The beverage alcohol industry and alcohol policy

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Producers

Trade bodies

Social aspects organizations

Concentration in the global beer market 1979-2004

Belgium	1979/80	2004		
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		13.9% (1)		
UK	4.83% (2-Miller),	12.0% (2)		
	0.93% (17-SAB)			
USA	6.48% (1)	10.8% (3)		
Netherlands	2.84% (4)	7.6% (4)		
Denmark	3.08% (3)	4.3% (5)		
USA		4.0% (6)		
UK		3.4% (7)		
Mexico	1.34% (12)	2.9% (8)		
Japan		2.5% (9)		
Russia		2.5% (10)		
	27.99%	63.90%		
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Concentration in the global distilled spirits market. 1991-2003

Composition	Committee of	Clobal Market Share					
Corporation	Country of HQ	Global Market Share 1991	Global Market Share 2004				
		2772					
UDV (Diageo)	UK	10.5% (1)	14.7% (1)				
Pernod Ricard	France	5.7% (4)	12.9% (2)				
UB Group	India	3.7%(8)	8.5%(3)				
Jim Beam (Fortune)	US	4.8% (6)	5.9% (4)				
Bacardi	Bermuda	7.7% (3)	5.8% (5)				
Suntory	Japan	4% (7)	2.7% (6)				
Constellation Brands	US	2.5% (10)	2.5% (7)				
Brown-Forman	US		2.4% (8)				
V&S Vin and Sprit AB	Sweden		2.2% (9)				
Gruppo Campari	Italy		2.2% (10)				
Total share of top ten		57%	60.0%				



ALCOHOL IN EUROPE A PUBLIC HEALTH PERSPECTIVE

A report for the European Commission

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AN INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF ISSUES RELATED TO ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION IN EUROPE

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THE WEINBERG GROUP is an international scientific and regulatory consulting firm that helps companies protect their product at every stage of its life. We help our clients improve manufacturing processes, clear regulatory hurdles, and defend products in the courts and the media.



The Weinberg Group, was involved in the tobacco industry's campaign to dispute evidence on the harmful effects of passive smoking, and those by the chemical industry to challenge evidence on the harmful environmental effects of various toxic substances.



It contends that there is insufficient evidence that alcohol causes as much harm as is alleged or that preventive measures would be effective.

It concludes that "violence is a subjective term which is fairly nebulous and elastic," and that

"there is not enough evidence to substantiate a link between alcohol advertising and consumption."



Tobacco company CEOs declare, under oath, that nicotine is not addictive

Dangers facing beverage alcohol industry

- * taxes;
- vigorous drink driving measures;
- restrictions on availability;
- treatment services;
- advertising restrictions;
- warning labels; and
- ingredient labelling.

Tim Ambler Grand Metropolitan, 1984



"It is generally agreed that the tobacco industry reacted to not dissimilar threats in a passive, inadequate manner and most of all too late"

