The Nordic alcohol statistics are produced annually by Nordic statistics authorities as standardised data on alcohol sales, consumption, distribution, consumer expenditure, state revenue, real prices and some alcohol related harm. Three Nordic countries take turns collecting and compiling the statistics reported by participating partners. Sweden is in charge of this work in 2013–2015 (i.e. the statistical updates for 2012–2014). The partners and contact persons are: Jonas Nygren in Sweden (Swedish National Institute of Public Health – as of 2014 the Public Health Agency of Sweden), Tuomo Varis in Finland (National Institute for Health and Welfare), Christian Lindeskov in Denmark (Statistics Denmark), Ståle Østhus in Norway (Norwegian Institute for Alcohol and Drug Research), Rafn M. Jónsson in Iceland (Directorate of Health), Lisa Christiansen (Ministry of Health and Infrastructure) and Josef Kanjangmat (Statistics Greenland) in Greenland. Some of the figures for 2007–2011 differ from last year's publication due to corrections and revisions provided by reporting countries.

All data expressing volumes in the following two paragraphs refer to litres of pure alcohol per capita aged 15 years and older. In terms of the registered sales statistics (figure 1, tables 1–2), the Nordic countries come in two main clusters: the higher-consuming Greenland, Finland and Denmark (with registered sales of more than nine litres) and the lower-consuming Sweden, Norway and Iceland (with registered sales of less than eight litres). Among the lower-consuming countries Norway is reporting declining volumes of registered sales since 2008 while data for Sweden is largely unchanged since 2009. The Icelandic data on registered sales – as of 2008 limited to sales by the retail monopoly – show a decrease since 2009. The levels of registered alcohol sales in the higher-consuming countries are decreasing since 2007. Note that “unregistered consumption” of alcohol, such as private import, smuggling and home production, is not included in registered sales, which is therefore a conservative indicator of the actual total consumption of alcohol. The degree to which registered sales reflect the levels of total consumption may vary between countries. In Finland and Sweden unregistered consumption is estimated to 2.2 and 1.9 litres respectively in 2012 (total consumption in 2012 was estimated to 11.5 litres in Finland and 9.2 litres in Sweden).

The Nordic countries also differ in terms of beverage-specific sales (figure 2). In Finland for example, spirit sales constitute a relatively large proportion of registered sales, indicating a stronger preference for spirits among Finnish consumers than among consumers in the other Nordic countries. In Sweden, Denmark and Norway, wine sales constitute a bigger pro-
portion of the registered sales than in the other Nordic countries. However, in Denmark wine sales decreased considerably between 2011 and 2012 both in absolute terms (table 1–2), and relative to registered sales on the whole (figure 2). This is possibly related to “hoarding” among consumers prior to increased taxes on wine coming into effect in 2012. In Greenland, beer sales make up a noticeably larger share of the registered sales than in the other Nordic countries (figure 2). Worth noting is however that beer constitutes the favoured type of alcoholic beverage in all Nordic countries except for Sweden, where wine dominates instead; accounting for almost half the volume of all registered sales, expressed as pure alcohol. Sweden and to some extent Denmark (up until and including 2011) have experienced increased volumes of wine sales while sales of beer and spirits in these countries are either decreasing or stagnant.

The number of retail monopoly shops – i.e. retail shops permitted to sell all types of alcoholic beverages – has increased in Norway, Finland and Sweden for a number of years (table 5). The number of points of sale for medium strength beer (definitions vary among countries) have decreased in the above-mentioned countries, especially so in Sweden and Finland. No current data is available for Denmark, Iceland and Greenland with regard to retail points of sales. The number, as well as the share, of bars and restaurants licensed to serve spirits (table 6) has increased in Sweden, Finland and Norway. Danish data on serving licences are not beverage-specific, but show an overall increase in the number of serving licences for alcoholic beverages up until and including 2011 (no data is available for 2012). The percentage of total registered alcohol sales from bars and restaurants is however fairly low in all countries that have submitted current data (table 4).

Real prices of alcohol – i.e. prices adjusted for inflation – have risen moderately in Finland and Greenland (table 9). Real prices in Sweden have decreased slightly for spirits and wine during the same period, whereas the real price of strong beer is unchanged. There is no 2012 data available for Norway but previous figures suggest a large increase of the real prices between 2010 and 2011. Neither is there any current data available for Iceland.

Norway had the highest reported taxes on alcohol in 2011, measured in terms of how much such taxes represent out of consumer expenditure on alcohol (see table 8). There is however no 2012 data available for Norway. Sweden reports the lowest level of alcohol tax in relation to consumer expenditure on alcohol, but it is worth noting that the Swedish data on taxes on alcohol do not include value added tax (VAT), which constitutes 20 per cent of the price to end customers.

Finland was the Nordic country with the most reported cases of drunk driving in 2011, trailed by Sweden and Denmark. There is no 2012 data available for the other Nordic countries (Greenland has not submitted any data regarding drunk driving), but the available figures do suggest a decrease in the number of reported cases of drunk driving in Finland and Sweden, whereas Danish data is more volatile. It is however unclear to which extent this reflects an actual change in the behaviour among drivers, as the number of reported cases is largely affected by the level of po-
lice efforts to combat drunk driving.

The number of deaths related to alcohol liver diseases (ICD-10 code K70) in 2011 was considerably higher in Finland than in the other Nordic countries. Danish numbers on deaths related to alcohol liver diseases were also substantial, as were the number of deaths related to alcohol psychosis and alcohol dependence (ICD-10 code F10), where Denmark reported the highest number of related deaths of all Nordic countries in 2011. Finland reported markedly higher numbers of deaths from alcohol poisoning (ICD-10 code X45) in 2011 than the other Nordic countries (table 11). Sweden is the only country that have reported data regarding 2012; that show a decrease compared to 2011 of the number of deaths related to alcohol psychosis and alcohol dependence, but an increase in the number of deaths related to alcohol liver diseases. The number of deaths related to alcohol poisoning in Sweden is practically unchanged between 2011 and 2012.

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**Figure 1.** Registrerad alcohol sales (litres of pure alcohol per capita aged 15 years and older).

