	88	0.1	5.8	14.4
1967	149	107	106	0.2	6.2	15.8
1968	150	111	97	0.2	6.2	14.4
1969	157	111	111	0.2	6.1	16.7
1970	147	103	108	0.2	5.4	17.6
1971	131	88	93	0.2	4.6	15.3
1972	138	99	94	0.2	5.2	17.1
1973	128	99	76	0.1	5.5	13.7
1974	130	102	75	0.3	5.5	13.2
1975	127	98	75	0.2	5.5	13.3
1976	114	88	71	0.2	5.0	12.2
1977	124	97	73	0.2	5.7	13.4
1978	116	98	60	0.1	6.0	11.2
1979	119	97	67	0.2	6.0	13.3
1980	111	92	63	0.2	5.9	12.2
1981	114	93	68	0.2	6.0	13.0
1982	113	93	64	0.2	6.1	12.6
1983	100	81	60	0.2	5.5	12.7
1984	109	90	60	0.2	6.0	12.2
1985	113	90	63	0.2	6.0	13.2
1986	104	81	60	0.2	5.7	12.7
1987	99	74	62	0.2	5.2	12.7
1988	87	69	56	0.1	5.2	12.0
1989	100	83	62	0.1	5.9	12.7
1990	96	70	58	0.2	5.1	12.3
1991	88	66	59	0.2	4.9	12.5
1992	88	68	58	0.2	4.3	11.9
1993	83	65	55	0.1	4.1	11.6
1994	83	55	60	0.1	3.3	12.1
1995	77	48	53	0.2	2.7	11.3
1996	74	48	54	0.2	2.8	11.1
1997	72	47	51	0.1	2.6	9.3
1998	66	45	49	0.1	2.6	9.1
1999	65	47	44	0.2	2.6	8.5
2000	72	51	47	0.1	2.9	8.6
2001 ²	85	63	53	0.2	3.8	10.0
2002 ³	111	85	69	0.1	4.9	13.3
2003 ³	--	--	96	--	5.3	14.2

*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 bias from reporting and other sources.

¹ The numerator of each rate is the number of persons in the age group who initiated use of the drug in the specified year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of persons in the age group measured in thousands of years.

² Estimated using 2003 and 2004 data only.

³ Estimated using 2004 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002, 2003, and 2004.

Table 4.17C Standard Errors of Numbers (in Thousands) of Persons Who Initiated Alcohol Use 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): 1965-2003, Based on 2002-2004 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 21	21 or Older		12-20	21-25
1965	154	138	69	0.3	6.5	22.8
1966	136	125	53	0.1	5.8	19.9
1967	149	140	62	0.2	6.6	21.9
1968	150	136	57	0.2	6.2	18.2
1969	157	145	67	0.2	6.4	22.4
1970	147	127	72	0.2	5.9	25.7
1971	131	111	63	0.2	5.1	20.7
1972	138	118	71	0.2	5.5	26.7
1973	128	117	54	0.1	5.6	18.5
1974	130	118	63	0.3	5.5	19.2
1975	127	116	52	0.2	5.6	17.7
1976	114	101	52	0.2	5.1	16.5
1977	124	113	55	0.2	5.7	18.2
1978	116	106	39	0.1	5.6	14.5
1979	119	109	45	0.2	5.7	17.1
1980	111	105	41	0.2	5.9	14.0
1981	114	105	40	0.2	5.8	13.0
1982	113	105	41	0.2	5.9	15.3
1983	100	93	38	0.2	5.4	16.0
1984	109	100	38	0.2	5.5	13.8
1985	113	103	45	0.2	5.9	15.8
1986	104	92	38	0.2	5.7	15.4
1987	99	90	42	0.2	5.6	16.2
1988	87	79	38	0.1	5.0	17.7
1989	100	92	44	0.1	5.5	19.8
1990	96	83	42	0.2	5.0	19.1
1991	88	78	40	0.2	4.8	18.3
1992	88	79	41	0.2	4.3	16.0
1993	83	77	36	0.1	4.1	16.5
1994	83	70	44	0.1	3.8	18.7
1995	77	65	38	0.2	3.3	15.3
1996	74	59	39	0.2	3.0	16.2
1997	72	57	39	0.1	2.7	15.5
1998	66	52	40	0.1	2.5	16.2
1999	65	53	36	0.2	2.5	14.8
2000	72	60	38	0.1	2.8	15.8
2001 ²	85	77	39	0.2	3.8	15.5
2002 ³	111	98	48	0.1	4.9	19.5
2003 ³	--	--	83	--	5.2	20.1

*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 bias from reporting and other sources.

¹ The numerator of each rate is the number of persons in the age group who initiated use of the drug in the specified year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of persons in the age group measured in thousands of years.

² Estimated using 2003 and 2004 data only.

³ Estimated using 2004 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002, 2003, and 2004.