Tim Ambler Grand Metropolitan, 1984



The	Portman	Group

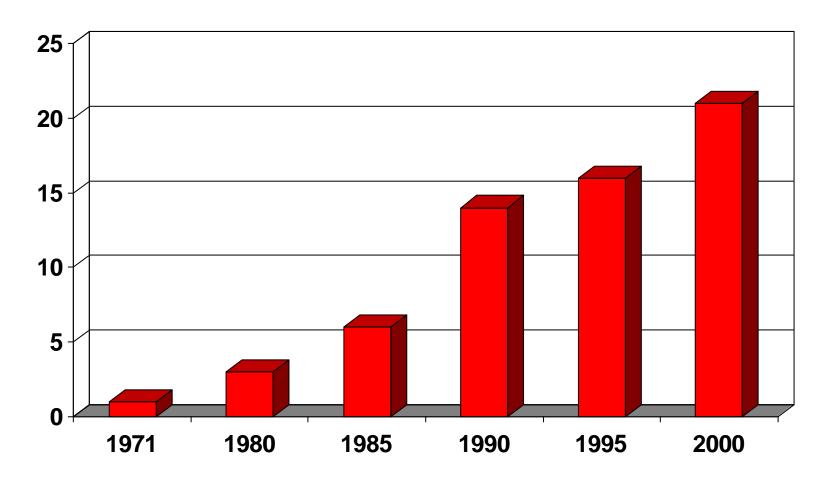
1989

www.portman-group.org.uk

United Kingdom

"The majority of people who drink alcohol enjoy it without causing harm to themselves or others. The Portman Group acts to reduce the misuse of alcohol by the minority through a strategy of working with other organisations locally and nationally." Allied Domecq
Bacardi Brown Forman
Brands
Beverage Brands (UK) Ltd
Carlsberg UK
Coors Brewers UK
Diageo Great Britain
Interbred UK
Period Ricard UK
Scottish and Newcastle

Social Aspect Organizations Funded by Alcohol Industry

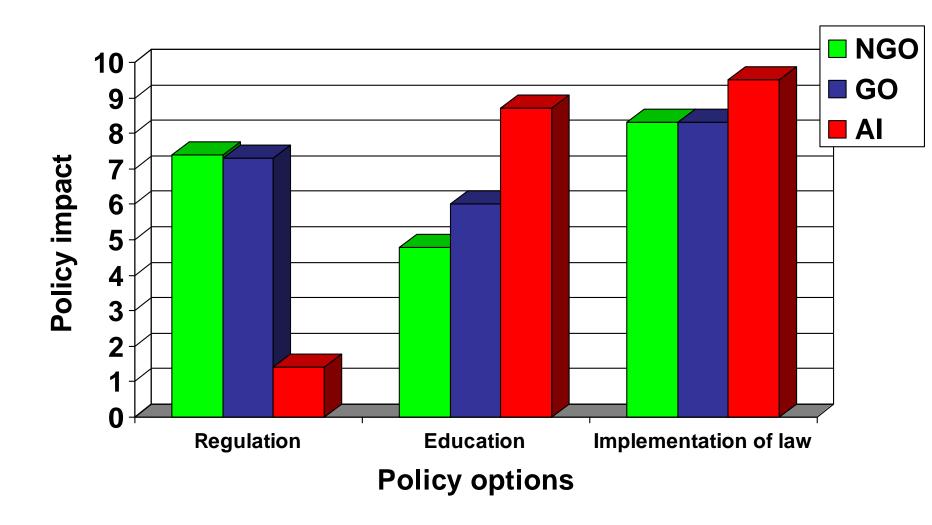


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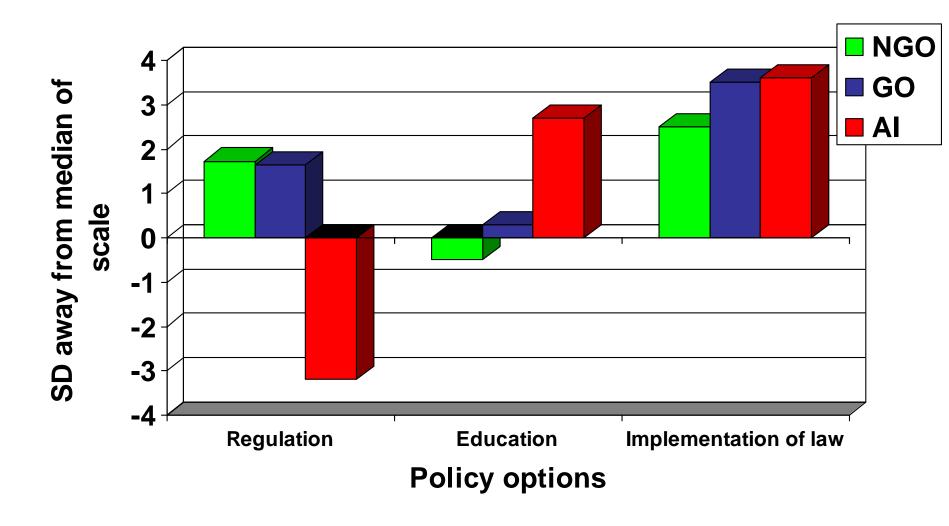
2. What is the industry approach?

