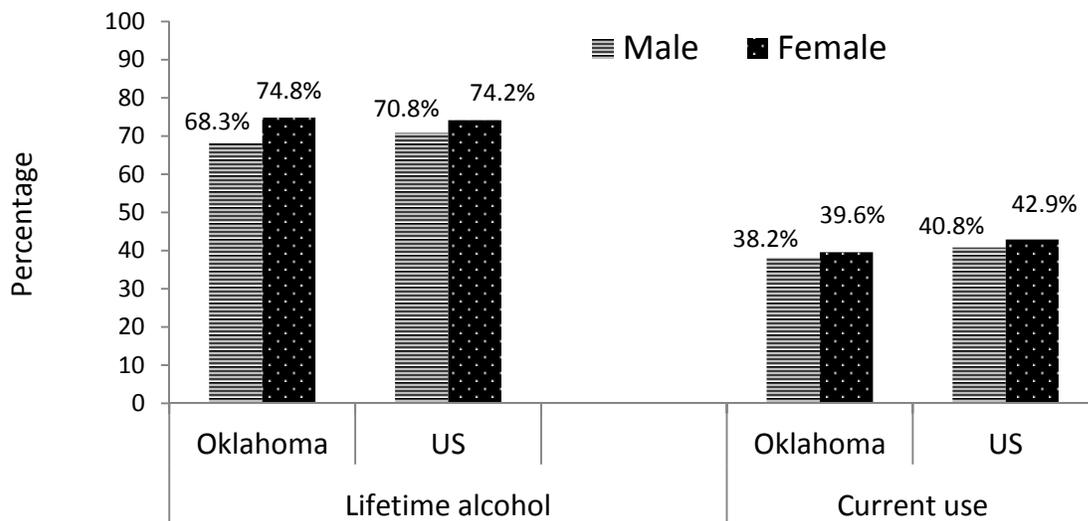




Fact Sheet on Alcohol Use & Consequences for the State of Oklahoma (2011)

Underage Drinking: In 2009, among 9th to 12th grade Oklahoma public high school students,

- **71%** had at least one drink during their life.
- **19%** had their first drink of alcohol before the age of 13.
- **39%** had at least one drink during the last 30 days.
- **11%** drove a vehicle while drinking during the past 30 days.



Underage Drinking by Gender (source YRBSS 2009)

Adult Problem Drinking: According to 2010 BRFSS survey,

- **40%** of adult Oklahomans had at least one drink during the last 30 days.
- Overall, **3.8%** of adult Oklahomans were heavy drinkers. Among men, the percentage was **4.8%** and among women, **2.8%**. (*Heavy drinkers were defined as adult men having more than two drinks per day and adult women having more than one drink per day.*)
- Binge Drinking was reported by **13%** of the adult population. Men had higher a percentage **19.4%** compared to women **7.0%**. (*Binge drinking was defined as adult men having more than five drinks on one occasion and adult women having more than four drinks on one occasion*)
- 6.1% of women reported using alcohol during the last 3 months of their pregnancy in 2008. (PRAMS 2008)

Consequences of Underage Drinking & Adult Problem Drinking:

- Among adolescents under age 21, on an average **68 deaths per year** are attributed towards alcohol. (male = 52, females = 16)
- Among adults age 21 and above, **1,019 deaths per year** are due to alcohol. (males = 732 & females = 288).
- Every year, an average of **33,477 years** of potential life loss occurs due to alcohol. (underage = 4,068 & adults = 29,409).

Alcohol Attributable Deaths for Oklahoma, average 2001 – 2005.

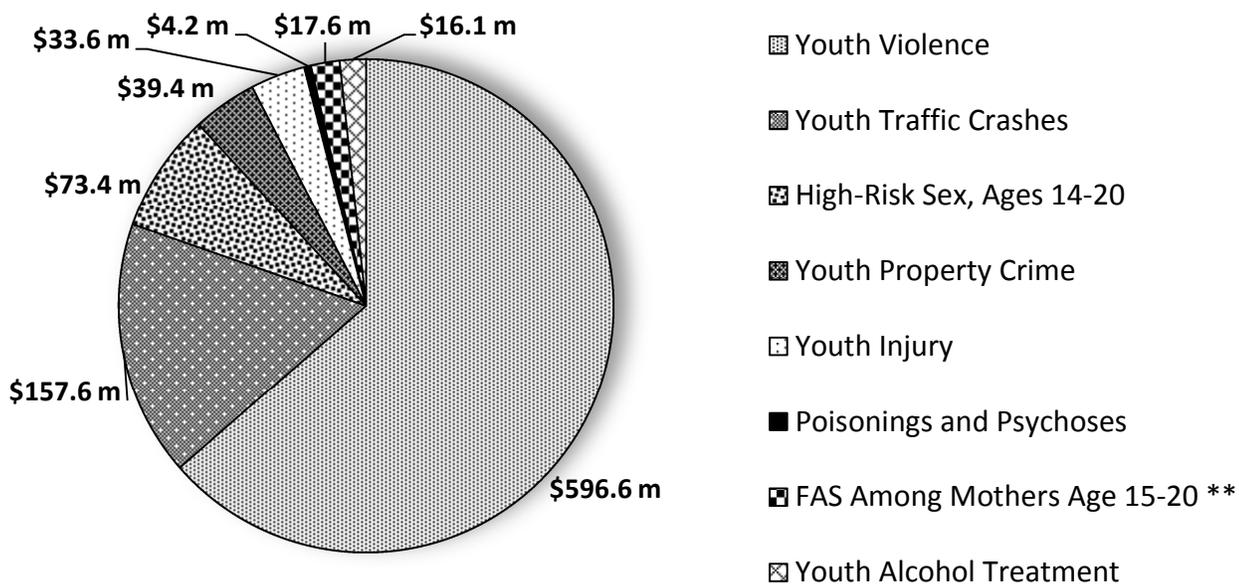
Deaths Attributed To Alcohol (underage + adults) *								
<u>Total = 1,087</u> <u>Males = 784</u> <u>Females = 304</u>								
Chronic Causes					Acute Causes			
<u>Total = 431</u> <u>Males = 306</u> <u>Females = 126</u>					<u>Total = 656</u> <u>Males = 478</u> <u>Females = 178</u>			
	Alcohol Abuse	Alcohol Liver Disease	Liver Cirrhosis unspecified	Others	Homicides	Suicides	Traffic accidents	Others
Males	22	140	48	96	70	92	176	140
Females	5	46	42	33	23	23	54	78
Overall	27	186	90	128	93	115	230	218

*the difference in total is due to rounding.

(Source CDC & ARDI)

Economic Cost of Alcohol Abuse:

- In 2007, underage drinking cost the state of Oklahoma, \$ 939 million.
- Oklahoma ranks 14th highest in the nation for the cost per youth of underage drinking. (Source PIRE 2009)
- According to 2005 Governor’s Task Force Report, the state of Oklahoma spent \$1.4 billion in terms of direct cost on substance abuse problems, with an overall economic burden of \$3.2 – \$4.4 billion.



Costs of Underage Drinking in millions for Oklahoma in 2007

** Fetal Alcohol Syndrome