#### **Tobacco Laws**

# UC Smoke and Tobacco Free Fellows Webinar

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#### **Introductions**

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#### Goal

Familiarize UC Smoke and Tobacco Free Fellows and other Task Force members with the laws governing the use and sale of tobacco products and the impact that they have had on our health.

#### **Presenters**

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#### **Presenters**

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#### **Ground Rules**

- Each Presentation will be approximately 40 minutes
- Q&A after each Presentation
  - Voice
  - Written
- Closing Thoughts and Lessons for next time

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# UC TOBACCO FELLOWS

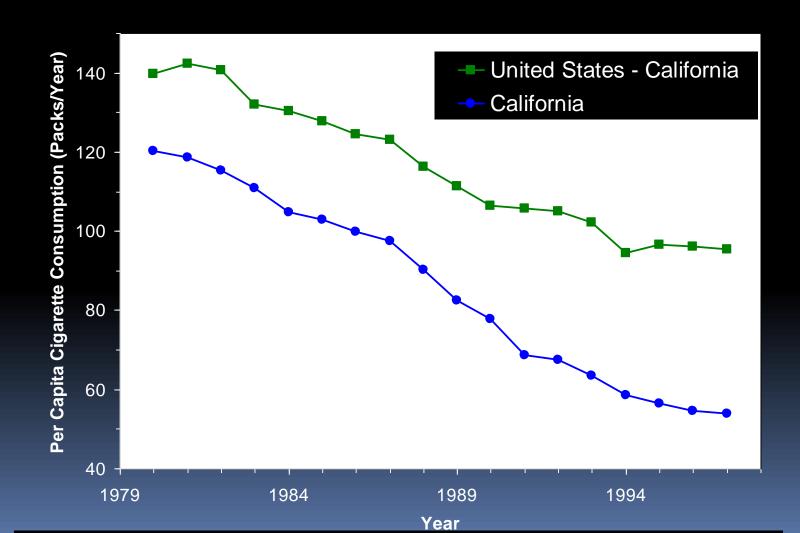
### Early years

- Nonsmokers' rights movement
- Propositions 5 and 10 in 1978 and 1980
- Local ordinance strategy
- State law (1994)
  - Workplaces, restaurants, 1995
  - Bars, 1996; delayed to 1998

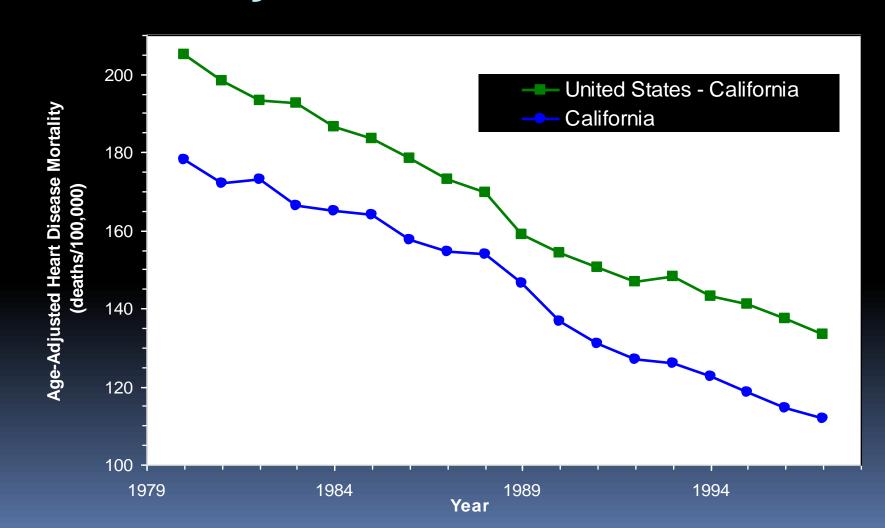
### Proposition 99 (1988)

- 25 cent tobacco tax
  - 5 cents for tobacco control
  - 2 cents for research
- Tobacco control program
  - Focuses on social norm change
  - Directly confronts industry

