

# South Lanarkshire Alcohol Profile

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There are **710 places to buy alcohol** in South Lanarkshire:

**457 on-sales premises**  
(pubs and restaurants)



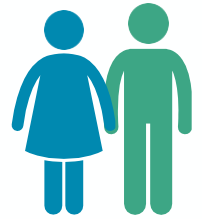
**253 off-sales premises**  
(supermarkets and shops)

*Scottish Liquor Licensing Statistics 2021-22.*

In South Lanarkshire, **22% of people** drink above the Chief Medical Officers' low-risk guidelines.

This includes **14% of women** and **30% 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 **19% of children** on the child protection register in South Lanarkshire.

*Children's Social Work Statistics 2022-23.*

**35% of 13-year-olds** and **74% of 15-year-olds** in South Lanarkshire have drunk alcohol.

Of those who have ever drunk alcohol, **55% of 13-year-olds** and **73% of 15-year-olds** have been drunk.

*Scottish Schools Adolescent Lifestyle and Substance Use Survey 2018.*



There were **1,986 alcohol-related hospital admissions** in South Lanarkshire in 2022-23.

*Alcohol related hospital statistics 2022-23.*

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

*ScotPho Profiles.*



In South Lanarkshire, **95 people** died because of alcohol in 2023, from conditions solely caused by alcohol.

*Alcohol-specific deaths 2023.*

The death rate was higher 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 South Lanarkshire **£93.83m** or **£301 per person**.

This includes:

Health Service	£10.70m
Social Care	£10.83m
Crime	£36.16m
Productive Capacity	£36.13m



*The Societal Cost of Alcohol Misuse in Scotland for 2007.*

For full references and methods, visit [www.alcohol-focus-scotland.org.uk/harm-profiles/](http://www.alcohol-focus-scotland.org.uk/harm-profiles/)

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