Regulation a blunt tool
Education is the answer
Leave us alone to self-regulate

Stakeholder analysis



Stakeholder analysis

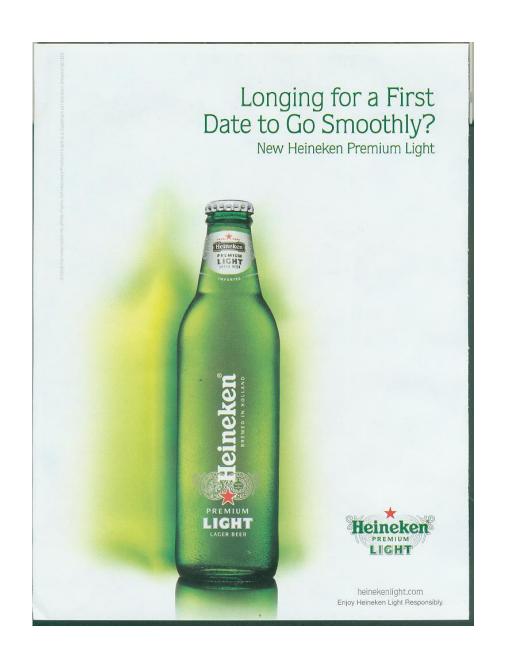


Leave us alone to self-regulate

> Alcohol industry self-regulation is the principal means for regulating alcohol advertising in the U.S. Beer advertising and marketing materials should not portray sexual passion, promiscuity, or any other amorous activity as a result of consuming beer.

May contain romantic or flirtatious interactions but should not portray sexually explicit activity as a result of consuming beer.

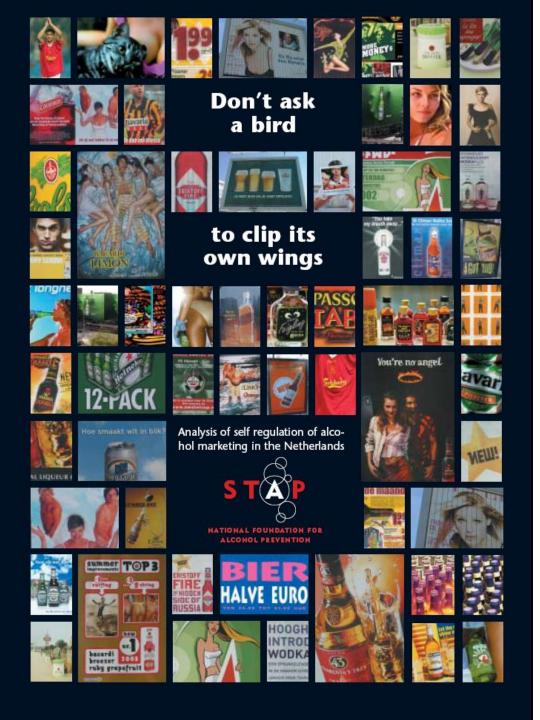
- Beer advertising and marketing materials should not...claim or represent that individuals cannot obtain social, professional, educational, athletic, or financial success or status without beer consumption.



 Beer advertising and marketing materials should not portray persons lacking control over their behavior, movement, or speech as a result of consuming beer, or in any way suggest that such behavior is acceptable.

- Beer advertising and marketing materials should not contain graphic nudity.





3. Examples of case studies

Research Moo Joose Babor and Xuan

Alcohol policy research and the grey literature

A Tale of Two Surveys

NAT, 2004

Compared results of:

ICAP survey of 48/114 (42%) countries, representing 22% of the world's population

WHO survey of 118/175 (67%) countries, representing 86% pf the world's population