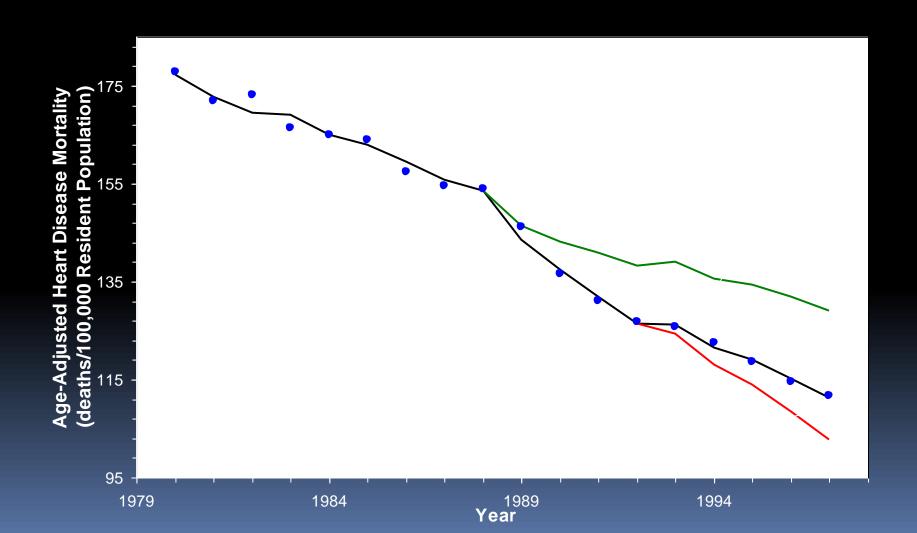
# Per capita cigarette consumption



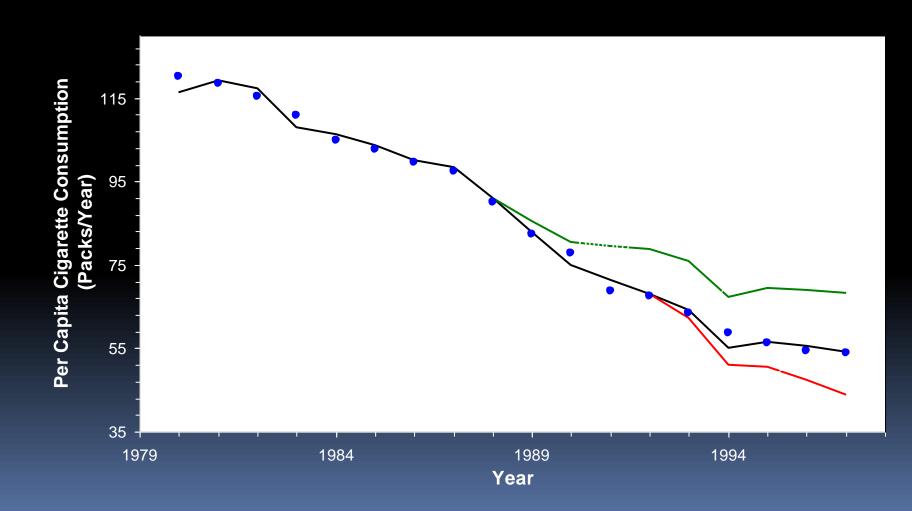
# Age Adjusted Heart Disease Mortality



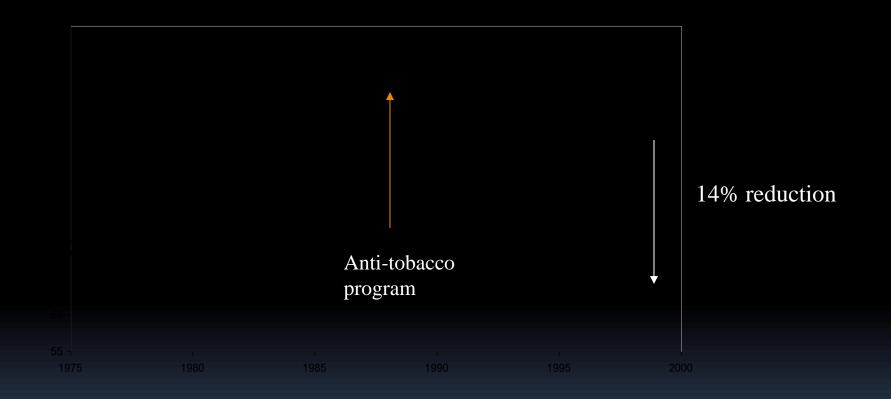
# Effect on Mortality



## Effect on Industry Sales



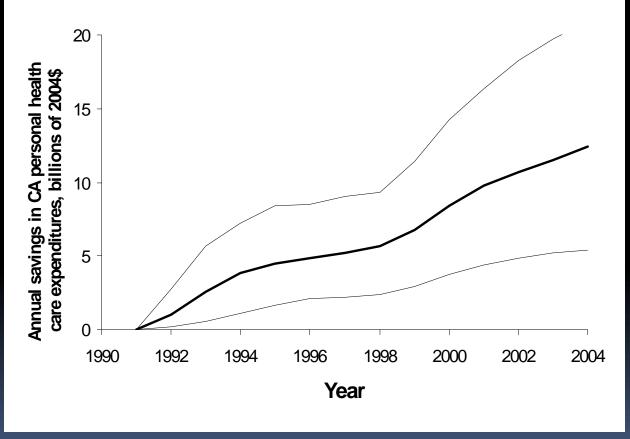
# Lung cancer incidence in SFO California



