

Adult Per Capita Alcohol Consumption in 1997

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National Per Capita = 2.5 Gallons Consumed per Adult Age 21 & Older*

ALPHA ORDER

RANK	STATE	PER CAPITA
42	Alabama	2.1
5	Alaska	3.1
7	Arizona	2.9
45	Arkansas	2.0
20	California	2.6
6	Colorado	3.0
25	Connecticut	2.5
3	Delaware	3.2
7	Florida	2.9
25	Georgia	2.5
13	Hawaii	2.7
33	Idaho	2.4
20	Illinois	2.6
36	Indiana	2.2
36	Iowa	2.2
45	Kansas	2.0
45	Kentucky	2.0
7	Louisiana	2.9
25	Maine	2.5
35	Maryland	2.3
13	Massachusetts	2.7
33	Michigan	2.4
13	Minnesota	2.7
25	Mississippi	2.5
25	Missouri	2.5
10	Montana	2.8
25	Nebraska	2.5
2	Nevada	4.5
1	New Hampshire	4.6
25	New Jersey	2.5
10	New Mexico	2.8
36	New York	2.2
36	North Carolina	2.2
13	North Dakota	2.7
36	Ohio	2.2
48	Oklahoma	1.9
20	Oregon	2.6
42	Pennsylvania	2.1
13	Rhode Island	2.7
13	South Carolina	2.7
20	South Dakota	2.6
42	Tennessee	2.1
20	Texas	2.6
50	Utah	1.6
13	Vermont	2.7
36	Virginia	2.2
25	Washington	2.5
49	West Virginia	1.8
3	Wisconsin	3.2
10	Wyoming	2.8

RANK ORDER

RANK	STATE	PER CAPITA
1	New Hampshire	4.6
2	Nevada	4.5
3	Delaware	3.2
3	Wisconsin	3.2
5	Alaska	3.1
6	Colorado	3.0
7	Arizona	2.9
7	Florida	2.9
7	Louisiana	2.9
10	Montana	2.8
10	New Mexico	2.8
10	Wyoming	2.8
13	Hawaii	2.7
13	Massachusetts	2.7
13	Minnesota	2.7
13	North Dakota	2.7
13	Rhode Island	2.7
13	South Carolina	2.7
13	Vermont	2.7
20	California	2.6
20	Illinois	2.6
20	Oregon	2.6
20	South Dakota	2.6
20	Texas	2.6
25	Connecticut	2.5
25	Georgia	2.5
25	Maine	2.5
25	Mississippi	2.5
25	Missouri	2.5
25	Nebraska	2.5
25	New Jersey	2.5
25	Washington	2.5
33	Idaho	2.4
33	Michigan	2.4
35	Maryland	2.3
36	Indiana	2.2
36	Iowa	2.2
36	New York	2.2
36	North Carolina	2.2
36	Ohio	2.2
36	Virginia	2.2
42	Alabama	2.1
42	Pennsylvania	2.1
42	Tennessee	2.1
45	Arkansas	2.0
45	Kansas	2.0
45	Kentucky	2.0
48	Oklahoma	1.9
49	West Virginia	1.8
50	Utah	1.6

District of Columbia 4.3

Source: Morgan Quitno Press using data from U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism "Volume Beverage and Ethanol Consumption for States"

*This is apparent consumption of actual alcohol, not entire volume of an alcoholic beverage (e.g. wine is roughly 11% absolute alcohol content). Apparent consumption is based on several sources which together approximate sales but do not actually measure consumption. Accordingly, figures for some states may be skewed by purchases by nonresidents.