

Table 2.45A Alcohol Use in Lifetime, Past Year, and Past Month among Persons Aged 12 or Older, by Demographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2002 and 2003

Demographic Characteristic	TIME PERIOD					
	Lifetime		Past Year		Past Month	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	195,452	197,533	155,476	154,540	119,820	118,965
AGE						
12-17	10,747	10,713	8,564	8,563	4,365	4,425
18-25	26,889	27,622	24,153	24,778	18,759	19,466
26 or Older	157,816	159,198	122,759	121,200	96,696	95,073
GENDER						
Male	98,138	99,314	80,308	79,999	65,210	65,927
Female	97,314	98,219	75,168	74,542	54,610	53,038
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE						
Not Hispanic or Latino	173,430	175,223	138,042	137,198	107,374	106,578
White	143,571	144,205	115,451	114,594	91,042	90,415
Black or African American	20,193	20,977	14,711	14,764	10,707	10,391
American Indian or Alaska Native	1,197	987	906	782	660	528
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	615	*	*	267	*	212
Asian	5,785	6,643	4,877	5,171	3,362	3,889
Two or More Races	2,068	2,057	1,676	1,620	1,252	1,143
Hispanic or Latino	22,022	22,311	17,435	17,343	12,446	12,386

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

^aDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

^bDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.01 level.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 2.45B Alcohol Use in Lifetime, Past Year, and Past Month among Persons Aged 12 or Older, by Demographic Characteristics: Percentages, 2002 and 2003

Demographic Characteristic	TIME PERIOD					
	Lifetime		Past Year		Past Month	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	83.1	83.1	66.1 ^a	65.0	51.0	50.1
AGE						
12-17	43.4	42.9	34.6	34.3	17.6	17.7
18-25	86.7	87.1	77.9	78.1	60.5	61.4
26 or Older	88.0	88.0	68.4 ^a	67.0	53.9	52.5
GENDER						
Male	86.4	86.4	70.7	69.6	57.4	57.3
Female	80.1	80.1	61.8	60.8	44.9 ^a	43.2
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE						
Not Hispanic or Latino	84.2	84.3	67.0	66.0	52.1	51.3
White	86.8	86.7	69.8	68.9	55.0	54.4
Black or African American	75.3	76.4	54.9	53.8	39.9	37.9
American Indian or Alaska Native	81.0	78.6	61.2	62.3	44.7	42.0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	75.7	*	*	54.5	*	43.3
Asian	63.9	68.0	53.8	52.9	37.1	39.8
Two or More Races	82.3	79.9	66.7	62.9	49.9	44.4
Hispanic or Latino	75.7	74.7	60.0	58.0	42.8	41.5

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

^aDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

^bDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.01 level.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 2.46A Alcohol Use in Lifetime, Past Year, and Past Month among Persons Aged 12 to 17, by Demographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2002 and 2003

Demographic Characteristic	TIME PERIOD					
	Lifetime		Past Year		Past Month	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	10,747	10,713	8,564	8,563	4,365	4,425
GENDER						
Male	5,490	5,346	4,211	4,102	2,200	2,185
Female	5,257	5,368	4,353	4,460	2,165	2,241
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE						
Not Hispanic or Latino	8,991	8,872	7,229	7,135	3,711	3,765
White	7,114	6,977	5,884	5,790	3,123	3,195
Black or African American	1,299	1,352	894	916	396	379
American Indian or Alaska Native	96	80	77	65	43	29
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	294	269	219	203	75	85
Two or More Races	153	162	123	130	59	68
Hispanic or Latino	1,756	1,841	1,335	1,428	654	660
GENDER/RACE/HISPANIC ORIGIN						
Male, White, Not Hispanic	3,638	3,501	2,904	2,808	1,580	1,594
Female, White, Not Hispanic	3,477	3,476	2,980	2,982	1,542	1,602
Male, Black, Not Hispanic	667	683	434	425	201	187
Female, Black, Not Hispanic	632	669	460	491	195	191
Male, Hispanic	902	900	667	684	338	327
Female, Hispanic	853	941	668	744	315	333

