

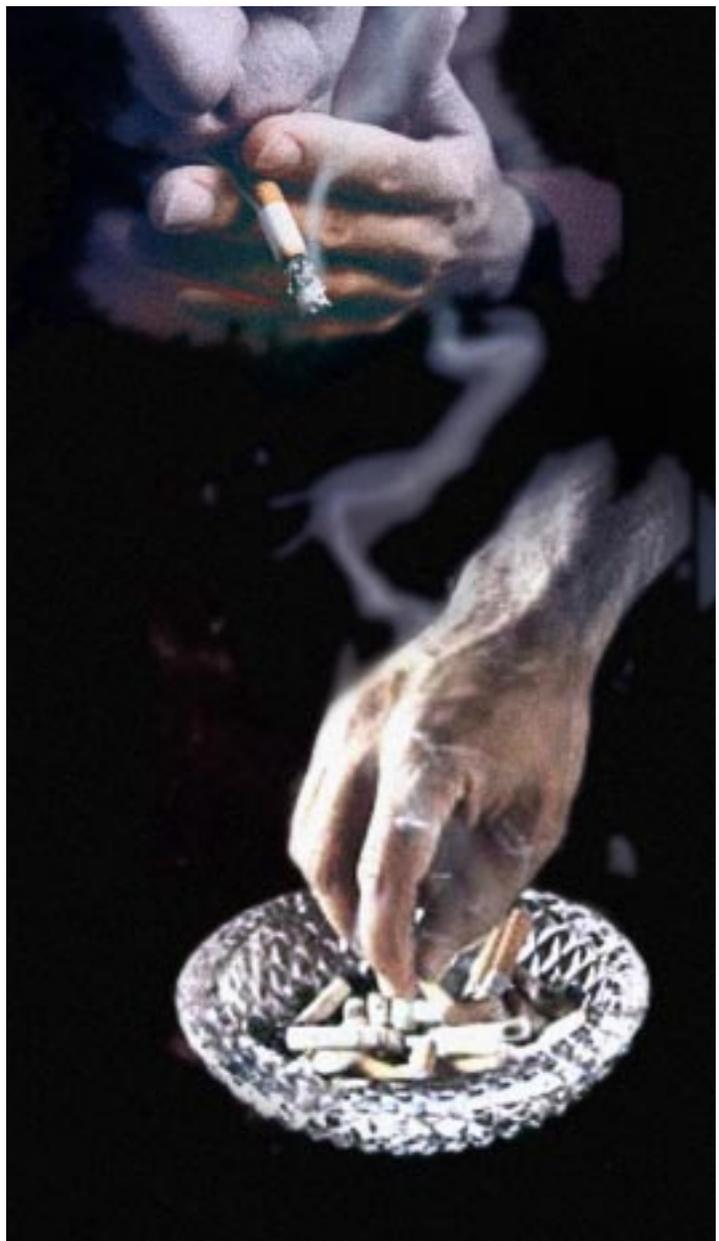
# Think Again About Smoking

According to statistics, an estimated 47 million adults in the United States currently smoke, and approximately half will die prematurely from smoking.

Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death for men and women, and in 2002, there will be about 169,400 new cases diagnosed in the United States. More than 80 percent of lung cancers are thought to result from smoking. Smokers also increase their chances of developing other forms of cancer.

Although the Navy smoking rate is declining, it is still at 36 percent, exceeding the national average of 31 percent.

The Navy's policy is to reduce tobacco use and protect nonsmokers from involuntary exposure to environmental tobacco smoke.



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