		TIME PERIOD	
Geographic Characteristic	Lifetime	Past Year	Past Month
TOTAL	195,452	155,476	119,820
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION			
Northeast	38,373	32,181	25,584
New England	10,369	8,573	6,751
Middle Atlantic	28,003	23,608	18,833
Midwest	45,645	36,881	28,658
East North Central	31,795	25,366	19,524
West North Central	13,850	11,515	9,134
South	67,919	51,209	38,400
South Atlantic	36,203	27,677	21,102
East South Central	10,948	7,507	5,197
West South Central	20,769	16,025	12,101
West	43,514	35,205	27,178
Mountain	12,655	10,119	7,810
Pacific	30,859	25,086	19,368
COUNTY TYPE			
Large Metro	97,972	80,676	63,335
Small Metro	59,287	47,114	36,330
250K – 1 Mil. Pop.	42,939	33,884	26,235
<250K Pop.	16,348	13,231	10,094
Nonmetro	38,193	27,686	20,155
Urbanized	12,339	9,307	7,083
Less Urbanized	21,564	15,234	10,940
Completely Rural	4,290	3,146	2,133

Table 2.90AAlcohol Use in Lifetime, Past Year, and Past Month among Persons Aged 12 or Older, by Geographic Characteristics: Numbers in
Thousands, 2002

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

	TIME PERIOD		
Geographic Characteristic	Lifetime	Past Year	Past Month
TOTAL	83.1	66.1	51.0
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION			
Northeast	85.2	71.4	56.8
New England	87.8	72.6	57.2
Middle Atlantic	84.2	71.0	56.6
Midwest	85.4	69.0	53.6
East North Central	85.0	67.8	52.2
West North Central	86.5	71.9	57.0
South	81.1	61.1	45.8
South Atlantic	82.7	63.2	48.2
East South Central	77.3	53.0	36.7
West South Central	80.3	62.0	46.8
West	82.3	66.6	51.4
Mountain	82.6	66.1	51.0
Pacific	82.1	66.8	51.6
COUNTY TYPE			
Large Metro	83.5	68.8	54.0
Small Metro	83.7	66.5	51.3
250K – 1 Mil. Pop.	83.1	65.6	50.8
<250K Pop.	85.5	69.2	52.8
Nonmetro	81.2	58.9	42.9
Urbanized	83.1	62.7	47.7
Less Urbanized	80.0	56.5	40.6
Completely Rural	82.3	60.3	40.9

Table 2.90BAlcohol Use in Lifetime, Past Year, and Past Month among Persons Aged 12 or Older, by Geographic Characteristics: Percentages,
2002

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

	TIME PERIOD		
Geographic Characteristic	Lifetime	Past Year	Past Month
TOTAL	10,747	8,564	4,365
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION			
Northeast	2,044	1,673	849
New England	549	445	227
Middle Atlantic	1,494	1,227	622
Midwest	2,549	2,088	1,094
East North Central	1,772	1,459	747
West North Central	777	629	347
South	3,778	2,952	1,484
South Atlantic	1,914	1,533	763
East South Central	603	432	212
West South Central	1,261	987	510
West	2,376	1,852	938
Mountain	750	602	316
Pacific	1,626	1,251	622
COUNTY TYPE			
Large Metro	5,313	4,236	2,125
Small Metro	3,203	2,554	1,296
250K – 1 Mil. Pop.	2,387	1,893	983
<250K Pop.	816	661	313
Nonmetro	2,231	1,775	944
Urbanized	681	546	286
Less Urbanized	1,267	994	542
Completely Rural	283	235	117

Table 2.91AAlcohol Use in Lifetime, Past Year, and Past Month among Persons Aged 12 to 17, by Geographic Characteristics: Numbers in
Thousands, 2002