**Figure 2.** Beverage-specific sales as percentage of total sales in 2012*.

*Calculations based on registered sales in litres of pure alcohol per capita aged 15 years and older in 2012 (2007 from Iceland).
### Table 1
#### Annual sales of alcohol, 1,000 litres

| Year | Spirits | Wines 1) | of which Fortified wines 2) | Light wine 3) | Long drinks 4) | Beer | of which Strong beer 5) | Medium beer 6) |
|------|---------|---------|------------------|------------|----------------|------|------------------|-------------|
|      |         |         |                  |            |                |      |                  |              |
| Denmark |         |         |                  |            |                |      |                  |              |
| 2007  | 24,618  | 167,662 | ..               | ..         | ..             | 461,647 | ..               | ..          |
| 2008  | 23,346  | 173,798 | ..               | ..         | ..             | 440,333 | ..               | ..          |
| 2009  | 18,288  | 175,134 | ..               | ..         | 405,923        | ..    | ..               | ..          |
| 2010  | 16,792  | 175,388 | ..               | ..         | 382,572        | ..    | ..               | ..          |
| 2011  | 17,501  | 172,818 | ..               | ..         | 379,669        | ..    | ..               | ..          |
| 2012  | 18,162  | 142,709 | ..               | ..         | 356,760        | ..    | ..               | ..          |
| Finland |         |         |                  |            |                |      |                  |              |
| 2007  | 35,864  | 122,611 | 4,572            | 118,039    | 37,253         | 451,703 | 21,179          | 430,524     |
| 2008  | 34,157  | 121,533 | 4,647            | 116,886    | 42,548         | 446,596 | 20,292          | 426,304     |
| 2009  | 31,620  | 116,109 | 4,442            | 111,667    | 47,514         | 441,928 | 19,691          | 422,237     |
| 2010  | 30,126  | 114,956 | 4,150            | 110,806    | 48,227         | 439,079 | 18,512          | 419,567     |
| 2011  | 29,164  | 115,385 | 3,806            | 111,579    | 50,334         | 453,850 | 18,767          | 435,083     |
| 2012  | 27,992  | 109,299 | 3,799            | 105,500    | 47,543         | 422,701 | 18,203          | 404,498     |
| Norway |         |         |                  |            |                |      |                  |              |
| 2007  | 12,934  | 65,874  | ..               | ..         | 9,839          | 256,072 | 1,760           | 250,314     |
| 2008  | 13,024  | 68,721  | ..               | ..         | 11,077         | 263,047 | 1,998           | 257,985     |
| 2009  | 13,077  | 71,309  | ..               | ..         | 11,462         | 257,548 | 1,967           | 253,122     |
| 2010  | 12,587  | 72,900  | ..               | ..         | 11,618         | 255,877 | 2,452           | 251,036     |
| 2011  | 12,072  | 74,108  | ..               | ..         | 11,824         | 253,370 | ..              | 247,948     |
| 2012  | 11,573  | 74,897  | ..               | ..         | 12,416         | 242,076 | ..              | ..          |
| Sweden |         |         |                  |            |                |      |                  |              |
| 2007  | 24,825  | 195,331 | 2,279            | 193,052    | ..             | 448,352 | 288,652         | 159,700     |
| 2008  | 25,763  | 200,776 | 2,228            | 198,549    | ..             | 442,242 | 294,642         | 147,600     |
| 2009  | 26,421  | 215,414 | 2,155            | 213,168    | ..             | 452,337 | 305,837         | 146,500     |
| 2010  | 27,217  | 222,372 | 2,075            | 220,297    | ..             | 442,596 | 304,996         | 137,600     |
| 2011  | 25,292  | 229,465 | 1,782            | 227,683    | ..             | 451,107 | 306,907         | 144,200     |
| 2012  | 23,707  | 231,208 | 1,775            | 229,433    | ..             | 442,336 | 308,236         | 134,100     |
| Iceland 7) |         |         |                  |            |                |      |                  |              |
| 2007  | 892     | 3,436   | ..               | ..         | 15,227         | ..    | ..              | ..          |
| 2008  | 1,099   | 3,399   | ..               | ..         | 15,889         | ..    | ..              | ..          |
| 2009  | 919     | 3,287   | ..               | ..         | 15,751         | ..    | ..              | ..          |
| 2010  | 828     | 3,146   | ..               | ..         | 14,968         | ..    | ..              | ..          |
| 2011  | 798     | 3,210   | ..               | ..         | 14,430         | ..    | ..              | ..          |
| 2012  | 756     | 3,315   | ..               | ..         | 14,466         | ..    | ..              | ..          |
| Greenland |      |         |                  |            |                |      |                  |              |
| 2007  | 166     | 901     | 16               | 884        | 7,280          | 236   | 7,013           | ..          |
| 2008  | 102     | 672     | 11               | 662        | 7,196          | 147   | 6,924           | ..          |
| 2009  | 115     | 774     | 12               | 762        | 6,999          | 155   | 6,679           | ..          |
| 2010  | 113     | 700     | 13               | 687        | 7,077          | 156   | 6,792           | ..          |
| 2011  | 104     | 673     | 12               | 662        | 6,711          | 142   | 6,403           | ..          |
| 2012  | 98      | 702     | 12               | 691        | 6,675          | 152   | 6,272           | ..          |

1) Sweden: Alcoholic beverages produced through fermentation of grapes or grape juice. Alcoholic beverages produced through fermentation of fruits, berries or other plant parts (e.g. cider) are also shown in this category.

2) Sweden: Alcohol content of more than 15% but no more than 22% by volume.

3) Finland: Includes cider.

4) Norway: Fruit drink, includes alcopops.

5) Sweden: Beer with an alcohol content of more than 3.5% by volume.

6) Sweden: Beer with an alcohol content of more than 2.25% but no more than 3.5% by volume.

