



# IMPACTS OF ALCOHOL USE IN HAMILTON

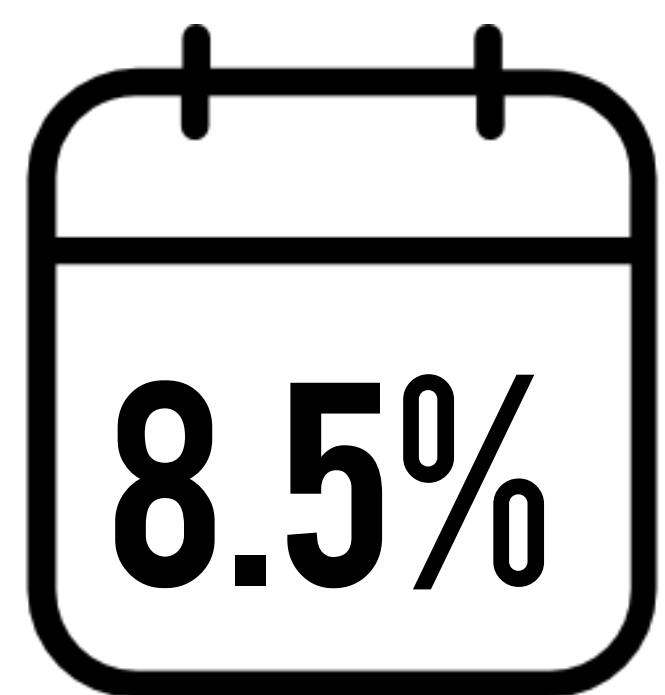


Hamilton

Alcohol use above recommended levels is common in Hamilton

43%

of Hamiltonians reported drinking **above** the low-risk alcohol drinking guideline (LRADG) (2013-2014)



of Hamiltonians reported **drinking every day** (2013-2014)

Alcohol is widely available in Hamilton



onsite licensed **alcohol establishments** (Apr 2016)

Populations at high-risk for alcohol-related harms are using alcohol



2.9%

of mothers in Hamilton reported consuming alcohol during their last pregnancy

In 2015, among **youth in grades 9-12** from Hamilton, Niagara, Haldimand and Brant:



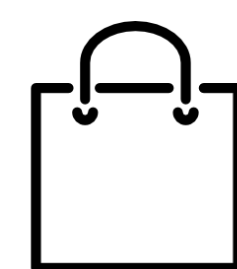
55%

reported drinking in the past year



1 IN 4

reported consuming 5+ drinks on one or more occasion in the past year



73%

said it was very easy or fairly easy to get alcohol



18%

rode with a driver who had consumed alcohol, in the past year

Alcohol has a significant impact on our community



just under **600** individuals accessed services at Alcohol, Drug and Gambling Services related to concerns over alcohol alone



Just over 4% of drivers in Hamilton reported **driving** within an hour of consuming **2 or more** alcoholic drinks



another **~300** individuals were seen with both alcohol and drug concerns



900

**hospitalizations** per year in Hamilton attributable to alcohol (2011-2013)



1519

**calls for paramedic services** due to intoxication (Sept 2015-Aug 2016). This represents 3% of total calls

(ADGS is just one of several treatment agencies in the City of Hamilton)