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Target Group: Young people (12–26 years)



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# 1. Introduction

September 2018 saw the start of a 3-year project, the euPrevent Social Norms Approach (euPrevent SNA), a collaboration between 11 partners from the Euroregion Meuse-Rhine (EMR) and West Eifel (DE). The aim of the euPrevent SNA project is to strengthen the already existing quality prevention initiatives by using a new and growing ideology, "the Social Norms Approach", an ideology that has already proven its worth with some health problems and some target groups.

For many years, prevention workers/health promoters within the Euroregion Meuse-Rhine have been working on ways to delay and/or reduce the (ab)use of substances and unhealthy behaviours. For several years they have been using the most effective principles and methodologies. Many of these methods have demonstrated their value. However, it is essential that we look for different ways to complement our arsenal of possibilities.

Currently, defensive interventions are often used (rules, legislation, controls – such as those on alcohol and traffic) in association with structural measures (pricing policy, advertising regulations, etc.). These powers involving defensive and structural interventions belong mainly to legislators and supervisory bodies under the direction of the government; they are an indispensable element of prevention. Within the framework of these prevention approaches, prevention workers have no more than an advisory function.

However, the main mission and expertise of prevention workers lies in the field of offensive person-centred interventions: working alongside people, to give them more opportunities to live a healthy life! This can be achieved by raising awareness, informing, offering behavioural alternatives, early intervention and possible remediation. All these interventions use a mix of arguments that are all useful and valid, and which contribute to a healthier society or to slowing down negative developments. This takes time, a lot of time (cf. the change in attitude towards smoking from one generation to the next) and requires from prevention professionals that they renew and enrich their interventions. After all, the world does not come to a halt; the (negative) influence of advertising and social media continues, and defensive measures fail because control mechanisms prove unfeasible.

## Social norms approach

According to Boot et al. (2012), the basis of social norm theory is that an individual's behaviour and attitudes are influenced by their perception of the attitudes and behaviour of their peers, i.e. the perception of norms. Helmer et al. (2014) differentiate social norms into two types: descriptive social norms which refer to an individual's perception of the amount and frequency of peers' consumption of a substance; and injunctive social norms, which are based on an individual's perception of peer approval of (use of) this substance.

Those perceptions are frequently erroneous, as individuals tend to overestimate peers' engagement in and approval of unhealthy behaviours and underestimate peers' engagement in and approval of healthy and protective behaviours, compared to their own (Dempsey et al., 2019). For instance, individuals are more likely to overestimate their peers' consumption of alcohol, cannabis and tobacco (Stock et al, 2014; McAlaney et al., 2015; Piske et al., 2015) and to underestimate their peers' consumption of fruits and vegetables (Lally et al., 2011) or use of sun protection (Reid & Aiken, 2013), compared to their own.

Misperception of these social norms may then misguide individuals into thinking those attitudes and behaviours are socially desirable, which in turn may lead them to adopt these behaviours and attitudes in a desire to conform with what is perceived as being the social norm of their group (Dempsey et al., 2019). This wish to conform to their group's social norms is enhanced because individuals strongly identify with other members of the social group to which they belong.

The aim of the Social Norms Approach is thus to correct these misperceptions by giving feedback and information about actual reported norms (Perkins, 1997, 2003; McAlaney et al., 2011). The SNA message emphasises positive and protective behaviours and attitudes that the target group is actually engaging in, with the aim of convincing others to make healthier choices, by following these more positive social norms emanating from the social group to which they belong (Perkins, 2003).

To be effective, the message using SNA must be perceived by members of the target group as relevant and related to the norms of their group. To achieve this, the data must come from the target group (Dempsey et al., 2019). As Dempsey and colleagues clearly state, SNA messages "should be presented as coming from the wider social group associated with the target population, and not be perceived to come from an authority figure, to avoid changes in behaviour and attitude due to obedience pressure or fear" (Dempsey et al., 2019, p. 3).

In short, SNA is based on: (a) behaviours and attitudes are influenced by how norms are perceived and interpreted, (b) people frequently misperceive those norms (either overestimating or underestimating them), (c) these misperceived norms then increase unhealthy and decrease healthy choices and, (d) the need to develop actions promoting more protective and positive behaviours in order to rectify these erroneous perceptions (Perkins et al, 2003, Dempsey et al., 2019).

SNA-based interventions have yielded positive results in reducing drinking behaviour (Neighbors et al., 2009, 2010) and in reducing perceived peers' drinking-related norms (Neighbors et al., 2010; Lewis et al, 2014), and also in reducing cannabis use (Lee et al., 2013). These results come mainly from the US, especially from the American college system. With the exception of one study conducted in England (Bewick, Trusler, Mulhern, Barkham, & Hill, 2008), evidence of effective SNA intervention in Europe is scarce, with studies rarely implementing SNA intervention.

A large European study, the Norms Intervention for the prevention of Polydrug use (SNIFE), conducted in six European countries and Turkey, examined the feasibility of SNA intervention within a European cultural context, which differs from that of the USA. The results of this large study showed evidence of respondents' overestimation of peers' norms, compared to their own, in relation to alcohol (McAlaney et al., 2015), tobacco (Pischke et al., 2015), non-medical stimulants (Helmer et al., 2016) and cannabis (Dempsey et al., 2016). As the overestimation of peers' use has been proven to be present in Europe too, the next step is to implement actual SNA actions. It is in this context that the EMR project, the euPrevent SNA, is taking place.

### The present research: euPrevent SNA – Euroregional Health Survey (EHS)

The problematic consumption of addictive substances acts as a considerable impediment to functioning in society and to social integration, and affects the quality of life of people living in the EMR. Addiction is, however, only a small part of the problem, as the health gains of reduced consumption of alcohol, cannabis and medicine are much broader. The main target group is people living in the EMR, specifically young people aged 12 to 26 years old and people aged 55+, since they make up half of the EMR population. This report focusses on the results for young people aged 12-26 years old; the results for senior citizens (55+) are presented in a separate report.

The euPrevent SNA project is the result of a partnership that has existed for 15 years. In 2014, discussions started about how useful the innovative social norms approach (SNA) could be in the EMR. It was clear at the time that current prevention activities, their existing content and the substance of the message often did not stroke with the perceptions and expectations of the target groups.

The partners involved in the project aim to use their experience and the SNA method to tackle the above-described challenge. The euPrevent SNA project aims to encourage young people in the EMR to make responsible use of alcohol, cannabis and gaming. It does this based on the survey findings that not everyone uses alcohol and cannabis and games excessively. The majority of young people of a similar age make healthy choices and rarely make excessive use of alcohol, cannabis or gaming.

To ensure that one of the essential conditions for the implementation of a quality SNA was indeed met in our population, i.e. the misperception of descriptive and injunctive norms, a large 'Euroregional Health Survey' was carried out in the Euroregion Meuse-Rhine and West-Eifel.

## 2. Method: Euroregional Health Survey

A large part of the 'Social Norms Approach' consists of gathering information on the attitudes and behaviour of the target group. Therefore, we conducted a quantitative cross-sectional study. This was necessary to ensure that the SNA method can be used for the target population. To this end, a standardised and structured questionnaire was developed and disseminated online in order to see whether the target group is indeed guilty of overestimation or underestimation. It aims to quantify attitudes and behaviours. The 'Euroregional Health Survey' (EHS) was carried out in the Euroregion Meuse-Rhine and West-Eifel. The information gleaned from the EHS forms the basis for the prevention campaign and for developing positive messages for the target group.

### Study population

The population of interest is comprised of young people aged 12–26 years living in the Euroregion Meuse-Rhine or West-Eifel. More specifically, those living in: South Limburg (NL), the Province of Limburg (BE), the Province of Liège, the French-speaking part (BE), the Province of Liège, Ostbelgien (BE), Städteregion Aachen (DE), Kreis Heinsberg (DE), Kreis Euskirchen (DE) and Landkreis Bitburg-Prüm (DE). People with visual or cognitive impairments were not included in this study.

### Survey

Themes that were incorporated into the questionnaire were: background information on the respondents (demographics), identification (the more an individual identifies with a given group, the greater the likelihood that he or she will submit to the social norms of that group), alcohol, cannabis and gaming. The questionnaire was drawn up by the various project partners and is based on the questionnaire used by the SNIPE project team for questions relating to social norms, but also on validated questions used in the "euPrevent Young People Euroregional Scan (YES)" project for questions on consumption. The questions were tested and checked with members of the Advisory Board. The full questionnaire can be found in [Appendix 1](#).

The questionnaire was made up of multiple themes and modality questions:

- Questions of Demographics
  - Postal code
  - Year of birth
  - Gender
  - Level of education
  - Working situation
  - Living together with



- Questions about identification
  - Identifying themselves with peers
  - Feeling strongly connected with peers
- Questions on actual behaviour/consumption:
  - Expenditure on alcohol, cannabis and gaming
  - Alcohol use
  - Reasons for not drinking
  - Drinking on weekdays and at weekends
  - Number of drinks on a single occasion
  - Ever having been drunk
  - Experience of drinking alcohol
  - Cannabis use
  - Number of joints
  - Experience of cannabis use
  - Gaming
  - Sort of games
  - Amount of gaming on weekdays and at weekends
  - Experience of gaming
- Questions about personal approval:
  - Opinion about alcohol
  - Opinion about people who are drunk
  - Opinion about cannabis
  - Opinion about people who use cannabis and are under the influence
  - Opinion about gaming
  - Opinion about people who game so much that their daily life is impaired
- Questions about descriptive social norms:
  - How often peers use alcohol
  - How often peers drink per day
  - How often peers have been drunk
  - How often peers use cannabis
  - How many joints do peers smoke
  - How often do peers participate in gaming
  - How long do peers participate in gaming
- Questions about injunctive social norms:
  - What do peers think about alcohol
  - What do peers think about people who are drunk
  - What do peers think about cannabis
  - What do peers think about people who use cannabis and are under the influence
  - What do peers think about gaming
  - What do peers think about people who game so much that their daily life is impaired

The questionnaire was translated into the languages of the regions and is therefore available in Dutch/Flemish, German, French and also in English. The questionnaires were all the same in the different languages, except a distinction was made between the school types and work status options per country. This led to 5 versions of the questionnaire.

## Sampling Method

The sample for this survey was drawn using a non-probability sampling method known as "snowball sampling", which allows a sample to be selected on the basis of a few distribution criteria in such a way that it constitutes a "good picture" of the population studied. A sample size calculation was made based on demographic information about the number of citizens. This is a practical, quick and economical method. With this method, the researcher asks the survey participant to share the survey in some way with others who meet the study criteria. These people then do the same, so that the sample grows naturally. This is inexpensive and sometimes reaches people whose characteristics make them difficult to find.

