

City of Edinburgh Alcohol Profile

October 2023

There are **1,952 places to buy alcohol in Edinburgh:**

1,467 on-sales premises
(pubs and restaurants)

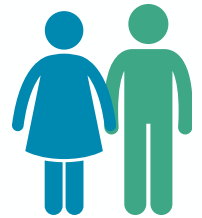


485 off-sales premises
(supermarkets and shops)

Scottish Liquor Licensing Statistics 2021-22.

In Edinburgh, **32% of people** drink above the Chief Medical Officers' low-risk guidelines.

This includes **22% of women** and **41% of men.**



This compares to **23% of people** in Scotland who drink above the guidelines.

Scottish Health Survey.



Parental drinking was a concern identified for **13% of children** on the child protection register in Edinburgh.

Children's Social Work Statistics 2021-22.

38% of S2 and S4 students in Edinburgh drink alcohol.

17% of S2 and S4 students in Edinburgh drink alcohol at least once a month.



Health and Wellbeing Census Scotland 2021- 2022.

There were **2,658 alcohol-related hospital admissions** in Edinburgh in 2021-22.

Alcohol related hospital statistics 2021-22.

The admission rate was lower than for Scotland as a whole.

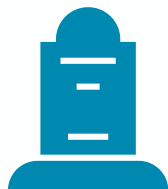
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In Edinburgh, **93 people** died because of alcohol in 2022, from conditions solely caused by alcohol.

The death rate was similar to Scotland as a whole.

Alcohol-specific deaths 2022.



The **true number** of alcohol deaths is **over 3 times as high** when including conditions such as cancer and cardiovascular diseases.

NHS Health Scotland.

Every year, alcohol costs Edinburgh **£221.28m** or **£455 per person.**

This includes:

Health service	£23.36m
Social care	£29.91m
Crime	£82.21m
Productive capacity	£85.70m



The Societal Cost of Alcohol Misuse in Scotland for 2007.

For full references and methods, visit www.alcohol-focus-scotland.org.uk/alcohol-information/local-alcohol-profiles

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