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

	TIME PERIOD		
Geographic Characteristic	Lifetime	Past Year	Past Month
TOTAL	43.4	34.6	17.6
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION			
Northeast	45.8	37.5	19.0
New England	47.5	38.5	19.6
Middle Atlantic	45.2	37.2	18.8
Midwest	44.8	36.7	19.2
East North Central	44.4	36.6	18.7
West North Central	45.6	36.9	20.4
South	43.1	33.6	16.9
South Atlantic	43.5	34.9	17.4
East South Central	42.3	30.3	14.9
West South Central	42.7	33.4	17.3
West	40.8	31.8	16.1
Mountain	44.0	35.3	18.5
Pacific	39.4	30.3	15.1
COUNTY TYPE			
Large Metro	42.7	34.1	17.1
Small Metro	43.5	34.7	17.6
250K – 1 Mil. Pop.	43.7	34.6	18.0
<250K Pop.	43.0	34.9	16.5
Nonmetro	45.0	35.8	19.0
Urbanized	44.1	35.4	18.5
Less Urbanized	44.4	34.8	19.0
Completely Rural	50.4	41.9	20.8

 Table 2.91B
 Alcohol Use in Lifetime, Past Year, and Past Month among Persons Aged 12 to 17, by Geographic Characteristics: Percentages, 2002

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

	TIME PERIOD		
Geographic Characteristic	Lifetime	Past Year	Past Month
TOTAL	26,889	24,153	18,759
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION			
Northeast	4,955	4,567	3,628
New England	1,337	1,218	1,008
Middle Atlantic	3,617	3,349	2,621
Midwest	6,451	5,974	4,775
East North Central	4,437	4,095	3,258
West North Central	2,013	1,880	1,517
South	9,419	8,279	6,294
South Atlantic	4,640	4,075	3,106
East South Central	1,586	1,350	1,002
West South Central	3,192	2,854	2,187
West	6,065	5,333	4,062
Mountain	1,805	1,581	1,227
Pacific	4,260	3,751	2,835
COUNTY TYPE			
Large Metro	12,656	11,405	8,840
Small Metro	9,205	8,354	6,604
250K – 1 Mil. Pop.	6,480	5,883	4,657
<250K Pop.	2,725	2,471	1,947
Nonmetro	5,028	4,394	3,315
Urbanized	1,855	1,672	1,344
Less Urbanized	2,729	2,364	1,717
Completely Rural	444	358	253

Table 2.92AAlcohol Use in Lifetime, Past Year, and Past Month among Persons Aged 18 to 25, by Geographic Characteristics: Numbers in
Thousands, 2002

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

	TIME PERIOD		
Geographic Characteristic	Lifetime	Past Year	Past Month
TOTAL	86.7	77.9	60.5
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION			
Northeast	90.0	83.0	65.9
New England	93.3	85.0	70.3
Middle Atlantic	88.8	82.2	64.4
Midwest	89.6	83.0	66.3
East North Central	89.2	82.3	65.5
West North Central	90.5	84.5	68.2
South	85.4	75.1	57.1
South Atlantic	86.1	75.6	57.6
East South Central	83.0	70.6	52.4
West South Central	85.8	76.7	58.8
West	83.1	73.1	55.7
Mountain	82.7	72.4	56.2
Pacific	83.3	73.4	55.4
COUNTY TYPE			
Large Metro	85.7	77.3	59.9
Small Metro	88.1	79.9	63.2
250K – 1 Mil. Pop.	87.4	79.3	62.8
<250K Pop.	89.8	81.4	64.1
Nonmetro	86.5	75.6	57.1
Urbanized	87.3	78.7	63.3
Less Urbanized	86.2	74.7	54.3
Completely Rural	85.1	68.7	48.6

 Table 2.92B
 Alcohol Use in Lifetime, Past Year, and Past Month among Persons Aged 18 to 25, by Geographic Characteristics: Percentages, 2002