In the first 10 years in SFO: 6% cases (2036 cases in SFO)

Statewide: 11,000 cases in 10 years

### Annual Health Care Savings Attributable to Historical CA Tobacco Control Expenditures



# But it is fading

Inflation

## Litigation against industry

- Mississippi, Florida, Texas
- Minnesota
  - Tobacco documents
- Then other states
- Washington and MSA
  - \$246 billion
  - Little for tobacco control
  - More documents
  - American Legacy Foundation

#### RICO case

- Same law used to prosecute organized crime
- No money
- Broke up industry
- Restricted denials
- Banned "light and mild"
- Even more documents
- They are "racketeers"

#### FCTC 2003

- Global health treaty
- 180 parties
- Followed by more
  - Smokefree laws
  - Health warning labels
  - Taxes
- But fading

#### FSPTCA/FDA 2009

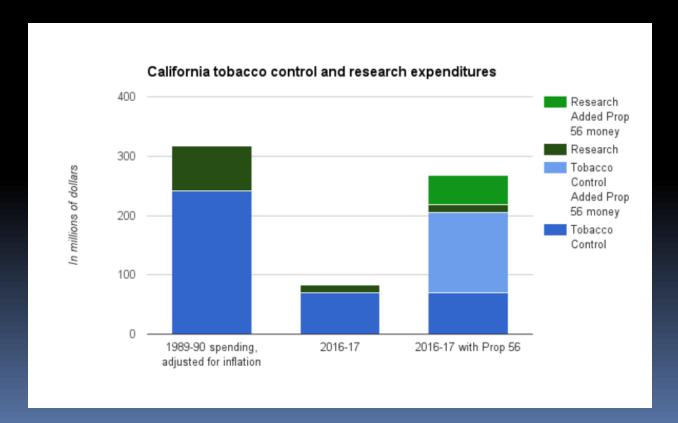
- Granted FDA authority over cigarettes and smokeless tobacco
- Banned "characterizing flavors"
  - Except menthol
- Banned "light and mild"
- Allowed "deeming" other tobacco products
  - Finally happened in May 2016

#### FDA actions

- Not much
- Warning labels thrown out
  - Underestimated effect
  - Consumer surplus ("lost pleasure")
- Report but no action on menthol
- Funding research
- Strong educational campaigns
- No meaningful product regulation

#### California Action

- Lead on e-cigarettes
- Proposition 56: Tobacco Tax



## What's Menthol Got To Do With It? Everything!

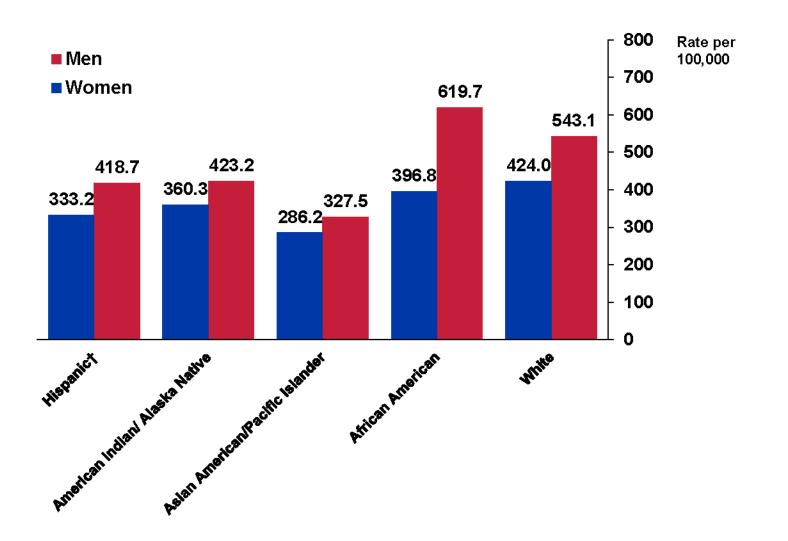
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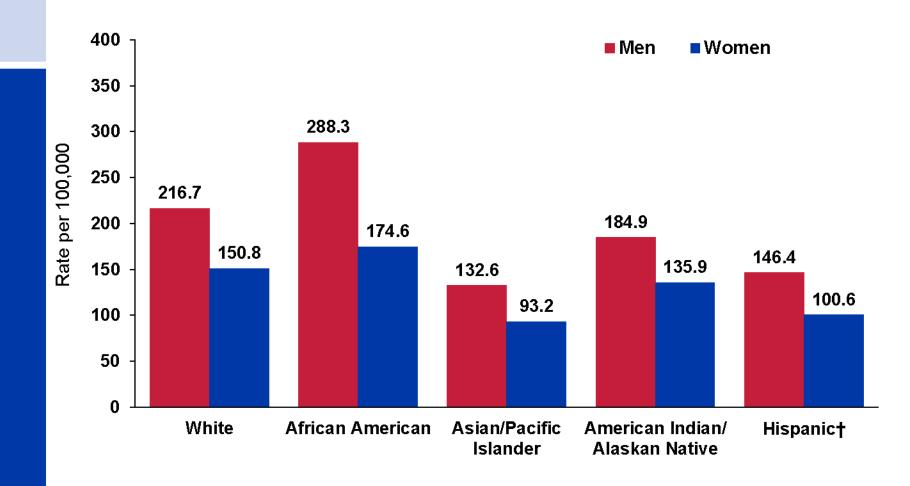
#### Cancer Incidence Rates\* by Race and Ethnicity, 2005-2009



