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FACTS & FIGURES



10.3 MILLION DALYs 5.1%

burden of disease

RISK FACTOR #1

Alcohol consumption contributes to 3 million deaths each year globally.

Over 10.3 million disability-adjusted life-years were attributable to alcohol use in 2016.

Harmful use of alcohol is responsible for **5.1%** of the global burden of disease.

Alcohol is the n°1 risk factor for premature mortality and disability among those aged 15 to 49 years.



In the **20-24** age group, **every fourth death** was caused by alcohol.



Disadvantaged and vulnerable populations have higher rates of alcohol-related death &hospitalization.



Even moderate consumption of alcohol increases the long-term risks of certain heart conditions, liver diseases and cancers.



Other public health problems are closely linked to alcohol consumption like **injuries** & **domestic violence**.

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RECOMMENDATIONS





Reduce availability of alcohol at the point of sale.

Increase the **price** of alcoholic beverages.

Protect children & adolescents from exposure to alcohol marketing both on- & off-line.

Use new communication tools to **raise awareness** on the risks related to alcohol consumption, focussing on vulnerable groups.



Ensure proper screening, early detection and referral when necessary.



Ensure proper labelling of alcoholic beverages.



Zero-tolerance policies on drinking and driving.



Set an **age limit**for consuming
alcohol to efficiently
protect children &
adolescents.