Dundee CityAlcohol Profile



September 2025

There are 437 places to buy alcohol in Dundee:

307 on-sales premises (pubs and restaurants)





130 off-sales premises (supermarkets and shops)

Scottish Liquor Licensing Statistics 2021-22.

In Dundee, 18% of people drink above the Chief Medical Officers' low-risk guidelines.

This includes 11% of women and 26% of men.

This compares to 20% of people in Scotland who drink above the guidelines.



Scottish Health Survey.



Parental drinking was a concern identified for 7% of children on the child protection register in Dundee.

Children's Social Work Statistics 2022-23.

46% of S2 and S4 students in Dundee drink alcohol.

20% of S2 and S4 students in Dundee drink alcohol at least once a month.

Health and Wellbeing Census Scotland 2021- 2022.



There were 1101 alcohol-related hospital admissions in Dundee in 2022-23.

Alcohol related hospital statistics 2022-23.

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

ScotPho Profiles.



In Dundee, 35 people died because of alcohol in 2024, from conditions solely caused by alcohol.

Alcohol-specific deaths 2024 (NRS, 2025).

The death rate was higher than for Scotland as a whole.



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

Public Health Scotland.

Every year, alcohol costs Dundee £71.05m or £492 per person.

This includes:

Health Service	£10.58m
Social Care	£10.24m
Crime	£27.25m
Productive Capacity	£22.99m

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The Societal Cost of Alcohol Misuse in Scotland for 2007.

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

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