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

^aDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

^bDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.01 level.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 2.46B Alcohol Use in Lifetime, Past Year, and Past Month among Persons Aged 12 to 17, by Demographic Characteristics: Percentages, 2002 and 2003

Demographic Characteristic	TIME PERIOD					
	Lifetime		Past Year		Past Month	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	43.4	42.9	34.6	34.3	17.6	17.7
GENDER						
Male	43.4	41.9	33.3	32.1	17.4	17.1
Female	43.4	43.9	36.0	36.5	17.9	18.3
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE						
Not Hispanic or Latino	43.2	42.4	34.7	34.1	17.8	18.0
White	45.8	44.8	37.9	37.2	20.1	20.5
Black or African American	35.9	36.1	24.7	24.5	10.9	10.1
American Indian or Alaska Native	50.8	45.1	41.0	36.5	22.6	16.3
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	29.0	27.7	21.7	20.9	7.4	8.7
Two or More Races	39.0	40.5	31.4	32.4	15.1	17.0
Hispanic or Latino	44.7	45.3	34.0	35.1	16.6	16.2
GENDER/RACE/HISPANIC ORIGIN						
Male, White, Not Hispanic	45.6	43.9	36.4	35.2	19.8	20.0
Female, White, Not Hispanic	46.0	45.8	39.4	39.3	20.4	21.1
Male, Black, Not Hispanic	36.7	36.2	23.9	22.5	11.1	9.9
Female, Black, Not Hispanic	35.2	36.0	25.6	26.5	10.8	10.3
Male, Hispanic	44.9	43.4	33.2	32.9	16.8	15.8
Female, Hispanic	44.4	47.3	34.8	37.4	16.4	16.7

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

^aDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

^bDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.01 level.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 2.47A Alcohol Use in Lifetime, Past Year, and Past Month among Persons Aged 18 to 25, by Demographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2002 and 2003

Demographic Characteristic	TIME PERIOD					
	Lifetime		Past Year		Past Month	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	26,889	27,622	24,153	24,778	18,759	19,466
GENDER						
Male	13,660	13,944	12,438	12,790	10,129 ^a	10,652
Female	13,229	13,678	11,716	11,987	8,630	8,814
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE						
Not Hispanic or Latino	22,432	22,930	20,383	20,804	16,024	16,517
White	17,392	17,815	16,040	16,384	12,892	13,366
Black or African American	3,306	3,362	2,816	2,903	1,968	2,020
American Indian or Alaska Native	193	157	*	128	129	96
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	1,022	1,142	908	977	683	706
Two or More Races	377	329	334	304	258	241
Hispanic or Latino	4,457	4,692	3,770	3,974	2,736	2,949
EDUCATION						
< High School	5,541	5,546	4,712	4,675	3,313	3,332
High School Graduate	9,046	9,379	7,958	8,289	5,919	6,233
Some College	8,814	8,990	8,162	8,281	6,647	6,794
College Graduate	3,487	3,707	3,321	3,533	2,881	3,107
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT						
Full-Time	13,077	13,082	11,969	11,901	9,619	9,659
Part-Time	6,768	7,095	6,091	6,474	4,670 ^a	5,087
Unemployed	2,146	2,298	1,900	2,082	1,394 ^a	1,581
Other ¹	4,898	5,148	4,193	4,321	3,077	3,139

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

^aDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

^bDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.01 level.

¹ Retired person, disabled person, homemaker, student, or other person not in the labor force.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 2.47B Alcohol Use in Lifetime, Past Year, and Past Month among Persons Aged 18 to 25, by Demographic Characteristics: Percentages, 2002 and 2003