<sup>\*</sup>Age-adjusted to the 2000 US standard population.

<sup>†</sup>Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.

#### Cancer Death Rates\* by Race and Ethnicity, US, 2005-2009



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## **Age Adjusted Incidence Rates**

(All sites and Lung) per 100,000 (Females and Males, ACS 2007)

| AA        | AIAN  | AAPI  | Whites | Hispanic |
|-----------|-------|-------|--------|----------|
| All Sites |       |       |        |          |
|           |       |       |        |          |
| M 639.8   | 359.9 | 385.5 | 555.0  | 444.1    |
| F 383.8   | 305.0 | 303.3 | 421.1  | 327.2    |
|           |       |       |        |          |
| Lung Canc | er    |       |        |          |
|           |       |       |        |          |
| M 110.6   | 55.5  | 56.6  | 88.8   | 52.7     |
| F 50.3    | 33.8  | 28.7  | 56.2   | 26.7     |

## **Age Adjusted Mortality Rates**

(All sites and Lung) per 100,000 (Females and Males, ACS 2007)

|    | AA      | AIAN  | AAPI  | Whites | Hispanic |  |
|----|---------|-------|-------|--------|----------|--|
| Al | l Sites |       |       |        |          |  |
|    |         |       |       |        |          |  |
| M  | 331.0   | 153.4 | 144.9 | 239.2  | 166.4    |  |
| F  | 192.4   | 111.6 | 98.8  | 163.4  | 108.8    |  |
|    |         |       |       |        |          |  |
| Lu | ng Canc | er    |       |        |          |  |
|    |         |       |       |        |          |  |
| М  | 98.4    | 42.9  | 38.8  | 73.8   | 37.2     |  |
| F  | 39.8    | 27.0  | 18.8  | 42.0   | 14.7     |  |

# The African Americanization of Menthol Cigarettes

**50 Years of Predatory Marketing** 

#### **African American Menthol Use Skyrockets**

1953 5%

1968 14%

1976 44%

2006 >80%

Roper, B.W. (1953). A Study of People's Cigarette Smoking Habits and Attitudes Volume I. Philip Morris, Bates No. 2022239249. MSA, Inc. (1978) The Growth of Menthols, 1933 -1977. Brown & Williamson, Bates No. 670586709-785. NSDUH, 2004-2008.

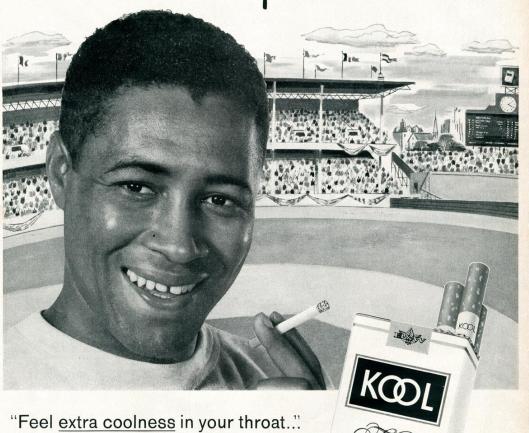
# Tobacco Industry's Assault on the African American Community (1960s &70s)

