

## Continuous Surveillance: Emerging Tobacco Products

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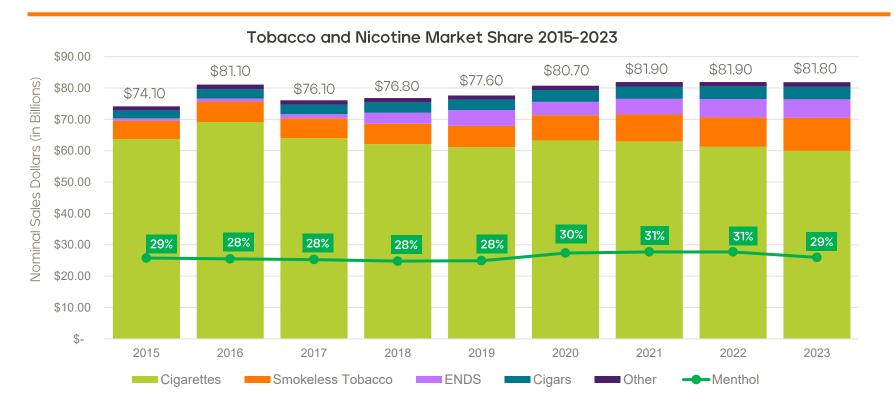
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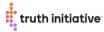
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# Retail Product Landscape

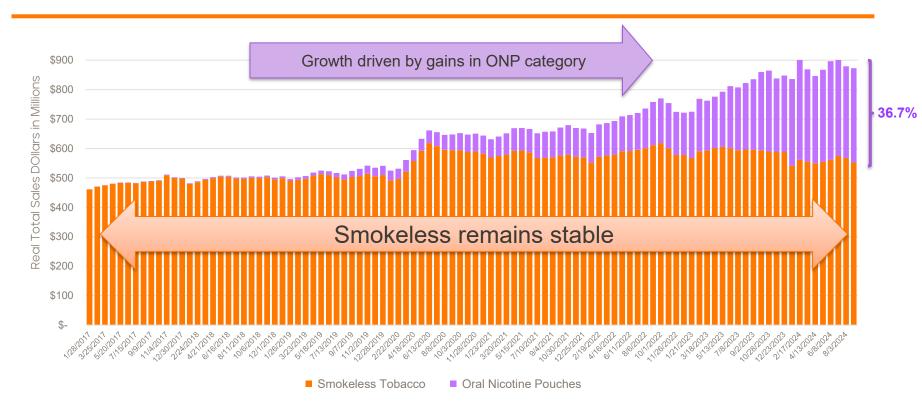
#### The Nicotine Market is Robust and Valued at over \$81B





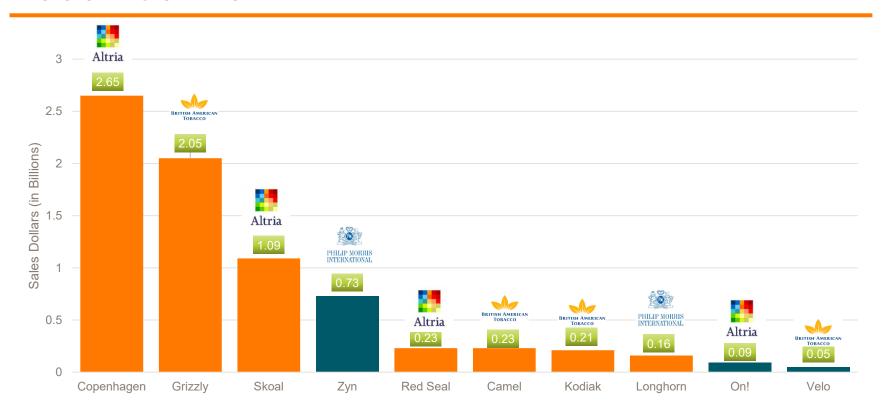
# Oral Nicotine Pouches and the Smokeless Market - 12%

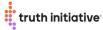
### Oral Nicotine Pouches Have Had Explosive Growth