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

		TIME PERIOD	
Geographic Characteristic	Lifetime	Past Year	Past Month
TOTAL	157,816	122,759	96,696
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION			
Northeast	31,374	25,941	21,107
New England	8,483	6,910	5,517
Middle Atlantic	22,892	19,032	15,590
Midwest	36,646	28,819	22,790
East North Central	25,586	19,813	15,520
West North Central	11,060	9,007	7,270
South	54,723	39,978	30,621
South Atlantic	29,649	22,069	17,233
East South Central	8,758	5,724	3,984
West South Central	16,316	12,184	9,405
West	35,073	28,020	22,178
Mountain	10,100	7,936	6,267
Pacific	24,973	20,084	15,911
COUNTY TYPE			
Large Metro	80,004	65,035	52,370
Small Metro	46,878	36,206	28,429
250K – 1 Mil. Pop.	34,071	26,107	20,595
<250K Pop.	12,808	10,099	7,834
Nonmetro	30,934	21,518	15,897
Urbanized	9,803	7,089	5,453
Less Urbanized	17,568	11,876	8,680
Completely Rural	3,563	2,552	1,763

Table 2.93AAlcohol Use in Lifetime, Past Year, and Past Month among Persons Aged 26 or Older, by Geographic Characteristics: Numbers in
Thousands, 2002

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

Table 2.93BAlcohol Use in Lifetime, Past Year, and Past Month among Persons Aged 26 or Older, by Geographic Characteristics: Percentages,
2002

Geographic Characteristic	TIME PERIOD		
	Lifetime	Past Year	Past Month
TOTAL	88.0	68.4	53.9
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION			
Northeast	89.4	73.9	60.1
New England	92.0	75.0	59.9
Middle Atlantic	88.4	73.5	60.2
Midwest	90.4	71.1	56.2
East North Central	89.9	69.6	54.5
West North Central	91.5	74.5	60.2
South	85.5	62.5	47.9
South Atlantic	87.3	65.0	50.7
East South Central	81.0	52.9	36.8
West South Central	85.1	63.5	49.0
West	88.2	70.5	55.8
Mountain	88.4	69.5	54.9
Pacific	88.1	70.9	56.2
COUNTY TYPE			
Large Metro	88.8	72.2	58.1
Small Metro	88.5	68.3	53.6
250K – 1 Mil. Pop.	87.8	67.3	53.1
<250K Pop.	90.2	71.1	55.2
Nonmetro	85.3	59.3	43.8
Urbanized	87.6	63.4	48.7
Less Urbanized	83.9	56.7	41.4
Completely Rural	86.2	61.8	42.7

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002.

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		TIME PERIOD	
Geographic Characteristic	Lifetime	Past Year	Past Month
TOTAL	184,705	146,912	115,455
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION			
Northeast	36,329	30,508	24,735
New England	9,820	8,128	6,524
Middle Atlantic	26,509	22,380	18,211
Midwest	43,097	34,794	27,565
East North Central	30,023	23,907	18,778
West North Central	13,073	10,886	8,787
South	64,142	48,257	36,915
South Atlantic	34,289	26,144	20,339
East South Central	10,345	7,075	4,985
West South Central	19,508	15,038	11,591
West	41,138	33,353	26,240
Mountain	11,905	9,517	7,494
Pacific	29,233	23,836	18,746
COUNTY TYPE			
Large Metro	92,660	76,440	61,210
Small Metro	56,084	44,560	35,034
250K – 1 Mil. Pop.	40,551	31,991	25,252
<250K Pop.	15,533	12,570	9,781
Nonmetro	35,962	25,912	19,211
Urbanized	11,658	8,761	6,797
Less Urbanized	20,297	14,240	10,397
Completely Rural	4,007	2,911	2,016

Table 2.94AAlcohol Use in Lifetime, Past Year, and Past Month among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Geographic Characteristics: Numbers in
Thousands, 2002

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

Table 2.94BAlcohol Use in Lifetime, Past Year, and Past Month among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Geographic Characteristics: Percentages,
2002

