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Wisconsin #1 in Drinking

One of the researchers says, in this case, being number one is not a good thing.

The state is number one in every category when it comes to drinking.

Teen drinking, heavy drinking, adult drinking, binge drinking, all categories are being lead by Wisconsin.

There is one trend when it comes to alcohol that has a bit of a plus.

Research shows teens are starting to drink at an older age, but the overall number of teen drinking remains the same.

And being number 1 is nothing new, adult drinking in Wisconsin has been number 1 for the past 7 years.

"We are continuing our pattern of drinking more heavily than any other state in the nation and that we're experiencing some pretty severe side effects from those or consequences of that," Researcher Amanda Jovaag says.

Those consequences Jovaag says are deaths, hospitalizations, arrests.

All of which, Wisconsin is well above the national average.

And Jovaag says that in some arrest categories Wisconsin is four times higher than the national average.

She says that it is odd for a state to hold one spot continuously.

Even the states ranked at the bottom are different each year.

Not all of the news is bad though.

The study also looked at drug usage.

And, for Wisconsin, drug usage numbers were down.



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