The target group in the Euroregion Meuse Rhine and West-Eifel was approached by: spreading flyers; sharing posters and links to the questionnaire on social media (groups); sharing the link in professional networks; sharing the link with Advisory Board members; advertising on social media and in local newspapers; approaching schools, high schools and universities to share the questionnaire among their students; approaching organisations specifically working with young people and underprivileged young people and visiting several events where scholars and students could fill in the questionnaire directly on an iPad. Furthermore, when approaching these primary targets, we also asked them to spread the link as much as possible among their own network, and to share it further.

## Data collection

The 'Euroregional Health Survey' was carried out online between September 2019 and January 2020. We developed an online tool for the questionnaire which could be opened on the website [www.healthsurvey.eu](http://www.healthsurvey.eu). Upon accessing the website, people could choose their region. This meant they received the questionnaire in their own language and with the right reply categories for level of education and work status. The questionnaire was fully anonymous and the GDPR rules were respected.

Potential biases of this study are :

- Sampling bias: some young people may not have internet access and would not have been able to complete the questionnaire. However, in order to overcome this first bias,

participants were offered the possibility of completing the questionnaire by using a digital tablet (with or without the help of a project partner).

- Social desirability bias: respondents may wish to give a better image of themselves regarding questions about their personal consumption. Although this may have been the case for participants who completed their questionnaire in the presence of a project partner, the fact that the questionnaire was online and anonymous may have helped overcome this bias.

## Analysis

The quality of the dataset was first checked using Excel software. The dataset was then analysed using the statistical program SPSS. First we cleaned up the dataset by filtering out the target group as living in specific regions of the EMR and West-Eifel, and according to year of birth, retaining only participants aged 12–26 years in the dataset. The data was then analysed using frequencies, custom tables and ONE-WAY ANOVA analysis.

The results are available at the level of the total project population and at a regional level. Regions are divided into: South-Limburg (NL), Province of Limburg (BE), the Province of Liège, including Ostbelgien (BE) and the German regions (Aachen, Heinsberg, Euskirchen, Bitburg-Prüm). Furthermore, analyses were presented per gender, age group, level of identification, working situation, living situation and vulnerable individuals. The age groups were divided into: 12–14, 14–16, 16–18, 18–20 and 20–26 years. UNESCO's International Standard Classification of Education (ISCED 2011) was used for determining the level of education, as low/medium/high, for the various countries.

- Lower secondary education: VMBO, TSO, BSO, BUSO, Hauptschule, Realschule, Technischer Unterricht, Beruflicher Unterricht, Technische Qualifikation, Secondaire technique (de transition ou de qualification).
- Higher secondary education: HAVO, VWO (atheneum/gymnasium), ASO, KSO, Gymnasium, Gesamtschule, Allgemeinbildener Unterricht, Secondaire general, Secondaire professionnel.
- Intermediate Education: MBO, Part-time education/Enseignement à temps partiel/en alternance, Berufsschule, Berufsausbildung, Integrativer Unterricht, Teilzeit.
- Higher Education: HBO, Bachelier, Fachhochschule, Technische Hochschule.
- University: Universiteit, Master (type long), Master universitaire, Universität.

Additionally, we looked into risk groups within the target group. These risk groups were defined by using (standardized) norms for drinking, cannabis use and risk of problematic gaming.

The alcohol risk group is defined as:

- a person younger than 16 year who sometimes drinks alcohol;
- a young person aged between 16 and 18 years old who has been drinking multiple glasses once a week or has drunk multiple days a week in the past month;
- a young person aged 18 years or older who is an excessive drinker (standardized norm of more than 21 (male) or 14 (female) glasses per week);
- a young person aged 18 years or older who is a heavy drinker (standardized norm of at least once a week 6 (male) or 4 (female) glasses or more on one day).

The cannabis risk group is defined as:

- a person younger than 18 years who has used cannabis at least once a week in the past month;
- a young person aged 18 years or older who used cannabis multiple times a week in the past month.

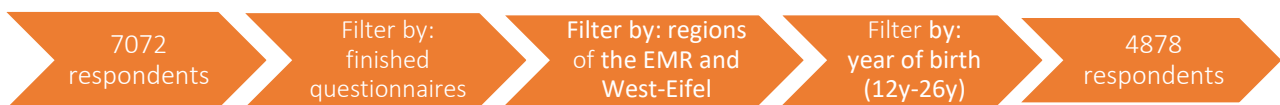
The gaming risk group is defined by a standardized set of questions which calculates a risk score for problematic gaming. These questions are:

- How often do you find it hard to quit gaming?
- How often do others (e.g. parents or friends) tell you that you should spend less time on gaming?
- How often would you rather be gaming than spending time in real life with others (e.g. friends or parents)?
- How often do you feel restless, stressed or irritated when you can't play?
- How often do you rush through your homework in order to start gaming?
- How often do you play because you feel bad?
- How often do you fall asleep due to gaming?

The ANOVA analysis gave insight into what the respondent does on average and what he/she thinks others do on average, i.e. what they feel is the 'social norm'? The answers to questions relating to the descriptive norm were compared with the answers to the questions relating to personal consumption in order to determine whether the descriptive social norm has indeed been overestimated or underestimated. Similarly, the answers to questions relating to the injunctive norm were compared with the answers to questions relating to personal approval, in order to determine whether the injunctive social norm has been overestimated or underestimated. A negative 'mean of difference' indicates overestimation. A positive 'mean of difference' indicates underestimation. The ONE-WAY ANOVA analysis determined which differences were significant (P value of 0.05 or lower). These statistical findings about overestimation or underestimation form the outline for further development of the SNA approach and campaign.

### 3. Results

In total 7072 youth questionnaires were completed on the website. First the dataset was cleaned up to retain only the results of the target group. Unfinished questionnaires were excluded. Furthermore, the dataset was specified further by filtering out the postal codes of the EMR regions South-Limburg (NL), Province of Limburg (BE), Province of Liège (BE), Ostbelgien (BE), Kreis Aachen (DE), Kreis Heinsberg (DE), Kreis Euskirchen (DE) and the West Eifel region: Eifelkreis Bitburg-Prüm (DE). Moreover, the data was specified further by filtering out the target group according to year of birth, retaining only respondents aged 12 to 26 years in the dataset. This led to a total of 4878 respondents.



The first results are about background variables of respondents to the Euroregional Health Survey. Furthermore, the results per theme (alcohol, cannabis and gaming) are shown.

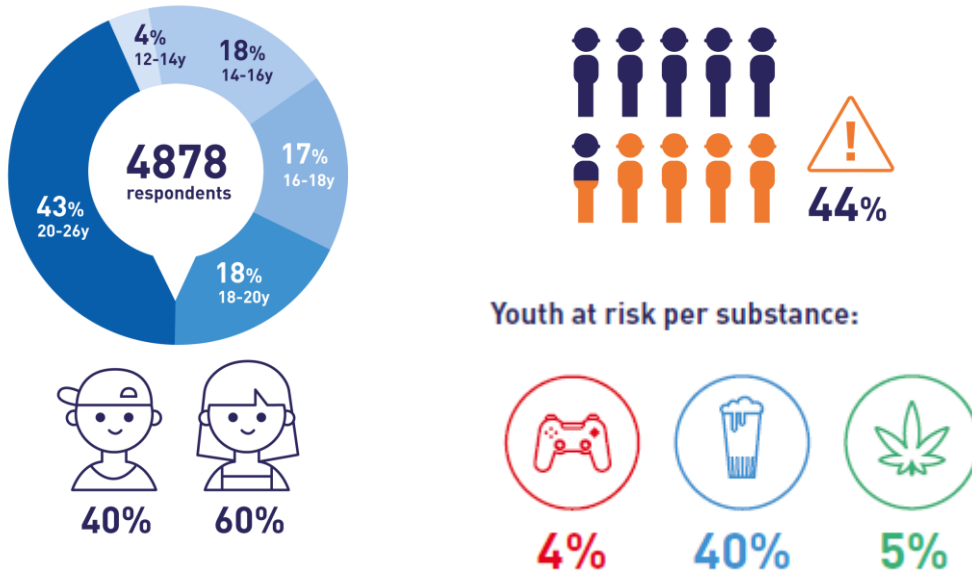
**Table 1: Background of the respondents (N = 4878).**

|                    |                                 |                   |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Region             | South-Limburg (NL)              | 6.2%              |
|                    | Province of Limburg (BE)        | 17.0%             |
|                    | Province of Liège (BE)          | 37.8%             |
|                    | Ostbelgien (BE)                 | 8.7%              |
|                    | Aachen (DE)                     | 1.6%              |
|                    | Euskirchen (DE)                 | 2.6%              |
|                    | Heinsberg (DE)                  | 23.3%             |
|                    | Bitburg-Prüm (DE)               | 2.7%              |
| Age group          | 12-14y                          | 3.7%              |
|                    | 14-16y                          | 17.5%             |
|                    | 16-18y                          | 17.4%             |
|                    | 18-20y                          | 18.0%             |
|                    | 20-26y                          | 43.3%             |
| Gender             | Male                            | 39.2%             |
|                    | Female                          | 58.7%             |
|                    | Other                           | 0.6%              |
|                    | Don't want to answer            | 1.5%              |
| Level of education | Lower secondary education       | 13.3%             |
|                    | Higher secondary education      | 33.1%             |
|                    | Intermediate Education          | 4.4%              |
|                    | Higher Education                | 22.8%             |
|                    | University                      | 16.6%             |
| Working situation  | Part-time                       | 1.0%              |
|                    | Fulltime                        | 5.4%              |
|                    | Unemployed/Job-seeking          | 0.7%              |
|                    | Incapacitated/Social assistance | 0.1%              |
|                    | Housewife/Househusband          | 0.1%              |
| Underprivileged    | Is underprivileged              | 0.8% <sup>1</sup> |
| Identification     | Identification score            | 4.1               |
| Riskgroup          | Total riskgroup                 | 44.0%             |
|                    | Alcohol riskgroup               | 40.0%             |
|                    | Cannabis riskgroup              | 5.0%              |
|                    | Gaming riskgroup                | 4.0%              |

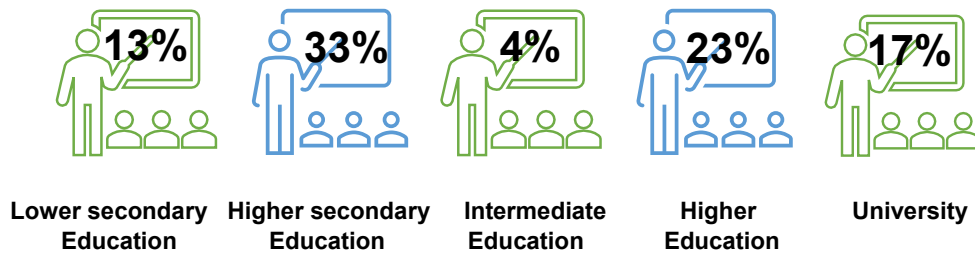
<sup>1</sup> Low percentage due to:

- The fact that the questionnaire was not feasible to measure it correctly
- Possible sample bias (not reached the underprivileged group with the survey)

Figure 1: Background of respondents to the EHS Young People (N=4878)



**92%** of young people attend school or is in education



**6%** of young people work; most work fulltime.

### Living

- Together with their parents: **82%**
- Together with their partner: **10%**
- Together with their peers: **6%**
- Together with their kids: **1%**
- Alone: **5%**

**4 out of 6**  
identification score

### 3.1 Backgrounds of respondents and regional differences

In several regions the number of respondents was higher than in others. Mostly this is due to the fact that these regions are larger. However, because we used not a predetermined sample but a snowball sampling method by spreading the survey randomly among the target group, it was sometimes hard to reach the desired sample size in a region. The partners put a lot of effort into reaching the target group in all regions. Overall there is good coverage for the whole project area.