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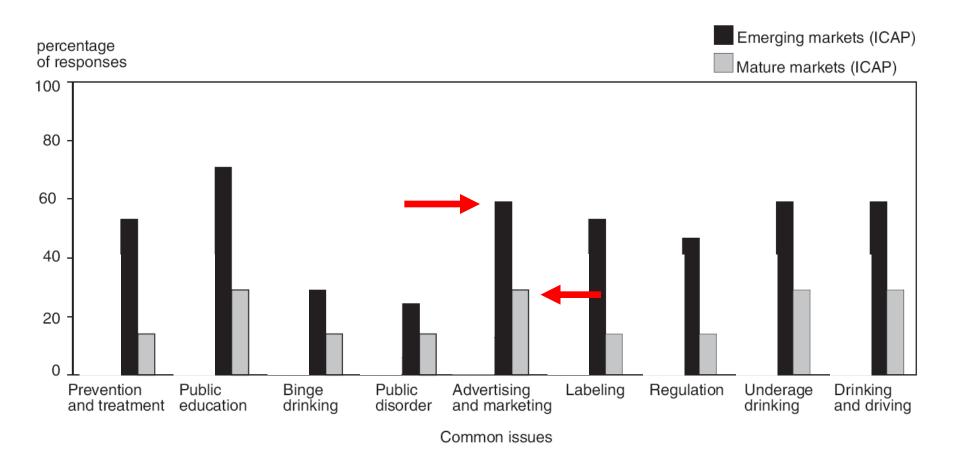
Table 1. Comparison of ICAP and WHO surveys in terms of reported prevalence of five alcohol policies listed as potential response options in both questionnaires.

Policy	G	lobal %	Regions									
			L. America %		Africa %		W. Europe %		E. Europe %		Asia Pacific %	
	ICAP	WHO	ICAP	WHO	ICAP	WHO	ICAP	WHO	ICAP	WHO	ICAP	WHO
Number of countries	(48)	(118)	(12)	(23)	(10)	(26)	(7)	(20)	(6)	(23)	(6)	(19)
Minimum purchase age	63%	82%	67%	100%	60%	64%	72%	100%	50%	87%	83%	74%
Licensing of sales	75%	73%	58%	88%	80%	82%	100%	65%	83%	52%	83%	80%
Drinking and driving	81%	93%	50%	96%	70%	84%	100%	100%	100%	96%	100%	89%
Regulations on advertising	52%	60%	42%	70%	20%	43%	72%	70%	83%	74%	50%	65%
Health warning labels	25%	33%	42%	56%	20%	27%	14%	10%	17%	30%	0%	33%

Regarding the issue of partnerships with the alcoholic beverage industry, 50% of the 48 respondents in the ICAP survey answered <u>yes</u> to the question:

"Do you view the beverage alcohol industry as an effective partner in developing alcohol policies in your country?"

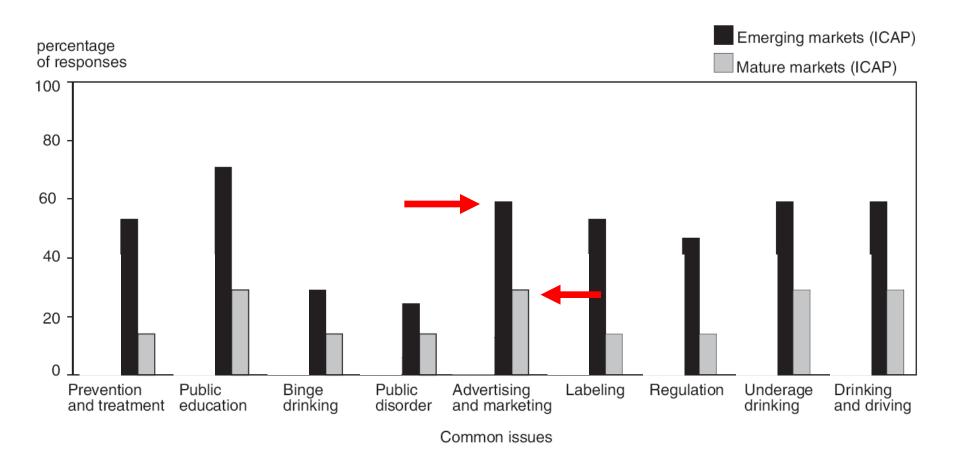
Among the respondents answering \underline{yes} (N = 24), respondents were then asked to list the topic areas for potential partnerships