Table 4.18C Standard Errors of Numbers (in Thousands) of Persons Who Initiated Cigarette Use in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2003, Based on 2002-2004 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	130	117	59	0.2	7.9	9.7
1966	115	96	66	0.2	6.2	9.7
1967	138	120	67	0.2	7.7	9.3
1968	134	104	83	0.2	6.4	11.4
1969	128	104	69	0.2	6.4	8.7
1970	111	93	68	0.2	5.5	8.7
1971	112	88	67	0.2	5.1	8.1
1972	117	95	68	0.2	5.8	8.2
1973	107	91	58	0.1	5.5	7.0
1974	115	98	59	0.2	5.9	6.8
1975	108	88	63	0.2	5.8	7.1
1976	110	98	53	0.1	6.2	5.8
1977	98	86	48	0.1	5.5	5.5
1978	104	92	48	0.2	6.2	4.7
1979	105	89	52	0.2	5.8	5.6
1980	96	77	53	0.2	5.4	5.5
1981	97	81	51	0.2	5.4	5.5
1982	96	85	49	0.2	5.6	4.5
1983	95	83	47	0.3	5.4	4.7
1984	89	77	44	0.2	5.2	4.9
1985	93	79	47	0.2	5.4	5.1
1986	83	71	42	0.2	5.0	4.6
1987	83	70	46	0.1	5.0	5.1
1988	85	68	48	0.1	4.9	5.1
1989	87	72	45	0.2	5.2	4.7
1990	77	65	42	0.1	4.9	4.3
1991	79	63	45	0.1	4.6	4.8
1992	76	58	50	0.1	4.0	5.1
1993	71	54	45	0.1	3.6	4.6
1994	69	49	49	0.1	3.0	5.0
1995	62	49	41	0.1	3.0	4.5
1996	63	45	45	0.1	2.7	4.9
1997	64	45	44	0.1	2.7	4.6
1998	55	42	34	0.1	2.4	3.4
1999	56	41	36	0.1	2.6	3.7
2000	59	44	34	0.1	2.6	2.9
2001 ²	64	50	38	0.2	2.8	3.3
2002 ³	82	59	53	0.2	3.5	4.7
2003 ³	--	--	49	--	3.4	4.5

*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 bias from reporting and other sources.

¹ The numerator of each rate is the number of persons in the age group who initiated use of the drug in the specified year, while the denominator is the person-time exposure of persons in the age group measured in thousands of years.

² Estimated using 2003 and 2004 data only.

³ Estimated using 2004 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002, 2003, and 2004.

Table 4.19C Standard Errors of Numbers (in Thousands) of Persons Who Initiated 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): 1965-2003, Based on 2002-2004 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	98	72	74	0.3	3.7	5.9
1966	98	72	71	0.3	3.5	5.4
1967	99	68	73	0.2	3.5	5.4
1968	105	56	89	0.3	2.8	6.2
1969	109	71	81	0.2	3.3	5.5
1970	101	63	77	0.3	3.0	4.7
1971	99	60	75	0.3	2.7	4.5
1972	89	58	71	0.2	2.7	4.1
1973	90	59	71	0.2	2.6	3.9
1974	94	63	66	0.2	2.9	3.6
1975	94	62	69	0.2	2.9	3.7
1976	82	60	56	0.2	2.9	2.7
1977	83	62	55	0.2	2.9	2.8
1978	82	57	57	0.3	2.7	2.6
1979	79	57	59	0.2	2.8	2.8
1980	81	57	58	0.3	2.8	2.3
1981	76	53	53	0.3	2.7	2.4
1982	77	52	57	0.3	2.7	2.6
1983	75	53	52	0.3	2.7	2.3
1984	69	51	45	0.2	2.7	2.1
1985	65	46	46	0.2	2.5	2.2
1986	62	44	46	0.4	2.4	1.9
1987	67	43	53	0.3	2.3	2.4
1988	64	40	50	0.3	2.2	2.1
1989	65	40	48	0.2	2.2	2.3
1990	61	40	47	0.3	2.3	2.2
1991	67	42	52	0.4	2.3	2.4
1992	61	38	48	0.2	2.1	2.3
1993	58	38	42	0.2	2.0	2.0
1994	58	32	50	0.3	1.7	2.2
1995	52	31	43	0.2	1.6	2.1
1996	61	29	54	0.3	1.4	2.3
1997	58	29	49	0.2	1.4	2.3
1998	48	27	38	0.2	1.3	1.9
1999	47	27	37	0.3	1.2	1.7
2000	48	25	39	0.2	1.1	1.6
2001	42	25	33	0.3	1.1	1.2
2002 ²	47	28	39	0.4	1.2	1.4
2003 ³	70	40	57	0.5	1.7	1.8

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

-- Not available.

NOTE: Daily Cigarette Use is defined as ever smoking every day for at least 30 days.

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² Estimated using 2003 and 2004 data only.

³ Estimated using 2004 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002, 2003, and 2004.