- Use of Male Actors with more Black Features
  - Tripled Cigarette Advertising in Ebony
    - "Menthols got a brand new bag"
      - Cool Jazz; Cool Lexicon
        - Philanthropy

(Gardiner, 2004)

# new idea in smokin refreshes your taste · menthof fresh rich tobacco taste -modern filter, too

# "YOUR CIGARETTE'S NOT TASTING COOL ENOUGH TILL YOU COME Up to KOOL"

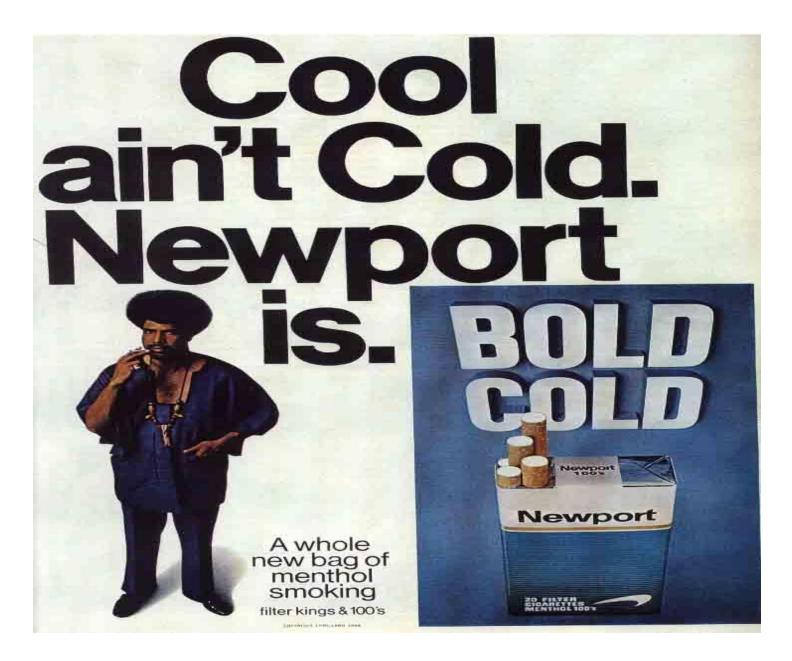


says Elston Loward

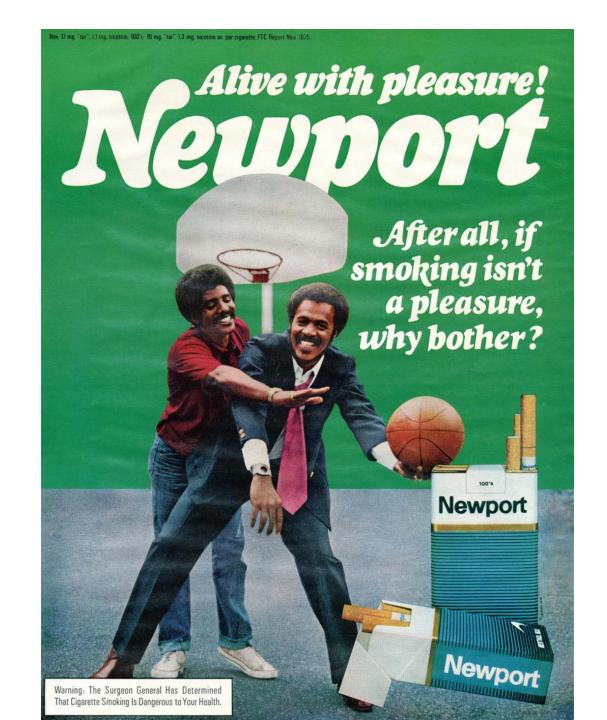
"Extra coolness no other cigarette can offer. Taste a <u>new freshness</u> that lasts all through the day . . . Kool after Kool after Kool. Believe me," says Yankee Star Elston Howard, "I <u>know</u>!"

Take Elston Howard's advice: "Try just one carton of Kool. You'll never go back to those hot and dry-tasting cigarettes again!"