7) Iceland: Refers only to sales by the retail monopoly.
### Table 2

Annual sales of alcoholic beverages per capita

|                | Spirits | Wines<sup>1</sup> | Cider and RTDs<sup>2</sup> | Beer<sup>3</sup> | Total |
|----------------|---------|-------------------|--------------------------|----------------|-------|
| **Denmark**    |         |                   |                          |                |       |
| 2007           | 5.5     | 37.6              | 5.8                      | 103.4          | 9.0   |
| 2008           | 5.2     | 38.6              | 5.1                      | 98.6           | 8.7   |
| 2009           | 4.1     | 38.9              | 4.4                      | 90.1           | 8.3   |
| 2010           | 3.7     | 38.6              | 1.5                      | 84.2           | 8.4   |
| 2011           | 3.8     | 37.9              | 1.5                      | 83.2           | 8.6   |
| 2012           | 3.9     | 30.8              | 1.5                      | 77.0           | 7.6   |
| **Finland**    |         |                   |                          |                |       |
| 2007           | 8.1     | 14.3              | 22.0                     | 102.5          | 8.7   |
| 2008           | 7.7     | 14.5              | 22.5                     | 100.7          | 8.5   |
| 2009           | 7.1     | 14.5              | 22.2                     | 99.0           | 8.3   |
| 2010           | 6.7     | 14.5              | 21.8                     | 97.6           | 8.1   |
| 2011           | 6.5     | 15.0              | 21.7                     | 100.6          | 8.2   |
| 2012           | 6.2     | 14.8              | 19.7                     | 93.2           | 7.7   |
| **Norway**     |         |                   |                          |                |       |
| 2007           | 3.4     | 17.5              | 2.61                     | 67.8           | 5.3   |
| 2008           | 3.4     | 17.9              | 2.89                     | 68.7           | 5.5   |
| 2009           | 3.4     | 18.4              | 2.95                     | 66.3           | 5.4   |
| 2010           | 3.2     | 18.5              | 2.94                     | 64.9           | 5.3   |
| 2011           | 3.0     | 18.5              | 2.96                     | 63.4           | 5.2   |
| 2012           | 2.9     | 18.4              | 3.06                     | 59.6           | 5.1   |
| **Sweden**     |         |                   |                          |                |       |
| 2007           | 3.2     | 25.6              | ..                       | 58.7           | 5.7   |
| 2008           | 3.3     | 26.0              | ..                       | 57.3           | 5.8   |
| 2009           | 3.4     | 27.6              | ..                       | 58.1           | 6.1   |
| 2010           | 3.5     | 28.3              | ..                       | 56.4           | 6.1   |
| 2011           | 3.2     | 29.1              | ..                       | 57.2           | 6.1   |
| 2012           | 3.0     | 29.1              | ..                       | 55.7           | 6.0   |
| **Iceland**    |         |                   |                          |                |       |
| 2007           | 3.9     | 16.3              | ..                       | 79.1           | 6.0   |
| 2008           | 4.4     | 13.6              | ..                       | 63.7           | 4.9   |
| 2009           | 3.6     | 13.0              | ..                       | 62.3           | 4.9   |
| 2010           | 3.3     | 12.5              | ..                       | 59.6           | 4.7   |
| 2011           | 3.2     | 12.7              | ..                       | 57.3           | 4.3   |
| 2012           | 3.0     | 13.1              | ..                       | 57.1           | 4.2   |
| **Greenland**  |         |                   |                          |                |       |
| 2007           | 3.9     | 21.1              | ..                       | 170.2          | 9.1   |
| 2008           | 2.4     | 15.7              | ..                       | 167.8          | 8.1   |
| 2009           | 2.7     | 17.9              | ..                       | 162.1          | 8.2   |
| 2010           | 2.6     | 16.1              | ..                       | 162.4          | 8.1   |
| 2011           | 2.4     | 15.3              | ..                       | 152.9          | 7.6   |
| 2012           | 2.2     | 15.8              | ..                       | 150.6          | 7.6   |

<sup>1</sup> Finland: Does not include cider.
<sup>2</sup> Sweden: Alcoholic beverages produced through fermentation of grapes or grape juice. Alcoholic beverages produced through fermentation of fruits, berries or other plant parts (e.g. cider) are also shown in this category.
<sup>3</sup> Norway: Fruit drink, includes alcopops.
<sup>4</sup> Sweden: Cider is included in the wine category. RTDs are mainly categorized as spirits, but also in some cases as wine or beer depending on their production process.
<sup>5</sup> Iceland: Beer with an alcohol content of more than 2.25 % by volume (i.e. strong beer as well as medium strength beer).
<sup>6</sup> Iceland: Data from 2008–2012 refer only to sales by the retail monopoly. Data for on-premise sales is excluded for these years.
### Table 3
**Total consumption and unrecorded consumption**

| Year | Total consumption | Unregistered consumption |
|------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Finland | | |
| 2007 | 12.7 | 2.2 |
| 2008 | 12.5 | 2.2 |
| 2009 | 12.3 | 2.3 |
| 2010 | 12.0 | 2.3 |
| 2011 | 12.1 | 2.3 |
| 2012 | 11.5 | 2.2 |
| Sweden¹ | | |
| 2007 | 9.8 | 2.8 |
| 2008 | 9.5 | 2.5 |
| 2009 | 9.6 | 2.4 |
| 2010 | 9.5 | 2.2 |
| 2011 | 9.4 | 2.0 |
| 2012 | 9.2 | 1.9 |

¹) Due to revised methodological considerations of handling respondent data on unregistered consumption new figures have been published covering 2009–2012. This revision does not appear to affect the overall development trend that earlier estimates indicated, and only seems to marginally affect the estimate of total consumption of alcohol.

### Table 4
**Percentage of alcoholic beverages served in restaurants**

| Year | Spirits | Wines¹ | Beer² |
|------|---------|--------|-------|
| Finland | | | |
| 2007 | 12 | 11 | 19 |
| 2008 | 12 | 13 | 17 |
| 2009 | 12 | 13 | 16 |
| 2010 | 12 | 13 | 15 |
| 2011 | 12 | 13 | 15 |
| 2012 | 12 | 13 | 15 |
| Sweden | | | |
| 2007 | 14 | 11 | 28 |
| 2008 | 17 | 10 | 28 |
| 2009 | 15 | 8 | 25 |
| 2010 | 14 | 9 | 26 |
| 2011 | 13 | 10 | 26 |
| 2012 | 13 | 9 | 26 |
| Norway | | | |
| 2007 | 12 | 10 | 23 |
| 2008 | 12 | 10 | 21 |
| 2009 | 11 | 8 | 21 |
| 2010 | 11 | 8 | 25 |
| 2011 | .. | .. | .. |
| 2012 | .. | .. | .. |
| Iceland | | | |
| 2007 | 24 | 20 | 23 |
| 2008 | .. | .. | .. |
| 2009 | .. | .. | .. |
| 2010 | .. | .. | .. |
| 2011 | .. | .. | .. |
| 2012 | .. | .. | .. |

¹) Finland: Includes cider.
Sweden: Alcoholic beverages produced through fermentation of fruits, berries or other plant parts (e.g. cider) are included in the wine category.