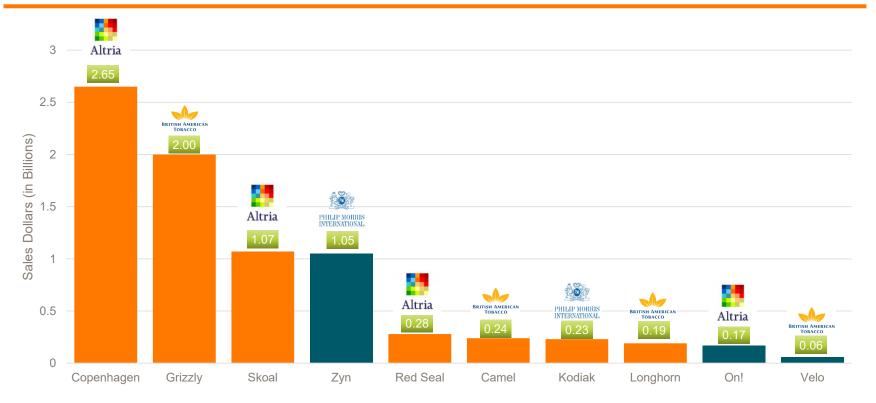


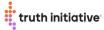
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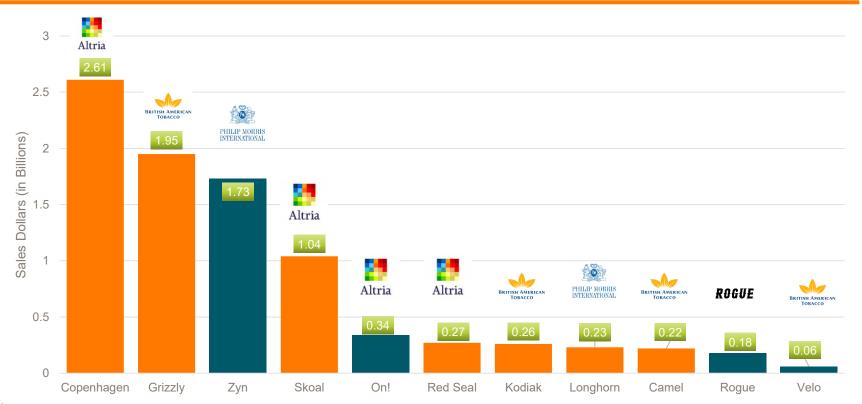


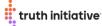
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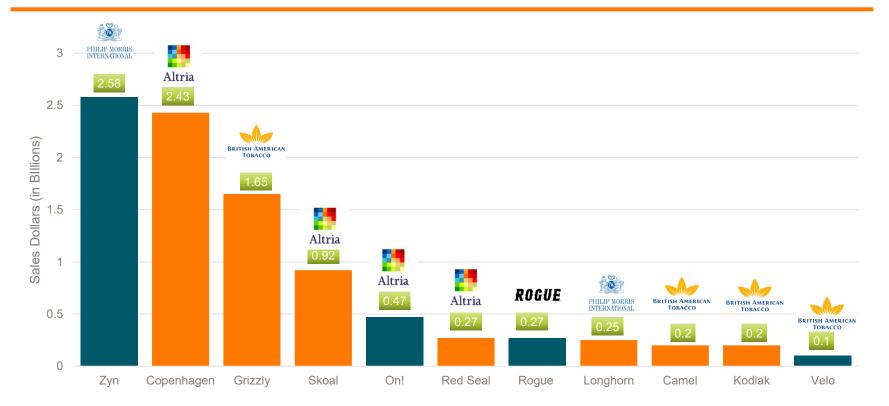


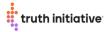
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# Nicotine pouches gain market share - November 2024





#### Oral Nicotine Pouch Market Share















68%

19%

9%

4%

1%



### What Type of Nicotine is in Nicotine Pouches?













Some brands are made with tobacco-derived nicotine

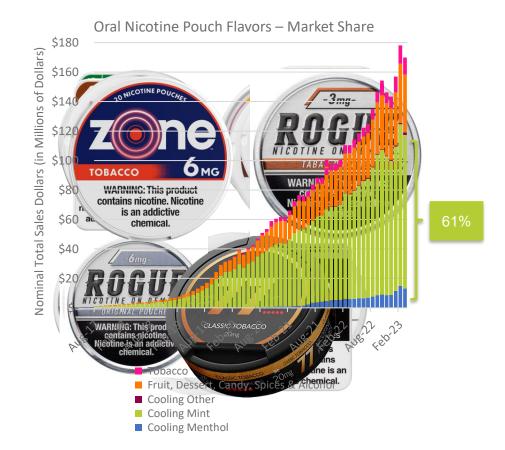
Some brands are made with synthetic nicotine

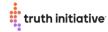
Despite not being made with tobacco, nicotine pouches are regulated as tobacco products in the U.S. (regardless of nicotine source)



