

[<<Back](#)



New report details Wisconsin's problems with alcohol abuse

Associated Press - September 17, 2007 7:05 AM ET

A report released Monday by the Population Health Institute at the University of Wisconsin-Madison shows the state continues to be 1 of the nation's worst when it comes to alcohol abuse.

But Wisconsin's rates of drug abuse are, in many cases, equal to or better than national rates.

Here's a look at how the state compares to the nation, using the most recent figures available:

Alcohol-related motor-vehicle deaths (2005): Wisconsin, 6.7 per 100,000 residents; U.S., 5.7 per 100,000 residents.

Reported rates of driving after drinking among high school students (2005): Wis., 14%; U.S., 10%.

Alcohol use among adults (2005): Wis., 68%; U.S., 56%.

Drug-related deaths (2004): Wis., 6.4 per 100,000 residents; U.S., 8.7 per 100,000 residents.

Marijuana use among high school students (2005): Wis., 16%; U.S., 20%.

Source: University of Wisconsin-Madison Population Health Institute

Copyright 2007 The Associated Press. All rights reserved. This material may not be published, broadcast, rewritten or redistributed.



All content © Copyright 2004 - 2007, WorldNow and WKBT. All Rights Reserved.
For more information on this site, please read our [Privacy Policy](#) and [Terms of Service](#).