



Alcohol and Crime

- 85% of crime in or around pubs and clubs
- 50% of street crime
- 30% of sexual offences
- 33% of burglary
- 58% of remand prisoners have serious drinking problems



Binge drinking

- 60% of 18-44 year olds binge monthly
- 33% weekly
- 13% several times a week
- 12% of women and 8% of men admit to anti social behaviour following a binge



Alcohol – the facts

- 16.3% of the population (6.4 Million) are hazardous drinkers
- 37% of men and 23% of women of 16-24 year regularly drink twice the recommended safe levels of alcohol.
- 4.1% of the population (1.6 Million) are drinking harmfully.



Alcohol – The family

- 1 million children grow up in families where one or both parents are misusing alcohol
- 50% of child protection cases identify alcohol misuse as a significant factor in abuse
- 60% of domestic violence is alcohol related
- 23% child neglect cases identify alcohol as a significant factor



Alcohol – Health

- 15% of acute hospital admissions are misusing alcohol
- One in six A&E attendances are alcohol related – rising to 80% at peak times
- 11% of male hypertension is a direct result of high alcohol consumption
- 65% of suicide attempts are linked with excessive drinking
- 72,500 admissions per year to psychiatric beds



Alcohol – Young People

- 20% of school exclusions are alcohol related
- 40% of 13-14 year olds were drunk when they experienced first sexual contact
- After drinking alcohol 18% of 16-24 year olds have had unprotected sex
- Among 11-15 year olds the weekly alcohol consumption rose from an average 5.3 units in 1990 to 9.9 units in 1998