Demographic Characteristic	TIME PERIOD					
	Lifetime		Past Year		Past Month	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	86.7	87.1	77.9	78.1	60.5	61.4
GENDER						
Male	88.0	87.6	80.1	80.3	65.2	66.9
Female	85.4	86.5	75.6	75.8	55.7	55.8
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE						
Not Hispanic or Latino	87.8	88.0	79.8	79.8	62.7	63.4
White	90.1	90.7	83.1	83.4	66.8	68.0
Black or African American	81.2	78.6	69.2	67.9	48.3	47.2
American Indian or Alaska Native	89.8	85.5	*	69.9	60.0	52.3
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	74.6	79.0	66.2	67.6	49.9	48.9
Two or More Races	93.4	90.7	82.8	83.9	64.0	66.6
Hispanic or Latino	81.2	82.9	68.7	70.2	49.8	52.1
EDUCATION						
< High School	80.6	80.7	68.5	68.0	48.2	48.5
High School Graduate	85.5	85.4	75.2	75.5	55.9	56.7
Some College	90.2	90.9	83.5	83.7	68.0	68.7
College Graduate	91.9	93.3	87.5	88.9	76.0	78.2
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT						
Full-Time	90.2	89.8	82.6	81.7	66.4	66.3
Part-Time	85.6	86.7	77.1	79.1	59.1 ^a	62.2
Unemployed	87.3	85.2	77.3	77.2	56.7	58.6
Other ¹	79.4 ^a	82.0	68.0	68.8	49.9	50.0

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

^aDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

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Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 2.48A Alcohol Use in Lifetime, Past Year, and Past Month among Persons Aged 26 or Older, by Demographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2002 and 2003

Demographic Characteristic	TIME PERIOD					
	Lifetime		Past Year		Past Month	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	157,816	159,198	122,759	121,200	96,696	95,073
GENDER						
Male	78,989	80,024	63,659	63,106	52,880	53,090
Female	78,828	79,174	59,099	58,094	43,816	41,983
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE						
Not Hispanic or Latino	142,007	143,420	110,430	109,259	87,639	86,296
White	119,065	119,413	93,527	92,420	75,027	73,854
Black or African American	15,588	16,264	11,000	10,945	8,343	7,993
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	662	589	489	403
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	4,469	5,232	3,750	3,991	2,604	3,098
Two or More Races	1,538	1,567	1,219	1,186	935	833
Hispanic or Latino	15,809	15,778	12,329	11,941	9,057	8,777
EDUCATION						
< High School	22,940	23,675	14,782	14,445	10,776	10,581
High School Graduate	50,377	48,566	37,993 ^a	35,750	29,092 ^b	26,657
Some College	39,383	39,159	31,190	30,929	24,268	24,288
College Graduate	45,117 ^a	47,798	38,793	40,076	32,560	33,547
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT						
Full-Time	93,847	94,410	77,768	77,287	62,422	61,940
Part-Time	17,719	18,066	14,031	14,247	11,423	10,911
Unemployed	4,488	4,889	3,790	3,852	2,996	3,026
Other ¹	41,762	41,833	27,169	25,814	19,855	19,196

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

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Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 2.48B Alcohol Use in Lifetime, Past Year, and Past Month among Persons Aged 26 or Older, by Demographic Characteristics: Percentages, 2002 and 2003

Demographic Characteristic	TIME PERIOD					
	Lifetime		Past Year		Past Month	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	88.0	88.0	68.4 ^a	67.0	53.9	52.5
GENDER						
Male	92.5	92.7	74.5	73.1	61.9	61.5
Female	83.9	83.6	62.9	61.4	46.6 ^a	44.3
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE						
Not Hispanic or Latino	88.9	89.2	69.1	67.9	54.9	53.7
White	91.2	91.1	71.6	70.5	57.5	56.4
Black or African American	81.5	83.7	57.5	56.3	43.6	41.1
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	61.6	65.8	45.5	45.0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	66.9	71.2	56.2	54.3	39.0	42.1
Two or More Races	89.6	86.5	71.0	65.4	54.4	46.0
Hispanic or Latino	80.4	78.3	62.7	59.2	46.1	43.5
EDUCATION						
< High School	75.6	76.3	48.7	46.6	35.5	34.1
High School Graduate	87.8	86.5	66.2 ^a	63.7	50.7 ^b	47.5
Some College	92.0	91.9	72.9	72.6	56.7	57.0
College Graduate	92.4	93.4	79.5	78.3	66.7	65.6
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT						
Full-Time	92.0	92.2	76.2	75.5	61.2	60.5
Part-Time	90.7	88.3	71.8	69.7	58.5 ^a	53.3
Unemployed	87.5	90.7	73.9	71.4	58.4	56.1
Other ¹	79.3	79.4	51.6	49.0	37.7	36.4

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

^aDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

^bDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.01 level.