Most participants live in the Province of Liège, followed by the German regions, the Province of Limburg and South-Limburg (see table 1). Most of the respondents were female, in the age group 20 to 26 years and in higher education/university. Most respondents live with their parents. 6% works and only 1% of participants are underprivileged. In this research, the latter is based on their working situation: unemployed, job-seeking, incapacitated or social assistance. In a separate report we will look further into underprivileged young people and how to reach them with the SNA method. When considering individuals between 12 and 26 years old, these are defined as underprivileged, according to the European Commission (2019a), when they live in precarious families, have disabilities or belong to a minority group (i.e. refugees, migrants, etc.). According to the European Commission, individuals in the last-mentioned categories experience barriers to accessing health care, education, housing and to accessing high-quality, affordable, early education and care, which inevitably impacts the health and well-being of children. Broadly speaking, 3 factors contribute to determining the underprivileged category, namely: life course, system and society (Marmot, Allen, Bell, Bloomer, & Goldblatt, 2012).

The average age of the participants was 19 years. There is an overall coverage of all age groups, except that the number of respondents in the group of 12-14 years is very low. In Liège, in particular, a large proportion of the participants were aged 20 years or older. In the Province of Liège and South-Limburg, the distribution between male and female was not equally divided. 1/3 were male and 2/3 female. In the Province of Limburg (BE) and the German regions, the spread is more or less fifty-fifty. As for level of education, more participants attend secondary education in the Province of Limburg and in the German regions, while in South-Limburg and the Province of Liège more participants follow higher education or study at a university. This is in accordance with the results we found in the various age groups. Only a small proportion of the participants works. In South-Limburg this share is twice as big as in the other regions.

On the matter of identification with their peers, the average identification score was 4. Two questions were used to measure the level of identification: asking to what extent the respondents identify with their peers and how strongly connected they feel to their peers, on a scale from 1 (not at all) to 6 (totally). The results show that this score is higher in South-Limburg and in the Province of Limburg, but lower in the German regions.



### 3.1.1. Risk groups

Risk groups were determined in order to establish how many young people could develop problematic behaviour in drinking alcohol, using cannabis or playing games.

Of the young people, 44% of the respondents are part of the total risk group (alcohol, cannabis and gaming). 40% of the participants are in the alcohol risk group. 5% of the participants are in the cannabis risk group. And 4% of the participants are in the gaming risk group.

Although SNA focusses on the general public, it is important to bear in mind that 44% of young people may be at risk of developing unhealthy behaviour in respect of alcohol use, cannabis use or problematic gaming.

See [Appendix 2](#) for all background statistics in the tables.

## 3.2 Alcohol

The statistics and tables for the results on alcohol use can be found in [Appendix 3](#).

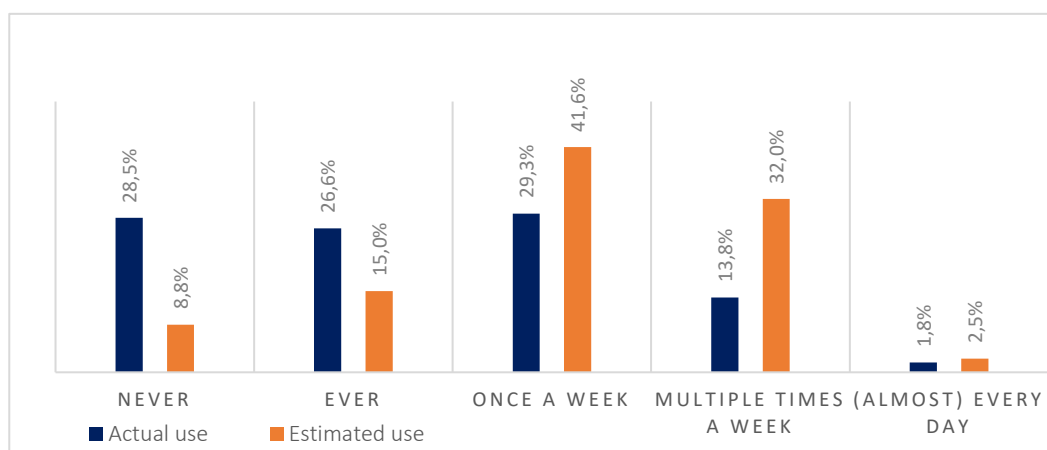
### 3.2.1. Alcohol use

Alcohol use was measured by asking the question: “Do you ever drink alcohol (beer, wine, cocktails, etc.)?”. The reply categories were: I never drink alcohol; Ever, but not in the last month; Once a week in the last month; Multiple times a week in the last month; (Almost) every day in the last month.

As can be seen from figure 2, more than half of the participants have never drunk alcohol in their life or sometimes drink alcohol but not in the last month. 29% drank once a week in the last month. In total about 16% drank multiple times a week (14%) or (almost) every day (2%) in the last month.

Half of the participants have never drunk alcohol or sometimes drink alcohol but not in the last month. This category is smaller in South-Limburg and the Provinces of Liège and Limburg, and in the German regions this category of non-drinkers is larger (see appendix 3 ). 29% drank once a week in the last month. This percentage is lower in the German regions (21%) and higher in South-Limburg (37%) and the Province of Liège (34%). In total about 16% drank multiple times a week (14%) or (almost) every day (2%) in the last month. This is highest in the Province of Liège (21%), followed by the Province of Limburg (12%) and South-Limburg and the German regions (both 10%).

**Figure 2: Frequency of actual and estimated alcohol use by peers (in the last month).**



By asking the question “How often do you think most of your peers drink alcohol?”, we established what they feel is the ‘social norm’. The reply categories were: Never; Ever, but not in the last month; Once a week in the last month; Multiple times a week in the last month; (Almost) every day in the last month.

24% of the participants estimate that their peers have never drunk alcohol in their life or has ever drink alcohol, but not in the last month (see figure 2). They estimated that 42% drank once a week in the last month. Moreover, that 35% drank multiple times a week or (almost) every day in the last month.

In general the use of alcohol by peers is overestimated compared to actual use. The ANOVA analysis showed that these differences between the regions, genders and levels of education are not significant. There are significant differences between the age groups. The youngest age group (12-14) overestimates less than the next age group (14-26). The age group 16-18 overestimates most (see table 2). The risk group overestimates to a greater extent than the non-risk group (see table 3).

**Table 2: Frequency of actual and estimated alcohol use by peers (in the last month), per age group.**

|         |               | Never | Ever  | Once a week | Multiple times a week | (Almost) every day |
|---------|---------------|-------|-------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Total   | Actual use    | 28.5% | 26.6% | 29.3%       | 13.8%                 | 1.8%               |
|         | Estimated use | 8.8%  | 15%   | 41.6%       | 32%                   | 2.5%               |
| 12y-14y | Actual use    | 93.4% | 6.0%  | 0.5%        | 0.0%                  | 0.0%               |
|         | Estimated use | 64.1% | 30.4% | 3.9%        | 1.7%                  | 0.0%               |
| 14y-16y | Actual use    | 70.3% | 21.9% | 4.8%        | 2.0%                  | 1.1%               |
|         | Estimated use | 30.1% | 42.9% | 18.8%       | 6.3%                  | 1.9%               |
| 16y-18y | Actual use    | 27.9% | 35.9% | 26.8%       | 8.2%                  | 1.2%               |
|         | Estimated use | 4.1%  | 20.0% | 50.4%       | 21.3%                 | 4.1%               |
| 18y-20y | Actual use    | 16.4% | 30.1% | 37.9%       | 13.9%                 | 1.7%               |
|         | Estimated use | 1.6%  | 7.0%  | 52.9%       | 35.6%                 | 3.0%               |
| 20y-26y | Actual use    | 11.3% | 25.1% | 39.1%       | 22.1%                 | 2.5%               |
|         | Estimated use | 0.3%  | 3.7%  | 45.9%       | 47.8%                 | 2.2%               |

**Table 3: Frequency of actual and estimated alcohol use by peers (in the last month), per alcohol risk group.**

|                    |               | Never | Ever  | Once a week | Multiple times a week | (Almost) every day |
|--------------------|---------------|-------|-------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Total              | Actual use    | 28.5% | 26.6% | 29.3%       | 13.8%                 | 1.8%               |
|                    | Estimated use | 8.8%  | 15%   | 41.6%       | 32%                   | 2.5%               |
| Risk group Alcohol | Actual use    | 0.0%  | 10.1% | 54.5%       | 31.3%                 | 4.1%               |
|                    | Estimated use | 1.3%  | 8.6%  | 48.8%       | 37.6%                 | 3.8%               |
| Non-risk group     | Actual use    | 47.8% | 37.8% | 12.2%       | 2.0%                  | 0.2%               |
|                    | Estimated use | 13.9% | 19.3% | 36.8%       | 28.3%                 | 1.7%               |