1970 Ebony magazine advertisement



# Menthol Wars: The 1980s and the Fight for Market Share

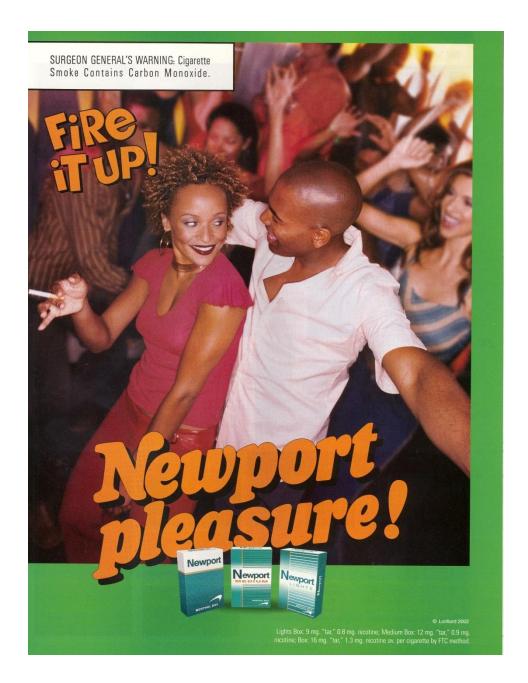
#### Cigarette Sampling Vans

- The fight between Kool, Newport, Salem, Benson
   & Hedges et al.
- Free Cigarette Samples
- Blasting Music
- High Traffic Areas: Parks, Known Street Corners,
   Daily Routes

(Yerger, Przewoznik and Malone, 2007)

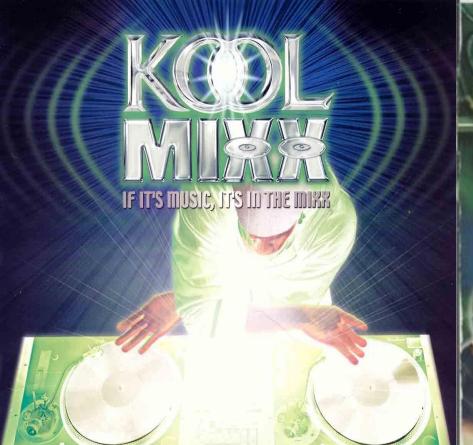
# **Uptown Cigarettes: 1989**





## X Brand Cigarettes 1995



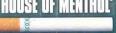


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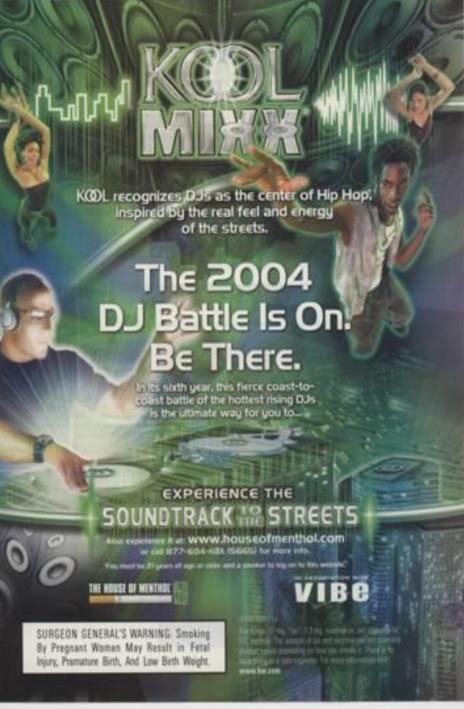
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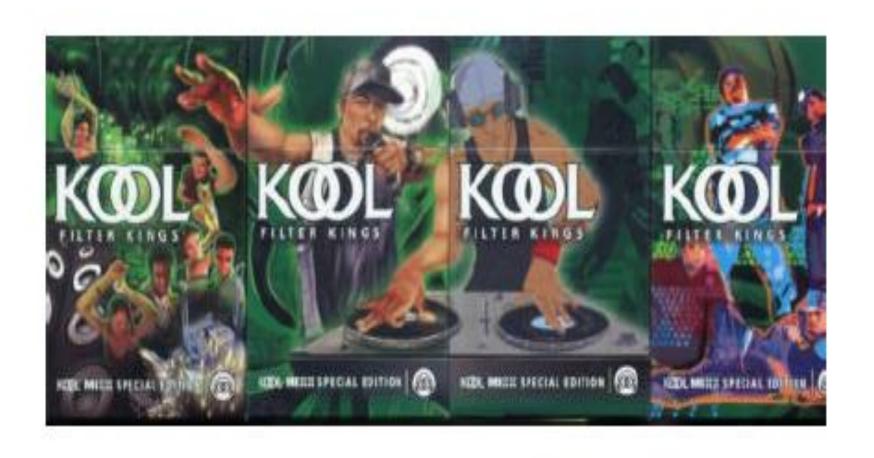
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# KOOL Cigarette Packs