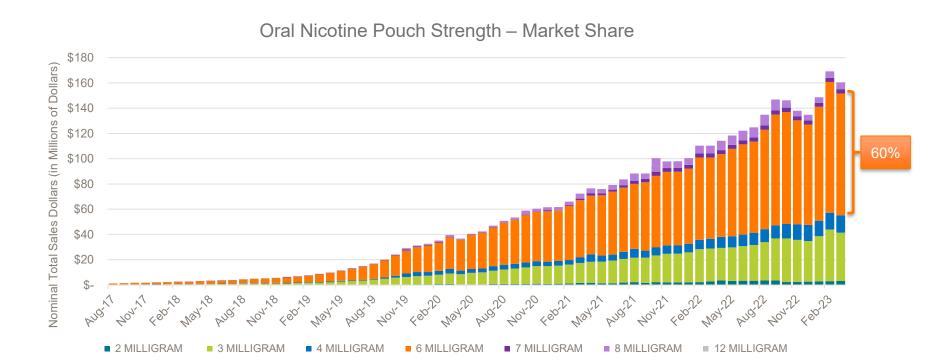
### **Nicotine Pouch Flavors**

Mint Flavors
Fruit Flavors
Coffee Flavors
Cinnamon Flavors
Ambiguous/Concept
Flavors
Tobacco Flavors





## 6 mg is Most Popular in the US



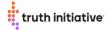


# Marketing Channels for Oral Nicotine Products include Point of Sale









## **Event Marketing**









A Guide to ZYN Rewards









# TRADE YOUR POINTS FOR PERKS.

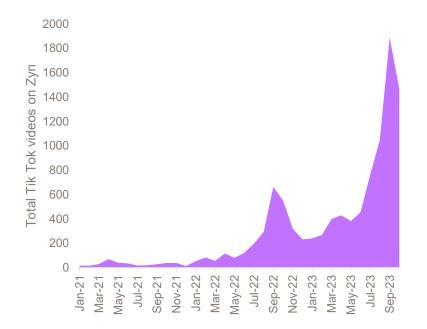
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## Zyn Sub-Culture on Tik 1 <sup>™</sup>





## **Zynbabwe**

A country almost like **Zimbabwe**, except every man and child has a **pack** of zynachinos and an **upper decky lip pillow** at all times.

<u>Himmy Neutron packs</u> so many <u>upper decky</u> lip cushions, he must be from Zynbabwe

by Ferda\_Kanye October 21, 2022



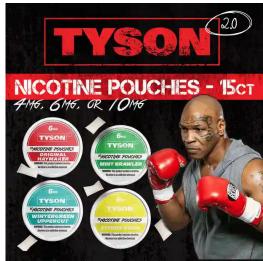


### More and More Copycats



### Celebrity Owned or Endorsed Brands









## Does this feel familiar?

## Disposable Vape Proliferation



## E-Cigarette Market - 7%

### E-cigarette Technology Continues to Evolve



2023: New **Smart Vapes** 



## From Disposables to Disposable-Rechargeables

- > Key Characteristics:
  - Rechargeable battery with a USB charger that allows for even larger liquid capacity, though products are still one-time use products
- In March 2021, Schroeder Institute researchers noticed "new" products, marketed as Disposable Rechargeables currently 1065 documented products
  - > This represents 20% of our ENDS consumable products













