

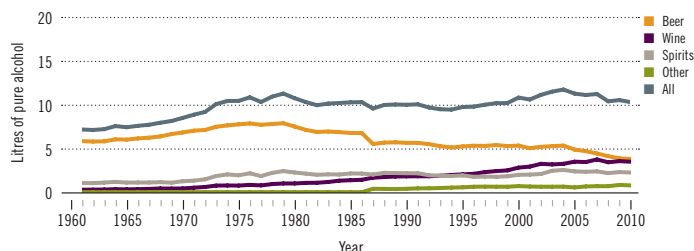
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Total population: 62 066 000 > Population aged 15 years and older (15+): 82% > Population in urban areas: 80% > Income group (World Bank): High income

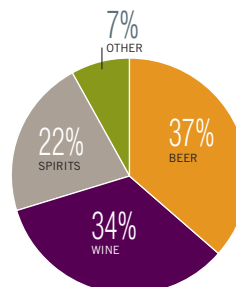
ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION: LEVELS AND PATTERNS

Recorded alcohol per capita (15+) consumption, 1961–2010

Data refer to litres of pure alcohol per capita (15+).



Recorded alcohol per capita (15+) consumption (in litres of pure alcohol) by type of alcoholic beverage, 2010



Alcohol per capita (15+) consumption (in litres of pure alcohol)

	Average 2003–2005	Average 2008–2010	Change
Recorded	11.5	10.4	→
Unrecorded	1.7	1.2	↘
Total	13.2	11.6	↘
Total males / females		16.5 / 6.9	
WHO European Region	11.9	10.9	

Total alcohol per capita (15+) consumption, drinkers only (in litres of pure alcohol), 2010

Males (15+)	18.9
Females (15+)	8.5
Both sexes (15+)	13.8

Prevalence of heavy episodic drinking* (%), 2010

	Population	Drinkers only
Males (15+)	35.5	40.8
Females (15+)	20.9	25.8
Both sexes (15+)	28.0	33.4

*Consumed at least 60 grams or more of pure alcohol on at least one occasion in the past 30 days.

Abstainers (%), 2010

	Males	Females	Both sexes
Lifetime abstainers (15+)	12.0	18.0	15.1
Former drinkers* (15+)	1.0	1.0	1.0
Abstainers (15+), past 12 months	13.0	19.0	16.1

*Persons who used to drink alcoholic beverages but have not done so in the past 12 months.

Patterns of drinking score, 2010

LEAST RISKY < 1 2 3 4 5 > MOST RISKY

HEALTH CONSEQUENCES: MORTALITY AND MORBIDITY

Age-standardized death rates (ASDR) and alcohol-attributable fractions (AAF), 2012

	ASDR*		AAF (%)	
Liver cirrhosis, males / females	16.0	8.0	72.1	68.2
Road traffic accidents, males / females	5.9	1.8	16.6	6.7

*Per 100 000 population (15+).

Prevalence of alcohol use disorders and alcohol dependence (%), 2010*

	Alcohol use disorders**	Alcohol dependence
Males	16.3	8.7
Females	6.0	3.2
Both sexes	11.1	5.9
WHO European Region	7.5	4.0

*12-month prevalence estimates (15+).

**Including alcohol dependence and harmful use of alcohol.

Years of life lost (YLL) score*, 2012

LEAST < 1 2 3 4 5 > MOST

*Based on alcohol-attributable years of life lost.

POLICIES AND INTERVENTIONS

Written national policy (adopted/revised) / National action plan	Subnational / —
Excise tax on beer / wine / spirits	Yes / Yes / Yes
National legal minimum age for off-premise sales of alcoholic beverages (beer / wine / spirits)	18 / 18 / 18
National legal minimum age for on-premise sales of alcoholic beverages (beer / wine / spirits)	18 / 18 / 18
Restrictions on on-/off-premise sales of alcoholic beverages:	
Hours, days / places, density	Yes, No / No, Yes
Specific events / intoxicated persons / petrol stations	Yes / Yes / Yes

National maximum legal blood alcohol concentration (BAC) when driving a vehicle (general / young / professional), in %	0.08 / 0.08 / 0.08
Legally binding regulations on alcohol advertising / product placement	Yes / Yes
Legally binding regulations on alcohol sponsorship / sales promotion	No / No
Legally required health warning labels on alcohol advertisements / containers	No / No
National government support for community action	Yes
National monitoring system(s)	No