²) Sweden: Beer with an alcohol content of more than 3.5 % by volume (i.e. strong beer).
Table 5  
Retail sales network of alcoholic beverages

|          | Alcoholic beverages\(^1\) | Beer only\(^2\) | Total | Total per 1,000 inhabitants |
|----------|---------------------------|----------------|-------|---------------------------|
| **Finland** |                           |                 |       |                           |
| 2007     | 338                        | 6,229           | 6,567 | 1.2                       |
| 2008     | 344                        | 6,093           | 6,437 | 1.2                       |
| 2009     | 346                        | 5,947           | 6,293 | 1.2                       |
| 2010     | 343                        | 5,755           | 6,098 | 1.1                       |
| 2011     | 348                        | 5,586           | 5,934 | 1.1                       |
| 2012     | 351                        | 5,511           | 5,862 | 1.1                       |
| **Norway** |                           |                 |       |                           |
| 2007     | 222                        | 4,230           | 4,452 | 1.0                       |
| 2008     | 239                        | 4,176           | 4,415 | 0.9                       |
| 2009     | 248                        | 4,188           | 4,436 | 0.9                       |
| 2010     | 259                        | 4,176           | 4,435 | 0.9                       |
| 2011     | 267                        | 4,121           | 4,388 | 0.9                       |
| 2012     | 278                        | 4,103           | 4,381 | 0.9                       |
| **Sweden** |                           |                 |       |                           |
| 2007     | 411                        | 8,300           | 8,711 | 0.9                       |
| 2008     | 411                        | 8,000           | 8,411 | 0.9                       |
| 2009     | 412                        | 7,800           | 8,212 | 0.9                       |
| 2010     | 414                        | 7,600           | 8,014 | 0.9                       |
| 2011     | 418                        | 7,100           | 7,518 | 0.8                       |
| 2012     | 421                        | 7,000           | 7,421 | 0.8                       |
| **Iceland** |                          |                 |       |                           |
| 2007     | 47                         | ..              | 47    | 0.2                       |
| 2008     | ..                         | ..              | ..    | ..                       |
| 2009     | ..                         | ..              | ..    | ..                       |
| 2010     | ..                         | ..              | ..    | ..                       |
| 2011     | ..                         | ..              | ..    | ..                       |
| 2012     | ..                         | ..              | ..    | ..                       |

1) Sweden: Number of retail shops for alcoholic beverages (Systembolaget shops) at the end of each year. Norway: Number of retail shops for spirits, wine and strong beer (with an alcohol content of more than 4.75 % by volume).

2) Norway: Medium beer. Finland: Beverages produced by fermentation and containing no more than 4.7 % alcohol by volume. Sweden: Number of retail shops for medium strength beer (i.e. with an alcohol content of more than 2.25 % but no more than 3.5 % by volume) reported to Swedish municipalities at the end of each year. Rounded to the nearest hundred.
| Year | Alcoholic beverages<sup>1)</sup> | Wine and beer only<sup>2)</sup> | Beer only<sup>3)</sup> | Medium beer only<sup>4)</sup> | Others<sup>5)</sup> | Total<sup>6)</sup> |
|------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 2007 | 9,210           | ..              | ..              | ..              | ..              | 9,210           |
| 2008 | 9,450           | ..              | ..              | ..              | ..              | 9,450           |
| 2009 | 11,188          | ..              | ..              | ..              | ..              | 11,188          |
| 2010 | 11,138          | ..              | ..              | ..              | ..              | 11,138          |
| 2011 | 11,981          | ..              | ..              | ..              | ..              | 11,981          |
| 2012 | ..              | ..              | ..              | ..              | ..              | ..              |

**Denmark**

| Year | Alcoholic beverages<sup>1)</sup> | Wine and beer only<sup>2)</sup> | Beer only<sup>3)</sup> | Medium beer only<sup>4)</sup> | Others<sup>5)</sup> | Total<sup>6)</sup> |
|------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 2007 | 5,579           | 263             | ..              | 2,524           | ..              | 8,366           |
| 2008 | 5,694           | 270             | ..              | 2,358           | ..              | 8,322           |
| 2009 | 5,750           | 289             | ..              | 2,259           | ..              | 8,298           |
| 2010 | 5,812           | 312             | ..              | 2,178           | ..              | 8,302           |
| 2011 | 5,847           | 319             | ..              | 2,112           | ..              | 8,228           |
| 2012 | 5,916           | 351             | ..              | 2,024           | ..              | 8,291           |

**Finland**

| Year | Alcoholic beverages<sup>1)</sup> | Wine and beer only<sup>2)</sup> | Beer only<sup>3)</sup> | Medium beer only<sup>4)</sup> | Others<sup>5)</sup> | Total<sup>6)</sup> |
|------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 2007 | 6,035           | 1,223           | 74              | ..              | ..              | 7,332           |
| 2008 | 5,899           | 1,259           | 72              | ..              | ..              | 7,320           |
| 2009 | 6,061           | 1,202           | 61              | ..              | ..              | 7,324           |
| 2010 | 6,163           | 1,171           | 42              | ..              | ..              | 7,376           |
| 2011 | 6,209           | 1,118           | 64              | ..              | ..              | 7,391           |
| 2012 | 6,272           | 935             | 50              | ..              | ..              | 7,257           |

**Norway**

| Year | Alcoholic beverages<sup>1)</sup> | Wine and beer only<sup>2)</sup> | Beer only<sup>3)</sup> | Medium beer only<sup>4)</sup> | Others<sup>5)</sup> | Total<sup>6)</sup> |
|------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 2007 | 9,604           | 863             | 27              | ..              | 1,899           | 12,393          |
| 2008 | 9,715           | 809             | 20              | ..              | 1,854           | 12,398          |
| 2009 | 9,965           | 766             | 18              | ..              | 1,850           | 12,599          |
| 2010 | 10,217          | 713             | 12              | ..              | 1,769           | 12,711          |
| 2011 | 10,463          | 666             | 13              | ..              | 1,952           | 13,094          |
| 2012 | 10,846          | 639             | 17              | ..              | 2,126           | 13,628          |

