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## Estimated 7.2 million users in the U.S. in 2004 • Males (6.2%) more likely than females (0.5%) to be current users

- Prevalence highest among
  - Young adults aged 18-25 years
  - American Indians and Alaskan Natives
    Residents of the southern U.S. and rural areas
- Significant health risks

## Numerous carcinogens

- Nicotine exposure comparable to that of smokers, leading to
  - Physical dependenceWithdrawal symptoms after abstinence

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## NICOTINE CONTENT in SPIT TOBACCO PRODUCTS

Dose	Product	рН	Total free nicotine (mg/g)
Low	Skoal Bandits Wintergreen	6.9	0.5
Medium	Skoal Long Cut Wintergreen	7.4	2.0
Medium- High	Original Fine Cut Skoal Wintergreen	7.6	2.9
High	Copenhagen Snuff	8.6	9.0





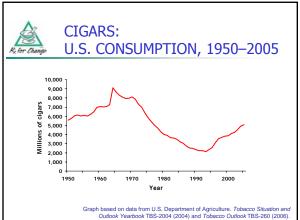
- Pipe smokers have an increased risk of death due to:
  - Cancer (lung, oral cavity, esophagus, larynx)
  - Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
- Risk of smoking tobacco-related death: cigarettes > pipes ≈ cigars







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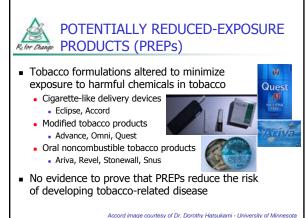












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- Cigarettes are, by far, the most common form of tobacco used in the U.S.
- Other forms of tobacco exist and are increasing in popularity.
- All forms of tobacco are harmful.
- Attention to all forms of tobacco is needed.