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# Legal purchasing and drinking age

Overview

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## LEGAL PURCHASING AND DRINKING AGE

Country	LDA* limit beer	LDA limit wine	LDA limit spirits	LPA** limit beer	LPA limit wine	LPA limit spirits
Austria	16	16	18	16	16	18
Belgium	16	16	18	16	16	18
Bulgaria	18	18	18	18	18	18
Croatia	18	18	18	18	18	18
Cyprus						
Czech Republic	18	18	18	18	18	18
Denmark	-	-	-	16/18***	16/18***	16/18***
Estonia	18	18	18	18	18	18
Finland	18	18	18	18	18	20
France	18	18	18	18	18	18
Germany	16	16	18	16	16	18
Greece	17	17	17	18	18	18
Hungary	18	18	18	18	18	18
Ireland	18	18	18	18	18	18
Italy	16	16	16	18	18	18
Latvia	18	18	18	18	18	18
Lithuania	20	20	20	20	20	20
Luxembourg	16	16	16	16	16	16
Malta	16	16	16	0	0	0
Netherlands	18	18	18	18	18	18
Norway	18	18	20	18	18	20
Poland	18	18	18	18	18	18
Portugal	18	18	18	18	18	18
Romania	18	18	18	18	18	18
Slovakia	18	18	18	18	18	18
Slovenia	18	18	18	18	18	18
Spain	18	18	18	18	18	18
Sweden	18	18	18	20	20	20
Switzerland	none	none	none	16	16	18
Turkey	18	18	18	18	18	18
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	18	18	18	18	18	18

Source: <http://data.euro.who.int/alcohol/Default.aspx?TabID=2422>

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\*LDA : Legal drinking age

\*\* LPA : Legal purchasing age

\*\*\* \* The legal purchasing age is 16 for beverages with an alcohol content below 16,5 % and 18 for beverages with an alcohol content above 16,5%.

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