Being around cigarette smoke can lead to early death. In fact, about 41,000 people 35 and older died from the effects of secondhand smoke each year from 2005 to 2009.
Direct students to find the total number of people who died during this range of time (205,000). Then have students use the same statistics to determine in what year a half million people will have died from these effects (2017).

For younger students, explain that about 112 people died each day from the effects of secondhand smoke. Guide each child to make or draw a model of the number 112.