### Disposable Vapes Incorporate "Smart" Features













Digital Screen Adjust Flavor And Nicotine Levels

Access to Apps

Visual Notifications

Proximity

Games



### ... and More Features









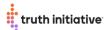




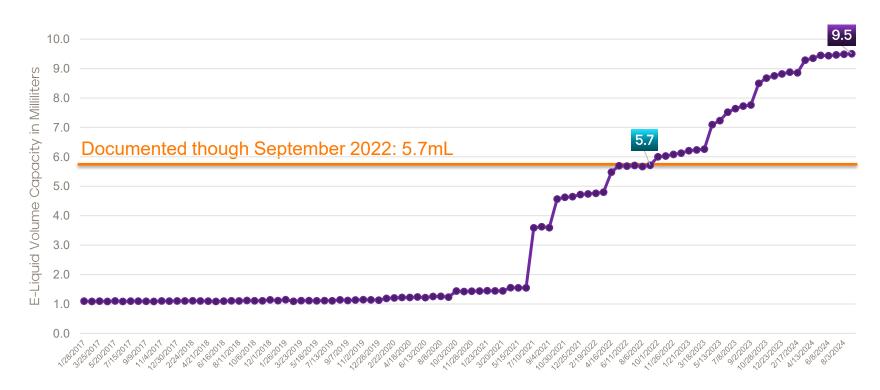
Answer you phone

Provides Time Fitness Tracker Selfie Mode

AI powered Smart and Discrete



### Disposable E-cigarettes Getting Even Bigger





## The Extra-Large Group







26 mL 34.7 JUUL Pods

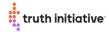


28 mL 37.3 JUUL Pods





40 mL 53.3 JUUL Pods



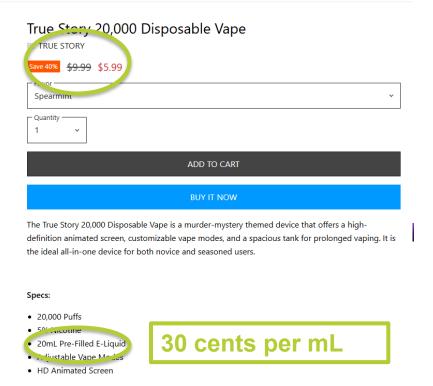
# Disposable E-cigarettes Nicotine Strength Has Increased





## Disposable E-cigarettes Are Getting Cheaper







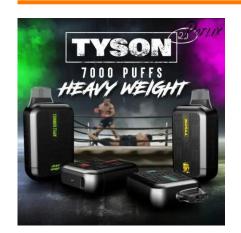
### Disposable E-cigarette May Be Sweeter?

- Research by Erythropel and colleagues finds the presence of neotame in 57 of 73 tested ecigarettes
- Found in disposables, zero-nicotine, and nicotine analogue product
- Neotame is 7,000 to 13,000 times sweeter than table sugar
- Mean neotame content approximately 4.6x than mint candy
- \*\* No FDA authorized cartridge nor JUUL contained neotame





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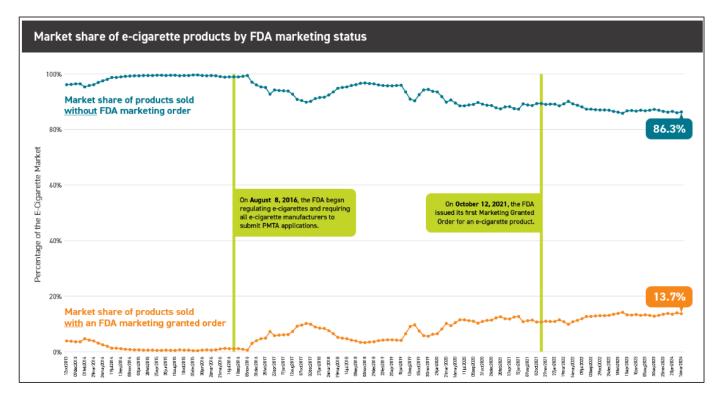






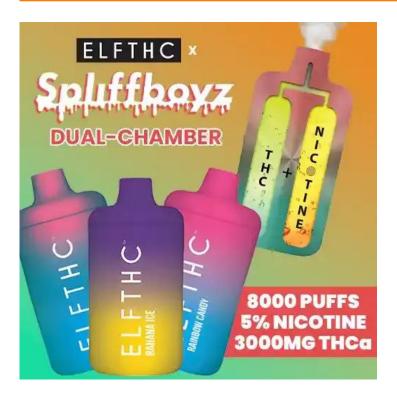


### 73% Of E-cigarette Retail Sales Dollars Are For Illegal Products\*





### Dual Cannabis and Nicotine Devices are Emerging



.... ExStax, a cannabis technology and extraction company from Arizona...told High Times that every cartridge they sell comes with a removable mouthpiece, allowing the user to either use the cartridge as is or to essentially stack vaporizer chambers on top of one another and hit them at the same time.

"You can stack as many as your battery will allow,"





Sources: <a href="https://hightimes.com/products/spliff-vape-new-tech-allows-cannabis-nicotine-to-be-vaped-simultaneously/">https://hightimes.com/products/spliff-vape-new-tech-allows-cannabis-nicotine-to-be-vaped-simultaneously/</a>; <a href="https://www.fumevapors.com/products/spliffbovz">https://www.fumevapors.com/products/spliffbovz</a>

#### More and More New Products





















## **Key Takeaways**

- Nicotine use is deepening and evolving
- Culture and marketing channels are shifting
- Oral nicotine pouches, with Zyn as the market leader, are a new and rapidly growing product category
- Disposable e-cigarettes are getting bigger, stronger, cheaper, and some are getting smarter and sweeter
- Multiple celebrities own or endorse e-cigarette brands and use





## Questions?

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