



Kentucky Alcohol Profile

Morbidity



in 2019, Kentucky had the **highest** alcohol-associated cancer incidence rate in the country after adjusting for age

20.9% of people in federally funded substance use treatment programs in 2020 were admitted for alcohol use



Mortality



25% of crash fatalities in 2020 were from alcohol-impaired driving crashes

From 2011-2020, **9.2%** of accidental drug overdose deaths involved alcohol



From 2015-2019, **179 cancer deaths per year** were attributed to excessive drinking

Cost



According to the most recent data, the total cost of excessive drinking in Kentucky is over **\$3 billion**

The total cost of excessive drinking in Kentucky is **\$2.36** per drink



Alcohol Policy Landscape

The **Alcohol Policy Scale (APS)** assesses 29 state-level policies from 1999-2018 and assigns all 50 states plus the District of Columbia a score out of 100. A score close to 100 reflects a strong alcohol policy environment. A state rank of 1 demonstrates the most restrictive alcohol policy environment, while a rank of 51 demonstrates the least restrictive policy environment.



Overall score of **43.6** out of 100



Ranked **25th** out of 51

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