

Alcohol Use: Underage drinkers

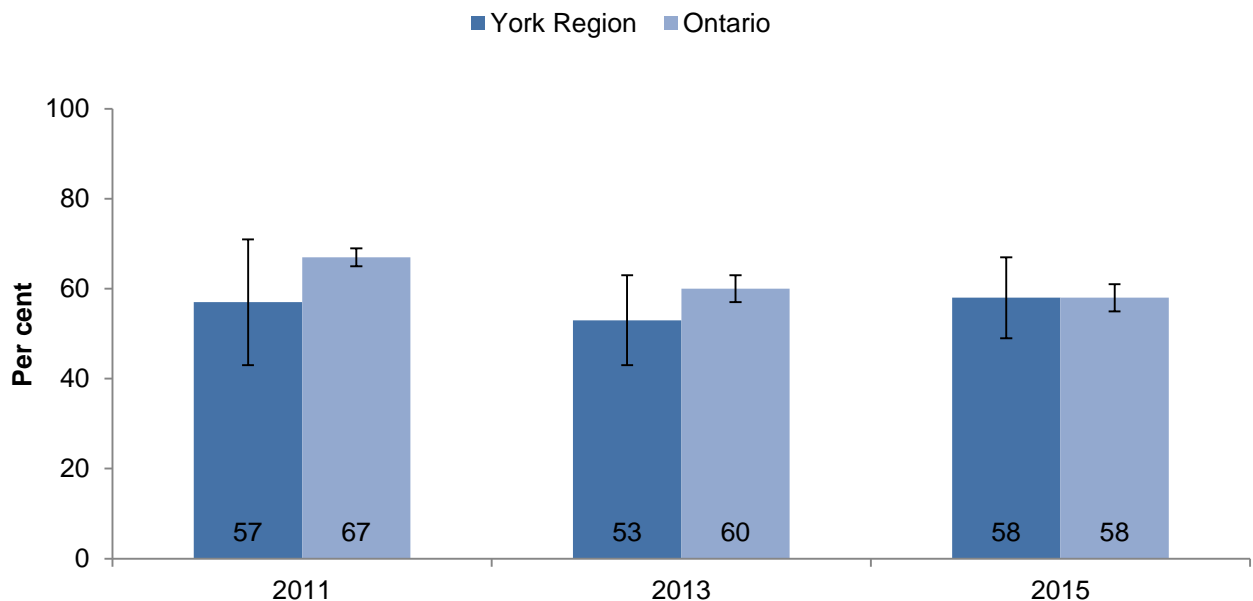
Indicator: Proportion of secondary students (grades 9-12) who reported drinking alcohol in the past year.

Data Source: Ontario Student Drug Use and Health Survey (OSDUHS)

Key Findings

- In 2015, 58 (±9) per cent of York Region students (grades 9-12) reported drinking alcohol in the past year, which was similar to their Ontario counterparts.
- Females and males were equally likely to drink alcohol in the past year (data not shown).
- Grade 9 students were less likely to drink alcohol in the past year compared to their counterparts in other grades (data not shown).

Proportion of youth who reported drinking in the past year, York Region and Ontario, 2011-2015



Data Source: Ontario Student Drug Use and Health Survey, 2011-2015, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health.



Limitations

- The data used for this indicator are self-reported and may be subject to errors in recall and over or under-reporting due to social desirability.

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Relevant Time Period: 2011-2015; data updates every two years

Last Revised: April 2016

Data Notes:

Symbol	Description
I and ±	Represents the 95% confidence interval, meaning 19 times out of 20 the results will fall into this range.
**	Estimate not released, does not meet data release standards.
N/A	Data was not collected.

- Estimates are weighted to be representative of the population.
- Confidence intervals are reported as equal, though this is not always the case as the estimate approaches zero or 100%.

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