## BLOOD ALCOHOL LEVELS AND EFFECTS

Alcohol's effects are roughly predictable from the amount of alcohol in the bloodstream, assuming that no that no tolerance has been developed. The following list indicates what effects alcohol typically has at several Blood Alcohol Levels:

| $.02 \%$ | Light and moderate drinkers begin to feel some effect (about one drink). |
| :--- | :--- |
| $.04 \%$ | Most people begin to feel relaxed. |
| $.06 \%$ | Judgment is somewhat impaired; people are less able to make rational decisions <br> about their capabilities, for example driving. |
| $.08 \%$ | Definite impairment of muscle coordination and driving skills. Increased risk of <br> nausea and slurred speech. |
| $.10 \%$ | Although reaction time is affected after the first drink, there is a clear deterioration <br> of reaction time and control at this level. |
| $.15 \%$ | Balance and movement are impaired. Risk of blackouts, accidents, nausea, passing <br> out and hangovers. |
| $.30 \%$ | Many people lose consciousness. |
| $.40 \%$ | Most people lose consciousness, some die. |
| $.45 \%$ | Breathing stops, death occurs. |

*Note: these effects occur for people who have not developed a high tolerance for alcohol. For people with high tolerances, these effects may not occur until higher levels of intoxication. Heavy drinkers must therefore consume more alcohol to achieve the same effects as moderate drinkers which costs more money and is more harmful to the body.

ONE DRINK = 4 ozs. wine; or 1 cocktail; or 12 ozs. beer; or 1 oz. shot

## Approximate Blood Alcohol Levels as a Function of Number of Drinks and Time Determined by Weight for Women

| 100 lb . |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NUMBI } \\ & \text { JF HOI } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { BER } \\ & \text { OURS } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Female |  |  |  | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| NUMBER OF DRINKS |  | 29. | . 013 |  | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | . 07 | 74. | . 058 | . 042 | . 026 | . 010 | - | - | - |
|  | . 11 | 19. | . 103 | . 087 | . 071 |  | . 039 |  | . 007 |
|  | . 16 | 64. | . 148 | . 132 | . 116 | . 100 | . 084 |  | . 052 |
|  | . 20 | 09. | . 193 | . 177 | . 161 | . 145 | . 129 | . 113 | . 097 |
|  | . 25 | 54. | . 238 | . 222 | . 206 | . 190 | . 174 | . 158 | . 142 |
|  |  | 99. | . 283 | . 267 | . 251 | . 235 | . 219 | . 203 | . 187 |
|  |  | 44. | . 328 | . 312 | . 296 | . 280 | . 264 | . 248 | . 232 |
|  | . 38 | 89. | . 373 | . 357 | . 341 | . 325 | . 309 | . 293 | . 277 |
|  |  | 34. | . 418 | . 402 | . 386 | . 370 | . 354 | . 338 | . 322 |
|  | . 47 | 79. | . 463 | . 447 | . 431 | . 415 | . 399 | . 383 | . 367 |
|  |  | 24. | . 508 | . 492 | . 476 | . 460 | . 444 | . 428 | . 412 |
| 120 lb. Female | NUMBER OF HOURS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| $\begin{array}{\|ll\|} \hline \text { NUMBER } & 1 \\ \text { OF } & \\ \text { DRINKS } & 2 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | 21. | . 005 |  | - | - | - |  |  |
|  | . 05 | 59. | . 043 | . 027 | . 011 |  |  |  | - |
| 3 |  | 96. | . 080 | . 064 | . 048 |  | . 016 |  |  |
| 4 |  | 34. | . 118 | . 102 | . 086 |  | . 054 | . 038 | . 022 |
|  |  | 71. | . 155 | . 139 | . 123 | . 107 | . 091 | . 075 | . 059 |
| 6 |  | 09. | . 193 | . 177 | . 161 | . 145 | . 129 | . 113 | . 097 |
| 7 |  | 46. | . 230 | . 214 | . 198 | . 182 | . 166 | . 150 | . 134 |
| 8 |  | 84. | . 268 | . 252 | . 236 | . 220 | . 204 | . 188 | . 172 |
| 9 |  | 21. | . 305 | . 289 | . 273 | . 257 | . 241 | . 225 | . 209 |
| 10 |  | 59. | . 343 | . 327 | . 311 | . 295 | . 279 | . 263 | 247 |
| 11 |  | 96. | . 380 | . 364 | . 348 | . 332 | . 316 | . 300 | . 284 |
| 12 |  | 34. | . 418 | . 402 | . 396 | . 370 | . 354 | . 338 | . 322 |




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## Approximate Blood Alcohol Levels as a Function of Number of Drinks and Time Determined by Weight for Men

| $\begin{gathered} 120 \text { lb. } \\ \text { Male } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { NUMBER } \\ & \text { OF HOURS } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| NUMBER OF DRINKS | . 015 | - | - | - |
|  | . 046 | . 030 | . 014 | - |
|  | . 077 | . 061 | . 045 | . 029 |
|  | . 109 | . 093 | . 077 | . 061 |
|  | . 140 | . 124 | . 108 | . 092 |
|  | . 171 | . 155 | . 139 | . 123 |
|  | . 202 | . 186 | . 170 | . 154 |
|  | . 234 | . 218 | . 202 | . 186 |
|  | . 265 | . 249 | . 233 | . 217 |
|  | . 296 | . 280 | . 264 | . 248 |
|  | . 327 | . 311 | . 295 | . 279 |
|  | . 359 | . 343 | . 327 | . 311 |
| 140 lb. Male | NUMBER OF HOURS |  |  |  |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| NUMBER OF DRINKS | . 010 | - | - | - |
|  | . 037 | . 021 | . 005 | - |
|  | . 064 | . 048 | . 032 | . 016 |
|  | . 091 | . 075 | . 059 | . 043 |
|  | . 117 | . 101 | . 085 | . 069 |
|  | . 144 | . 128 | . 112 | . 096 |
|  | . 171 | . 155 | . 139 | . 123 |
|  | . 198 | . 182 | . 166 | . 150 |
|  | . 225 | . 209 | . 193 | . 177 |
|  | . 251 | . 235 | . 219 | . 203 |
|  | . 278 | . 262 | . 246 | . 230 |
|  | . 305 | . 289 | . 273 | . 257 |

