

UK drinking indicators

Drinking status

drin5_06: (drinking status based on **q31** (During the last 12 months, how often did you have any kind of alcoholic beverage in a single day) and **q27** (Do you ever drink alcohol?))

- If person never drinks alcohol (q31=9 & q27=2) -> drin5_06 = 0 (lifetime abstainer)
- If person didn't drink alcohol in last 12 months (q31=9 & q27=1) -> drin5_06 = 1 (12-month abstainer)
- If person did drink alcohol during the last 12 months -> drin5_06 = 2 (current drinker)

No missings

Frequencies

gefr1_06: (overall frequency based on **q31** (During the last 12 months, how often did you have any kind of alcoholic beverage in a single day))

Recoding into number of drinking days per year

Daily or nearly daily	-> 312
3 – 4 times / week	-> 182
1 – 2 times / week	-> 78
1 – 3 times / month	-> 24
7 – 11 times / 12 months	-> 9
3 – 6 times / 12 months	-> 4,5
twice / 12 months	-> 2
once / 12 months	-> 1
never / 12 months	-> 0

no missings

Quantities

gequ4_06: (usual quantity of alcohol per drinking occasion, based on **q29** (Think about the last time you did drink alcohol. What did you have?). One unit of alcohol contains 8 grams of alcohol.

- If person didn't drink alcohol during the last 12 months (abstainer, based on gefr1_06) -> gequ4_06 = 0. (296 people with quantities get the 0).
- gequ4_06 = usual number of drinks * 8 grams of pure alcohol.

No missings

gequ3_06 (not in the workdeck): (usual quantity of alcohol per week, based on **q30** (What have you had to drink in the past week?). One unit of alcohol contains 8 grams of alcohol.

- If person didn't drink alcohol during the last 12 months (abstainer, based on gefr1_06) -> gequ3_06 = 0.
- gequ3_06 = usual number of drinks per week * 8 grams of pure alcohol.

No missings

Volumes

gevo5_06: (annual volume of alcohol, based on

- (if gequ3_06 (quantity last week) = 0) or (if gequ3_06 (quantity last week) > 0 and person is no weekly drinker (gefr1_06 < 52))
→ gevo5_06 = gequ4_06 (quantity of last drinking occasion) * gefr1_06 (overall frequency).
- if gequ3_06 (quantity last week) > 0 and person is weekly drinker (gefr1_06 > 52)
→ gevo5_06 = gequ3_06 (quantity last week) * 52

no missings

gevo3_06: annual volume of alcohol (based on 7 days question **q30**)

- compute gevo3_06 = gequ3_06 * 52

no missings

gevo4_06: annual volume of alcohol (based on last drinking occasion **q29** and overall frequency **q31**)
- $\text{gevo4_06} = \text{gequ4_06} * \text{gefr1_06}$
no missings

nodd__06: annual number of drinking days (based on **q31**)
- $\text{nodd_06} = \text{gefr1_06}$
no missings