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Respondents reporting whether they drink more than they should

By demographic characteristics, United States, 2007

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

	Yes	No
National	22%	77%
Sex		
Male	30	69
Female	13	87
Race		
White	23	77
Nonwhite	21	79
Black	15	85
Age		
18 to 29 years	35	65
30 to 49 years	25	75
50 to 64 years	17	83
50 years and older	15	85
65 years and older	11	88
Education		
College post graduate	22	78
College graduate	19	81
Some college	25	75
High school graduate or less	22	78
Income		
\$75,000 and over	21	79
\$50,000 to \$74,999	33	67
\$30,000 to \$49,999	25	75
\$20,000 to \$29,999	3	97
Under \$20,000	22	78
Community		
Urban area	22	78
Suburban area	22	78
Rural area	26	74
Region		
East	18	82
Midwest	23	77
South	24	76
West	24	76
Politics		
Republican	28	72
Democrat	21	79
Independent	21	79
Ideology		
Conservative	19	81
Moderate	24	76
Liberal	25	75

Note: See Note, [table 3.95.2007](#). This question was asked of the 64% 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 3.96.2007](#). 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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