

News Max (Venezuela) - Hugo Chavez Imposes Easter Ban on Alcohol Sales in Venezuela

Easter will be dry this year for beer and whiskey-loving Venezuelans.

<<http://www.newsmax.com/archives/articles/2007/4/1/152416.shtml?s=os>>

The Publican (UK) - Supermarkets to meet MPs over alcohol pricing

The four major supermarkets have all agreed to meet MP John Grogan to discuss the price promotion of alcohol in the off-trade.

<<http://www.thepublican.com/story.asp?sectioncode=7&storycode=54882∓c=1>>

Middle East Times (Turkey) - Turkish court scraps restriction on alcohol sales

Turkey's top administrative court Monday scrapped a restriction on alcohol sales that had led to accusations against the government for seeking to reinforce the role of Islam in this secular, Muslim country, the Anatolia news agency reported.

<<http://www.metimes.com/storyview.php?StoryID=20070403-032048-4320r>>

ABC Online (Australia) - Alcohol courts are the answer, says Mayor

The Mayor of the Northern Territory town of Tennant Creek says alcohol courts are needed to deal with soaring levels of crime in the town.

<<http://www.abc.net.au/news/newsitems/200704/s1888215.htm>>

The West Australian (Australia) - Girls' alcohol abuse sparks ad ban pleas

Health Minister Jim McGinty said he would consider restricting advertising but Fosters Australia said the alcohol industry was already subject to tough regulation.

<<http://www.thewest.com.au/default.aspx?MenuID=77&ContentID=25130>>

Reuters - Moderate alcohol intake may boost aneurysm risk

Drinking alcohol at moderate levels -- two or more drinks per day -- appears to be a risk factor for abdominal aortic aneurysm in men, researchers found.

<<http://www.reuters.com/article/healthNews/idUSCOL25939620070402>>

NIS News Bulletin (Netherlands) - Combined Sale Of Cannabis And Alcohol Illegal

The combined sale of cannabis and alcohol is no longer permitted in the Netherlands. Yesterday, the so-called hash cafes became illegal.

<http://www.nisnews.nl/public/030407_2.htm>

Science Daily - Aggression, Rather Than Celebration, Drives Alcohol Consumption In Rugby Spectators

Research news published in Criminal Behaviour and Mental Health drew two main findings from a survey of rugby supporters entering and leaving the Millennium Stadium in Cardiff: spectators in the winning & drawing groups rated themselves as more aggressive than those whose team just lost; and more aggressive spectators intended to drink more alcohol after the match.

<<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2007/03/070329075044.htm>>

Top Cancer News - Scientists found correlations between alcohol consumption and cancer

When Dr. Jian-Wei Gu went to Mississippi to study the cardiovascular system and the process of blood vessel growth, he had no idea he'd make national headlines about his research into the world of cancer.

<<http://www.topcancernews.com/news/736/1/Scientists-found-correlations-between-alcohol-consumption-and-cancer>>

East Anglian Daily Times (UK) - Cost of booze-fuelled crime revealed

ALCOHOL-fuelled sex offences and violent crime is costing Suffolk nearly £3 million a month, new figures have shown.

<<http://www.eadt.co.uk/content/eadt/news/story.aspx?brand=EADOnline&category=News&tBrand=EADOnline&tCategory=news&itemid=IPED02%20Apr%202007%2023%3A31%3A34%3A487>>

Mail and Guardian Online (South Africa) - From bottle to bottle and dust to dust

Alcohol abuse costs South Africa in the region of R10-billion a year, or 1% of GDP, but the excise tax on alcohol collects only about R7-billion. This leaves the country with a shortfall of about R4,5-billion in costs to health services, the criminal justice system, and, of course, human lives.

<http://www.mg.co.za/articlePage.aspx?articleid=303583&area=/insight/insight_economy_business/>

drkoop.com - ADHD Children at Risk for Alcohol Problems

Children with attention deficit hyperactivity

<<http://www.drkoop.com/ency/93/003256.html>> disorder (ADHD) may face problems with alcohol as they get older.

<<http://www.drkoop.com/newsdetail/93/8015803.html>>

The Province (Canada) – Alcohol deaths highlight risks of legalizing drugs

An international study last week estimated that in the year 2000 some 300,000 people around the world aged between 15 and 29 died from substance abuse. And it may come as a surprise to those who regard illegal drugs as the paramount evil to learn that 85 per cent of those deaths were related to alcohol.

<<http://www.canada.com/theprovince/news/editorial/story.html?id=f48276af-8751-41fb-a412-7a0570da9249>>

Focus News (Finland) - New regulation on alcohol sales takes effect in Finland on April 1

A new regulation on alcohol sales takes effect in Finland on April 1. It bans the sales of alcohol before nine o'clock in the morning.

<<http://www.focus-fen.net/index.php?id=n109170>>

Irish Health (Ireland) - Doctors not detecting alcohol problems

A new Irish study has indicated that junior hospital doctors could be missing underlying alcohol abuse problems in elderly patients admitted to hospital medical and surgical departments.

<<http://www.irishhealth.com/?level=4&id=11254>>

WTNH (USA) - MADD pushes for tougher drunk-driving laws

With all the work they have done, Mothers Against Drunk Drivers still say that 120-alcohol related deaths is way too high.

<<http://www.wtnh.com/Global/story.asp?S=6315077&nav=3YeX>>

Sofia News Agency (Bulgaria) - Bulgarian Teenagers Sent to Detox Thrice More Often

Cases of drunken teenagers who need treatment in the detox wards of Bulgaria's hospitals have increased threefold in the past ten years.

<http://www.novinite.com/view_news.php?id=78758>

Lifesite (USA) - Study Finds 49% of US College Students Are Abusing Drugs or Alcohol

A new report by the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) at Columbia University found that forty-nine per cent (3.8 million) of full time college students binge drink and/or abuse prescription and illegal drugs.

<<http://www.lifesite.net/ldn/2007/mar/07033006.html>>

Medical News (EU) - European Commission And WHO/Europe Boost Cooperation For Health

Contracts for seven new joint projects are being signed today in Brussels by the European Commission's Directorate-General for Health and Consumer Protection (DG SANCO) and the World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe (WHO/Europe).

<<http://www.medicalnewstoday.com/medicalnews.php?newsid=66675>>

Opinions –

„Parents, relatives and friends who are legal drinkers are making it too easy for those of us who aren't able to get hold of alcohol. I have been to parties, gatherings and family reunions where I could easily have had a drink, and no one would have stopped me. Adults need to provide more support. If they want to drink, it's their choice. But alcohol shouldn't be readily available to teens.“

Jessica Mendibles

<<http://www.tucsoncitizen.com/daily/opinion/46876.php>>