#### KOOL MIXX SPECIAL EDITION PACKS



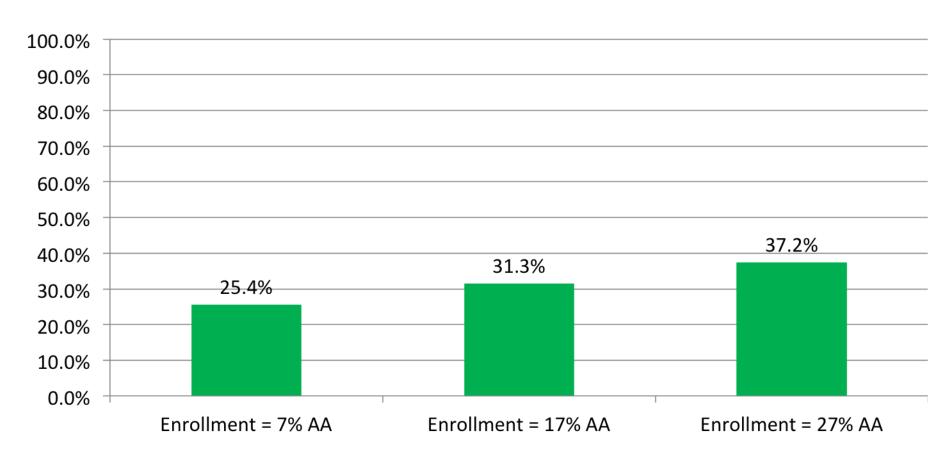
#### Focus vs. Non Focus Communities

(Wright, 2009)

- ▶ Focus Communities: Inner-city, Colored and Poor
  - Less expensive, more desirable promotions
    - Buy 1, Get X Free
    - Summer/ Holidays
- Non-focus Communities: Upscale, suburban, rural and white
  - More expensive, less desirable promotions
    - Buy 2, Get X Free
    - Buy 3, Get X Free
- Menthol Cigarettes Cheaper
  - Non-focus- 50 cents off/ pack (\$5.00 off/ ctn)
  - Focus- \$1.00-\$1.50 off/ pack (\$10.00-15.00 off/ ctn)

# Predatory Marketing Patterns (Henriksen, 2011)

As the % African American students increased, proportion menthol ads increased:



# Menthol Cigarettes: Cheaper for African Americans

- For each 10% increase in the proportion of African American students:
  - Newport discount 1.5 times greater
  - The proportion of menthol advertising increased by 5.9%
  - Newport promotion were 42% higher
  - The cost of Newport was 12 cents lower

(Henriksen, et al., 2011)

# Storefront Cigarette Advertising Differs by Racial/Ethnic Community

|                                   | Brookline | Dorcheste | r p-value |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| n=                                | 42        | 56        |           |
|                                   | %         | %         |           |
| <ul><li>Retailer w/ Ads</li></ul> | 42.9      | 85.7      | <0.001    |
| <ul> <li>Small Ads</li> </ul>     | 56.8      | 20.1      | "         |
| <ul> <li>Large Ads</li> </ul>     | 2.0       | 23.7      | u         |
| <ul> <li>Menthol Ads</li> </ul>   | 17.9      | 53.9      | u         |
| <ul> <li>Average Price</li> </ul> | \$4.94    | \$4.55    | u .       |
| (Seidenberg, et al., 2010)        |           |           |           |

# The Ultimate Candy Flavoring; Menthol Helps The Poison Go Down Easier

- Chief Constituent of Peppermint Oil; Minty-Candy Taste; Masks the Harshness of Smoking
- Cooling Sensation; activates taste buds; cold receptors; increases throat grab
- Anesthetic effects; Mimics Bronchial Dilatation; easier to inhale; more nicotine taken in. (Ahijevch and Garrett, 2004)
- Independent Sensory Activation Neurotransmitters (Brody, 2012)
- Increases Salivary Flow; Transbuccal Drug absorption (Hopp, 1993)
- Greater Cell Permeability (Ferris, 2004; Benowitz, 2004)

## **Menthol Harder to Quit!**

|             | Quit Attempts      | % Difference |
|-------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Non-Menthol | 38.1%              |              |
| Menthol     | 41.4%              | +8.8%        |
|             |                    |              |
|             | Cessation (>3 mo.) | % Difference |
| Non-Menthol | 21.2%              |              |
|             |                    |              |
| Menthol     | 18.3%              | -13.8%       |

# All Tobacco Products Contain Some Menthol

Menthol content of U.S. tobacco products

|   | Product   | Menthol (mg)                                     |
|---|---|--|
| • | Regular (non-menthol) cigarettes Menthol cigarettes (weak effect) Menthol cigarettes (strong effect) Pipe tobacco Chewing tobacco | 0.003<br>0.1–0.2<br>0.25–0.45<br>0.3<br>0.05–0.1 |
|   | (Hopp, 1993)  |  |