Geographic Characteristic	TIME PERIOD		
	Lifetime	Past Year	Past Month
TOTAL	87.8	69.8	54.9
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION			
Northeast	89.5	75.1	60.9
New England	92.2	76.3	61.3
Middle Atlantic	88.5	74.7	60.8
Midwest	90.3	72.9	57.7
East North Central	89.8	71.5	56.2
West North Central	91.4	76.1	61.4
South	85.5	64.3	49.2
South Atlantic	87.1	66.4	51.7
East South Central	81.3	55.6	39.2
West South Central	85.2	65.7	50.6
West	87.4	70.9	55.8
Mountain	87.5	69.9	55.1
Pacific	87.4	71.3	56.0
COUNTY TYPE			
Large Metro	88.4	72.9	58.4
Small Metro	88.4	70.2	55.2
250K – 1 Mil. Pop.	87.7	69.2	54.6
<250K Pop.	90.1	72.9	56.8
Nonmetro	85.5	61.6	45.7
Urbanized	87.6	65.8	51.1
Less Urbanized	84.2	59.1	43.1
Completely Rural	86.1	62.5	43.3

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

Source: SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002.

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	TYPE OF ALCOHOL USE		
Geographic Characteristic	Any Alcohol Use	Binge Alcohol Use	Heavy Alcohol Use
TOTAL	119,820	53,787	15,860
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION			
Northeast	25,584	11,008	2,999
New England	6,751	3,017	796
Middle Atlantic	18,833	7,991	2,203
Midwest	28,658	13,622	4,384
East North Central	19,524	9,364	3,155
West North Central	9,134	4,257	1,229
South	38,400	17,558	5,207
South Atlantic	21,102	9,210	2,565
East South Central	5,197	2,469	782
West South Central	12,101	5,879	1,860
West	27,178	11,599	3,270
Mountain	7,810	3,680	1,127
Pacific	19,368	7,919	2,143
COUNTY TYPE			
Large Metro	63,335	27,047	7,418
Small Metro	36,330	17,182	5,584
250K – 1 Mil. Pop.	26,235	11,994	3,891
<250K Pop.	10,094	5,188	1,693
Nonmetro	20,155	9,558	2,859
Urbanized	7,083	3,278	1,022
Less Urbanized	10,940	5,262	1,568
Completely Rural	2,133	1,018	269

Table 2.95AAlcohol Use, Binge Alcohol Use, and Heavy Alcohol Use in the Past Month among Persons Aged 12 or Older, by Geographic
Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2002

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Heavy Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days; all Heavy Alcohol Users are also Binge Alcohol Users.

	TYPE OF ALCOHOL USE		
Geographic Characteristic	Any Alcohol Use	Binge Alcohol Use	Heavy Alcohol Use
TOTAL	51.0	22.9	6.7
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION			
Northeast	56.8	24.4	6.7
New England	57.2	25.6	6.7
Middle Atlantic	56.6	24.0	6.6
Midwest	53.6	25.5	8.2
East North Central	52.2	25.0	8.4
West North Central	57.0	26.6	7.7
South	45.8	21.0	6.2
South Atlantic	48.2	21.0	5.9
East South Central	36.7	17.4	5.5
West South Central	46.8	22.7	7.2
West	51.4	21.9	6.2
Mountain	51.0	24.0	7.4
Pacific	51.6	21.1	5.7
COUNTY TYPE			
Large Metro	54.0	23.1	6.3
Small Metro	51.3	24.3	7.9
250K – 1 Mil. Pop.	50.8	23.2	7.5
<250K Pop.	52.8	27.1	8.8
Nonmetro	42.9	20.3	6.1
Urbanized	47.7	22.1	6.9
Less Urbanized	40.6	19.5	5.8
Completely Rural	40.9	19.5	5.1

Table 2.95BAlcohol Use, Binge Alcohol Use, and Heavy Alcohol Use in the Past Month among Persons Aged 12 or Older, by Geographic
Characteristics: Percentages, 2002

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Heavy Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days; all Heavy Alcohol Users are also Binge Alcohol Users.

