

Table 3.97

Respondents reporting whether they drink more than they should

By demographic characteristics, United States, 2004

Question: "Do you sometimes drink more alcoholic beverages than you think you should?"

	Yes	No
National	25%	75%
Sex		
Male	30	70
Female	20	80
Race		
White	25	75
Nonwhite	27	72
Black	19	81
Age		
18 to 29 years	33	67
30 to 49 years	31	69
50 to 64 years	16	83
50 years and older	13	86
65 years and older	9	91
Education		
College post graduate	28	71
College graduate	20	80
Some college	29	71
High school graduate or less	22	77
Income		
\$75,000 and over	32	68
\$50,000 to \$74,999	20	80
\$30,000 to \$49,999	24	75
\$20,000 to \$29,999	30	70
Under \$20,000	24	76
Community		
Urban area	23	77
Suburban area	26	74
Rural area	28	72
Region		
East	28	72
Midwest	22	78
South	24	75
West	27	73
Politics		
Republican	30	70
Democrat	23	76
Independent	21	79

Note: See Note, [table 3.95](#). This question was asked of the 62% of respondents answering "yes" to the question: "Do you have occasion to use alcoholic beverages such as liquor, wine or beer, or are you a total abstainer?" presented in [table 3.96](#). 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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