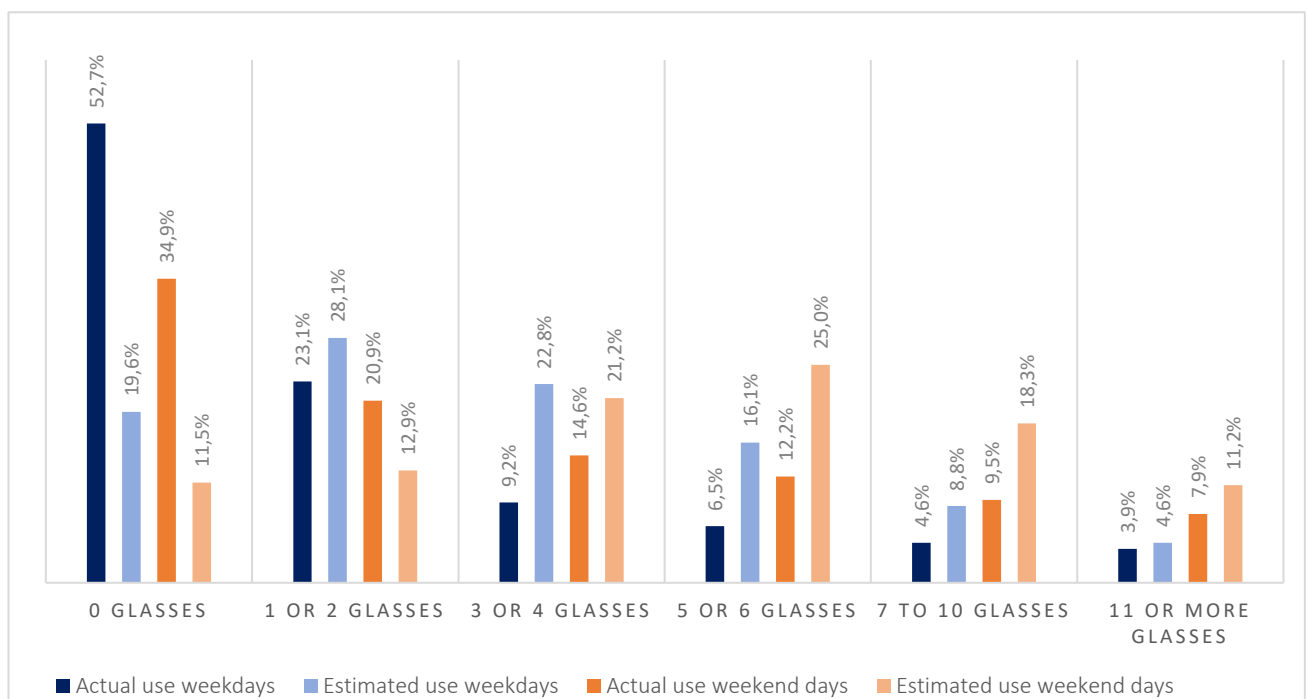
### 3.2.2. Glasses of alcohol on weekdays and weekend days

The number of drinks was measured by a matrix question: “How many drinks/glasses do you drink on average on a day that you drink alcohol?”. The question was divided into: weekdays (Monday–Thursday) and weekend days (Friday–Sunday). The reply categories per weekday and weekend day were: 0 glasses, 1 or 2 glasses, 3 or 4 glasses, 5 or 6 glasses, 7 to 10 glasses, 11 or more glasses.

As can be seen from figure 3, 53% drink zero glasses on weekdays (Monday–Thursday) and 23% drink 1 to 2 glasses on weekdays. 4% drink 11 or more glasses on weekdays. In the weekend (Friday–Sunday) 35% drink zero glasses and 21% drink 1 to 2 glasses (see figure 3 and table 5). A quarter of the young people drink 3 to 6 glasses and 8% drink more than 11 glasses.

This means that, on average, young people drink 5 glasses per week. More than half of the young people in Liège drink during weekdays. In Germany more young people do not drink (38%). However, on average, young people who do drink in Germany, drink more glasses.

**Figure 3: Frequency of actual and estimated glasses of alcohol consumed by peers on weekdays (blue) and weekend days (orange).**



By asking the question “How many drinks do you think most of your peers normally drink on a day that they drink alcohol?”, we established what they feel is the ‘social norm’? This question was divided into: weekdays (Monday–Thursday) and weekend days (Friday–Sunday). The reply categories were: 0 glasses, 1 or 2 glasses, 3 or 4 glasses, 5 or 6 glasses, 7 to 10 glasses, 11 or more glasses.

The participants estimated that 28% drink 1 to 2 glasses during weekdays and 13% during weekend days. They estimated a much higher number of drinks on weekend days.

In general, the number of drinks consumed on weekdays is overestimated. These differences are statistically significant between the regions. South-Limburg overestimates to a greater extent compared to all the other regions. Females overestimate to a greater extent compared to males. The older age groups (16-20) overestimate more compared to the younger age groups (12-16). Medium and higher education differ significantly from the other levels of education and overestimate the number of drinks to a greater extent. The non-risk group significantly overestimates more than the general risk group and the alcohol risk group.

In general, the number of drinks consumed on weekend days is overestimated. The differences are statistically significant between the regions. The Province of Liège and South-Limburg overestimate to a greater extent compared to the other regions. No significant differences between male and female has been found. The older age groups (16-20) overestimate more compared to the younger age groups (12-16). Higher education overestimates to a greater extent. The non-risk group significantly overestimates more than the general risk group and the alcohol risk group.

**Table 4: Frequency of actual and estimated glasses of alcohol consumed by peers on weekdays (in the last month), per age group.**

|         |               | 0 glasses | 1 or 2 glasses | 3 or 4 glasses | 5 or 6 glasses | 7 to 10 glasses | 11 or more glasses |
|---------|---------------|-----------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Total   | Actual use    | 52.7%     | 23.1%          | 9.2%           | 6.5%           | 4.6%            | 3.9%               |
|         | Estimated use | 19.6%     | 28.1%          | 22.8%          | 16.1%          | 8.8%            | 4.6%               |
| 12y-14y | Actual use    | 97.3%     | 2.7%           | 0.0%           | 0.0%           | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
|         | Estimated use | 82.4%     | 14.3%          | 1.6%           | 1.6%           | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
| 14y-16y | Actual use    | 84.7%     | 9.0%           | 1.8%           | 2.0%           | 0.7%            | 1.9%               |
|         | Estimated use | 51.2%     | 32.1%          | 8.7%           | 3.30%          | 1.8%            | 2.9%               |
| 16y-18y | Actual use    | 57.1%     | 16.0%          | 8.8%           | 6.5%           | 4.7%            | 6.9%               |
|         | Estimated use | 22.0%     | 21.4%          | 19.4%          | 18.3%          | 10.3%           | 8.6%               |
| 18y-20y | Actual use    | 47.3%     | 20.8%          | 11.6%          | 8.4%           | 6.2%            | 5.7%               |
|         | Estimated use | 10.8%     | 25.2%          | 26.2%          | 19.7%          | 11.3%           | 6.7%               |
| 20y-26y | Actual use    | 36.4%     | 34.4%          | 12.3%          | 8.0%           | 5.9%            | 3.1%               |
|         | Estimated use | 4.1%      | 31.5%          | 30.2%          | 20.2%          | 10.7%           | 3.3%               |

**Table 5: Frequency of actual and estimated glasses of alcohol consumed by peers on weekend days (in the last month), per age group.**

|         |               | 0 glasses | 1 or 2 glasses | 3 or 4 glasses | 5 or 6 glasses | 7 to 10 glasses | 11 or more glasses |
|---------|---------------|-----------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Total   | Actual use    | 34.9%     | 20.9%          | 14.6%          | 12.2%          | 9.5%            | 7.9%               |
|         | Estimated use | 11.5%     | 12.9%          | 21.2%          | 25.0%          | 18.3%           | 11.2%              |
| 12y-14y | Actual use    | 97.2%     | 2.0%           | 0.0%           | 0.0%           | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
|         | Estimated use | 73.6%     | 20.9%          | 2.7%           | 1.6%           | 0.5%            | 0.5%               |
| 14y-16y | Actual use    | 80.3%     | 10.2%          | 2.8%           | 2.5%           | 1.9%            | 2.3%               |
|         | Estimated use | 39.1%     | 32.5%          | 13.3%          | 6.8%           | 3.6%            | 4.6%               |
| 16y-18y | Actual use    | 34.9%     | 17.8%          | 14.0%          | 12.8%          | 9.8%            | 10.7%              |
|         | Estimated use | 6.8%      | 14.4%          | 21.4%          | 24.6%          | 17.2%           | 15.6%              |
| 18y-20y | Actual use    | 22.5%     | 18.6%          | 16.0%          | 16.6%          | 14.1%           | 12.9%              |
|         | Estimated use | 2.5%      | 6.2%           | 19.8%          | 28.5%          | 25.8%           | 17.2%              |
| 20y-26y | Actual use    | 16.3%     | 29.0%          | 20.4%          | 15.0%          | 22.9%           | 7.7%               |
|         | Estimated use | 0.6%      | 6.4%           | 26.5%          | 33.0%          | 23.0%           | 10.5%              |

**Table 6: Frequency of actual and estimated glasses of alcohol consumed on weekdays (in the last month), per risk group.**

|                    |               | 0 glasses | 1 or 2 glasses | 3 or 4 glasses | 5 or 6 glasses | 7 to 10 glasses | 11 or more glasses |
|--------------------|---------------|-----------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Total              | Actual use    | 52.7%     | 23.1%          | 9.2%           | 6.5%           | 4.6%            | 3.9%               |
|                    | Estimated use | 19.6%     | 28.1%          | 22.8%          | 16.1%          | 8.8%            | 4.6%               |
| Alcohol risk group | Actual use    | 26.6%     | 29.7%          | 13.8%          | 12.4%          | 9.1%            | 8.5%               |
|                    | Estimated use | 10.5%     | 28.2%          | 23.2%          | 18.6%          | 12.3%           | 7.1%               |
| Non-risk group     | Actual use    | 70.3%     | 18.7%          | 6.2%           | 2.5%           | 1.5%            | 0.8%               |
|                    | Estimated use | 25.7%     | 28.0%          | 22.5%          | 14.5%          | 6.4%            | 3.0%               |

**Table 7: Frequency of actual and estimated glasses of alcohol consumed on weekend days (in the last month), per risk group.**

|                    |               | 0 glasses | 1 or 2 glasses | 3 or 4 glasses | 5 or 6 glasses | 7 to 10 glasses | 11 or more glasses |
|--------------------|---------------|-----------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Total              | Actual use    | 34.9%     | 20.9%          | 14.6%          | 12.2%          | 9.5%            | 7.9%               |
|                    | Estimated use | 11.5%     | 12.9%          | 21.2%          | 25.0%          | 18.3%           | 11.2%              |
| Alcohol risk group | Actual use    | 7.1%      | 16.5%          | 18.4%          | 21.3%          | 19.3%           | 17.4%              |
|                    | Estimated use | 3.0%      | 9.6%           | 19.4%          | 27.7%          | 24.6%           | 15.7%              |
| Non-Risk group     | Actual use    | 53.7%     | 23.8%          | 12.1%          | 6.0%           | 2.8%            | 1.5%               |
|                    | Estimated use | 17.2%     | 15.1%          | 22.4%          | 23.1%          | 14.0%           | 8.2%               |

