

Students in grades 7 to 12 who reported having had a drink of alcohol once a month or more in the last 12 months

Unit : %

	Academic Year 2025-2026	Academic Year 2024-2025	Academic Year 2023-2024	Academic Year 2022-2023
Province				
New Brunswick	15.5	16.0	17.8	18.5
Health zones				
Zone 1 - Moncton and South-East Area	13.2	13.5	15.7	17.3
Zone 2 - Fundy Shore and Saint John Area	13.6	14.7	17.1	16.5
Zone 3 - Fredericton and River Valley Area	14.8	15.4	16.6	17.0
Zone 4 - Madawaska and North-West Area	S	23.5	23.6	23.7
Zone 5 - Restigouche Area	18.6	19.6	21.6	23.5
Zone 6 - Bathurst and Acadian Peninsula Area	21.1	21.3	23.8	24.6
Zone 7 - Miramichi Area	22.4	19.9	20.3	23.5
Communities				
Bathurst, Beresford, Petit-Rocher Area	19.2	18.3	19.4	22.6
Bouctouche, Richibucto, Saint-Antoine Area	23.2	21.9	24.1	28.6
Campbellton, Atholville, Tide Head Area	16.5	19.9	22.0	23.1
Caraquet, Paquetville, Bertrand Area	26.5	18.5	25.6	25.3
Dalhousie, Balmoral, Belledune Area	21.8	19.3	20.8	24.2
Dieppe and Memramcook	16.0	16.6	18.0	19.3
Douglas, Saint Marys, Doaktown Area	20.8	23.9	24.1	24.9
Edmundston, Rivière-Verte, Lac Baker Area	S	22.3	23.4	21.3
Florenceville-Bristol, Woodstock, Wakefield Area	19.1	18.1	18.4	17.6
Fredericton	10.6	11.9	14.5	15.3
Grand Bay-Westfield, Westfield, Greenwich Area	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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Grand Falls, Saint-Léonard, Drummond Area	25.0	20.8	20.3	23.1
Hillsborough, Riverside-Albert, Alma Area	27.9	18.8	25.7	29.1
Kedgwick, Saint-Quentin and Grimmer	S	35.2	33.8	36.4
Minto, Chipman, Cambridge-Narrows Area	28.5	19.8	22.0	19.9
Miramichi, Rogersville, Blackville Area	22.3	19.9	20.2	24.0
Moncton	8.5	8.2	11.6	11.9
Nackawic, McAdam, Canterbury Area	23.3	19.4	23.5	23.4
Neguac, Alnwick, Esgenoopetitj Area	23.3	20.2	21.6	19.0
New Maryland, Kingsclear, Lincoln Area	10.6	14.9	11.2	17.6
Oromocto, Gagetown, Fredericton Junction Area	16.8	15.4	15.4	14.6
Perth-Andover, Plaster Rock, Tobique Area	24.5	28.6	28.3	25.2
Quispamsis, Rothesay, Hampton Area	17.4	17.3	19.3	16.3
Riverview and Coverdale	13.4	15.4	14.2	16.6
Sackville, Dorchester, Port Elgin Area	13.9	18.6	19.7	18.1
Saint John, Simonds and Musquash	11.3	12.3	15.4	16.0
Salisbury and Petitcodiac	24.5	22.4	24.4	25.5
Shediac, Beaubassin East and Cap-Pelé	15.0	15.6	18.1	22.9
Shippagan, Lamèque, Inkerman Area	19.7	23.7	28.3	28.3
St. George, Grand Manan, Blacks Harbour Area	12.7	15.5	19.1	20.1
St. Stephen, Saint Andrews, Campobello Island Area	13.1	15.5	15.8	17.4
Sussex, Norton, Sussex Corner Area	17.3	16.6	20.7	18.0
Tracadie and Saint-Isidore	22.0	27.5	28.2	25.5
School districts				
Anglophone East School District	12.1	11.7	14.7	15.4

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Anglophone North School District	21.0	20.2	21.2	25.0
Anglophone South School District	13.9	15.0	17.4	16.6
Anglophone West School District	15.1	15.6	17.1	17.2
Anglophone sector	14.7	15.0	17.1	17.5
District scolaire francophone Nord-Est	21.5	21.7	24.1	24.0
District scolaire francophone Nord-Ouest	S	25.1	24.9	25.0
District scolaire francophone Sud	13.1	14.2	15.4	18.2
Francophone sector	17.7	18.5	19.6	21.2
Grades				
Grades 6 to 8	3.8	4.3	5.2	4.9
Grades 9 to 12	21.1	21.9	23.8	25.0
Gender				
Female	15.9	16.1	19.3	19.7
Male	15.2	16.0	16.7	17.7
Non-binary	19.8	16.7	15.8	15.2
Sex at birth				
Female	15.4	15.6	18.8	18.9
Male	15.3	16.1	16.6	17.9
2SLGBTQIA+ status				
2SLGBTQIA+	13.9	14.6	16.6	16.6
Indigenous identity				
Indigenous	21.8	22.2	25.5	25.8
Immigrant				

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Immigrants	8.2	8.8	10.5	12.3
Disability or special need				
Disability or special need	15.3	15.8	16.0	n/a
Racialized groups				
Racialized groups	8.9	9.5	11.6	n/a
Socioeconomic status				
High socioeconomic status	18.3	n/a	n/a	n/a
Low socioeconomic status	14.2	n/a	n/a	n/a

About

This indicator is the percentage of students in grades 7 to 12 who reported having had a drink of alcohol once a month or more in the last 12 months.

Source

Student Wellness and Education Survey, Grades 6-12

Calculations

This indicator is calculated by dividing the number of respondents who answered "once a month, 2-3 times a month, once a week, 2-3 times a week, 4-6 times a week or every day" by the number of respondents who answered "I have never had alcohol, I have done this, but not in the last 12 months, less than once a month, once a month, 2-3 times a month, once a week, 2-3 times a week, 4-6 times a week or every day" to the question: In the last 12 months, how often did you drink alcohol (more than a sip)?

Notes

Due to a low school participation rate in some areas of the province for the 2025-2026 edition of this survey, survey results are not available for District scolaire francophone Nord-Ouest (school district), Madawaska and North-West Area (health zone), Kedgwick, Saint-Quentin and Grimmer (community), and Edmundston, Rivière-Verte, Lac Baker Area (community). Users are advised to exercise caution if comparing data from the community of Grand Bay-Westfield, Westfield, Greenwich Area to other New Brunswick communities. The data for the community of Grand Bay-Westfield, Westfield, Greenwich Area is based on students in grades 6 to 8, while data from the other communities are based on students in grades 6 to 12. Survey results are assigned to communities based on the location of the school. The community of Grand Bay-Westfield, Westfield, Greenwich Area does not have any schools with grades 9 to 12.

Unit	Interpretation	NBHC code
%	Lower is better	SH_ALC03_1

Caption

n/a = Not applicable / not available

S = Data suppressed due to confidentiality requirements and/or small sample size