1) Sweden: Permanent licences to serve all types of alcoholic beverages to the general public.
2) Sweden: Permanent licences to serve all types of alcoholic beverages except for spirits to the general public.
3) Sweden: Permanent licences to serve strong beer to the general public.
4) Finland: Beverages produced by fermentation and containing no more alcohol than 4.7 % by volume.
   - Sweden: Beer with an alcohol content of more than 2.25 % but no more than 3.5 % by volume does not require a serving licence.
5) Sweden: Includes permanent licences to serve alcoholic beverages to private parties, traffic serving (domestic flights, ships and trains) to the general public, licences to provide tasting to the general public, licences to serve alcoholic beverages through catering and others.
6) Denmark: Licences usually include spirits, wine and beer.
   - Sweden: Note that it is the number of serving-licences that is shown here and not the number of licence-holders.
Table 7
Consumer expenditure on alcohol in the currency of each country (millions)

|                      | Spirits\(^1\) | Wines\(^1\) | Long drinks\(^2\) | Beer\(^3\) | Total   | Household consumption expenditure | Consumer expenditure as % of household consumption expenditure |
|----------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------|------------|---------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| **Denmark**          |               |             |                   |            |         |                                   |                                                               |
| 2007                 | 8,662         | ..          | 4,850             | 13,512     | 806,551 | 1.7                               |                                                               |
| 2008                 | 8,941         | ..          | 5,000             | 13,941     | 826,129 | 1.7                               |                                                               |
| 2009                 | 8,876         | ..          | 4,827             | 13,703     | 805,237 | 1.7                               |                                                               |
| 2010                 | 8,883         | ..          | 4,474             | 13,357     | 840,966 | 1.6                               |                                                               |
| 2011                 | 9,525         | ..          | 4,524             | 14,049     | 858,958 | 1.6                               |                                                               |
| 2012                 | ..            | ..          |                   | 14,882     | 895,639 | 1.1                               |                                                               |
| **Finland**          |               |             |                   |            |         |                                   |                                                               |
| 2007                 | 1,087         | 1,019       | 256               | 1,735      | 4,097   | 86,817                            | 4.7                                                           |
| 2008                 | 1,128         | 1,064       | 297               | 1,738      | 4,227   | 91,412                            | 4.6                                                           |
| 2009                 | 1,104         | 1,076       | 338               | 1,814      | 4,331   | 89,397                            | 4.8                                                           |
| 2010                 | 1,089         | 1,099       | 342               | 1,870      | 4,400   | 93,786                            | 4.7                                                           |
| 2011                 | 1,085         | 1,143       | 367               | 1,934      | 4,530   | 100,509                           | 4.5                                                           |
| 2012                 | 1,090         | 1,162       | 372               | 1,979      | 4,603   | 103,754                           | 4.4                                                           |
| **Norway**           |               |             |                   |            |         |                                   |                                                               |
| 2007                 | 4,775         | 9,175       |                   | 11,134     | 25,085  | 905,818                           | 2.8                                                           |
| 2008                 | 4,775         | 9,441       |                   | 11,240     | 25,456  | 950,469                           | 2.7                                                           |
| 2009                 | 4,851         | 9,928       |                   | 11,949     | 26,728  | 970,478                           | 2.8                                                           |
| 2010                 | 4,629         | 10,019      |                   | 11,839     | 26,488  | 1,018,769                         | 2.6                                                           |
| 2011                 | 4,903         | 10,757      |                   | 12,046     | 27,706  | 1,065,615                         | 2.6                                                           |
| 2012                 | ..            | ..          |                   | ..         | ..      | ..                                | ..                                                            |
| **Sweden**           |               |             |                   |            |         |                                   |                                                               |
| 2007                 | 10,161        | 17,142      |                   | 11,636     | 38,939  | 1,460,162                         | 2.7                                                           |
| 2008                 | 10,307        | 18,119      |                   | 12,462     | 40,888  | 1,500,477                         | 2.7                                                           |
| 2009                 | 10,721        | 19,583      |                   | 13,384     | 43,688  | 1,532,516                         | 2.9                                                           |
| 2010                 | 11,012        | 20,396      |                   | 13,555     | 44,963  | 1,617,050                         | 2.8                                                           |
| 2011                 | 10,976        | 21,151      |                   | 13,978     | 46,105  | 1,671,239                         | 2.8                                                           |
| 2012                 | 11,071        | 22,149      |                   | 14,425     | 47,645  | 1,718,248                         | 2.8                                                           |
| **Iceland**          |               |             |                   |            |         |                                   |                                                               |
| 2007                 | ..            | ..          |                   | ..         | ..      | ..                                | ..                                                            |
| 2008                 | ..            | ..          |                   | ..         | ..      | ..                                | ..                                                            |
| 2009                 | ..            | ..          |                   | ..         | ..      | ..                                | ..                                                            |
| 2010                 | ..            | ..          |                   | ..         | ..      | ..                                | ..                                                            |
| 2011                 | ..            | ..          |                   | ..         | ..      | ..                                | ..                                                            |
| 2012                 | ..            | ..          |                   | ..         | ..      | ..                                | ..                                                            |
| **Greenland**        |               |             |                   |            |         |                                   |                                                               |
| 2007                 | ..            | ..          |                   | ..         | 404     | 5,481                             | 7.4                                                           |
| 2008                 | ..            | ..          |                   | ..         | 401     | 5,715                             | 7.0                                                           |
| 2009                 | ..            | ..          |                   | ..         | ..      | ..                                | ..                                                            |
| 2010                 | ..            | ..          |                   | ..         | ..      | ..                                | ..                                                            |
| 2011                 | ..            | ..          |                   | ..         | ..      | ..                                | ..                                                            |
| 2012                 | ..            | ..          |                   | ..         | ..      | ..                                | ..                                                            |