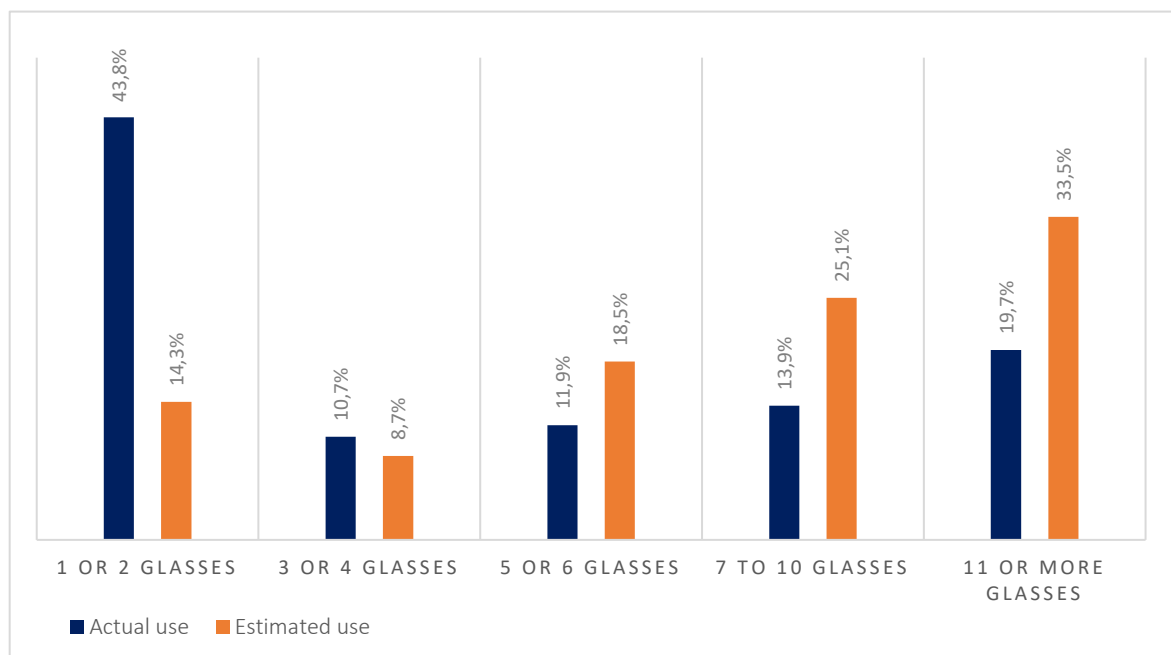
### 3.2.3. Most drinks on a single occasion

The most drinks on a single occasion was measured by asking the question: “What is the largest number of alcoholic drinks you have drunk on a single occasion in the last month?”. The reply categories were: 1 or 2 glasses, 3 or 4 glasses, 5 or 6 glasses, 7 to 10 glasses, 11 or more glasses.

As can be seen in figure 4 and table 8, 44% drank 1 or 2 glasses on a single occasion and 2 out of 5 respondents drank 11 glasses or more on a single occasion. In Liège the largest number of people (23%) drink 11 or more glasses, followed by German regions (19%), Province of Limburg (15%) and South-Limburg (13%).

By asking the question “What is the largest number of alcoholic drinks that most of your peers have drunk on one occasion in the last month?”, we established what they feel is the ‘social norm’. The reply categories were: 1 or 2 glasses, 3 or 4 glasses, 5 or 6 glasses, 7 to 10 glasses, 11 or more glasses.

**Figure 4: Frequency and estimated frequency with which peers consume the largest number of drinks on a single occasion in the last month.**



On average, the respondents overestimate the frequency with which their peers consume most drinks on a single occasion compared to themselves. The differences between the regions and gender are not significant. However, statistical differences were found between the age groups. The older age groups (16-20) overestimate more than the younger ones (12-16). Medium education overestimates to a greater extent, compared to the other levels of education. The general risk group and the alcohol risk group both significantly differ from the non-risk group, with the non-risk group overestimating significantly more.

**Table 8: Frequency and estimated frequency with which peers consume the largest number of drinks on a single occasion in the last month, per age group.**

|         |               | 1 or 2<br>glasses | 3 or 4<br>glasses | 5 or 6<br>glasses | 7 to 10<br>glasses | 11 or more<br>glasses |
|---------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Total   | Actual use    | 43.8%             | 10.7%             | 11.9%             | 13.9%              | 19.7%                 |
|         | Estimated use | 14.3%             | 8.7%              | 18.5%             | 25.1%              | 33.5%                 |
| 12y-14y | Actual use    | 97.8%             | 0.5%              | 1.6%              | 0.0%               | 0.0%                  |
|         | Estimated use | 82.7%             | 9.6%              | 3.2%              | 1.3%               | 3.2%                  |
| 14y-16y | Actual use    | 86.4%             | 4.3%              | 2.8%              | 1.7%               | 4.9%                  |
|         | Estimated use | 51.1%             | 16.7%             | 12.4%             | 6.9%               | 12.8%                 |
| 16y-18y | Actual use    | 44.0%             | 10.8%             | 11.1%             | 13.5%              | 20.7%                 |
|         | Estimated use | 9.8%              | 9.6%              | 18.0%             | 22.8%              | 39.7%                 |
| 18y-20y | Actual use    | 30.3%             | 11.3%             | 15.3%             | 16.9%              | 26.1%                 |
|         | Estimated use | 2.6%              | 6.1%              | 19.5%             | 28.6%              | 43.2%                 |
| 20y-26y | Actual use    | 27.7%             | 13.9%             | 15.2%             | 18.9%              | 24.2%                 |
|         | Estimated use | 1.6%              | 6.2%              | 21.6%             | 33.3%              | 37.2%                 |

**Table 9: Frequency and estimated frequency with which peers consume the largest number of drinks on a single occasion in the last month, by risk group.**

|                       |               | 1 or 2<br>glasses | 3 or 4 glasses | 5 or 6<br>glasses | 7 to 10<br>glasses | 11 or more<br>glasses |
|-----------------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Total                 | Actual use    | 43.8%             | 10.7%          | 11.9%             | 13.9%              | 19.7%                 |
|                       | Estimated use | 14.3%             | 8.7%           | 18.5%             | 25.1%              | 33.5%                 |
| Alcohol<br>risk group | Actual use    | 7.20%             | 3.70%          | 17.90%            | 28.20%             | 42.90%                |
|                       | Estimated use | 4.4%              | 4.7%           | 15.2%             | 29.4%              | 46.3%                 |
| Non-risk<br>group     | Actual use    | 68.5%             | 15.4%          | 7.8%              | 4.2%               | 4.0%                  |
|                       | Estimated use | 21.1%             | 11.4%          | 20.7%             | 22.1%              | 24.7%                 |



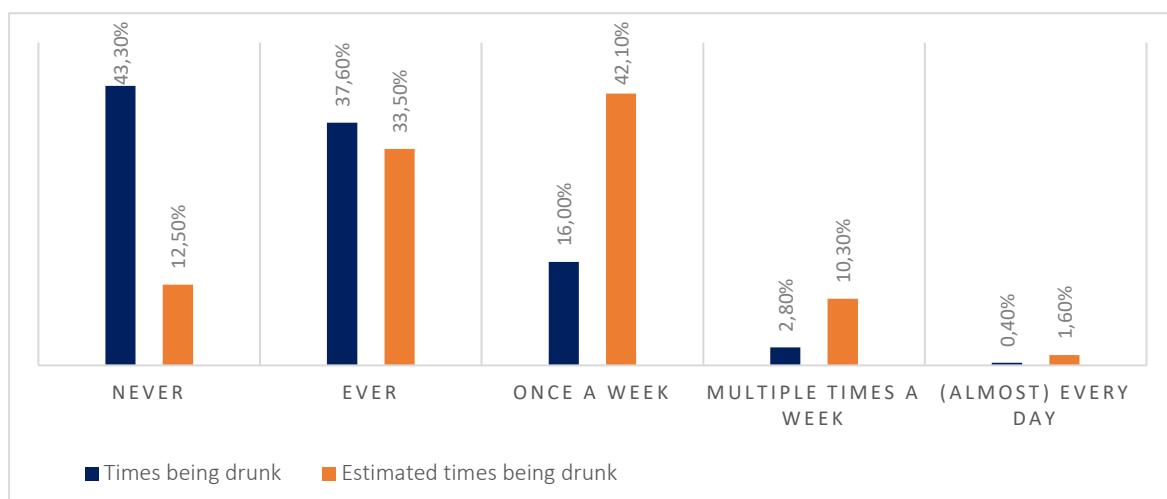
### 3.2.4. Being drunk

Being drunk was measured by asking the question: “Have you ever been drunk?”. The reply categories were: Never; Ever, but not in the last month; Once a week in the last month; Multiple times a week in the last month; (Almost) every day in the last month.

As can be seen from figure 5, 80% of the respondents have never been drunk in their life or have been drunk in the past, but not in the last month. 1 in 6 has been drunk weekly in the last month.

By asking the question “How often do you think most of your peers have been drunk?”, we established what they feel is the ‘social norm’. The reply categories were: Never; Ever, but not in the last month; Once a week in the last month; Multiple times a week in the last month; (Almost) every day in the last month.

**Figure 5: Frequency and estimated frequency of peers being drunk in the last month.**



On average, the respondents overestimate the number of times their peers are drunk. German regions overestimate to a greater extent. Females overestimate to a greater extent compared to males. The age groups 16-20 years overestimate in a greater extent compared to the other age groups (see table 10). Lower and higher secondary education significantly differ from the other levels of education. The general risk group and the alcohol risk group significantly differ from the non-risk group. The non-risk group overestimates more (see table 11).

