

Alcohol Harm Prevention Bulletin

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in Scotland and beyond**

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Recent journal articles (from Medline and Proquest Public Health)

A selection of publications from the last month relating to prevention of alcohol harms. Search criteria are available upon request from Knowledge Services and will be reviewed regularly to consider appropriateness and/or new areas of interest.

The searches are undertaken by PHS Knowledge Services. If you need any help with obtaining the full text of any of the articles, please contact phs.knowledge@phs.scot

Pricing, taxation and policy

- Casswell S, Randerson S, Parker K et al. **Comparing alcohol policy environments in high-income jurisdictions with the International Alcohol Control Policy Index**. Drug Alcohol Rev 2025; 44: 881–890. 2025/03.
- Rehm J, Reile R, Correia D et al. **Evaluation of the national alcohol control strategy (Green Paper on Alcohol Policy) of Estonia**. Drug Alcohol Rev 2025; 44: 891–896. 2025/03.

Availability and Licensing

No relevant publications this month.

Marketing and Advertising

- Correia D, Manthey J, Allebeck P et al. **Assessing the impact of Lithuania's 2018 alcohol marketing ban on adolescent alcohol use by comparing trends with five EU control countries: a study protocol for a secondary data analysis**. BMJ Open 2025; 15: e094586. 2025/03/15.

Health Information

- Conroy D and Bartram A. **Wide-Ranging Responses to Temporary Abstinence Challenges Among UK-Based Heavier Drinkers: A Three-Wave Longitudinal Interpretative Phenomenological Analysis**. Qual Health Res 2025; : 10497323251320912. 2025/03/20.
- Wilson LB, Stevely AK, Kersbergen I et al. **Current and future trends in the consumption, sale and purchasing of alcohol-free and low-alcohol products in Great Britain, 2014 to 2023**. Addiction 2025; 2025/03/21.

Early Intervention

- Hughes TL, Bochicchio L, Drabble LA et al. **Using a Sober Curious Framework to Explore Barriers and Facilitators to Helping Sexual Minority Women Reduce Alcohol-Related Harms: Protocol for a Descriptive Study**. JMIR Res Protoc 2025; 14: e63282. 2025/03/03.
- O'Grady M, Harrison L, Suleiman A et al. **Text messaging interventions for unhealthy alcohol use in emergency departments: mixed methods assessment of implementation barriers and facilitators**. JMIR Formativ Res 2025; 9: e65187. 2025/03/03.
- Shen T, Huo R and Huang X. **A privacy-preserving and low-cost system for preventing cheats in in-vehicle alcohol detection**. Traffic Inj Prev 2025; : 1–7. 2025/03/06.
- Yaqubi H, May T and Burton A. **A qualitative exploration of triggers for alcohol use and access to support during the COVID-19 pandemic among people identifying as problem drinkers in the United Kingdom**. Drug Alcohol Rev 2025; 2025/02/11.

Young People and Prevention

- Carey KB, DiBello AM, Hatch MR et al. **Efficacy of counter-attitudinal advocacy and personalized feedback for heavy-drinking college students.** J Consult Clin Psychol 2025; 2025/03/13.
- Castor TS, Glassman TJ, Dake JA et al. **Campus officials' perceptions of alcohol policies for college sporting events.** American Journal of Health Education 2025; 56: 162–172. 2025/03/04.
- Hedin L, Seiterö A, Crawford J et al. **Mediated effects of LIFE4YOUth-a mobile health intervention for multiple lifestyle behavior change among high school students in Sweden: findings from a randomized controlled trial.** BMC Public Health 2025; 25: 922. 2025/03/07.
- Vieira E, Taylor N, Stevely A et al. **A systematic review of adolescent alcohol-related harm trends in high-income countries with declines in adolescent consumption.** Addiction 2025; 2025/03/05.

Recent reports (grey literature)

Highlights of publications from key organisations within the last month.

- Alcohol Focus Scotland. **Scottish Football in alcohol ban 'own goal': study concludes ending alcohol ban could increase risk of disorder and add to alcohol harms.** AFS, 11 March 2025.
- Giesbrecht, N. and Stockwell, T. **How could the US-EU alcohol tariff war affect alcohol consumption and harm?** IAS, 25 March 2025.
- Morris, J. **Not 'word policing': why language matters in reducing alcohol harm - Guest blog, by Dr James Morris.** AFS, 20 March 2025.
- Purves, R. **Alcohol availability at Scottish football: insights from the 'Football and alcohol scoping study (FASST) project.** Institute for social marketing and health, University of Stirling, March 2025.

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