

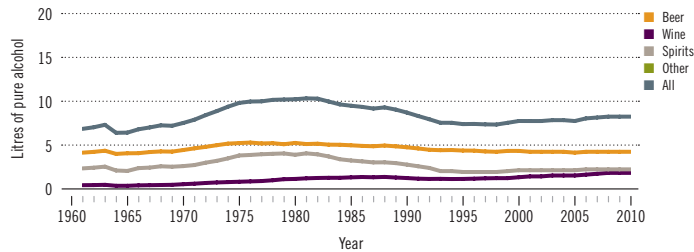
Canada

Total population: 34 126 000 > Population aged 15 years and older (15+): 84% > Population in urban areas: 81% > Income group (World Bank): High income

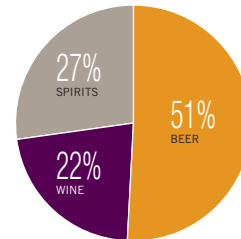
ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION: LEVELS AND PATTERNS

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	7.8	8.2	→
Unrecorded	2.0	2.0	→
Total	9.8	10.2	→
Total males / females		15.1 / 5.5	
WHO Region of the Americas	9.2	8.4	

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

Males (15+)	18.8
Females (15+)	7.4
Both sexes (15+)	13.2

Prevalence of heavy episodic drinking* (%), 2010

	Population	Drinkers only
Males (15+)	25.0	31.2
Females (15+)	10.9	14.7
Both sexes (15+)	17.8	23.1

*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+)	8.7	13.3	11.1
Former drinkers* (15+)	11.0	12.7	11.9
Abstainers (15+), past 12 months	19.7	26.1	22.9

*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	10.6	5.1	62.5	63.9
Road traffic accidents, males / females	11.0	4.1	13.8	4.8

*Per 100 000 population (15+).

Years of life lost (YLL) score*, 2012

LEAST < 1 2 3 4 5 > MOST

*Based on alcohol-attributable years of life lost.

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

	Alcohol use disorders**	Alcohol dependence
Males	10.2	6.0
Females	3.6	2.3
Both sexes	6.8	4.1
WHO Region of the Americas	6.0	3.4

*12-month prevalence estimates (15+).

**Including alcohol dependence and harmful use of alcohol.

POLICIES AND INTERVENTIONS

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

National maximum legal blood alcohol concentration (BAC) when driving a vehicle (general / young / professional), in %	Subnational / 0.00 / Subnational
Legally binding regulations on alcohol advertising / product placement	Yes / No
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)	Yes