Fife Alcohol Profile



November 2024

There are 1,048 places to buy alcohol in Fife:

681 on-sales premises (pubs and restaurants)





367 off-sales premises (supermarkets and shops)

Scottish Liquor Licensing Statistics 2021-22.

In Fife, 23% of people drink above the Chief Medical Officers' low-risk guidelines.

This includes 17% of women and 29% of men.

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



Scottish Health Survey.



Parental drinking was a concern identified for 18% of children on the child protection register in

Children's Social Work Statistics 2022-23.

41% of 13-year-olds and 72% of 15-year-olds in Fife have drunk alcohol.

Of those who have ever drunk alcohol, 50% of 13-year-olds and 70% of 15-year-olds have been drunk.

Scottish Schools Adolescent Lifestyle and Substance Use Survey 2018.

There were 2,304 alcohol-related hospital admissions in Fife in 2022-23.

Alcohol related hospital statistics 2022-23.

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





In Fife, 91 people died because of alcohol in 2023, from conditions solely caused by alcohol.

Alcohol-specific deaths 2023.

The death rate was lower than Scotland as a whole.



Alcohol-specific deaths 2023.

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 Fife £130.62m or £358 per person.

This includes:

Health Service	£16.64m	
Social Care	£15.04m	
Crime	£55.54m	
Productive Capacity	£43.40m	E

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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