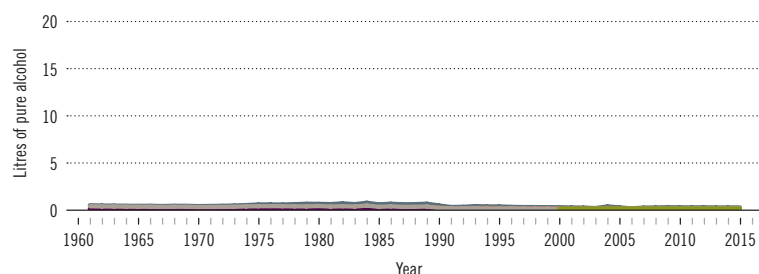


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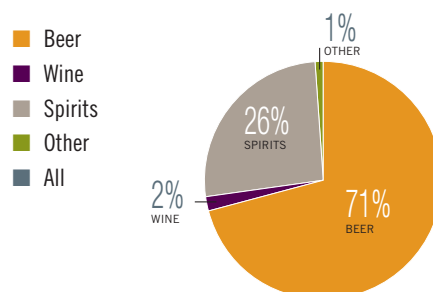
Total population (2016): 37 547 686 ► Population aged 15 years and older (15+): 59% ► Population in urban areas: 69% ► Income group (World Bank): Upper-middle income

## 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	0.2		0.2	
Unrecorded	0.3		0.2	
<b>Total**</b>	<b>0.5</b>		<b>0.4</b>	
Total males / females	0.9	0.1	0.7	0.1
WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region	0.6		0.6	

\* 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+)	14.6
Females (15+)	5.4
Both sexes (15+)	12.4

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

	Population (15+ years)	Drinkers only (15+ years)	Population (15–19 years)	Drinkers only (15–19 years)
Males	1.1	24.5	0.6	26.3
Females	0.1	6.5	0.1	7.1
Both sexes	0.6	20.1	0.3	21.8

\* 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+)	90.5	97.1	93.8
Former drinkers* (15+)	4.8	1.4	3.1
Abstainers (15+), past 12 months	95.3	98.5	96.9

\* 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	9.5	5.2	15.2	4.6	114
Road traffic injuries, males / females	33.3	16.8	1.9	1.2	102
Cancer, males / females	180.3	138.6	0.7	0.1	85

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

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

LEAST < **1** 2 3 4 5 > MOST

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

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

	Alcohol use disorders**	Alcohol dependence
Males	0.7	0.3
Females	0.1	0.1
Both sexes	0.4	0.2
WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region	0.8	0.4

\* 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	<b>No / No / No</b>
National legal minimum age for off-premise sales of alcoholic beverages (beer / wine / spirits)	21 / 21 / 21
National legal minimum age for on-premise sales of alcoholic beverages (beer / wine / spirits)	21 / 21 / 21
Restrictions on on-/off-premise sales of alcoholic beverages (any):	
Hours, days / places, density	Yes, Yes / Yes, 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 %	0.04 / 0.04 / 0.04
Legally binding regulations on alcohol advertising / product placement (any)	Yes / Yes
Legally binding regulations on alcohol sponsorship / sales promotion (any)	Yes / Yes
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>