1) Denmark: Consumer expenditure on wine and spirits are summarized.
2) Sweden: Long drinks are included in the spirits category.
3) Sweden: Beer with an alcohol content of more than 3.5 % by volume (i.e. strong beer).
Table 8
State revenue from alcohol in the currency of each country (millions)\(^1\)

| Year | State revenue from alcohol from: | State revenue as % of: |
|------|---------------------------------|------------------------|
|      | taxes on alcohol\(^2\) | the state alcohol monopoly | Total | total state revenue | direct and indirect taxes | consumer expenditure on alcohol |
| Denmark | | | | | | |
| 2007 | .. | .. | 3,322 | .. | .. | .. |
| 2008 | .. | .. | 3,253 | .. | .. | .. |
| 2009 | .. | .. | 3,066 | .. | .. | .. |
| 2010 | .. | .. | 2,962 | .. | .. | .. |
| 2011 | .. | .. | 3,073 | .. | .. | .. |
| 2012 | .. | .. | 3,623 | .. | .. | .. |
| Finland | | | | | | |
| 2007 | 1,015 | .. | 1,782 | 4.1 | 2.8 | 43.5 |
| 2008 | 1,092 | .. | 1,892 | 4.3 | 2.9 | 44.8 |
| 2009 | 1,207 | .. | 1,991 | 5.3 | 3.8 | 46.0 |
| 2010 | 1,284 | .. | 2,087 | 5.4 | 4.0 | 47.4 |
| 2011 | 1,281 | .. | 2,132 | 4.9 | 3.5 | 47.1 |
| 2012 | 1,381 | .. | 2,246 | 5.0 | 3.7 | 48.8 |
| Norway | | | | | | |
| 2007 | 15,355 | 32 | 15,387 | 1.2 | 2.0 | 61.3 |
| 2008 | 15,890 | 36 | 15,926 | 1.1 | 1.9 | 62.6 |
| 2009 | 16,520 | 51 | 16,571 | 1.2 | 2.2 | 62.0 |
| 2010 | 16,554 | 44 | 16,598 | 1.2 | 2.0 | 62.7 |
| 2011 | 17,404 | 36 | 17,440 | 1.1 | 1.9 | 62.9 |
| 2012 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Sweden | | | | | | |
| 2007 | 11,023 | 296 | 11,319 | 1.4 | .. | 29.1 |
| 2008 | 11,388 | 201 | 11,589 | 1.4 | .. | 28.3 |
| 2009 | 12,156 | 345 | 12,501 | 1.8 | .. | 28.6 |
| 2010 | 12,131 | 302 | 12,433 | 1.6 | .. | 27.7 |
| 2011 | 12,212 | 219 | 12,431 | 1.4 | .. | 27.0 |
| 2012 | 12,330 | 162 | 12,492 | 1.6 | .. | 26.2 |
| Iceland\(^3\) | | | | | | |
| 2007 | 11,264 | 152 | 11,416 | 2.4 | 2.8 | .. |
| 2008 | 11,977 | 183 | 12,160 | 2.4 | 2.8 | .. |
| 2009 | 13,666 | 960 | 14,626 | 2.6 | 3.0 | .. |
| 2010 | 14,742 | 1,000 | 15,742 | 2.4 | 2.7 | .. |
| 2011 | 14,811 | 1,000 | 15,811 | 2.4 | 2.4 | .. |
| 2012 | 15,495 | 1,050 | 16,545 | 2.2 | 2.4 | .. |
| Greenland | | | | | | |
| 2007 | 235 | .. | 235 | .. | 6.4 | 58.1 |
| 2008 | 236 | .. | 236 | .. | 6.3 | 58.8 |
| 2009 | 241 | .. | 241 | .. | 6.4 | .. |
| 2010 | 235 | .. | 235 | .. | 5.6 | .. |
| 2011 | 225 | .. | 225 | .. | 5.2 | .. |
| 2012 | 220 | .. | 220 | .. | 4.9 | .. |

1) Includes alcohol taxes and value added tax.
2) Finland: Includes tax on alcoholic beverages.
   Sweden: Includes only excise tax on alcoholic beverages.
3) Iceland: Refers only to sales by the retail monopoly. Data referring to 2007 have been revised.
Table 9
Real price indices for alcoholic beverages (2003 = 100)

| Real price indices for | Consumer price index |
|------------------------|----------------------|
|                        | Spirit drinks | Wine | Long drinks | Beer\1 | Total |                  |
| Finland                |               |      |             |        |       |                  |
| 2007                   | 78           | 94   | 93          | 87     | 87    | 106              |
| 2008                   | 84           | 96   | 93          | 88     | 88    | 109              |
| 2009                   | 90           | 100  | 98          | 94     | 94    | 109              |
| 2010                   | 92           | 102  | 101         | 98     | 97    | 111              |
| 2011                   | 90           | 100  | 100         | 95     | 95    | 115              |
| 2012                   | 92           | 101  | 104         | 101    | 99    | 118              |
| Norway                 |               |      |             |        |       |                  |
| 2007                   | 103          | 104  | ..          | 91     | ..    | 105              |
| 2008                   | 101          | 103  | ..          | 92     | ..    | 109              |
| 2009                   | 103          | 105  | ..          | 97     | ..    | 112              |
| 2010                   | 101          | 104  | ..          | 97     | ..    | 114              |
| 2011                   | 106          | 107  | ..          | 102    | ..    | 115              |
| 2012                   | ..           | ..   | ..          | ..     | ..    | ..               |
| Sweden\2               |               |      |             |        |       |                  |
| 2007                   | 95           | 98   | ..          | 88     | 95    | 104              |
| 2008                   | 93           | 96   | ..          | 92     | 95    | 108              |
| 2009                   | 94           | 98   | ..          | 95     | 97    | 108              |
| 2010                   | 94           | 98   | ..          | 96     | 97    | 109              |
| 2011                   | 92           | 96   | ..          | 94     | 95    | 112              |
| 2012                   | 91           | 95   | ..          | 94     | 94    | 113              |
| Iceland                |               |      |             |        |       |                  |
| 2007                   | 92           | 87   | ..          | 88     | 90    | 120              |
| 2008                   | ..           | ..   | ..          | ..     | ..    | ..               |
| 2009                   | ..           | ..   | ..          | ..     | ..    | ..               |
| 2010                   | ..           | ..   | ..          | ..     | ..    | ..               |
| 2011                   | ..           | ..   | ..          | ..     | ..    | ..               |
| 2012                   | ..           | ..   | ..          | ..     | ..    | ..               |
| Greenland              |               |      |             |        |       |                  |
| 2007                   | 100          | 108  | ..          | 98     | 100   | 109              |
| 2008                   | 116          | 123  | ..          | 107    | 111   | 115              |
| 2009                   | 102          | 112  | ..          | 97     | 100   | 121              |
| 2010                   | 102          | 117  | ..          | 99     | 102   | 123              |
| 2011                   | 102          | 117  | ..          | 99     | 102   | 124              |
| 2012                   | 104          | 119  | ..          | 103    | 106   | 134              |

1) Sweden: The method of calculating real price indices has been revised in accordance with the monitoring system of the cohesive strategy for alcohol, narcotic drugs, doping and tobacco (ANDT) policy. The base-year presented here (2003 = 100) differ from that of the original indices.