	TYPE OF ALCOHOL USE		
Geographic Characteristic	Any Alcohol Use	Binge Alcohol Use	Heavy Alcohol Use
TOTAL	4,365	2,641	630
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION			
Northeast	849	489	98
New England	227	152	37
Middle Atlantic	622	337	61
Midwest	1,094	693	188
East North Central	747	473	141
West North Central	347	220	47
South	1,484	887	206
South Atlantic	763	461	109
East South Central	212	131	32
West South Central	510	295	65
West	938	573	139
Mountain	316	200	44
Pacific	622	373	95
COUNTY TYPE			
Large Metro	2,125	1,260	270
Small Metro	1,296	758	186
250K – 1 Mil. Pop.	983	558	128
<250K Pop.	313	200	58
Nonmetro	944	622	174
Urbanized	286	178	45
Less Urbanized	542	365	112
Completely Rural	117	80	17

Table 2.96AAlcohol Use, Binge Alcohol Use, and Heavy Alcohol Use in the Past Month among Persons Aged 12 to 17, by Geographic
Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2002

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Heavy Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days; all Heavy Alcohol Users are also Binge Alcohol Users.

	TYPE OF ALCOHOL USE		
Geographic Characteristic	Any Alcohol Use	Binge Alcohol Use	Heavy Alcohol Use
TOTAL	17.6	10.7	2.5
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION			
Northeast	19.0	11.0	2.2
New England	19.6	13.1	3.2
Middle Atlantic	18.8	10.2	1.9
Midwest	19.2	12.2	3.3
East North Central	18.7	11.9	3.5
West North Central	20.4	12.9	2.7
South	16.9	10.1	2.3
South Atlantic	17.4	10.5	2.5
East South Central	14.9	9.2	2.2
West South Central	17.3	10.0	2.2
West	16.1	9.8	2.4
Mountain	18.5	11.7	2.6
Pacific	15.1	9.0	2.3
COUNTY TYPE			
Large Metro	17.1	10.1	2.2
Small Metro	17.6	10.3	2.5
250K – 1 Mil. Pop.	18.0	10.2	2.3
<250K Pop.	16.5	10.6	3.1
Nonmetro	19.0	12.6	3.5
Urbanized	18.5	11.5	2.9
Less Urbanized	19.0	12.8	3.9
Completely Rural	20.8	14.2	3.1

Table 2.96BAlcohol Use, Binge Alcohol Use, and Heavy Alcohol Use in the Past Month among Persons Aged 12 to 17, by Geographic
Characteristics: Percentages, 2002

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Heavy Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days; all Heavy Alcohol Users are also Binge Alcohol Users.

	TYPE OF ALCOHOL USE		
Geographic Characteristic	Any Alcohol Use	Binge Alcohol Use	Heavy Alcohol Use
TOTAL	18,759	12,699	4,625
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION			
Northeast	3,628	2,410	908
New England	1,008	655	262
Middle Atlantic	2,621	1,756	646
Midwest	4,775	3,406	1,376
East North Central	3,258	2,353	965
West North Central	1,517	1,053	411
South	6,294	4,218	1,470
South Atlantic	3,106	2,056	690
East South Central	1,002	656	219
West South Central	2,187	1,507	561
West	4,062	2,664	871
Mountain	1,227	843	283
Pacific	2,835	1,822	587
COUNTY TYPE			
Large Metro	8,840	5,767	1,934
Small Metro	6,604	4,558	1,765
250K – 1 Mil. Pop.	4,657	3,138	1,161
<250K Pop.	1,947	1,419	604
Nonmetro	3,315	2,374	925
Urbanized	1,344	931	382
Less Urbanized	1,717	1,251	475
Completely Rural	253	192	69

Table 2.97AAlcohol Use, Binge Alcohol Use, and Heavy Alcohol Use in the Past Month among Persons Aged 18 to 25, by Geographic
Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2002

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Heavy Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days; all Heavy Alcohol Users are also Binge Alcohol Users.