**Table 10: Frequency and estimated frequency of peers being drunk in the last month, per age group.**

|         |                             | Never | Ever  | Once a week | Multiple times a week | (Almost) every day |
|---------|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Total   | Times being drunk           | 43.3% | 37.6% | 16.0%       | 2.8%                  | 0.4%               |
|         | Estimated times being drunk | 12.5% | 33.5% | 42.1%       | 10.3%                 | 1.6%               |
| 12y-14y | Times being drunk           | 98.8% | 1.1%  | 0.0%        | 0.0%                  | 0.0%               |
|         | Estimated times being drunk | 79.6% | 17.1% | 2.8%        | 0.6%                  | 0.0%               |
| 14y-16y | Times being drunk           | 87.5% | 8.7%  | 2.5%        | 0.7%                  | 0.7%               |
|         | Estimated times being drunk | 43.9% | 40.6% | 9.8%        | 3.8%                  | 2.0%               |
| 16y-18y | Times being drunk           | 51.1% | 34.6% | 11.1%       | 2.5%                  | 0.8%               |
|         | Estimated times being drunk | 7.9%  | 43.3% | 35.0%       | 10.1%                 | 3.7%               |
| 18y-20y | Times being drunk           | 35.8% | 39.5% | 21.3%       | 3.1%                  | 0.2%               |
|         | Estimated times being drunk | 1.7%  | 31.2% | 53.0%       | 12.4%                 | 1.7%               |
| 20y-26y | Times being drunk           | 20.5% | 52.8% | 22.5%       | 3.9%                  | 0.2%               |
|         | Estimated times being drunk | 0.4%  | 29.2% | 56.7%       | 13.0%                 | 0.7%               |

**Table 11: Frequency and estimated frequency of peers being drunk in the last month, per risk group.**

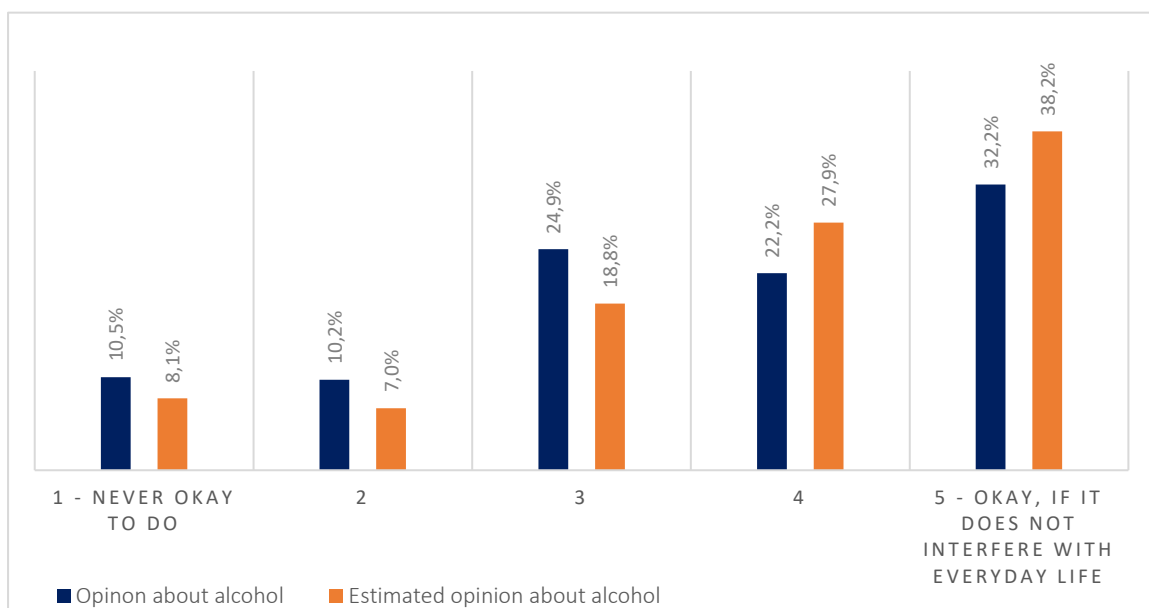
|                    |                             | Never | Ever  | Once a week | Multiple times a week | (Almost) every day |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Total              | Times being drunk           | 43.3% | 37.6% | 16.0%       | 2.8%                  | 0.4%               |
|                    | Estimated times being drunk | 12.5% | 33.5% | 42.1%       | 10.3%                 | 1.6%               |
| Alcohol risk group | Times being drunk           | 12.5% | 42.4% | 37.5%       | 6.7%                  | 1.0%               |
|                    | Estimated times being drunk | 4.0%  | 29.8% | 51.1%       | 12.6%                 | 2.4%               |
| Non-risk group     | Times being drunk           | 64.1% | 34.3% | 1.4%        | 0.2%                  | 0.0%               |
|                    | Estimated times being drunk | 18.2% | 36.1% | 35.9%       | 8.8%                  | 1.0%               |

### 3.2.5. Opinion about alcohol use

The respondents' opinion about alcohol use is based on the question "What do you think about drinking alcohol?". On a scale of 1 to 5, people were asked what they think about alcohol. 1 means it is never okay to drink alcohol and 5 means it is okay to do so as long as it does not interfere with everyday life. The average score was 3.6. Only 10% think it is never okay to drink alcohol (see figure 6 and table 12).

To determine what the respondents think their peers think about alcohol, we asked the question: "What do you think most of your peers think about the use of alcohol?". This was also a scale question, using a scale of 1 to 5. 1 means it is never okay to drink alcohol and 5 means it is okay to do so as long as it does not interfere with everyday life. The average score was 3.8. 8% think their peers feel it is never okay to drink alcohol.

**Figure 6: Frequency of opinion and estimated opinion of peers about alcohol use.**



On average, the opinion of peers about alcohol use is overestimated. These differences are significant for the Province of Limburg compared to the Province of Liège and the German regions. The Province of Limburg overestimates less. Females overestimate to a greater extent. The age groups 12-14 and 14-16 differ significantly from the other age groups. Higher secondary education differs statistically from other forms of higher education. Risk groups significantly differ from non-risk groups in that they underestimate.

**Table 12: Frequency of opinion and estimated opinion of peers about alcohol use, per risk group.**

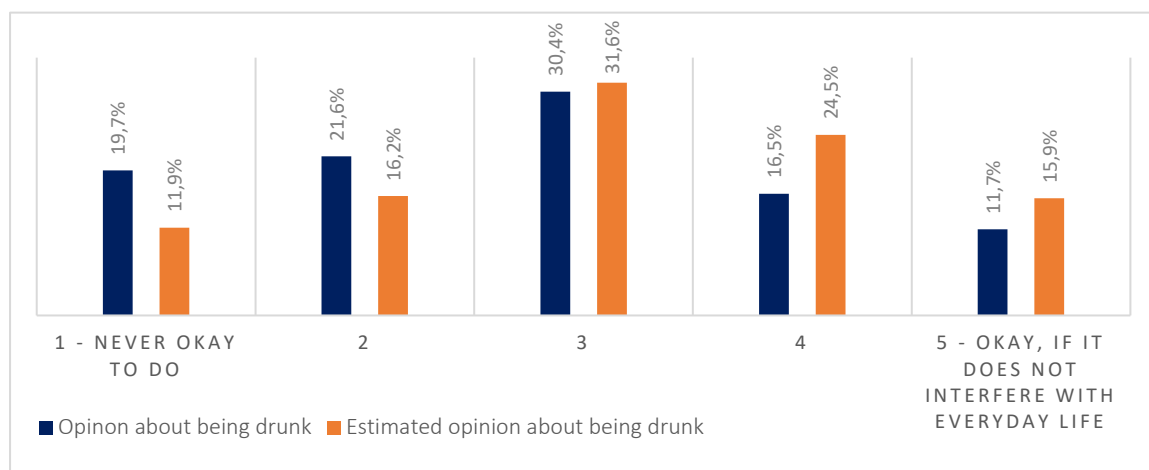
|                    |                                 | 1     | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Total              | Opinion about alcohol           | 10.5% | 10.2% | 24.9% | 22.2% | 32.2% |
|                    | Estimated opinion about alcohol | 8.1%  | 7.0%  | 18.8% | 27.9% | 38.2% |
| Alcohol risk group | Opinion about alcohol           | 1.4%  | 3.4%  | 20.1% | 27.8% | 47.2% |
|                    | Estimated opinion about alcohol | 2.3%  | 3.7%  | 19.0% | 33.7% | 41.4% |
| Non-risk group     | Opinion about alcohol           | 16.7% | 14.8% | 28.1% | 18.3% | 22.1% |
|                    | Estimated opinion about alcohol | 12.0% | 9.2%  | 18.7% | 24.0% | 36.1% |

### 3.2.6. Opinion about being drunk

The opinion about being drunk is based on the question “What do you think about people who are drunk?”. On a scale of 1 to 5, people were asked what they think about being drunk. 1 means it is never okay to be drunk and 5 means it is okay to do so as long as it does not interfere with everyday life. The average score was 2.8. 20% think it is never okay to be drunk (see figure 7 and table 13).

To determine what the respondents think their peers think about being drunk, we asked the question: “What do you think most of your peers think about people who are drunk?”. This was also a scale question, using a scale of 1 to 5. 1 means it is never okay to be drunk and 5 means it is okay to do so as long as it does not interfere with everyday life. The average score was 3.2. 12% think their peers feel it is never okay to be drunk.

**Figure 7: Frequency of opinion and estimated opinion of peers about being drunk.**



In general, the respondents overestimate their peers’ opinion about being drunk. These differences are not significant between regions and gender. The age groups 12-14 and 14-16 differ significantly from the other age groups. Higher secondary education differs statistically from other forms of higher education. Significant differences were found between the risk groups: the alcohol risk group underestimates.

**Table 13: Frequency of opinion and estimated opinion of peers about alcohol use, per risk group.**

|                    |                                     | 1     | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Total              | Opinion about being drunk           | 19.7% | 21.6% | 30.4% | 16.5% | 11.7% |
|                    | Estimated opinion about being drunk | 11.9% | 16.2% | 31.6% | 24.5% | 15.9% |
| Alcohol risk group | Opinion about being drunk           | 5.0%  | 12.9% | 35.6% | 26.9% | 19.5% |
|                    | Estimated opinion about being drunk | 4.6%  | 14.1% | 35.4% | 27.5% | 18.4% |
| Non-risk group     | Opinion about being drunk           | 29.7% | 27.4% | 26.9% | 9.6%  | 6.4%  |
|                    | Estimated opinion about being drunk | 16.8% | 17.6% | 29.0% | 22.5% | 14.1% |

### 3.3 Cannabis

The statistics and tables for the presented results on cannabis use can be found in [Appendix 4](#).

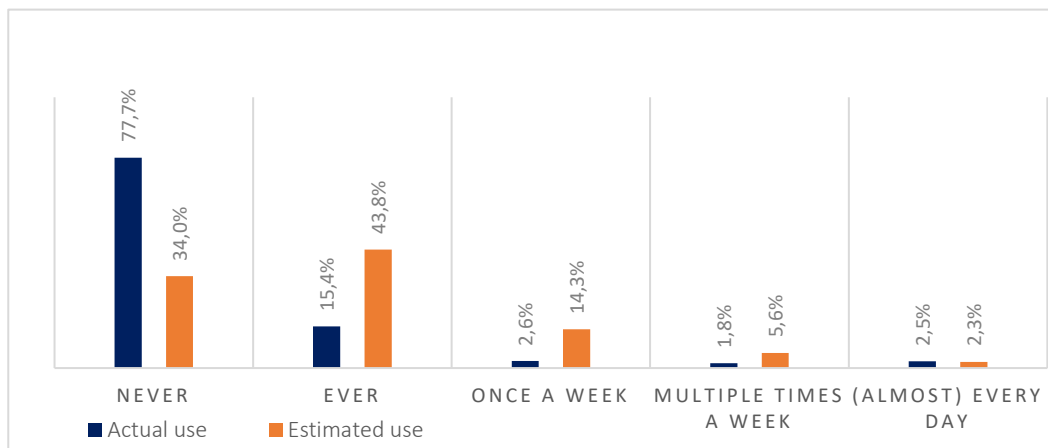
#### 3.3.1. Cannabis use

Cannabis use was measured by asking the question: “Do you ever use cannabis (marijuana, weed, hash, spliff, etc.)?”. The reply categories were: Never; Ever, but not in the last month; Once a week in the last month; Multiple times a week in the last month; (Almost) every day in the last month.

