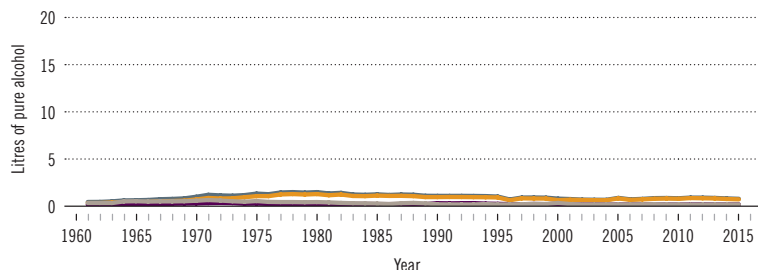


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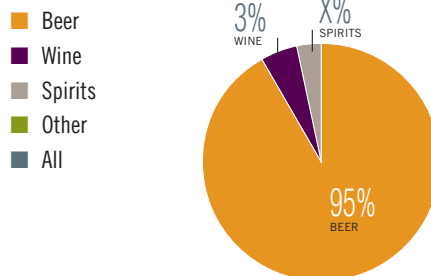
Total population (2016): 7 776 115 ► Population aged 15 years and older (15+): 63% ► Population in urban areas: 14% ► Income group (World Bank): Lower-middle income

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	0.8		0.7	
Unrecorded	0.9		0.5	
Total**	1.7		1.2	
Total males / females	3.0	0.4	2.0	0.3
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+)	10.3
Females (15+)	3.8
Both sexes (15+)	8.6

Prevalence of heavy episodic drinking* (%), 2016

	Population (15+ years)	Drinkers only (15+ years)	Population (15–19 years)	Drinkers only (15–19 years)
Males	14.0	70.2	7.9	73.4
Females	2.5	34.0	1.4	37.2
Both sexes	8.3	60.7	4.8	64.7

* 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+)	54.8	80.7	67.6
Former drinkers* (15+)	25.3	12.0	18.7
Abstainers (15+), past 12 months	80.1	92.7	86.3

* 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	45.0	19.8	24.2	15.5	260
Road traffic injuries, males / females	32.2	13.8	17.5	10.5	184
Cancer, males / females	199.9	186.5	4.2	0.8	161

* 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	8.8	5.1
Females	1.8	0.7
Both sexes	5.3	2.9
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 for 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 %	— / — / —
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)	—