	TYPE OF ALCOHOL USE		
Geographic Characteristic	Any Alcohol Use	Binge Alcohol Use	Heavy Alcohol Use
TOTAL	60.5	40.9	14.9
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION			
Northeast	65.9	43.8	16.5
New England	70.3	45.7	18.2
Middle Atlantic	64.4	43.1	15.9
Midwest	66.3	47.3	19.1
East North Central	65.5	47.3	19.4
West North Central	68.2	47.3	18.5
South	57.1	38.3	13.3
South Atlantic	57.6	38.1	12.8
East South Central	52.4	34.3	11.5
West South Central	58.8	40.5	15.1
West	55.7	36.5	11.9
Mountain	56.2	38.6	13.0
Pacific	55.4	35.6	11.5
COUNTY TYPE			
Large Metro	59.9	39.1	13.1
Small Metro	63.2	43.6	16.9
250K – 1 Mil. Pop.	62.8	42.3	15.7
<250K Pop.	64.1	46.8	19.9
Nonmetro	57.1	40.9	15.9
Urbanized	63.3	43.8	18.0
Less Urbanized	54.3	39.6	15.0
Completely Rural	48.6	36.8	13.2

Table 2.97BAlcohol Use, Binge Alcohol Use, and Heavy Alcohol Use in the Past Month among Persons Aged 18 to 25, by Geographic
Characteristics: Percentages, 2002

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Heavy Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days; all Heavy Alcohol Users are also Binge Alcohol Users.

	TYPE OF ALCOHOL USE		
Geographic Characteristic	Any Alcohol Use	Binge Alcohol Use	Heavy Alcohol Use
TOTAL	96,696	38,447	10,605
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION			
Northeast	21,107	8,109	1,993
New England	5,517	2,210	497
Middle Atlantic	15,590	5,899	1,496
Midwest	22,790	9,523	2,820
East North Central	15,520	6,539	2,049
West North Central	7,270	2,985	771
South	30,621	12,453	3,531
South Atlantic	17,233	6,693	1,766
East South Central	3,984	1,682	531
West South Central	9,405	4,078	1,234
West	22,178	8,362	2,261
Mountain	6,267	2,638	800
Pacific	15,911	5,725	1,461
COUNTY TYPE			
Large Metro	52,370	20,020	5,213
Small Metro	28,429	11,866	3,632
250K – 1 Mil. Pop.	20,595	8,298	2,602
<250K Pop.	7,834	3,568	1,030
Nonmetro	15,897	6,561	1,760
Urbanized	5,453	2,169	595
Less Urbanized	8,680	3,646	982
Completely Rural	1,763	747	183

Table 2.98AAlcohol Use, Binge Alcohol Use, and Heavy Alcohol Use in the Past Month among Persons Aged 26 or Older, by Geographic
Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2002

*Low precision; no estimate reported.

NOTE: Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Heavy Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days; all Heavy Alcohol Users are also Binge Alcohol Users.

	TYPE OF ALCOHOL USE		
Geographic Characteristic	Any Alcohol Use	Binge Alcohol Use	Heavy Alcohol Use
TOTAL	53.9	21.4	5.9
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION			
Northeast	60.1	23.1	5.7
New England	59.9	24.0	5.4
Middle Atlantic	60.2	22.8	5.8
Midwest	56.2	23.5	7.0
East North Central	54.5	23.0	7.2
West North Central	60.2	24.7	6.4
South	47.9	19.5	5.5
South Atlantic	50.7	19.7	5.2
East South Central	36.8	15.5	4.9
West South Central	49.0	21.3	6.4
West	55.8	21.0	5.7
Mountain	54.9	23.1	7.0
Pacific	56.2	20.2	5.2
COUNTY TYPE			
Large Metro	58.1	22.2	5.8
Small Metro	53.6	22.4	6.9
250K – 1 Mil. Pop.	53.1	21.4	6.7
<250K Pop.	55.2	25.1	7.3
Nonmetro	43.8	18.1	4.9
Urbanized	48.7	19.4	5.3
Less Urbanized	41.4	17.4	4.7
Completely Rural	42.7	18.1	4.4

