



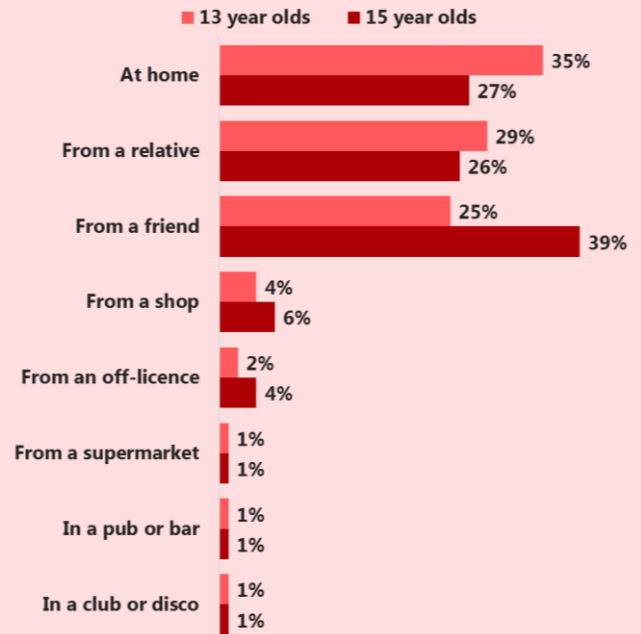
Scottish Adolescent Lifestyle and Substance Use Survey (SALSUS) 2015

SIX KEY FACTS ABOUT SOURCES OF ALCOHOL

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Pupils were most likely to get alcohol from their home (either with or without permission), from a friend or from a relative. Direct purchase of alcohol from a business was rare.

Sources of alcohol among those who have ever had a drink, by age (2015)



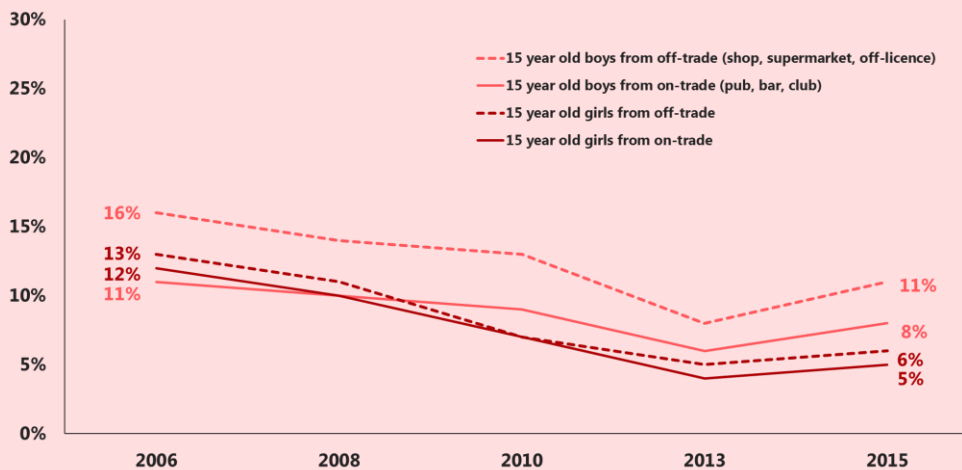
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Most pupils who have ever drunk alcohol have never tried to purchase it directly themselves (81% of 13 year olds and 73% of 15 year olds have never tried).

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However, most of those who tried to do so were successful e.g. 9% of 15 year olds (who had ever drunk) had tried to buy from off-trade in the last 4 weeks and been successful, while 2% had tried and been refused.

Successful off-trade and on-trade alcohol purchase attempts in the last 4 weeks among 15 year olds who have ever had a drink (2006-2015)



The proportion of 15 year olds who made successful direct purchases decreased considerably between 2006 and 2013. However, there was a slight increase in boys making purchases from off-trade between 2013 and 2015.

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Among 13 year olds who had someone else buy them alcohol, it was most common for it to be their mother, father or carer who did so on the last occasion. Among 15 year olds, it was most common for it be an older friend.

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Pupils with more money of their own to spend were more likely to have drunk alcohol in the last week than those who had less.