2) Sweden: Beer with an alcohol content of more than 3.5 % by volume (i.e. strong beer).
### Table 10
Driving under the influence of alcohol

|                      | Driving under influence of alcohol (number of cases) | Driving under influence of alcohol involving accidents with injuries to people (number of cases) | Registered motor vehicles per 1st Jan. (thousands) |
|----------------------|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
|                      |                                                            | Cases involving alcohol                                                                 | Percentage of road accidents                      |
|                      | Total motorvehicles\(^*\) Per 1,000 inhabitants aged 15 and over |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| **Denmark**          |                                                        |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2007                 | 14,533 \(5.1\) 966 2,831                               |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2008                 | 13,871 \(4.8\) 824 2,919                               |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2009                 | 12,517 \(4.2\) 680 2,951                               |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2010                 | 11,799 \(4.0\) 530 2,948                               |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2011                 | 12,711 \(4.3\) 561 2,964                               |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2012                 | 11,614 \(3.9\) 460 2,978                               |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| **Finland**          |                                                        |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2007                 | 23,393 \(7.4\) 824 3,178                               |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2008                 | 22,005 \(6.6\) 777 3,355                               |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2009                 | 19,447 \(5.6\) 701 3,463                               |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2010                 | 17,312 \(4.8\) 626 3,595                               |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2011                 | 17,981 \(4.8\) 603 3,731                               |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2012                 | 15,877 \(4.1\) 486 3,838                               |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| **Norway**           |                                                        |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2007                 | 4,335 \(1.1\) .. .. 5,310                              |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2008                 | 4,356 \(1.1\) .. .. 5,363                              |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2009                 | 4,040 \(1.0\) .. .. 5,408                              |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2010                 | 4,318 \(1.1\) .. .. 5,448                              |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2011                 | 3,824 \(0.8\) .. .. 5,496                              |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2012                 | .. .. .. .. .. .. 5,605                                 |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| **Sweden**           |                                                        |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2007                 | 18,122 \(3.4\) .. .. 5,310                              |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2008                 | 18,845 \(3.5\) .. .. 5,363                              |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2009                 | 17,847 \(3.3\) .. .. 5,408                              |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2010                 | 17,064 \(3.1\) .. .. 5,448                              |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2011                 | 16,979 \(3.1\) .. .. 5,496                              |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2012                 | 15,224 \(2.7\) .. .. 5,605                              |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| **Iceland\(^4\)**   |                                                        |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2007                 | 2,089 \(8.7\) 59 241                                   |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2008                 | .. .. .. .. .. .. 301                                   |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2009                 | 1,450 \(8.6\) 51 296                                   |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2010                 | 1,293 \(8.6\) 44 296                                   |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2011                 | 1,150 \(8.6\) 39 298                                   |                                                                                               |                                                   |
| 2012                 | .. .. .. .. .. .. 303                                   |                                                                                               |                                                   |

1) Denmark: Cases examined by the courts.
   Finland and Iceland: Cases registered by the police.
   Norway: Number of sanctions.
   Sweden: Number of reported cases (mainly cases reported by the police).
2) Sweden: Includes registered motorcars, trucks, busses, motorcycles, mopeds (class I) and scooters in traffic at the end of each year.
3) Sweden: Number of cases of drunk driving divided by the number of registered motorcars, trucks, busses, motorcycles, mopeds (class I) and scooters in traffic at the end of each year.
4) Iceland: Less funding for police actions (e.g. sobriety check points) against drunk driving since 2007 and no funding in 2012.
### Table 11
Deaths from alcohol-related illnesses

|                | Alcohol psychosis and alcohol dependence | Alcoholic liver diseases | Alcohol poisoning | Total |
|----------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-------|
|                | ICD-10 F10                                | K70                     | X45               |       |
|                | Number of deaths | Deaths per 100,000 | Number of deaths | Deaths per 100,000 | Number of deaths |Deaths per 100,000 |Number of deaths |Deaths per 100,000 |
|                | Number of inhabitants aged 15 and over | Number of inhabitants aged 15 and over | Number of inhabitants aged 15 and over | Number of inhabitants aged 15 and over |
| Finland        |                                           |                         |                   |                   |
| 2007           | 149                                       | 1.145                   | 152               | 1.876           |
| 2008           | 157                                       | 1.119                   | 151               | 1.827           |
| 2009           | 172                                       | 1.106                   | 150               | 1.751           |
| 2010           | 180                                       | 1.070                   | 149               | 1.656           |
| 2011           | 168                                       | 1.042                   | 147               | 1.602           |
| 2012           | ..                                        | ..                      | ..                | ..              |
| Norway         |                                           |                         |                   |                   |
| 2007           | 138                                       | 150                     | 40                | 345             |
| 2008           | 179                                       | 142                     | 3.7              | 353             |
| 2009           | 170                                       | 142                     | 3.7              | 361             |
| 2010           | 209                                       | 142                     | 3.6              | 393             |
| 2011           | ..                                        | ..                      | ..                | ..              |
| 2012           | ..                                        | ..                      | ..                | ..              |
| Sweden         |                                           |                         |                   |                   |
| 2007           | 311                                       | 387                     | 5.1              | 829             |
| 2008           | 292                                       | 391                     | 5.1              | 791             |
| 2009           | 297                                       | 359                     | 4.6              | 777             |
| 2010           | 263                                       | 376                     | 4.8              | 757             |
| 2011           | 212                                       | 334                     | 4.2              | 652             |
| 2012           | 184                                       | 395                     | 5.0              | 687             |
| Denmark        |                                           |                         |                   |                   |
| 2007           | 848                                       | 827                     | 23                | 1,698           |
| 2008           | 874                                       | 887                     | 14                | 1,775           |
| 2009           | 750                                       | 879                     | 16                | 1,645           |
| 2010           | 693                                       | 895                     | 19                | 1,607           |
| 2011           | 668                                       | 777                     | 20                | 1,465           |
| 2012           | ..                                        | ..                      | ..                | ..              |
### Table 12

