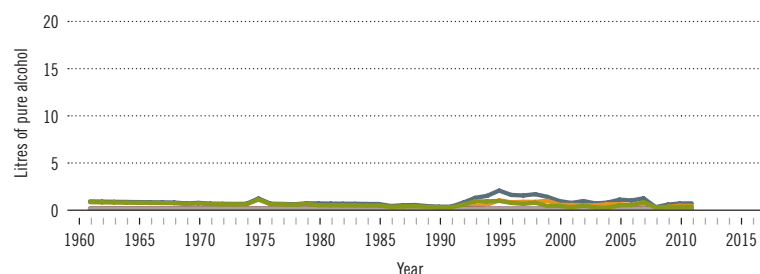


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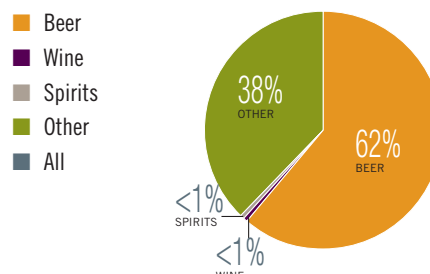
Total population (2016): 5 351 680 ► Population aged 15 years and older (15+): 58% ► Population in urban areas: — ► Income group (World Bank): Low income

## ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION: LEVELS AND PATTERNS

Recorded alcohol per capita (15+) consumption, 1961–2016



Recorded alcohol per capita (15+) consumption (in litres of pure alcohol) by type of alcoholic beverage, 2016 or latest year available



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

	2010*		2016*	
Recorded	0.6		0.6	
Unrecorded	0.5		0.7	
<b>Total**</b>	<b>1.1</b>		<b>1.3</b>	
Total males / females	1.9	0.3	2.2	0.3
WHO African Region	6.3		6.3	

\* Three-year averages of recorded and unrecorded for 2009–2011 and 2015–2017; \*\*adjusted for tourist consumption.

Total alcohol per capita (15+) consumption, drinkers only (in litres of pure alcohol), 2016

	Litres
Males (15+)	7.6
Females (15+)	2.9
Both sexes (15+)	6.3

Prevalence of heavy episodic drinking\* (%), 2016

	Population (15+ years)	Drinkers only (15+ years)	Population (15–19 years)	Drinkers only (15–19 years)
Males	15.3	52.5	9.2	55.0
Females	2.2	19.3	1.2	20.8
Both sexes	8.7	42.9	5.3	46.3

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

Abstainers (%), 2016

	Males	Females	Both sexes
Lifetime abstainers (15+)	55.1	80.8	68.1
Former drinkers* (15+)	15.7	7.6	11.6
Abstainers (15+), past 12 months	70.8	88.4	79.7

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

## HEALTH CONSEQUENCES: MORTALITY AND MORBIDITY

Age-standardized death rates (ASDR) and alcohol-attributable fractions (AAF), 2016

	ASDR*		AAF (%)		AAD** (Number)
Liver cirrhosis, males / females	56.9	34.2	23.0	16.9	171
Road traffic injuries, males / females	68.4	27.0	15.6	10.5	183
Cancer, males / females	109.3	157.5	2.7	0.8	41

\* Per 100 000 population (15+); \*\*alcohol-attributable deaths, both sexes.

Years of life lost (YLL) score\*, 2016

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\* Based on alcohol-attributable years of life lost.

Prevalence of alcohol use disorders and alcohol dependence (%), 2016\*

	Alcohol use disorders**	Alcohol dependence
Males	4.1	1.4
Females	0.4	0.2
Both sexes	2.2	0.8
WHO African Region	3.7	1.3

\* 12-month prevalence estimates (15+); \*\*including alcohol dependence and harmful use of alcohol.

## POLICIES AND INTERVENTIONS

Written national policy (adopted/revised) / National action plan	<b>No / —</b>
Excise tax on beer / wine / spirits	Yes / Yes / Yes
National legal minimum age for off-premise sales of alcoholic beverages (beer / wine / spirits)	25 / 25 / 25
National legal minimum age for on-premise sales of alcoholic beverages (beer / wine / spirits)	25 / 25 / 25
Restrictions on on-/off-premise sales of alcoholic beverages (any): Hours, days / places, density	<b>No, No / Yes, No</b>
Specific events / intoxicated persons / petrol stations	<b>No / No / No</b>

National maximum legal blood alcohol concentration (BAC) when driving a vehicle (general / young / professional), in %	0.05 / 0.05 / 0.03
Legally binding regulations on alcohol advertising / product placement (any)	<b>No / No</b>
Legally binding regulations on alcohol sponsorship / sales promotion (any)	<b>No / No</b>
Legally required health warning labels on alcohol advertisements / containers (any)	<b>No / No</b>
National government support for community action (any)	Yes
National monitoring system(s) (any)	<b>No</b>