Almost 8 out of 10 have never used cannabis. Only 6.9% have used it in the last month and 2.5% use it on a daily basis. South Limburg smokes the least cannabis and the German regions smoke the most cannabis. The 20–25-year-olds smoke most and nearly 4% smoke on a daily basis. Males smoke more cannabis than females.

By asking the question “How often do you think most of your peers use cannabis?”, we established what they feel the ‘social norm’ is? The reply categories were: Never; Ever, but not in the last month; Once a week in the last month; Multiple times a week in the last month; (Almost) every day in the last month.

**Figure 8: Frequency of actual and estimated use of cannabis by peers in the last month.**



On average, the respondents overestimate the use of cannabis by their peers. In South-Limburg and the Province of Liège, they overestimate to a greater extent compared to the Province of Limburg and the German regions. Females overestimate to a greater extent compared to males. There were significant differences between all age groups, except the 18-20 and 20-26 age groups. Lower secondary education differs significantly from the other levels of education, except for intermediary education. Higher secondary education significantly differs from the other levels of education. The cannabis risk group differs significantly from the non-risk group in that they underestimate use.

**Table 14: Frequency of actual and estimated use of cannabis by peers in the last month, per region.**

|                          |               | Never | Ever  | Once a week | Multiple times a week | (Almost) every day |
|--------------------------|---------------|-------|-------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Total                    | Actual use    | 77.7% | 15.4% | 2.6%        | 1.8%                  | 2.5%               |
|                          | Estimated use | 34.0% | 43.8% | 14.3%       | 5.6%                  | 2.3%               |
| South-Limburg (NL)       | Actual use    | 75.3% | 19.1% | 2.6%        | 1.0%                  | 2.0%               |
|                          | Estimated use | 28.3% | 47.4% | 15.1%       | 7.6%                  | 1.6%               |
| Province of Limburg (BE) | Actual use    | 81.3% | 12.6% | 2.3%        | 1.9%                  | 1.8%               |
|                          | Estimated use | 44.0% | 39.9% | 10.0%       | 4.6%                  | 1.6%               |
| Province of Liège (BE)   | Actual use    | 77.3% | 15.7% | 2.9%        | 1.8%                  | 2.3%               |
|                          | Estimated use | 23.2% | 52.2% | 18.5%       | 5.0%                  | 1.1%               |
| German regions (DE)      | Actual use    | 76.5% | 15.7% | 2.4%        | 1.8%                  | 3.5%               |
|                          | Estimated use | 46.2% | 32.4% | 10.1%       | 6.5%                  | 4.8%               |

**Table 15: Frequency of actual and estimated use of cannabis by peers in the last month, per risk group.**

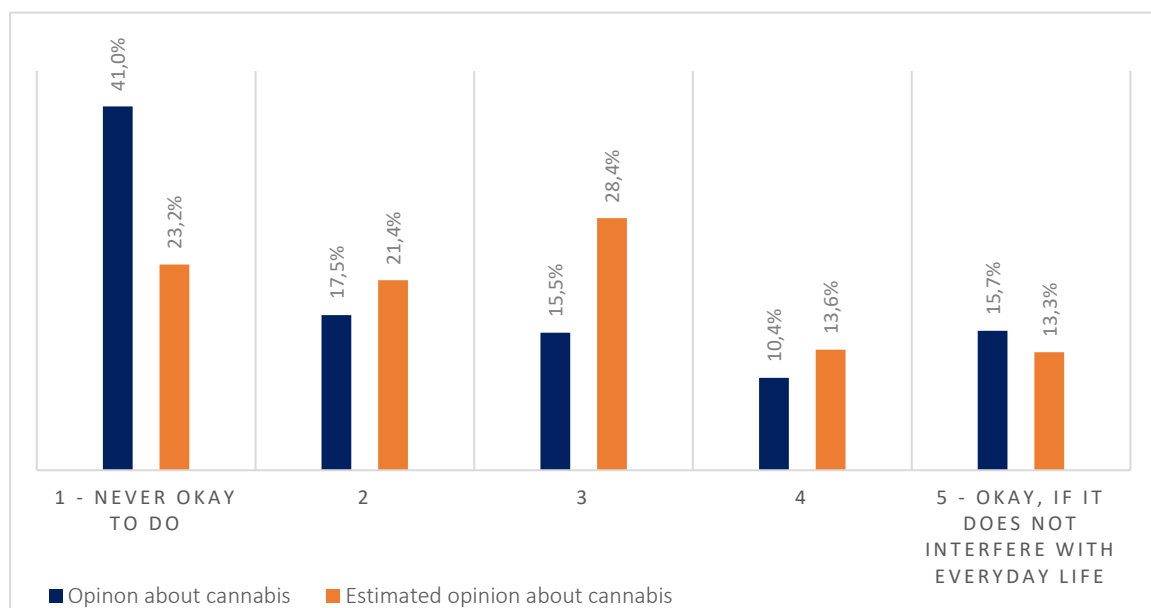
|                     |               | Never | Ever  | Once a week | Multiple times a week | (Almost) every day |
|---------------------|---------------|-------|-------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Total               | Actual use    | 77.7% | 15.4% | 2.6%        | 1.8%                  | 2.5%               |
|                     | Estimated use | 34.0% | 43.8% | 14.3%       | 5.6%                  | 2.3%               |
| Cannabis risk group | Actual use    | 0.0%  | 0.0%  | 12.8%       | 33.7%                 | 53.5%              |
|                     | Estimated use | 5.9%  | 27.0% | 18.1%       | 21.9%                 | 27.0%              |
| Non-risk group      | Actual use    | 80.7% | 16.3% | 2.4%        | 0.1%                  | 0.4%               |
|                     | Estimated use | 34.1% | 45.5% | 14.3%       | 4.8%                  | 1.2%               |

### 3.3.2. Opinion about cannabis use

The opinion about cannabis use is based on the question “What do you think about the use of cannabis?”. On a scale of 1 to 5, people were asked what they think about using cannabis. 1 means it is never okay to do and 5 means it is okay as long as it does not interfere with everyday life. The average score was 2.4. 40% think it is never okay to use cannabis (see figure 9 and table 16).

To determine what the respondents think their peers feel about using cannabis, we asked the question: “What do you think most of your peers think about using cannabis?”. This was also a scale question, with a scale of 1 to 5. 1 means it is never okay to use cannabis and 5 means it is okay as long as it does not interfere with everyday life. The average score was 2.7. 23% think their peers feel it is never okay to use cannabis.

**Figure 9: Frequency of opinion and estimated opinion of peers about cannabis use.**



In general, the use of cannabis is overestimated. These differences are significant for the Province of Limburg compared to the other regions which overestimate less. There was no significant difference between genders. There were significant differences in the 12-14 age group compared to the 18-26 age group, and in the 14-16 age group compared to the 18-20 age group. Higher secondary education differs significantly from other forms of education. There were significant differences within the risk group. The cannabis risk group underestimates.



**Table 16: Frequency of opinion about cannabis use and estimated opinion of peers about cannabis use, by age group.**

|         |                                  | 1     | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     |
|---------|----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Total   | Opinion about cannabis           | 41.0% | 17.5% | 15.5% | 10.4% | 15.7% |
|         | Estimated opinion about cannabis | 23.2% | 21.4% | 28.4% | 13.6% | 13.3% |
| 12y-14y | Opinion about cannabis           | 85.6% | 5.0%  | 4.4%  | 1.7%  | 3.3%  |
|         | Estimated opinion about cannabis | 75.3% | 15.4% | 4.9%  | 2.2%  | 2.2%  |
| 14y-16y | Opinion about cannabis           | 71.8% | 11.6% | 5.6%  | 4.0%  | 6.9%  |
|         | Estimated opinion about cannabis | 55.0% | 21.7% | 13.1% | 4.6%  | 5.5%  |
| 16y-18y | Opinion about cannabis           | 47.5% | 15.9% | 11.4% | 8.7%  | 16.5% |
|         | Estimated opinion about cannabis | 27.5% | 24.1% | 25.4% | 10.2% | 12.9% |
| 18y-20y | Opinion about cannabis           | 36.8% | 17.7% | 18.5% | 10.5% | 16.6% |
|         | Estimated opinion about cannabis | 15.1% | 23.5% | 32.1% | 14.2% | 15.1% |
| 20y-26y | Opinion about cannabis           | 23.9% | 21.4% | 20.9% | 14.3% | 19.5% |
|         | Estimated opinion about cannabis | 7.7%  | 20.0% | 36.3% | 19.3% | 16.8% |

**Table 17: Frequency of opinion about cannabis use and estimated opinion of peers about cannabis use, by risk group.**

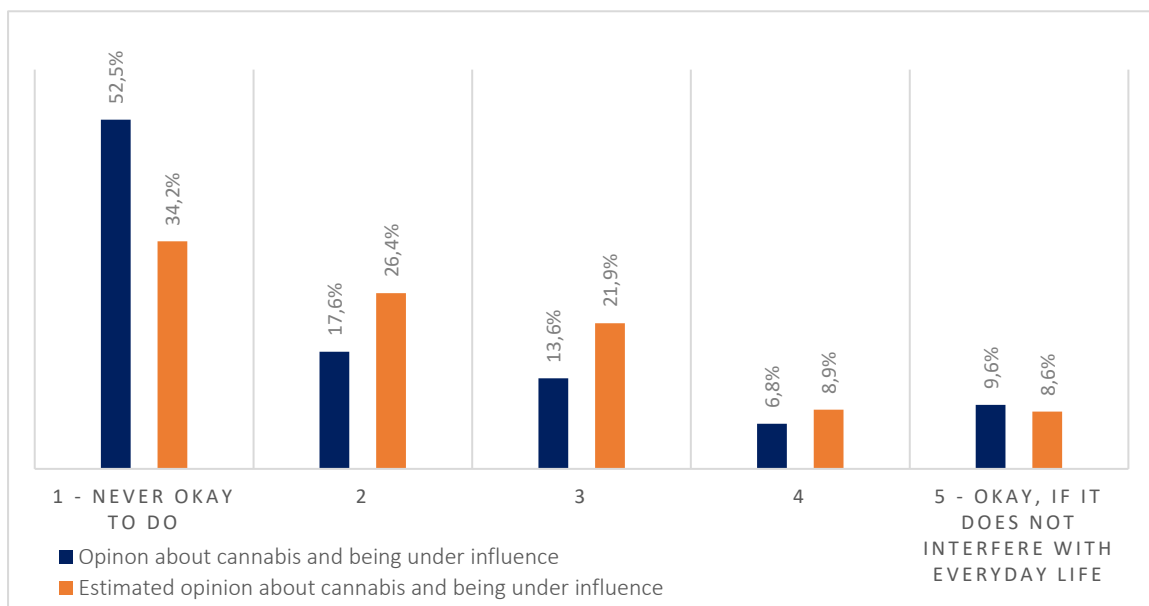
|                     |                                  | 1     | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Total               | Opinion about cannabis           | 41.0% | 17.5% | 15.5% | 10.4% | 15.7% |
|                     | Estimated opinion about cannabis | 23.2% | 21.4% | 28.4% | 13.6% | 13.3% |
| Cannabis risk group | Opinion about cannabis           | 0.4%  | 0.0%  | 7.2%  | 18.2% | 74.2% |
|                     | Estimated opinion about cannabis | 6.0%  | 10.2% | 26.8% | 17.0% | 40.0% |
| Non-risk group      | Opinion about cannabis           | 43.0% | 18.3% | 16.0% | 10.0% | 12.7% |
|                     | Estimated opinion about cannabis | 24.1% | 22.0% | 28.5% | 13.4% | 12.0% |

### 3.3.3. Opinion about cannabis use and being under the influence

The opinion about cannabis use and being under the influence is based on the question “What do you think about people who use so much cannabis to be (heavily) under the influence?”. On a scale of 1 to 5, the respondents were asked what they think about cannabis use and being under the influence. 1 means it is never okay, and 5 means it is okay, if that is what they want. The average score was 2. More than half think it is never okay (see figure 10 and table 18).

