

Table 11.11.1 Use of alcohol: Women

Percentage of women age 15-49 who drink alcohol and percent distribution of alcohol drinkers by frequency of drinking, according to background characteristics, India, 2019-21

Background characteristic	Percentage of women who drink alcohol	Number of women	Among women who drink alcohol, frequency of drinking				Number of women
			Almost every day	About once a week	Less than once a week	Total	
<b>Age</b>							
15-19	0.2	122,544	6.3	24.6	69.1	100.0	238
20-34	0.6	336,968	12.8	33.8	53.3	100.0	2,040
35-49	1.2	264,603	20.4	39.2	40.4	100.0	3,123
<b>Residence</b>							
Urban	0.4	235,279	11.3	25.6	63.1	100.0	991
Rural	0.9	488,836	18.1	39.0	42.8	100.0	4,409
<b>Maternity status</b>							
Pregnant	0.4	27,125	12.6	28.7	58.7	100.0	111
Breastfeeding (not pregnant)	0.6	100,596	17.3	36.0	46.7	100.0	589
Neither	0.8	596,394	16.9	36.8	46.3	100.0	4,700
<b>Schooling</b>							
No schooling	1.8	163,492	23.1	41.6	35.4	100.0	2,974
<5 years complete	1.0	37,549	15.6	38.8	45.6	100.0	380
5-7 years complete	0.5	96,806	13.6	34.5	51.9	100.0	529
8-9 years complete	0.4	129,094	7.9	33.9	58.2	100.0	501
10-11 years complete	0.3	109,777	8.4	26.1	65.5	100.0	305
12 or more years complete	0.4	187,396	4.3	22.2	73.5	100.0	713
<b>Religion</b>							
Hindu	0.8	589,164	15.8	37.2	46.9	100.0	4,650
Muslim	0.0	97,595	24.7	24.3	51.0	100.0	48
Christian	2.1	16,995	14.1	35.0	50.9	100.0	360
Sikh	0.2	11,404	8.0	9.6	82.4	100.0	18
Buddhist/Neo-Buddhist	1.7	4,571	7.4	32.9	59.7	100.0	78
Jain	0.5	1,632	8.2	16.6	75.2	100.0	9
Other	8.6	2,754	44.5	32.0	23.5	100.0	237
<b>Caste/tribe</b>							
Scheduled caste	0.5	158,483	19.1	33.8	47.1	100.0	845
Scheduled tribe	3.9	67,263	18.0	41.9	40.0	100.0	2,590
Other backward class	0.4	310,783	16.2	33.6	50.2	100.0	1,297
Other	0.3	182,474	10.2	24.4	65.4	100.0	625
Don't know	0.9	5,112	22.2	33.5	44.3	100.0	44
<b>Wealth index</b>							
Lowest	1.9	133,973	19.6	42.9	37.4	100.0	2,600
Second	0.7	144,813	18.7	37.1	44.2	100.0	1,054
Middle	0.5	148,616	17.5	33.6	48.9	100.0	710
Fourth	0.3	150,680	11.7	26.2	62.1	100.0	468
Highest	0.4	146,032	4.6	18.5	76.9	100.0	569
Total	0.7	724,115	16.9	36.6	46.6	100.0	5,401

Table 11.11.2 Use of alcohol: Men

Percentage of men age 15-49 who drink alcohol and percent distribution of alcohol drinkers by frequency of drinking, according to background characteristics, India, 2019-21

Background characteristic	Percentage of men who drink alcohol	Number of men	Among men who drink alcohol, frequency of drinking			Total	Number of men
			Almost every day	About once a week	Less than once a week		
<b>Age</b>							
15-19	5.8	16,385	4.3	32.9	62.9	100.0	943
20-34	22.7	41,688	10.8	43.5	45.7	100.0	9,480
35-49	29.9	35,071	19.2	44.3	36.5	100.0	10,486
<b>Residence</b>							
Urban	22.1	32,852	14.2	44.7	41.1	100.0	7,274
Rural	22.6	60,291	15.0	42.7	42.3	100.0	13,636
<b>Schooling</b>							
No schooling	31.6	9,982	24.3	43.1	32.6	100.0	3,157
<5 years complete	32.7	5,842	16.0	40.9	43.1	100.0	1,909
5-7 years complete	28.5	12,082	17.9	43.9	38.3	100.0	3,449
8-9 years complete	21.5	18,472	15.0	42.6	42.4	100.0	3,980
10-11 years complete	19.2	16,735	12.1	47.6	40.3	100.0	3,218
12 or more years complete	17.3	30,032	7.8	42.2	50.0	100.0	5,196
<b>Religion</b>							
Hindu	25.0	73,632	14.5	43.4	42.1	100.0	18,384
Muslim	6.3	14,633	12.8	38.2	49.1	100.0	917
Christian	35.5	2,426	17.0	48.2	34.7	100.0	861
Sikh	30.4	886	15.2	46.0	38.8	100.0	270
Buddhist/Neo-Buddhist	28.7	1,017	20.3	40.0	39.6	100.0	292
Jain	19.6	280	1.5	95.9	2.6	100.0	55
Other	48.8	269	39.1	30.4	30.6	100.0	131
<b>Caste/tribe</b>							
Scheduled caste	31.1	18,977	14.6	41.4	44.1	100.0	5,905
Scheduled tribe	33.6	8,441	21.2	44.1	34.7	100.0	2,835
Other backward class	20.4	38,986	13.7	47.4	39.0	100.0	7,951
Other	15.7	26,244	12.6	38.3	49.1	100.0	4,117
Don't know	20.4	496	11.6	37.7	50.7	100.0	101
<b>Wealth index</b>							
Lowest	27.8	15,606	16.8	39.6	43.6	100.0	4,332
Second	23.7	18,497	16.0	41.6	42.4	100.0	4,375
Middle	22.3	19,829	15.3	44.6	40.0	100.0	4,427
Fourth	21.4	20,658	13.1	47.0	39.9	100.0	4,412
Highest	18.1	18,553	11.6	44.4	44.0	100.0	3,364
Total age 15-49	22.4	93,144	14.7	43.4	41.9	100.0	20,910
Age 50-54	27.2	8,695	21.7	44.6	33.7	100.0	2,361
Total age 15-54	22.9	101,839	15.4	43.5	41.0	100.0	23,271