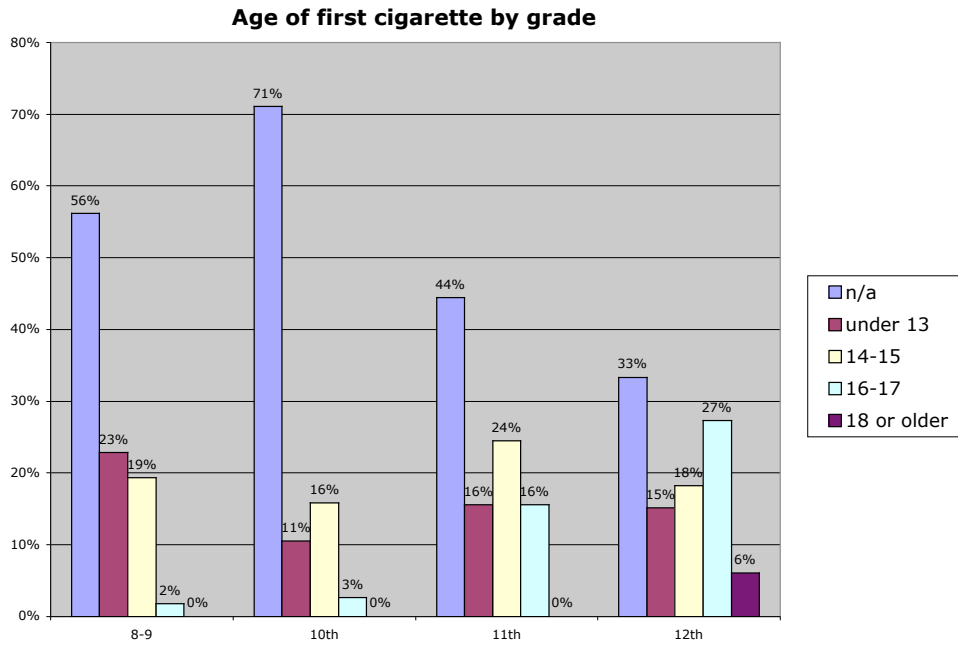
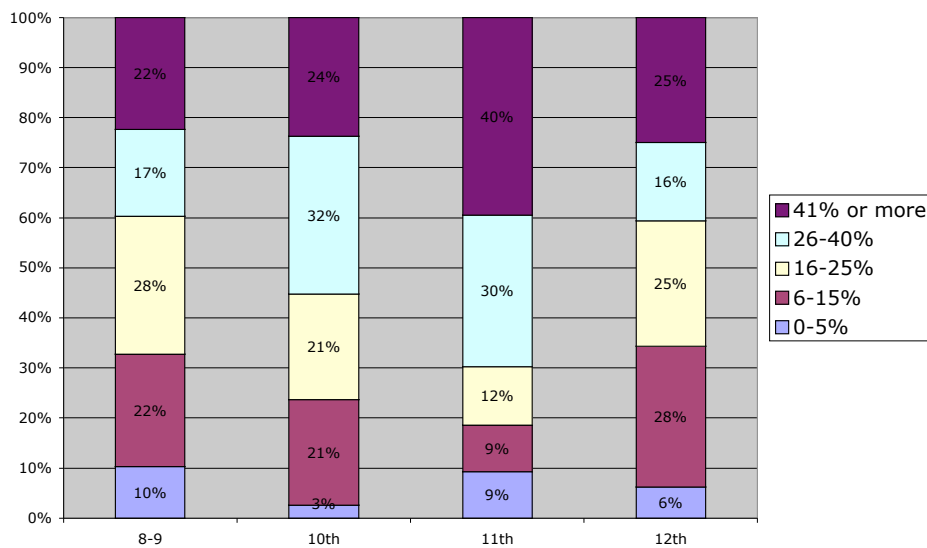


