

## Trends in Cigarette Initiation

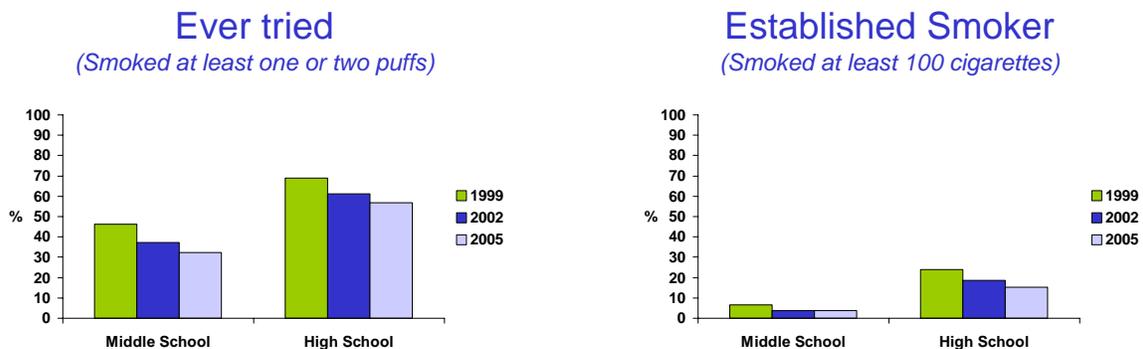
### Grades 6-8

- In 2005, 42.0 percent of middle school students had ever used tobacco in any form (2002: 45.0%, 1999: 50.4%)
- In 2005, 32.3 percent of middle school students had ever tried smoking a cigarette, even one or two puffs (2002: 37.3%, 1999: 46.2%)
- In 2005, 21.3 percent of middle school students had smoked at least one whole cigarette (2002: 23.0%, 1999: 32.7%)
- In 2005, 6.1 percent of students had ever smoked daily (2002: 6.4%, 1999: 11.4%)
- In 2005, 11.7 percent of middle school students who had ever smoked had smoked at least 100 cigarettes in their lifetime (2002: 10.1%, 1999: 14.2%)

### Grades 9-12

- In 2005, 63.2 percent of high school students had ever used tobacco in any form (2002: 68.9%, 1999: 74.1%)
- In 2005, 56.9 percent of high school students had ever tried smoking a cigarette, even 1 or 2 puffs (2002: 61.1%, 1999: 68.9%)
- In 2005, 44.0 percent of high school students had smoked at least one whole cigarette (2002: 47.3%, 1999: 57.5%)
- In 2005, 16.8 percent of students had ever smoked daily (2002: 19.2%, 1999: 25.8%)
- In 2005, 27.0 percent of students who had ever smoked had smoked at least 100 cigarettes in their lifetime (2002: 30.8%, 1999: 35.3%)

## Initiation



Data Sources: 1999, 2002 and 2005 Oklahoma Youth Tobacco Survey (OYTS), Oklahoma State Department of Health.