



BABERGH DISTRICT COUNCIL

LEISURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

YOUNG PERSONS QUESTIONNAIRE ON ALCOHOL

RESULTS / ANALYSIS

A total of 56 Questionnaires were received.

1. Do you ever drink alcohol?

Absolute Analysis % Respondents	
Base	56 100%
Do you ever drink alcohol?	
Yes, frequently	10 18%
Yes, every so often	39 70%
No, I've tried it but that's it	6 11%
No, never	1 2%

2. What age were you when you first drank?

Absolute Analysis % Respondents	
Base	54 100%
What age were you when you first drank?	
10-11 years of age	9 17%
12-13 years of age	33 61%
14-15 years of age	9 17%
Other	3 6%

3. If you regularly drink alcohol where do you get it from?

Absolute Analysis % Respondents	
Base	50 100%
If you regularly drink alcohol where do yo...	
I look old enough, so I buy it	2 4%
I get someone older to buy it	15 30%
I take it from home	7 14%
My parents give it to me	25 50%
Friends usually share with me	14 28%
Other	8 16%

- ◆ When we have a party
- ◆ My dad let me have a bit
- ◆ I can have drink if my mum and dad let me.
- ◆ At a party of family
- ◆ Only on specific occasions
- ◆ Relatives, other than parents
- ◆ I stay in my house and drink with my parents
- ◆ If I'm out with someone or some people and they bring alcohol, I usually have a little bit, but not very much.

4. Where do you drink?

Absolute Analysis % Respondents	
Base	52 100%
Where do you drink?	
I get served in pubs	3 6%
At home	38 73%
Round friends	23 44%
Outside, ie. secluded area of town	11 21%
Other	11 21%

- ◆ Socially, round friends - not to get drunk but just liven up the mood.
- ◆ In town.
- ◆ I go to pubs with my Dad or my Uncle

- ◆ At restaurants, parties.
- ◆ When I'm with me family
- ◆ At a party in a hall
- ◆ At a pub with my family but not allowed anything strong
- ◆ Parties, Christmas, Birthdays
- ◆ Sometimes I go clubbing and get served at the bar
- ◆ At Pykenham Park, and around town.

5. What nights would you usually drink?

Absolute Analysis % Respondents	
Base	49 100%
What nights would you usually drink?	
Monday	1 2%
Tuesday	- -
Wednesday	1 2%
Thursday	- -
Friday	36 73%
Saturday	41 84%
Sunday	5 10%
Every night	1 2%

6. Do you every drink alone?

Absolute Analysis % Respondents	
Base	53 100%
Do you every drink alone?	
Yes, frequently	- -
Yes, occasionally	7 13%
No, never	46 87%

7. Have you ever been in trouble while drinking?

Absolute Analysis % Respondents	
Base	51 100%
Have you ever been in trouble while drinking?	
No, never	44 86%
Yes, please explain	7 14%

- ◆ Got taken home by the police for under age drinking.
- ◆ I pinched a can of lager out of the fridge and got told not to do it again.
- ◆ My parents caught me while I was drunk.
- ◆ I came home drunk a couple of nights and my dad told the police
- ◆ Police rang my parents, too drunk.
- ◆ I have had my name taken, but nothing was done

8. Why do you drink?

Absolute Analysis % Respondents	
Base	50 100%
Why do you drink?	
Boredom	4 8%
It's fun	23 46%
All my friends do	6 12%
It relaxes me	14 28%
Because my parents let me	14 28%
Other	11 22%

- ◆ Christmas or very special occasions
- ◆ It puts you in a party mood.
- ◆ It's fun and relaxing
- ◆ Change from what I usually drink.
- ◆ I only do it at Christmas or Weddings.
- ◆ I want to drink other than something ordinary
- ◆ Enjoy the taste
- ◆ Like the taste

9. Has anything dangerous happened while you've been drinking either to yourself or a friend?

Absolute Analysis % Respondents	
Base	51 100%
Has anything dangerous happened while you'...	
No	42 82%
Yes, please explain	9 18%

- ◆ A friend
- ◆ I had to make myself throw up because I was so drunk
- ◆ I once nearly fell down an open drain. I knocked my head and knocked myself out.
- ◆ My friend fell in the River Brett and I broke my foot at a party
- ◆ Once one of my friends ended up in hospital, another friend went missing.
- ◆ He got sick and I had to get him to hospital.
- ◆ I had a fit New Years Eve but parents were there to take care of me.
- ◆ Friend fell in the river!
- ◆ Ended up in hospital after having too much.

10. Do you have any comments that you would like to make on alcohol?

- ◆ I think its fine if handled right. Don't Drink and Drive!
- ◆ Too much can make you ill. It is fine if you are responsible.
- ◆ Don't drink frequently. Don't Drink and Drive! (if you are an adult)
- ◆ I think it is taken anyway so I don't think low alcohol drinks should have an 18 on them maybe a 16 limit.
- ◆ It is ok when drinking moderate amounts
- ◆ It's great
- ◆ It is all right in small amount. Don't drink too much.
- ◆ It's ok to drink with your parents but don't drink anywhere else
- ◆ It don't think its bad drinking alcohol, as long as its not too much.
- ◆ I think that the drinking age for low alcoholic drinks should be reduced to 16 as things like beer, red ??? etc as they have little effect unless in high quantities.
- ◆ Don't drink too much of it in one go. Make sure you've eaten, or just don't drink, its bad for your health.
- ◆ Best thing ever invented.

11. What age are you now?

Absolute Analysis % Respondents	
Base	54 100%
What age are you now ?	
14	31 57%
15	20 37%
16	3 6%

12. Please indicate:

Absolute Analysis % Respondents	
Base	53 100%
Please indicate:	
Male	30 57%
Female	23 43%

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