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Reported alcohol use

By demographic characteristics, United States, 2007

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	64%	36%
Sex		
Male	72	27
Female	55	44
Race		
White	66	34
Nonwhite	56	43
Black	44	56
Age		
18 to 29 years	67	33
30 to 49 years	71	28
50 to 64 years	69	30
50 years and older	56	43
65 years and older	41	59
Education		
College post graduate	76	23
College graduate	77	23
Some college	67	33
High school graduate or less	50	49
Income		
\$75,000 and over	74	26
\$50,000 to \$74,999	78	21
\$30,000 to \$49,999	61	39
\$20,000 to \$29,999	50	50
Under \$20,000	40	60
Community		
Urban area	63	36
Suburban area	66	33
Rural area	58	41
Region		
East	67	32
Midwest	71	29
South	57	42
West	61	37
Politics		
Republican	58	42
Democrat	68	31
Independent	65	35
Ideology		
Conservative	57	42
Moderate	67	32
Liberal	72	28

Note: See Note, [table 3.95.2007](#). 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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