Table 2.98BAlcohol Use, Binge Alcohol Use, and Heavy Alcohol Use in the Past Month among Persons Aged 26 or Older, by Geographic
Characteristics: Percentages, 2002

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NOTE: Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Heavy Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days; all Heavy Alcohol Users are also Binge Alcohol Users.

	TYPE OF ALCOHOL USE		
Geographic Characteristic	Any Alcohol Use	Binge Alcohol Use	Heavy Alcohol Use
TOTAL	115,455	51,146	15,231
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION			
Northeast	24,735	10,519	2,901
New England	6,524	2,865	759
Middle Atlantic	18,211	7,655	2,142
Midwest	27,565	12,929	4,196
East North Central	18,778	8,892	3,014
West North Central	8,787	4,037	1,182
South	36,915	16,671	5,002
South Atlantic	20,339	8,749	2,456
East South Central	4,985	2,338	750
West South Central	11,591	5,585	1,795
West	26,240	11,027	3,132
Mountain	7,494	3,480	1,083
Pacific	18,746	7,546	2,048
COUNTY TYPE			
Large Metro	61,210	25,787	7,148
Small Metro	35,034	16,424	5,398
250K – 1 Mil. Pop.	25,252	11,436	3,763
<250K Pop.	9,781	4,987	1,634
Nonmetro	19,211	8,936	2,685
Urbanized	6,797	3,100	977
Less Urbanized	10,397	4,897	1,457
Completely Rural	2,016	938	251

Table 2.99AAlcohol Use, Binge Alcohol Use, and Heavy Alcohol Use in the Past Month among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Geographic
Characteristics: Numbers in Thousands, 2002

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NOTE: Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Heavy Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days; all Heavy Alcohol Users are also Binge Alcohol Users.

	TYPE OF ALCOHOL USE		
Geographic Characteristic	Any Alcohol Use	Binge Alcohol Use	Heavy Alcohol Use
TOTAL	54.9	24.3	7.2
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION			
Northeast	60.9	25.9	7.1
New England	61.3	26.9	7.1
Middle Atlantic	60.8	25.6	7.2
Midwest	57.7	27.1	8.8
East North Central	56.2	26.6	9.0
West North Central	61.4	28.2	8.3
South	49.2	22.2	6.7
South Atlantic	51.7	22.2	6.2
East South Central	39.2	18.4	5.9
West South Central	50.6	24.4	7.8
West	55.8	23.4	6.7
Mountain	55.1	25.6	8.0
Pacific	56.0	22.6	6.1
COUNTY TYPE			
Large Metro	58.4	24.6	6.8
Small Metro	55.2	25.9	8.5
250K – 1 Mil. Pop.	54.6	24.7	8.1
<250K Pop.	56.8	28.9	9.5
Nonmetro	45.7	21.2	6.4
Urbanized	51.1	23.3	7.3
Less Urbanized	43.1	20.3	6.0
Completely Rural	43.3	20.2	5.4

Table 2.99BAlcohol Use, Binge Alcohol Use, and Heavy Alcohol Use in the Past Month among Persons Aged 18 or Older, by Geographic
Characteristics: Percentages, 2002

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NOTE: Binge Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple of hours of each other) on at least 1 day in the past 30 days. Heavy Alcohol Use is defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on each of 5 or more days in the past 30 days; all Heavy Alcohol Users are also Binge Alcohol Users.