

Alcohol Related Costs Compared to Revenue from Sales 2007 Figures

1995 Alcohol related costs (most recent U.S. stats)	\$185,000,000,000
Divided by the population of the United States	305,000,000
Equal the alcohol-related costs per person in (U.S.)	\$ 607.00
Multiplied by the population of the state of Alabama	4,700,000
Equal the alcohol-related costs for Alabama	\$2,900,000,000
Divided by the alcohol tax revenue of Alabama	\$191,000,000
Equal the cost per dollar received in tax revenue	\$15.00

Sources:

1. National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) Report "Updating Estimates of the Economic Costs of Alcohol Abuse in the United States"
2. Alabama Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) Board
3. United States Census Bureau

According to the Underage Drinking Enforcement Training Center (www.udetc.org), underage drinking cost the citizens of the United States \$60.3 billion in 2005. These costs include medical care, work loss, and pain and suffering associated with the multiple problems resulting from the use of alcohol by youth¹. This translates into a cost of \$2,094 per year for each youth in the nation. Excluding pain and suffering from these costs, the direct costs of underage drinking incurred through medical care and loss of work cost the United States \$21.1 billion each year.

(1) Miller, T.R., Levy, DT, Spicer, RS, & Taylor, DM. (2006). Societal costs of underage drinking, Journal of Studies on Alcohol, 67(4), 519-528



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