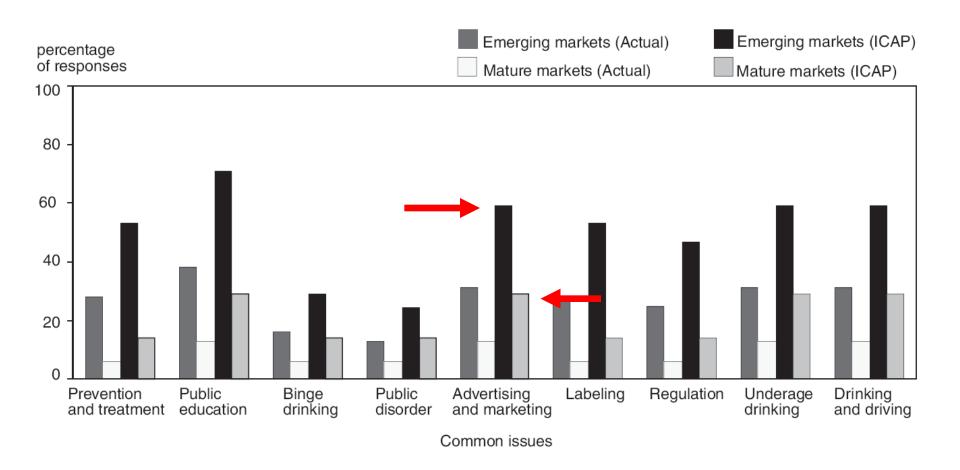


But, ICAP used the wrong denominator, <u>24</u>,

the respondents who answered yes to the question "Do you view the beverage alcohol industry as an effective partner in developing alcohol policies in your country?",

instead of the total sample of <u>48</u>.





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AN ADDICTION AGENCY'S COLLABORATION WITH THE DRINKS INDUSTRY:

MOO JOOSE AS A CASE STUDY

Addiction, 2005

Alcohol Education Australia Ltd

In August 2002, the Alcohol and Drug Foundation - Queensland (ADFQ) announced the formation, in conjunction with the alcohol industry, of Alcohol Education Australia Ltd. (AEA), to "promote responsible drinking and moderation in the consumption of alcohol."

The host, Alcohol and Drug Foundation - Queensland, was a non-government, not-for-profit body with a thirty-year history. It conducted treatment services in residential, custodial and community settings, a prevention program, an annual conference, and published a quarterly magazine.

According to the Alcohol Education Australia prospectus: "The Company is owned by the Alcohol and Drug Foundation - Queensland, and was set up as a separate legal entity for the purpose of being recognised as a national public health organisation."

A board of nine directors will govern AEA, three appointed by each of ADFQ, industry stakeholders, and community stakeholders.

The Moo Joose case

Within months of forming AEA, ADFQ intervened in a licensing case to support a manufacturer whose application to sell alcoholic milk (Moo Joose) was rejected by a state licensing authority. Two principals of ADFQ, the president, and the CEO submitted an eight-page statement in defence of Moo Joose and both appeared before the tribunal as witnesses for the manufacturer.

In supporting *Moo Joose*, ADFQ reversed a previous policy.

In 1997 ADFQ declared *Candy Shots*, a vodka-based pre-mixed drink marketed in flavours of chocolate, banana, caramel, and marshmallow, "dangerous," and called for proscription.

The CEO said, "But everyone knows that underage drinking occurs and this is just the type of drink that will make it easier for kids to get started."

Features of ADFQ's defence of *Moo Joose* included:

- > The narrow neck of the bottle and the screw top would militate against the risk of drink spiking.
- > The four-pack was "a harm minimisation strategy" that would limit consumption.
- > The milk content would prevent excessive use and intoxication.