Table 4.20C Standard Errors of Numbers (in Thousands) of Persons Who Initiated Smokeless Tobacco Use in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2003, Based on 2002-2004 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	58	47	36	0.7	2.3	1.7
1966	49	31	36	0.9	1.3	1.7
1967	62	42	43	0.7	1.9	1.7
1968	63	44	43	0.9	1.9	1.4
1969	57	45	32	0.5	1.9	1.4
1970	57	39	47	0.7	1.6	1.9
1971	51	34	38	0.6	1.3	1.3
1972	54	39	38	0.5	1.5	1.4
1973	63	43	47	0.9	1.7	1.5
1974	57	41	41	0.4	1.6	1.5
1975	58	42	40	0.6	1.6	1.3
1976	58	46	41	0.5	1.9	1.2
1977	71	53	47	0.4	2.2	1.4
1978	69	52	46	0.4	2.4	1.2
1979	73	57	45	0.5	2.6	1.1
1980	64	53	40	0.5	2.5	1.2
1981	64	48	43	0.4	2.3	1.4
1982	70	52	45	0.4	2.5	1.3
1983	64	50	39	0.4	2.6	1.3
1984	72	53	44	0.4	2.8	1.5
1985	61	46	37	0.4	2.4	1.3
1986	59	49	33	0.4	2.7	1.1
1987	56	39	40	0.5	2.2	1.3
1988	49	38	32	0.4	2.2	1.2
1989	50	36	36	0.4	2.2	1.4
1990	54	38	35	0.4	2.3	1.2
1991	52	34	41	0.7	2.0	1.3
1992	47	34	33	0.5	1.9	1.3
1993	44	31	31	0.4	1.6	1.3
1994	49	24	41	0.7	1.2	1.4
1995	40	25	32	0.5	1.2	1.2
1996	37	23	28	0.4	1.1	1.1
1997	41	23	34	0.6	1.1	1.2
1998	33	21	26	0.3	0.9	1.0
1999	32	22	23	0.3	0.9	0.9
2000	40	21	33	0.4	0.9	1.0
2001	32	19	27	0.4	0.8	1.0
2002 ²	38	23	28	0.5	1.0	0.8
2003 ³	54	34	43	0.8	1.4	1.2

*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 bias from reporting and other sources.

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² Estimated using 2003 and 2004 data only.

³ Estimated using 2004 data only.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002, 2003, and 2004.

Table 4.21C Standard Errors of Numbers (in Thousands) of Persons Who Initiated Cigar Use in the United States, Their Mean Age at First Use, and Rates of First Use (Per 1,000 Person-Years of Exposure): 1965-2003, Based on 2002-2004 NSDUHs

YEAR	NUMBER OF INITIATES (1,000s)			MEAN AGE	AGE-SPECIFIC RATES ¹	
	All Ages	Under 18	18 or Older		12-17	18-25
1965	87	43	71	0.5	2.1	4.1
1966	82	55	63	0.3	2.7	3.8
1967	83	50	67	0.4	2.5	3.8
1968	87	54	69	0.3	2.5	3.6
1969	106	52	89	0.5	2.3	4.2
1970	83	43	71	0.4	1.9	3.4
1971	90	43	74	0.4	1.9	3.4
1972	87	45	75	0.3	1.9	3.3
1973	96	45	80	0.3	1.9	3.6
1974	73	37	63	0.4	1.6	2.5
1975	78	40	63	0.4	1.7	2.6
1976	80	42	66	0.5	1.8	2.4
1977	80	41	64	0.4	1.8	2.3
1978	75	39	66	0.4	1.7	2.4
1979	69	35	61	0.5	1.6	2.1
1980	72	35	62	0.4	1.6	2.1
1981	70	34	60	0.4	1.6	1.9
1982	74	37	66	0.5	1.7	2.1
1983	72	33	63	0.4	1.6	2.0
1984	66	31	58	0.3	1.5	2.0
1985	65	36	53	0.4	1.8	2.0
1986	60	31	52	0.4	1.6	1.7
1987	70	28	63	0.6	1.4	2.2
1988	79	32	72	0.4	1.7	2.1
1989	80	28	74	0.5	1.5	2.2
1990	67	29	61	0.3	1.6	2.2
1991	67	33	59	0.3	1.8	2.0
1992	78	31	70	0.3	1.7	2.5
1993	72	27	66	0.4	1.4	2.2
1994	82	30	75	0.3	1.5	2.7
1995	81	28	76	0.3	1.3	3.0
1996	88	27	83	0.3	1.3	3.2
1997	89	30	83	0.3	1.4	3.3
1998	85	33	80	0.3	1.5	2.6
1999	82	34	72	0.3	1.5	2.7
2000	79	31	72	0.3	1.4	2.5
2001	75	32	64	0.4	1.5	2.0
2002 ²	80	37	73	0.3	1.7	2.2
2003 ³	107	53	92	0.6	2.5	2.6

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

-- Not available.

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