New edition of International Smoking Statistics
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In 2004, Lawlor¹ published a book review in your journal under the title ‘A book and website all JIE readers should know about’. The book ‘International Smoking Statistics’ (ISS)² contained historical data on smoking prevalence and consumption for 30 developed countries for years up to 1995 and has been cited by papers published in your journal. We are writing to inform your readers that regular updates to ISS are now freely available on our company website www.pnlee.co.uk together with data files and relevant details of the methodology used. Updated chapters for Australia, Canada and the United States are available now in the first update, and during 2007 updated chapters for Austria, Denmark, Germany, Japan, Switzerland and the United Kingdom are planned to appear on the website. Although the work is financially supported by the tobacco industry, the objective is solely to present comprehensive data in a standard format for research purposes. Also available at no charge via our website is the ‘International Mortality and Smoking Statistics’ (IMASS) database Lawlor

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described, which summarizes much of the data from ISS, and also provides mortality data as well as providing the user with the means to produce a variety of plots and tables. Updates to this will also be available shortly.

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