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Table 2.49A Alcohol Use in Lifetime, Past Year, and Past Month among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Demographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2002 and 2003

Demographic Characteristic	TIME PERIOD					
	Lifetime		Past Year		Past Month	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	184,705	186,820	146,912	145,978	115,455	114,539
GENDER						
Male	92,648	93,968	76,097	75,896	63,009	63,742
Female	92,057	92,852	70,815	70,082	52,446	50,797
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE						
Not Hispanic or Latino	164,439	166,350	130,812	130,063	103,663	102,813
White	136,457	137,228	109,567	108,804	87,920	87,220
Black or African American	18,894	19,625	13,816	13,848	10,311	10,012
American Indian or Alaska Native	1,101	907	828	717	618	499
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	5,491	6,374	4,658	4,967	3,287	3,804
Two or More Races	1,915	1,895	1,553	1,490	1,193	1,075
Hispanic or Latino	20,266	20,470	16,100	15,915	11,792	11,727
EDUCATION						
< High School	28,481	29,220	19,494	19,120	14,088	13,913
High School Graduate	59,423	57,946	45,951	44,039	35,011 ^a	32,891
Some College	48,197	48,149	39,353	39,210	30,914	31,081
College Graduate	48,603 ^a	51,505	42,114	43,609	35,442	36,654
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT						
Full-Time	106,925	107,492	89,737	89,188	72,041	71,599
Part-Time	24,487	25,161	20,122	20,720	16,093	15,998
Unemployed	6,634	7,187	5,690	5,934	4,390	4,607
Other ¹	46,659	46,981	31,363	30,135	22,931	22,335

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

^aDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

^bDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.01 level.

¹ Retired person, disabled person, homemaker, student, or other person not in the labor force.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 2.49B Alcohol Use in Lifetime, Past Year, and Past Month among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Demographic Characteristics: Percentages, 2002 and 2003

Demographic Characteristic	TIME PERIOD					
	Lifetime		Past Year		Past Month	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	87.8	87.8	69.8 ^a	68.6	54.9	53.9
GENDER						
Male	91.8	91.9	75.4	74.3	62.4	62.4
Female	84.1	84.1	64.7	63.4	47.9 ^a	46.0
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE						
Not Hispanic or Latino	88.8	89.0	70.6	69.6	56.0	55.0
White	91.1	91.1	73.1	72.2	58.7	57.9
Black or African American	81.5	82.8	59.6	58.4	44.5	42.2
American Indian or Alaska Native	85.4	84.0	64.2	66.5	47.9	46.2
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	68.2	72.4	57.9	56.5	40.8	43.2
Two or More Races	90.3	87.2	73.2	68.5	56.3	49.4
Hispanic or Latino	80.6	79.3	64.0	61.6	46.9	45.4
EDUCATION						
< High School	76.5	77.1	52.4	50.4	37.8	36.7
High School Graduate	87.4	86.3	67.6 ^a	65.6	51.5 ^a	49.0
Some College	91.7	91.7	74.9	74.7	58.8	59.2
College Graduate	92.4	93.4	80.1	79.1	67.4	66.5
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT						
Full-Time	91.8	91.9	77.0	76.3	61.8	61.2
Part-Time	89.2	87.9	73.3	72.4	58.6	55.9
Unemployed	87.5	88.9	75.0	73.4	57.9	57.0
Other ¹	79.3	79.6	53.3	51.1	39.0	37.9

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

^aDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

^bDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.01 level.

¹ Retired person, disabled person, homemaker, student, or other person not in the labor force.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 2.50A Alcohol Use, Binge Alcohol Use, and Heavy Alcohol Use in the Past Month among Persons Aged 12 or Older, by Demographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2002 and 2003