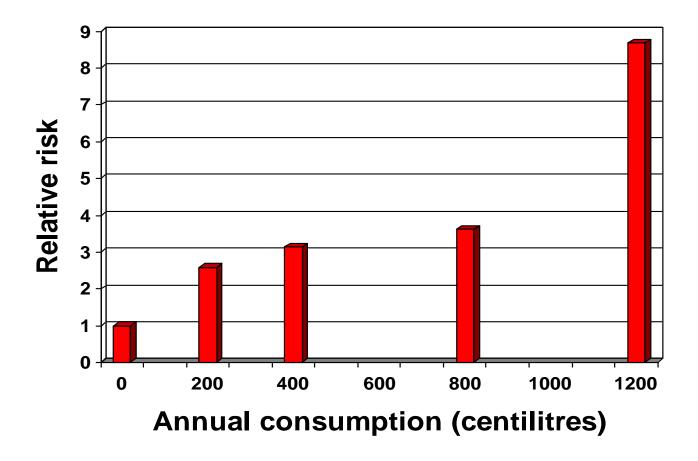
The Outcome

Liquor Licensing Victoria rejected *Moo Joose* because it saw alcoholic milk as a corruption of a product known to be healthy and one that might easily be taken up by children.

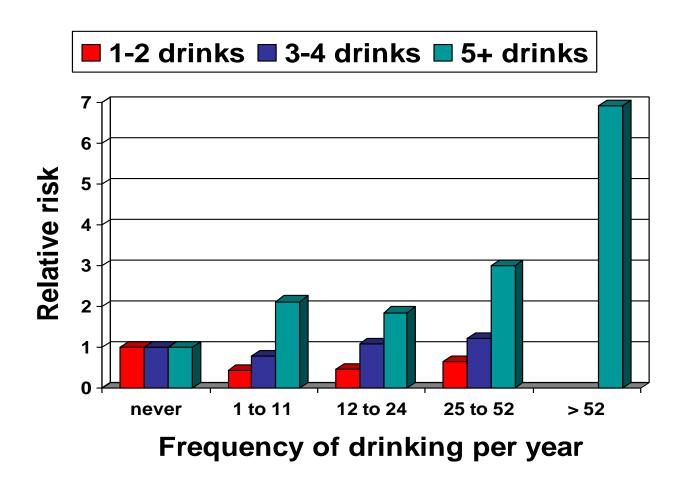
4. Alcohol as a health issue

DALYs Risk curves

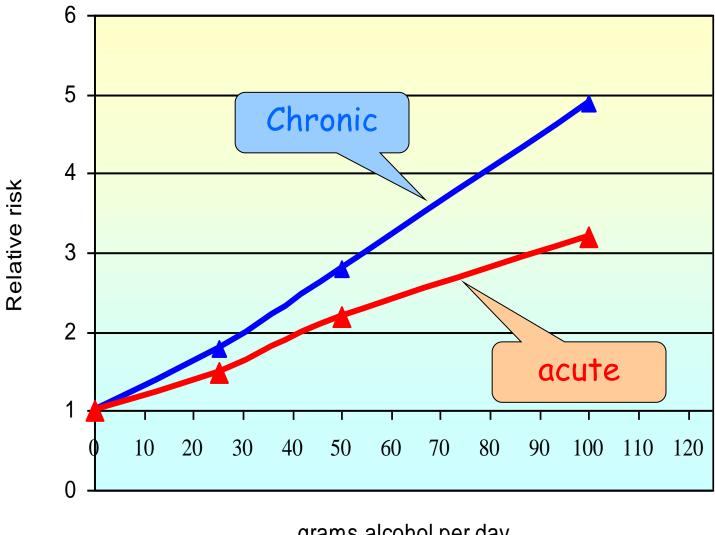
	High mortality developing region (AFR-D, AFR-E, AMR-D, EMR-D, SEAR-D)			Low mortality developing regions – emerging economies (AMR-B, EMR-B, SEAR-B, WPR-B)			Developed regions (AMR-A, EUR-A, EUR-B, EUR-C, WPR-A)			World		
	Male	Female	Both	Male	Female	Both	Male	Female	Both	Male	Female	Both
Total DALYs (000s)	420,711	412,052	832,763	223,181	185,316	408,497	117,670	96,543	214 213	761,562	693,911	1,455,373
Smoking and oral tobacco	3.4%	0.6%	2.0%	6.2%	1.3%	4.0%	17.1%	6.2%	12.2%	6.3%	1.6%	4.1%
Alcohol	2.6%	0.5%	1.6%	9.8%	2.0%	6.2%	14.0%	3.3%	9.2%	6.5%	1.3%	4.0%
Illicit drugs	0.8%	0.2%	0.5%	1.2%	0.3%	0.8%	2.3%	1.2%	1.8%	1.1%	0.4%	0.8%