Mean alcohol content and legal age for purchase of alcohol

|                  | Mean alcohol content, % by vol. | Legal age for purchase |
|------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|
|                  | Spirits | Wines<sup>1</sup> | Long drinks<sup>2</sup> | Beer | Retail sale | Serving |
|                  |         |                  |                        |      | beer and wine<sup>3</sup> | spirits drinks |
| **Denmark**      |         |                  |                        |      |              |         |
| 2007             | ..      | ..               | ..                     | ..   | 16           | 16   |
| 2008             | ..      | ..               | ..                     | ..   | 16           | 16   |
| 2009             | ..      | ..               | ..                     | ..   | 16           | 16   |
| 2010             | ..      | ..               | ..                     | ..   | 16           | 18   |
| 2011             | ..      | ..               | ..                     | ..   | 16           | 18   |
| 2012             | ..      | ..               | ..                     | ..   | 16           | 18   |
| **Finland**      | 35.1    | 8.8              | 5.1                    | 4.6  | 18           | 20   |
| 2007             | 34.9    | 9.0              | 5.1                    | 4.6  | 18           | 20   |
| 2008             | 35.0    | 9.2              | 5.0                    | 4.6  | 18           | 20   |
| 2009             | 34.9    | 9.3              | 5.0                    | 4.6  | 18           | 20   |
| 2010             | 34.9    | 9.3              | 5.0                    | 4.6  | 18           | 20   |
| 2011             | 34.9    | 9.3              | 5.0                    | 4.6  | 18           | 20   |
| 2012             | 34.9    | 9.7              | 5.0                    | 4.6  | 18           | 20   |
| **Norway**       | 39.4    | 12.1             | 4.6                    | 4.5  | 18           | 20   |
| 2007             | 39.1    | 12.4             | 4.5                    | 4.5  | 18           | 20   |
| 2008             | 39.0    | 12.4             | 4.4                    | 4.5  | 18           | 20   |
| 2009             | 39.0    | 12.4             | 4.7                    | 4.5  | 18           | 20   |
| 2010             | 39.0    | 12.4             | 4.5                    | 4.5  | 18           | 20   |
| 2011             | 38.9    | 12.4             | 4.6                    | 4.5  | 18           | 20   |
| 2012             | 38.9    | 12.4             | 4.6                    | 4.5  | 18           | 20   |
| **Sweden**       | 34.7    | 12.4             | ..                     | 5.6  | 20           | 20   |
| 2007             | 34.2    | 12.4             | ..                     | 5.5  | 20           | 20   |
| 2008             | 34.1    | 12.4             | ..                     | 5.5  | 20           | 20   |
| 2009             | 32.8    | 12.5             | ..                     | 5.5  | 20           | 20   |
| 2010             | 33.4    | 12.4             | ..                     | 5.5  | 20           | 20   |
| 2011             | 35.6    | 12.3             | ..                     | 5.5  | 20           | 20   |
| 2012             | 35.6    | 12.3             | ..                     | 5.5  | 20           | 20   |
| **Iceland**      | 37.8    | 12.6             | ..                     | 5.0  | 20           | 20   |
| 2007             | ..      | ..               | ..                     | ..   | 20           | 20   |
| 2008             | ..      | ..               | ..                     | ..   | 20           | 20   |
| 2009             | ..      | ..               | ..                     | ..   | 20           | 20   |
| 2010             | ..      | ..               | ..                     | ..   | 20           | 20   |
| 2011             | ..      | ..               | ..                     | ..   | 20           | 20   |
| 2012             | ..      | ..               | ..                     | ..   | 20           | 20   |
| **Greenland**    | 40.0    | 11.9             | ..                     | 4.6  | 18           | 18   |
| 2007             | 40.0    | 11.9             | ..                     | 4.6  | 18           | 18   |
| 2008             | 40.0    | 11.9             | ..                     | 4.6  | 18           | 18   |
| 2009             | 40.0    | 11.9             | ..                     | 4.6  | 18           | 18   |
| 2010             | 40.0    | 11.9             | ..                     | 4.6  | 18           | 18   |
| 2011             | 40.0    | 11.9             | ..                     | 4.6  | 18           | 18   |
| 2012             | 40.0    | 11.9             | ..                     | 4.6  | 18           | 18   |

1) Finland: Includes cider.
2) Sweden: Long drinks are included in the spirits category.
3) Sweden: Beer with an alcohol content of more than 2.25 % but no more than 3.5 % by volume (medium strength beer) may be purchased by individuals aged 18 or over.
4) Denmark: As of 2011 individuals aged 16–17 may purchase beer or wine containing no more than 16.4 % alcohol by volume.
Kontrollerat drickande inget nytt

Sven Andréassons uttalande i svenska medier om att total avhållsamhet inte nödvändigvis är ett måste för att bli av med ett alkoholberoende har skapat debatt i Sverige. Ett välkommet inlägg men inget nytt, skriver professor Jan Blomqvist och kommenterar den aktuella svenska synen på vad som ska vara målet med missbruksvården.

Finland fiskar i ryska vatten

Kasinon är som kärnkraftverk: de byggs vid gränsen, sade Sytze Kingma under THL:s gamblingkonferens i Helsingfors i september. I Finland ska landets andra kasino byggas vid gränsen till Ryssland, där kasinon förbjöds 2009. Problematiskt, säger forskare, då monopolent söker vinst samtidigt som folkhälsan ska uppehållas.

Danmark utvidgar heroinbehandlingen

Heroinbehandlingen i Danmark beskrivs som en succé i Sundhedsstyrelsens utvärdering. Behandlingen har förbättrat missbrukarnas sociala situation och minskat kriminaliteten. Klienterna beskriver behandlingen som ett sätt att få ro, men de är också kritiska till dess struktur. Nu utvecklas behandlingen till att också innehålla tabletter.

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