Demographic Characteristic	TYPE OF ALCOHOL USE					
	Any Alcohol Use		Binge Alcohol Use		Heavy Alcohol Use	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	119,820	118,965	53,787	53,770	15,860	16,144
AGE						
12-17	4,365	4,425	2,641	2,658	630	652
18-25	18,759	19,466	12,699	13,188	4,625	4,788
26 or Older	96,696	95,073	38,447	37,924	10,605	10,704
GENDER						
Male	65,210	65,927	35,456	35,565	12,216	11,958
Female	54,610	53,038	18,331	18,205	3,645 ^a	4,186
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE						
Not Hispanic or Latino	107,374	106,578	46,579	46,530	14,134	14,576
White	91,042	90,415	38,727	39,159	12,340	12,775
Black or African American	10,707	10,391	5,619	5,214	1,172	1,245
American Indian or Alaska Native	660	528	413	371	128	126
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	212	205	146	67	51
Asian	3,362	3,889	1,119	1,078	237	223
Two or More Races	1,252	1,143	496	561	190	157
Hispanic or Latino	12,446	12,386	7,208	7,240	1,726	1,568

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Heavy Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days; all heavy alcohol users are also binge alcohol users.

^aDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

^bDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.01 level.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 2.50B Alcohol Use, Binge Alcohol Use, and Heavy Alcohol Use in the Past Month among Persons Aged 12 or Older, by Demographic Characteristics: Percentages, 2002 and 2003

Demographic Characteristic	TYPE OF ALCOHOL USE					
	Any Alcohol Use		Binge Alcohol Use		Heavy Alcohol Use	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	51.0	50.1	22.9	22.6	6.7	6.8
AGE						
12-17	17.6	17.7	10.7	10.6	2.5	2.6
18-25	60.5	61.4	40.9	41.6	14.9	15.1
26 or Older	53.9	52.5	21.4	21.0	5.9	5.9
GENDER						
Male	57.4	57.3	31.2	30.9	10.8	10.4
Female	44.9 ^a	43.2	15.1	14.8	3.0 ^a	3.4
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE						
Not Hispanic or Latino	52.1	51.3	22.6	22.4	6.9	7.0
White	55.0	54.4	23.4	23.6	7.5	7.7
Black or African American	39.9	37.9	21.0	19.0	4.4	4.5
American Indian or Alaska Native	44.7	42.0	27.9	29.6	8.7	10.0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	43.3	25.2	29.8	8.3	10.4
Asian	37.1	39.8	12.4	11.0	2.6	2.3
Two or More Races	49.9	44.4	19.8	21.8	7.5	6.1
Hispanic or Latino	42.8	41.5	24.8	24.2	5.9	5.2

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Heavy Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days; all heavy alcohol users are also binge alcohol users.

^aDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.05 level.

^bDifference between estimate and 2003 estimate is statistically significant at the 0.01 level.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 2.51A Alcohol Use, Binge Alcohol Use, and Heavy Alcohol Use in the Past Month among Persons Aged 12 to 17, by Demographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2002 and 2003

Demographic Characteristic	TYPE OF ALCOHOL USE					
	Any Alcohol Use		Binge Alcohol Use		Heavy Alcohol Use	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	4,365	4,425	2,641	2,658	630	652
GENDER						
Male	2,200	2,185	1,441	1,421	395	374
Female	2,165	2,241	1,200	1,237	235	278
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE						
Not Hispanic or Latino	3,711	3,765	2,230	2,276	544	583
White	3,123	3,195	1,946	1,999	503	540
Black or African American	396	379	178	172	22	20
American Indian or Alaska Native	43	29	34	22	5	3
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	75	85	32	31	1	12
Two or More Races	59	68	34	43	11	3
Hispanic or Latino	654	660	411	383	85	69
GENDER/RACE/HISPANIC ORIGIN						
Male, White, Not Hispanic	1,580	1,594	1,084	1,057	318	304
Female, White, Not Hispanic	1,542	1,602	861	942	185	236
Male, Black, Not Hispanic	201	187	94	96	14	16
Female, Black, Not Hispanic	195	191	84	76	8	5
Male, Hispanic	338	327	223	213	52	43
Female, Hispanic	315	333	188	170	34	26

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Heavy Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days; all heavy alcohol users are also binge alcohol users.