Risk of death from injury, Finland

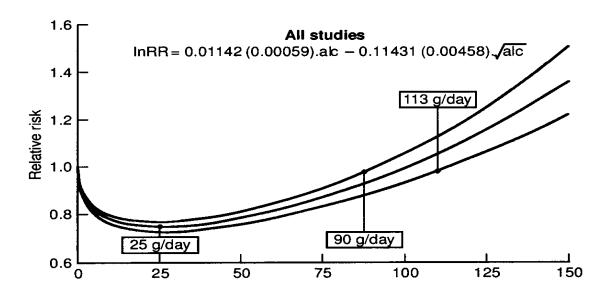


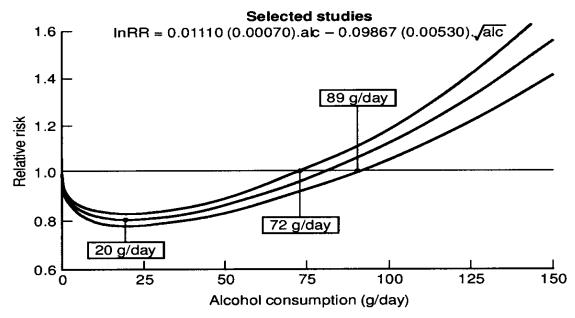
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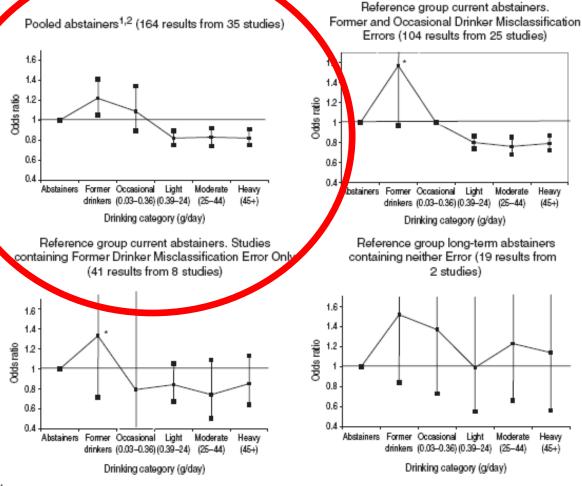


grams alcohol per day

Cancer airways — Heart arrthymias







¹ In pooled model, former drinkers are statistically significantly higher than light drinkers.

Figure 2. Categorical drinking group models for CHD mortality.

² In pooled model, occasional drinkers are statistically significantly higher than light drinkers.

^{*} In some studies Former Drinker Misclassification Errors were found but these studies classified some of their respondents as former drinkers. This accounts for the category of former drinker in these models. The number of observations for former drinkers in the studies containing both former drinker and occasional drinker misclassification is 1. The number of observations for former drinkers in the studies containing former drinker misclassification error only is 2.

5. The SSA project

Copenhagen meeting Papers Next plans

SCIENTIFIC MEETING ON ALCOHOL INDUSTRY AND ALCOHOL POLICY

April 5-7 2006, Copenhagen

- Organized by the Society for the Study of Addiction (SSA) and the Nordic Council for Alcohol and Drug Research (NAD)
- Financed by the SSA, with support form the Norwegian government

MAIN AIMS

- Gather data and create an evidence base on the roles and actions of the alcohol beverage industry to the extent it has to do with alcohol policy
- Investigate the strategies and what drives the industry with the goal of counterbalancing industry strategies from a public health point of view

5 POINTS

- 1. The dominance of marketing strategies
- 2. Health vs business
- 3. Framing the issue
- 4. Litigation
- 5. Code of practice for research in relations with industry

FURTHER STEPS

- Scientific papers and information should be disseminated more broadly
- Discussions should be promoted in other venues
- Development of an expertise group on the alcohol industry to link with other global initiatives
- · Follow-up meeting
 - identification of research gaps
 - more case studies
 - alcohol industry case studies
 - development of code of practice
 - consider links to NGOs.