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12 ozs. beer; or
1 oz. shot

| $\begin{gathered} 160 \mathrm{lb} . \\ \text { Male } \end{gathered}$ | NUMBER OF HOURS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| NUMBER OF DRINKS <br> 10 11 12 | . 007 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | . 030 | . 014 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | . 054 | . 038 | . 022 | . 006 | - | - | - | - |
|  | . 077 | . 061 | . 045 | . 029 | . 013 | - | - | - |
|  | . 101 | . 085 | . 069 | . 053 | . 037 | . 021 | . 005 | - |
|  | . 124 | . 108 | . 092 | . 076 | . 060 | . 044 | . 028 | . 012 |
|  | . 148 | . 132 | . 116 | . 100 | . 084 | . 068 | . 052 | . 036 |
|  | . 171 | . 155 | . 139 | . 123 | . 107 | . 091 | . 075 | . 059 |
|  | . 194 | . 178 | . 162 | . 146 | . 130 | . 114 | . 098 | . 082 |
|  | . 218 | . 202 | . 186 | . 170 | . 154 | . 138 | . 122 | . 106 |
|  | . 241 | . 225 | . 209 | . 193 | . 177 | . 161 | . 145 | . 129 |
|  | . 265 | . 249 | . 233 | . 217 | . 201 | . 185 | . 169 | . 153 |
| 180 lb. Male | NUMBER OF HOURS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| NUMBER OF DRINKS <br> 10 1 12 | . 004 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | . 025 | . 009 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | . 046 | . 030 | . 014 | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | . 067 | . 051 | . 035 | . 019 | . 003 | - | - | - |
|  | . 088 | . 072 | . 056 | . 040 | . 024 | . 008 | - | - |
|  | . 109 | . 093 | . 077 | . 061 | . 045 | . 029 | . 013 | - |
|  | . 129 | . 113 | . 097 | . 081 | . 065 | . 049 | . 033 | . 017 |
|  | . 150 | . 134 | . 118 | . 102 | . 086 | . 070 | . 054 | . 038 |
|  | . 171 | . 155 | . 139 | . 123 | . 107 | . 091 | . 075 | . 059 |
|  | . 192 | . 176 | . 160 | . 144 | . 128 | . 112 | . 096 | . 080 |
|  | . 213 | . 197 | . 181 | . 165 | . 149 | . 133 | . 117 | . 101 |
|  | . 234 | . 218 | . 202 | . 186 | . 170 | . 154 | . 138 | . 122 |


| 200 lb. Male | NUMBER OF HOURS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| NUMBER <br> OF <br> DRINKS <br> 1 <br> 1 | . 002 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | . 021 | . 005 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | . 040 | . 024 | . 008 | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | . 059 | . 043 | . 027 | . 011 | - | - | - | - |
|  | . 077 | . 061 | . 045 | . 029 | . 013 | - | - | - |
|  | . 096 | . 080 | . 064 | . 048 | . 032 | . 016 | - | - |
|  | . 115 | . 099 | . 083 | . 067 | . 051 | . 035 | . 019 | . 003 |
|  | . 134 | . 118 | . 102 | . 086 | . 070 | . 054 | . 038 | . 022 |
|  | . 152 | . 136 | . 120 | . 104 | . 088 | . 072 | . 056 | . 040 |
|  | . 171 | . 155 | . 139 | . 123 | . 107 | . 091 | . 075 | . 059 |
|  | . 190 | . 174 | . 158 | . 142 | . 126 | . 110 | . 094 | . 078 |
|  | . 209 | . 193 | . 177 | . 161 | . 145 | . 129 | . 113 | . 097 |
| $\begin{gathered} 220 \mathrm{lb} . \\ \text { Male } \end{gathered}$ | NUMBER OF HOURS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $12$ |  | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| $\begin{array}{ll} \hline \text { NUMBER } & 1 \\ \text { OF } & \\ \text { DRINKS } & 2 \end{array}$ | . 001 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | . 018 | . 002 |  | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3 | . 035 | . 019 | . 003 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4 | . 052 | . 036 | . 020 | . 004 | - | - | - | - |
| 5 | . 069 | . 053 | . 037 | . 021 | . 005 | .- | - | - |
| 6 | . 086 | . 070 | . 054 | . 038 | . 022 | . 006 | - | - |
| 7 | . 103 | . 087 | . 071 | . 055 | . 039 | . 023 | . 007 | - |
| 8 | . 120 | . 104 | . 088 | . 072 | . 056 | . 040 | . 024 | . 008 |
| 9 | . 137 | . 121 | . 105 | . 089 | . 073 | . 057 | . 041 | . 025 |
| 10 | . 154 | . 138 | . 122 | . 106 | . 090 | . 074 | . 058 | . 042 |
| 11 | . 171 | . 155 | . 139 | . 123 | . 107 | . 091 | . 075 | . 059 |
| 12 | . 188 | . 172 | . 156 | . 140 | . 124 | . 108 | . 092 | . 076 |

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