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Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 2.51B Alcohol Use, Binge Alcohol Use, and Heavy Alcohol Use in the Past Month among Persons Aged 12 to 17, by Demographic Characteristics: Percentages, 2002 and 2003

Demographic Characteristic	TYPE OF ALCOHOL USE					
	Any Alcohol Use		Binge Alcohol Use		Heavy Alcohol Use	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	17.6	17.7	10.7	10.6	2.5	2.6
GENDER						
Male	17.4	17.1	11.4	11.1	3.1	2.9
Female	17.9	18.3	9.9	10.1	1.9	2.3
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE						
Not Hispanic or Latino	17.8	18.0	10.7	10.9	2.6	2.8
White	20.1	20.5	12.5	12.8	3.2	3.5
Black or African American	10.9	10.1	4.9	4.6	0.6	0.5
American Indian or Alaska Native	22.6	16.3	18.2	12.4	2.9	1.7
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	7.4	8.7	3.2	3.2	0.1	1.2
Two or More Races	15.1	17.0	8.6	10.8	2.9	0.8
Hispanic or Latino	16.6	16.2	10.5	9.4	2.2	1.7
GENDER/RACE/HISPANIC ORIGIN						
Male, White, Not Hispanic	19.8	20.0	13.6	13.2	4.0	3.8
Female, White, Not Hispanic	20.4	21.1	11.4	12.4	2.5	3.1
Male, Black, Not Hispanic	11.1	9.9	5.2	5.1	0.8	0.8
Female, Black, Not Hispanic	10.8	10.3	4.7	4.1	0.4	0.2
Male, Hispanic	16.8	15.8	11.1	10.2	2.6	2.1
Female, Hispanic	16.4	16.7	9.8	8.6	1.8	1.3

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Heavy Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days; all heavy alcohol users are also binge alcohol users.

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Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 2.52A Alcohol Use, Binge Alcohol Use, and Heavy Alcohol Use in the Past Month among Persons Aged 18 to 25, by Demographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2002 and 2003

Demographic Characteristic	TYPE OF ALCOHOL USE					
	Any Alcohol Use		Binge Alcohol Use		Heavy Alcohol Use	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	18,759	19,466	12,699	13,188	4,625	4,788
GENDER						
Male	10,129 ^a	10,652	7,787	8,163	3,282	3,372
Female	8,630	8,814	4,911	5,025	1,343	1,417
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE						
Not Hispanic or Latino	16,024	16,517	10,790	11,123	4,127	4,177
White	12,892	13,366	9,036	9,394	3,665	3,730
Black or African American	1,968	2,020	1,067	1,036	239	230
American Indian or Alaska Native	129	96	95	76	23	24
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	683	706	337	402	96	112
Two or More Races	258	241	179	145	79	60
Hispanic or Latino	2,736	2,949	1,909	2,065	498	611
EDUCATION						
< High School	3,313	3,332	2,526	2,570	764	863
High School Graduate	5,919	6,233	4,059	4,283	1,455	1,505
Some College	6,647	6,794	4,419	4,458	1,762	1,733
College Graduate	2,881	3,107	1,695	1,877	644	688
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT						
Full-Time	9,619	9,659	6,587	6,659	2,307	2,396
Part-Time	4,670 ^a	5,087	3,093	3,289	1,179	1,219
Unemployed	1,394 ^a	1,581	1,018	1,144	394	450
Other ¹	3,077	3,139	2,002	2,096	745	724

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Heavy Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days; all heavy alcohol users are also binge alcohol users.

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¹ Retired person, disabled person, homemaker, student, or other person not in the labor force.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 2.52B Alcohol Use, Binge Alcohol Use, and Heavy Alcohol Use in the Past Month among Persons Aged 18 to 25, by Demographic Characteristics: Percentages, 2002 and 2003