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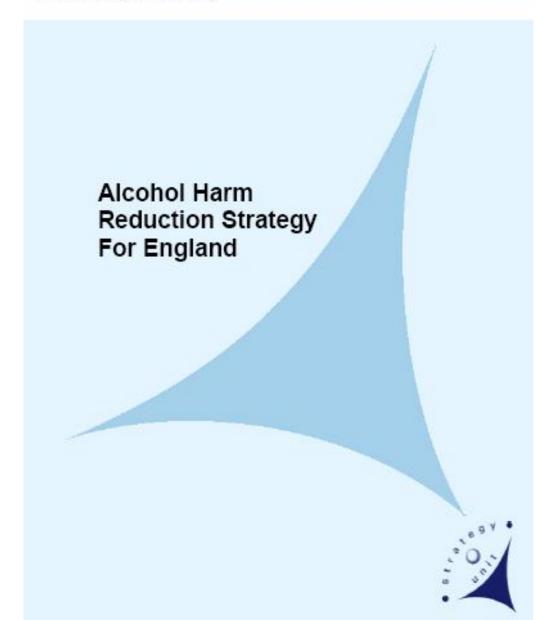
Businesses should not try to do the work of governments, just as governments should not try to do the work of businesses.

The goals of business and the goals of government are different

"Partnership" between those two should always arouse intense suspicion



Prime Minister's Strategy Unit



The proper guardians of the public interest are governments, which are accountable to all citizens to:

- > set goals for regulators
- > deal with externalities
- > mediate among different interests
- > attend to the demands of social justice

Business managers, acting in their professional capacity, ought not to concern themselves with the public good:

- > they are not competent to do it
- > they lack the democratic credentials for it
- they cannot be trusted to get it right, partly because they lack the wherewithal to frame intelligent policy in these areas.

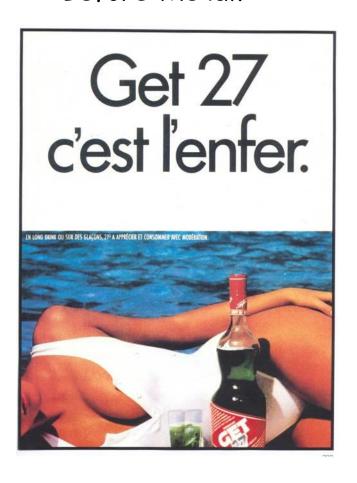
The proper business of business is business, by discharging responsibility to the owners of the firms, the shareholders

The 'loi Evin'

- No advertising is permitted:
 - when targeted to young people
 - on TV and cinema
- No sponsorship is permitted
- Messages and images should refer only to the qualities of the products

The 'loi Evin'

Before the law



After the law



The 'loi Evin' These ads were judged illegal in France in 2004







The French Government was taken to court, alleging that the Loi Evin, by prohibiting alcohol advertising on hoardings visible during the retransmission of bi-national sporting events on TV, entail restrictions on the freedom to provide advertising services and television broadcasting services

- 1. It is in fact undeniable that advertising acts as an encouragement to consumption
- 2. The French rules on television advertising are appropriate to ensure their aim of protecting public health
- 3. They do not go beyond what is necessary to achieve such an objective



Conclusions:

- 1. The alcohol industry is increasingly consolidating
- 2. The industry's approach is to avoid regulation and promote education
- 3. Case studies describe the impact of the industry on science, policy and trade

Contents:

- 4. Alcohol from a health point of view is as, or more, important than tobacco
- 5. The SSA co-financed project project enhances the science base
- 6. There needs to be much greater vigilance and exposure of the actions of the industry