

## Some Facts About Alcohol

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### Alcohol is a Drug

1. It is the number one drug problem in America.
2. It claims at least 100,000 lives every year, twenty-five times as many as illegal drugs combined.
3. No logical, rational person can deny the destructiveness of alcohol.

### What The Alcohol Industry Won't Say

#### 1. Alcohol is associated with most crimes:

- 70% of all murders.
- 50% of all rapes.
- 60% of all sexual crimes against children.
- 55% of all arrests.

#### 2. Alcohol is a serious safety hazard:

- 66% of all fatal auto accidents.
- 53% of all fire deaths.
- 36% of pedestrian accidents.
- 22% of all home accidents.
- 45% of all drownings.

### Every Drunkard & Alcoholic Took That "First Drink"!

1. What does this say about social drinking?
2. While our government taxes and legislates tobacco, little is done about alcohol, even though it is many times more deadly and costly to the country.
3. Alcohol-related car crashes cost an estimated \$114.3 billion annually in America.
4. In 2006, alcohol misuse problems cost the United States \$223.5 billion.
5. Some say that it is the "abuse" of alcohol, not the "use," but 80% of drivers arrested for DUI were drinking *only beer*. How many "Cop" shows have you seen where the driver had "only one or two drinks"?

***"Wine is a mocker, strong drink is a brawler, and whoever is led astray by it is not wise" — Proverbs 20:1***  
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