Demographic Characteristic	TYPE OF ALCOHOL USE					
	Any Alcohol Use		Binge Alcohol Use		Heavy Alcohol Use	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	60.5	61.4	40.9	41.6	14.9	15.1
GENDER						
Male	65.2	66.9	50.2	51.3	21.1	21.2
Female	55.7	55.8	31.7	31.8	8.7	9.0
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE						
Not Hispanic or Latino	62.7	63.4	42.3	42.7	16.2	16.0
White	66.8	68.0	46.8	47.8	19.0	19.0
Black or African American	48.3	47.2	26.2	24.2	5.9	5.4
American Indian or Alaska Native	60.0	52.3	44.1	41.6	10.6	13.0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	49.9	48.9	24.6	27.8	7.0	7.8
Two or More Races	64.0	66.6	44.4	40.0	19.5	16.6
Hispanic or Latino	49.8	52.1	34.8	36.5	9.1	10.8
EDUCATION						
< High School	48.2	48.5	36.7	37.4	11.1	12.5
High School Graduate	55.9	56.7	38.4	39.0	13.8	13.7
Some College	68.0	68.7	45.2	45.1	18.0	17.5
College Graduate	76.0	78.2	44.7	47.2	17.0	17.3
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT						
Full-Time	66.4	66.3	45.4	45.7	15.9	16.4
Part-Time	59.1 ^a	62.2	39.1	40.2	14.9	14.9
Unemployed	56.7	58.6	41.4	42.4	16.0	16.7
Other ¹	49.9	50.0	32.4	33.4	12.1	11.5

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Heavy Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days; all heavy alcohol users are also binge alcohol users.

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Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002 and 2003.

Table 2.53A Alcohol Use, Binge Alcohol Use, and Heavy Alcohol Use in the Past Month among Persons Aged 26 or Older, by Demographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2002 and 2003

Demographic Characteristic	TYPE OF ALCOHOL USE					
	Any Alcohol Use		Binge Alcohol Use		Heavy Alcohol Use	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	96,696	95,073	38,447	37,924	10,605	10,704
GENDER						
Male	52,880	53,090	26,227	25,981	8,539	8,212
Female	43,816	41,983	12,220	11,943	2,067	2,492
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE						
Not Hispanic or Latino	87,639	86,296	33,559	33,131	9,462	9,815
White	75,027	73,854	27,745	27,766	8,171	8,505
Black or African American	8,343	7,993	4,373	4,006	911	994
American Indian or Alaska Native	489	403	284	273	100	99
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	2,604	3,098	750	645	140	99
Two or More Races	935	833	283	373	99	93
Hispanic or Latino	9,057	8,777	4,888	4,793	1,143	888
EDUCATION						
< High School	10,776	10,581	6,421	6,636	2,133	2,117
High School Graduate	29,092 ^b	26,657	13,564	12,541	3,713	3,707
Some College	24,268	24,288	9,248	9,467	2,578	2,642
College Graduate	32,560	33,547	9,215	9,279	2,182	2,238
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT						
Full-Time	62,422	61,940	27,214	27,119	7,530	7,707
Part-Time	11,423	10,911	3,891	3,550	944	1,064
Unemployed	2,996	3,026	1,618	1,687	618	622
Other ¹	19,855	19,196	5,724	5,567	1,513	1,311

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NOTE: Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Heavy Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days; all heavy alcohol users are also binge alcohol users.

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Table 2.53B Alcohol Use, Binge Alcohol Use, and Heavy Alcohol Use in the Past Month among Persons Aged 26 or Older, by Demographic Characteristics: Percentages, 2002 and 2003

Demographic Characteristic	TYPE OF ALCOHOL USE					
	Any Alcohol Use		Binge Alcohol Use		Heavy Alcohol Use	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	53.9	52.5	21.4	21.0	5.9	5.9
GENDER						
Male	61.9	61.5	30.7	30.1	10.0	9.5
Female	46.6 ^a	44.3	13.0	12.6	2.2	2.6
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE						
Not Hispanic or Latino	54.9	53.7	21.0	20.6	5.9	6.1
White	57.5	56.4	21.3	21.2	6.3	6.5
Black or African American	43.6	41.1	22.9	20.6	4.8	5.1
American Indian or Alaska Native	45.5	45.0	26.4	30.5	9.3	11.0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	39.0	42.1	11.2	8.8	2.1	1.3
Two or More Races	54.4	46.0	16.5	20.6	5.8	5.2
Hispanic or Latino	46.1	43.5	24.9	23.8	5.8	4.4
EDUCATION						
< High School	35.5	34.1	21.2	21.4	7.0	6.8
High School Graduate	50.7 ^b	47.5	23.6	22.3	6.5	6.6
Some College	56.7	57.0	21.6	22.2	6.0	6.2
College Graduate	66.7	65.6	18.9	18.1	4.5	4.4
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT						
Full-Time	61.2	60.5	26.7	26.5	7.4	7.5
Part-Time	58.5 ^a	53.3	19.9	17.4	4.8	5.2
Unemployed	58.4	56.1	31.5	31.3	12.1	11.5
Other ¹	37.7	36.4	10.9	10.6	2.9	2.5

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Heavy Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days; all heavy alcohol users are also binge alcohol users.