# The Fight To Ban Menthol

**Still A Burning Issue** 

### **Menthol A Sacrificial Lamb**



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### **Menthol: A Missed Opportunity**

Cigarette or any of its component parts (including the tobacco, filter, or paper) shall not contain, as a constituent (including a smoke constituent) or additive, an artificial or natural flavor (other than tobacco or menthol) or an herb or spice, including strawberry, grape, orange, clove, cinnamon, pineapple, vanilla, coconut, licorice, cocoa, chocolate, cherry, or coffee, that is a characterizing flavor of the tobacco product or tobacco smoke.

(HR 1256, Sec. 907, (a) (1)

#### The Push Back

- "Cigarette Bill Treats Menthol with Leniency."
   Stephanie Saul's NY Times Article (May 13, 2008)
- National African American Tobacco Prevention Network, and other on the ground activists spearheaded agitation work

 Joseph Califano, Louis Sullivan and seven former U.S. Secretaries of Health authored a stinging open letter to House and the Senate members.

#### The Push Back

- "To make the pending tobacco legislation truly effective, menthol cigarettes should be treated the same as other flavored cigarettes. Menthol should be banned so that it no longer serves as a product the tobacco companies can use to lure African American children."
- "We do everything we can to protect our children in America, especially our white children. It's time to do the same for all children."

(Califano, et al., 2008)

#### The Result: Amended FDA Bill

- `(e) Menthol Cigarettes
- `(1) REFERRAL; CONSIDERATIONS- Immediately upon the establishment of the Tobacco Products Scientific Advisory Committee under section 917(a), the Secretary shall refer to the Committee for report and recommendation, under section 917(c)(4), the issue of the impact of the use of menthol in cigarettes on the public health, including such use among African Americans, Hispanics, and other racial and ethnic minorities. (HR 1256, Sec. 907 (e) (1)

### Federal Inaction: A Sordid History

- The TPSAC produced a report 2011 that stated that the removal of menthol products from the marketplace would be beneficial to the public's health. The OMB sat on this report until early 2013.
- The FDA CTP conducted its own study on menthol and came to the same conclusion as the TPSAC; still no action

### Stirring?

- The tobacco industry sued the FDA CTP saying the TPSAC report couldn't be used because members of the TPSAC had ties to the pharmaceutical industry; thus effectively blocking the use of the report.
- This ruling was overturned in the summer of 2015, thus allowing the FDA CTP to use the report.
- In the Spring of this year, 2016, the FDA CTP took the bold step of including restrictions on the selling of menthol and all other flavors in the new deeming regulations for e-cigs, hookah, cigars, cigarillos and the like.

### Same Old, Same Old!

 However, to add insult to 7 years of inaction and injury, 16 pages of the new deeming regulations on e-cigs, cigars, cigarillos and other products were red-lined by the OMB that pertained to flavors and menthol in, thus again exempting menthol.

(FDA, May, 2016)

#### **Snake in the Grass**

- Andrew Perraut White House's Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs in the OMB from 2008 to 2014. He supervised FDA and USDA policies relating among other things, tobacco.
- Hired by the Cigar Industry and NJOY in 2014
- Re-hired by the White house to serve in the OMB in 2015 (NY Times, September 2, 2016)

# AATCLC Calls on The President: This Has Gone Far Enough

- 1. President Obama should order the FDA/CTP to initiate a new ruling that will remove all flavored tobacco products, including menthols, from the market place.
- 2. As a first step in addressing this situation, President Obama should convene a meeting of tobacco control leadership from around the country.

### **Chicago Set the Local Standard**

- 500 Foot Buffer Zone Around City Schools
  - Mayor and Health Department, Major Actors
  - Town Hall Meetings
  - Aggressive Media Campaign
  - Organized Community Support
  - National Tobacco Control Movement Involvement
- Baltimore, Berkeley, San Francisco,
   Minneapolis, St. Paul, So Cal, Santa Clara Co.

#### **Possible Alternatives**

1. 500- 1000 Foot Buffer Zones

2. Restrict Menthol Sales to Tobacco Shops

3. Prohibit Menthol Sales City / City or County-wide

 Restrict the Sale of All Tobacco Products Around Schools and Parks

#### **State and National Resolutions**

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#### **Thank You!**

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# The Triangulum: Tobacco, Marijuana, and E-Cigarettes



The Future is Now!