Tobacco Use

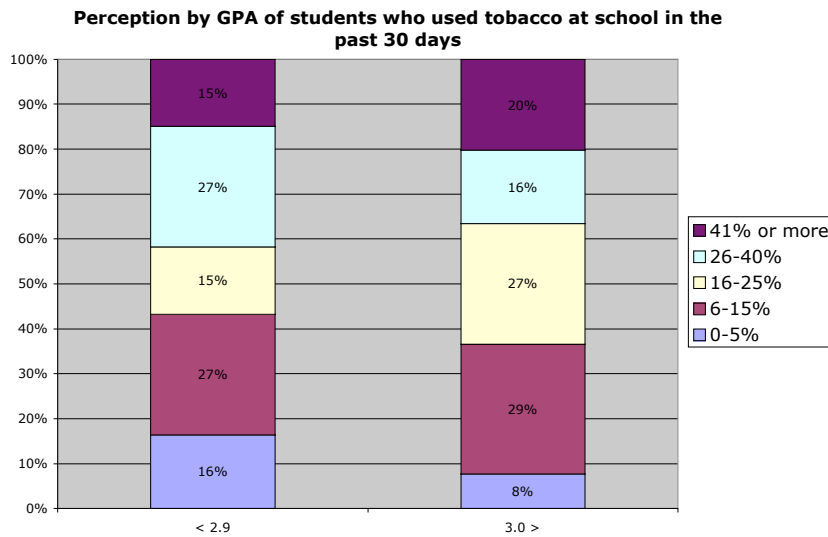


According to the above charts, students do appear to be starting to smoke earlier. Of 8th and 9th graders 23% reported having had their first cigarette at 13 years of age or younger. This is 2 times greater than 10th graders of whom 11% reported starting at that age. The following data indicates that the current 8th and 9th grades have greater issues about smoking than those of the 10th grade.

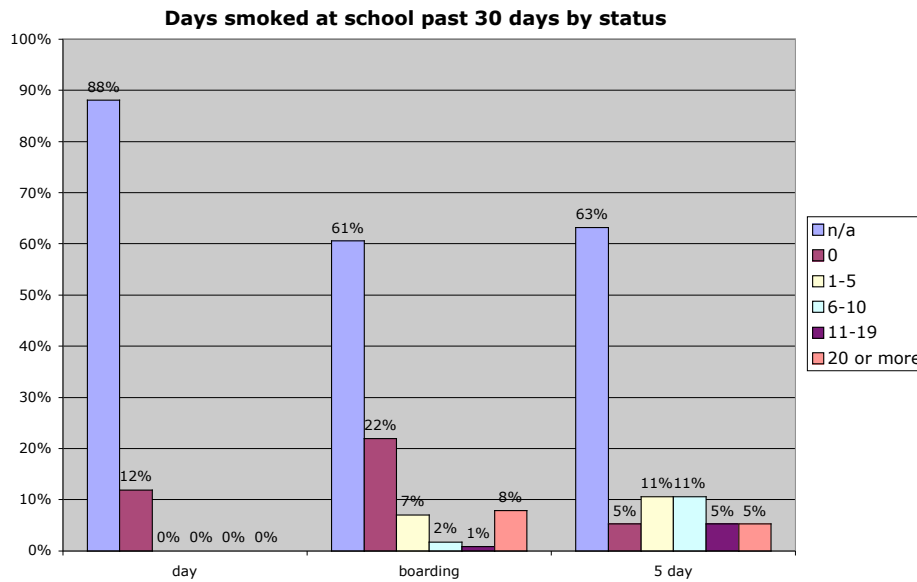
Perception by grade of percentage of students who used tobacco in any form over the past 6 months



It appears that the junior class tends to believe more students are smoking, with 40% estimating that over 41% of the student population used tobacco in the past 6 months. Given the idea of social norming this might make this class more likely to smoke or try smoking.



Student with a higher reported GPA appear to believe that more students are smoking at school than those with a lower reported GPA.



By student status, it comes as no surprise that 0% of day students smoked at school in the past 30 days. Five-day boarders appear to have a wide range of regular users, while in the general boarding population there appears to be a few heavy users and fewer moderate users.