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Table 2.54A Alcohol Use, Binge Alcohol Use, and Heavy Alcohol Use in the Past Month among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Demographic Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2002 and 2003

Demographic Characteristic	TYPE OF ALCOHOL USE					
	Any Alcohol Use		Binge Alcohol Use		Heavy Alcohol Use	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	115,455	114,539	51,146	51,112	15,231	15,492
GENDER						
Male	63,009	63,742	34,014	34,144	11,821	11,584
Female	52,446	50,797	17,132	16,968	3,409 ^a	3,908
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE						
Not Hispanic or Latino	103,663	102,813	44,349	44,255	13,590	13,993
White	87,920	87,220	36,781	37,160	11,836	12,234
Black or African American	10,311	10,012	5,440	5,042	1,150	1,224
American Indian or Alaska Native	618	499	379	349	122	123
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	199	138	66	46
Asian	3,287	3,804	1,087	1,047	236	211
Two or More Races	1,193	1,075	463	518	178	154
Hispanic or Latino	11,792	11,727	6,797	6,857	1,641	1,499
EDUCATION						
< High School	14,088	13,913	8,947	9,206	2,897	2,980
High School Graduate	35,011 ^a	32,891	17,623	16,824	5,169	5,212
Some College	30,914	31,081	13,667	13,926	4,340	4,375
College Graduate	35,442	36,654	10,910	11,156	2,826	2,925
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT						
Full-Time	72,041	71,599	33,801	33,778	9,836	10,103
Part-Time	16,093	15,998	6,984	6,840	2,124	2,282
Unemployed	4,390	4,607	2,635	2,831	1,012	1,072
Other ¹	22,931	22,335	7,726	7,663	2,258	2,035

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NOTE: Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Heavy Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days; all heavy alcohol users are also binge alcohol users.

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Table 2.54B Alcohol Use, Binge Alcohol Use, and Heavy Alcohol Use in the Past Month among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Demographic Characteristics: Percentages, 2002 and 2003

Demographic Characteristic	TYPE OF ALCOHOL USE					
	Any Alcohol Use		Binge Alcohol Use		Heavy Alcohol Use	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
TOTAL	54.9	53.9	24.3	24.0	7.2	7.3
GENDER						
Male	62.4	62.4	33.7	33.4	11.7	11.3
Female	47.9 ^a	46.0	15.7	15.4	3.1	3.5
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE						
Not Hispanic or Latino	56.0	55.0	23.9	23.7	7.3	7.5
White	58.7	57.9	24.5	24.7	7.9	8.1
Black or African American	44.5	42.2	23.5	21.3	5.0	5.2
American Indian or Alaska Native	47.9	46.2	29.3	32.4	9.5	11.4
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	27.2	33.3	9.0	11.1
Asian	40.8	43.2	13.5	11.9	2.9	2.4
Two or More Races	56.3	49.4	21.8	23.8	8.4	7.1
Hispanic or Latino	46.9	45.4	27.0	26.6	6.5	5.8
EDUCATION						
< High School	37.8	36.7	24.0	24.3	7.8	7.9
High School Graduate	51.5 ^a	49.0	25.9	25.1	7.6	7.8
Some College	58.8	59.2	26.0	26.5	8.3	8.3
College Graduate	67.4	66.5	20.7	20.2	5.4	5.3
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT						
Full-Time	61.8	61.2	29.0	28.9	8.4	8.6
Part-Time	58.6	55.9	25.4	23.9	7.7	8.0
Unemployed	57.9	57.0	34.7	35.0	13.3	13.3
Other ¹	39.0	37.9	13.1	13.0	3.8	3.4

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Heavy Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days; all heavy alcohol users are also binge alcohol users.

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