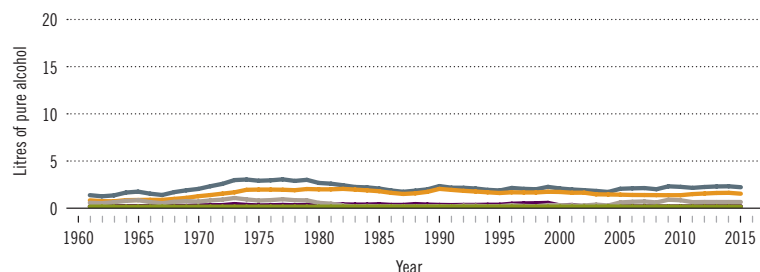
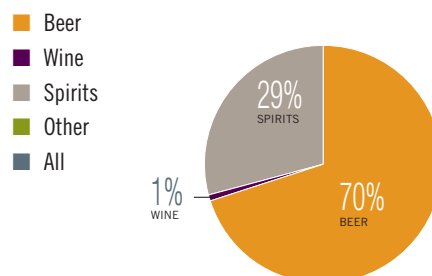


ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION: LEVELS AND PATTERNS

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	2.2		2.2	
Unrecorded	1.0		1.0	
Total**	3.0		3.0	
Total males / females	5.2	0.7	5.2	0.7
WHO Western Pacific Region	7.0		7.3	

* 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+)	20.5
Females (15+)	7.4
Both sexes (15+)	16.9

Prevalence of heavy episodic drinking* (%), 2016

	Population (15+ years)	Drinkers only (15+ years)	Population (15–19 years)	Drinkers only (15–19 years)
Males	18.4	72.0	11.1	77.2
Females	3.6	36.7	2.1	42.1
Both sexes	11.1	62.4	6.8	68.6

* 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+)	46.1	74.7	60.2
Former drinkers* (15+)	28.4	15.5	22.0
Abstainers (15+), past 12 months	74.5	90.2	82.3

* 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	1.6	0.8	45.5	20.2	3
Road traffic injuries, males / females	12.1	3.6	24.0	19.7	14
Cancer, males / females	109.7	113.2	4.0	0.9	14

* 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	8.9	5.3
Females	1.8	0.7
Both sexes	5.4	3.0
WHO Western Pacific Region	4.7	2.3

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

POLICIES AND INTERVENTIONS

Written national policy (adopted/revised) / National action plan	— / —
Excise tax on beer / wine / spirits	— / — / —
National legal minimum age for off-premise sales of alcoholic beverages (beer / wine / spirits)	— / — / —
National legal minimum age for on-premise sales of alcoholic beverages (beer / wine / spirits)	— / — / —
Restrictions on on-/off-premise sales of alcoholic beverages (any):	
Hours, days / places, density	—, — / —, —
Specific events / intoxicated persons / petrol stations	—, — / —, —

National maximum legal blood alcohol concentration (BAC) when driving a vehicle (general / young / professional), in %	0.08 / 0.00 / 0.00
Legally binding regulations on alcohol advertising / product placement (any)	— / —
Legally binding regulations on alcohol sponsorship / sales promotion (any)	— / —
Legally required health warning labels on alcohol advertisements / containers (any)	— / —
National government support for community action (any)	—
National monitoring system(s) (any)	—