

Table 3.96

Reported alcohol use

By demographic characteristics, United States, 2004

Question: "Do you have occasion to use alcoholic beverages such as liquor, wine or beer, or are you a total abstainer?"

	Yes	No, total abstainer
National	62%	38%
Sex		
Male	66	34
Female	58	42
Race		
White	65	35
Nonwhite	53	47
Black	42	58
Age		
18 to 29 years	61	39
30 to 49 years	70	30
50 to 64 years	60	40
50 years and older	55	45
65 years and older	48	52
Education		
College post graduate	76	24
College graduate	77	23
Some college	64	36
High school graduate or less	51	49
Income		
\$75,000 and over	78	22
\$50,000 to \$74,999	70	30
\$30,000 to \$49,999	60	40
\$20,000 to \$29,999	45	55
Under \$20,000	39	61
Community		
Urban area	61	39
Suburban area	69	31
Rural area	48	52
Region		
East	72	28
Midwest	60	40
South	54	46
West	65	35
Politics		
Republican	59	41
Democrat	67	33
Independent	60	40

Note: See Note, [table 3.95](#). The "don't know/refused" category has been omitted; therefore percents may not sum to 100. For a discussion of public opinion survey sampling procedures, see [Appendix 5](#).

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