To determine what the respondents think their peers feel about being under the influence of cannabis, we asked the question: “What do you think most of your peers think of people who use so much cannabis to be (heavily) under the influence?”. This was also a scale question, on a scale of 1 to 5. 1 means it is never okay, and 5 means it is okay, if it does not interfere with everyday life. The average score was 2. 34% think that their peers feel it is never okay.

**Figure 10: Frequency of opinion about cannabis use and being under the influence and estimated opinion of peers about cannabis use and being under the influence.**



In general, the opinion about using cannabis is overestimated. These differences are significant for the Province of Limburg compared to the Province of Liège and the German regions which overestimate less. Females overestimate to a greater extent compared to males. The 12-14 age group differs significantly from the 18-26 age group. The 16-18 age group differs significantly from the 20-26 age group. Higher secondary education differs significantly from other forms of higher education. The cannabis risk group underestimates.

**Table 18: Frequency of opinion about cannabis use and being under the influence and estimated opinion of peers about use and being under the influence, by age group.**

|         |                                  | 1      | 2      | 3      | 4      | 5      |
|---------|----------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Total   | Opinion about cannabis           | 52.5%  | 17.6%  | 13.6%  | 6.8%   | 9.6%   |
|         | Estimated opinion about cannabis | 34.2%  | 26.4%  | 21.9%  | 8.9%   | 8.6%   |
| 12y-14y | Opinion about cannabis           | 88.40% | 4.40%  | 3.30%  | 2.20%  | 1.70%  |
|         | Estimated opinion about cannabis | 59.10% | 26.00% | 11.60% | 2.80%  | 0.60%  |
| 14y-16y | Opinion about cannabis           | 73.50% | 10.70% | 7.50%  | 3.20%  | 5.20%  |
|         | Estimated opinion about cannabis | 33.00% | 24.60% | 22.30% | 12.50% | 7.70%  |
| 16y-18y | Opinion about cannabis           | 51.10% | 15.50% | 11.30% | 7.90%  | 14.20% |
|         | Estimated opinion about cannabis | 8.00%  | 16.30% | 31.10% | 25.60% | 18.90% |
| 18y-20y | Opinion about cannabis           | 50.70% | 17.00% | 13.90% | 6.60%  | 11.80% |
|         | Estimated opinion about cannabis | 5.80%  | 10.60% | 36.60% | 27.90% | 19.10% |
| 20y-26y | Opinion about cannabis           | 42.20% | 22.50% | 17.70% | 8.30%  | 9.30%  |
|         | Estimated opinion about cannabis | 3.40%  | 14.30% | 35.10% | 29.30% | 17.90% |

**Table 19: Frequency of opinion about cannabis use and being under the influence and estimated opinion of peers about use and being under the influence, by risk group.**

|                     |                                  | 1     | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Total               | Opinion about cannabis           | 52.5% | 17.6% | 13.6% | 6.8%  | 9.6%  |
|                     | Estimated opinion about cannabis | 34.2% | 26.4% | 21.9% | 8.9%  | 8.6%  |
| Cannabis risk group | Opinion about cannabis           | 0.8%  | 6.8%  | 16.1% | 21.6% | 54.7% |
|                     | Estimated opinion about cannabis | 11.1% | 16.2% | 23.1% | 17.1% | 32.5% |
| Non- risk group     | Opinion about cannabis           | 55.1% | 18.1% | 13.4% | 6.1%  | 7.3%  |
|                     | Estimated opinion about cannabis | 35.3% | 26.9% | 21.9% | 8.5%  | 7.4%  |

### 3.4 Gaming

The statistics for the presented results on gaming can be found in [Appendix 5](#).

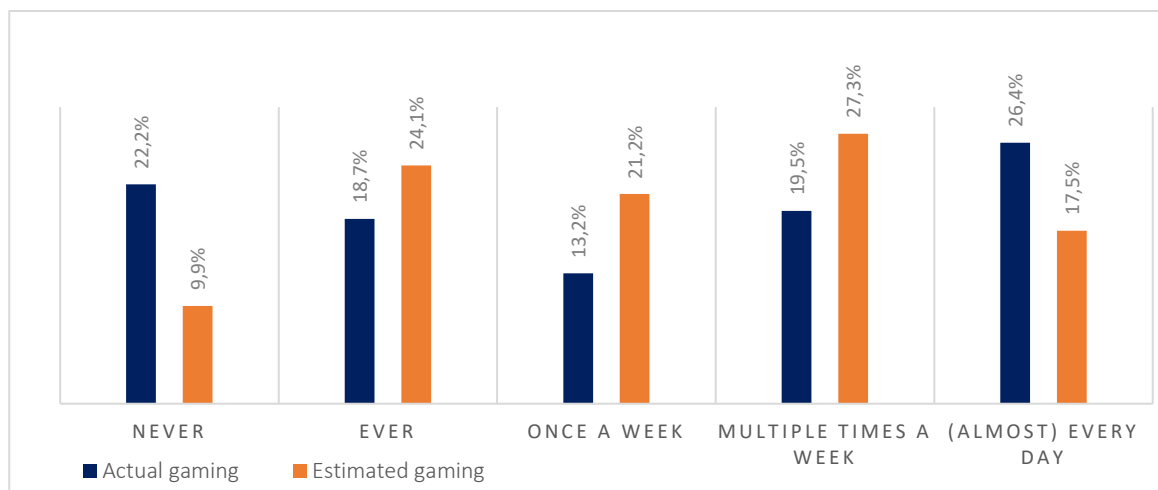
#### 3.4.1. Gaming

Gaming was measured by asking the question: “How often do you play games?”. By games, we mean all games that can be played on a smartphone, tablet, laptop, PC, Mac or game computer (such as Playstation, Xbox, Nintendo); both online and offline. The reply categories were: Never; Ever, but not in the last month; Once a week in the last month; Multiple times a week in the last month; (Almost) every day in the last month.

Almost half of the participants played games multiple times a week or (almost) every day in the last month. Only 22.2% have never gamed. The number of young people playing games is highest in the German regions and lowest in Liège. Males and the youngest young people play games more often.

By asking the question “How many times do you think most of your peers play games?”, we established what they feel is the ‘social norm’. The reply categories were: Never; Ever, but not in the last month; Once a week in the last month; Multiple times a week in the last month; (Almost) every day in the last month.

**Figure 11: Frequency of gaming and estimated gaming of peers.**



In general, the respondents overestimate gaming, except for the German regions. These differences were significant for the German regions compared to the Province of Liège and the Province of Limburg. Females overestimate to a greater extent compared to males. The 20-26 age group differs significantly from the 14-18 age group. Higher secondary education statistically differs from other forms of higher education and university. Intermediate education statistically

differs from university. The Gaming risk group differs significantly from the non-risk group who underestimate to a greater extent.

**Table 20: Frequency of gaming and estimated gaming by peers in the last month, by age group.**

|         |                  | Never | Ever  | Once a week | Multiple times a week | (Almost) every day |
|---------|------------------|-------|-------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Total   | Actual gaming    | 22.2% | 18.7% | 13.2%       | 19.5%                 | 26.4%              |
|         | Estimated gaming | 9.9%  | 24.1% | 21.2%       | 27.3%                 | 17.5%              |
| 12y-14y | Actual gaming    | 9.3%  | 9.9%  | 11.5%       | 23.1%                 | 46.2%              |
|         | Estimated gaming | 4.9%  | 9.9%  | 14.3%       | 30.8%                 | 40.1%              |
| 14y-16y | Actual gaming    | 6.8%  | 16.4% | 13.5%       | 26.1%                 | 37.2%              |
|         | Estimated gaming | 8.1%  | 14.1% | 14.8%       | 28.0%                 | 35.1%              |
| 16y-18y | Actual gaming    | 16.7% | 20.9% | 13.9%       | 19.6%                 | 28.8%              |
|         | Estimated gaming | 14.2% | 20.4% | 15.3%       | 27.5%                 | 22.6%              |
| 18y-20y | Actual gaming    | 23.3% | 19.0% | 14.5%       | 18.4%                 | 24.9%              |
|         | Estimated gaming | 9.8%  | 27.1% | 22.3%       | 26.7%                 | 14.1%              |
| 20y-26y | Actual gaming    | 31.3% | 19.3% | 12.5%       | 16.9%                 | 20.1%              |
|         | Estimated gaming | 9.3%  | 29.6% | 26.2%       | 27.0%                 | 7.8%               |

**Table 21: Frequency of gaming and estimated gaming by peers in the last month, by risk group.**

|                   |                  | Never | Ever  | Once a week | Multiple times a week | (Almost) every day |
|-------------------|------------------|-------|-------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Total             | Actual gaming    | 22.2% | 18.7% | 13.2%       | 19.5%                 | 26.4%              |
|                   | Estimated gaming | 9.9%  | 24.1% | 21.2%       | 27.3%                 | 17.5%              |
| Gaming risk group | Actual gaming    | 0.0%  | 4.2%  | 2.6%        | 11.6%                 | 81.5%              |
|                   | Estimated gaming | 4.8%  | 5.8%  | 12.2%       | 28.6%                 | 48.7%              |
| Non-risk group    | Actual gaming    | 23.1% | 19.3% | 13.7%       | 19.8%                 | 24.2%              |
|                   | Estimated gaming | 10.1% | 24.8% | 21.5%       | 27.3%                 | 16.2%              |

### 3.4.2. Amount of gaming on weekdays and weekend days

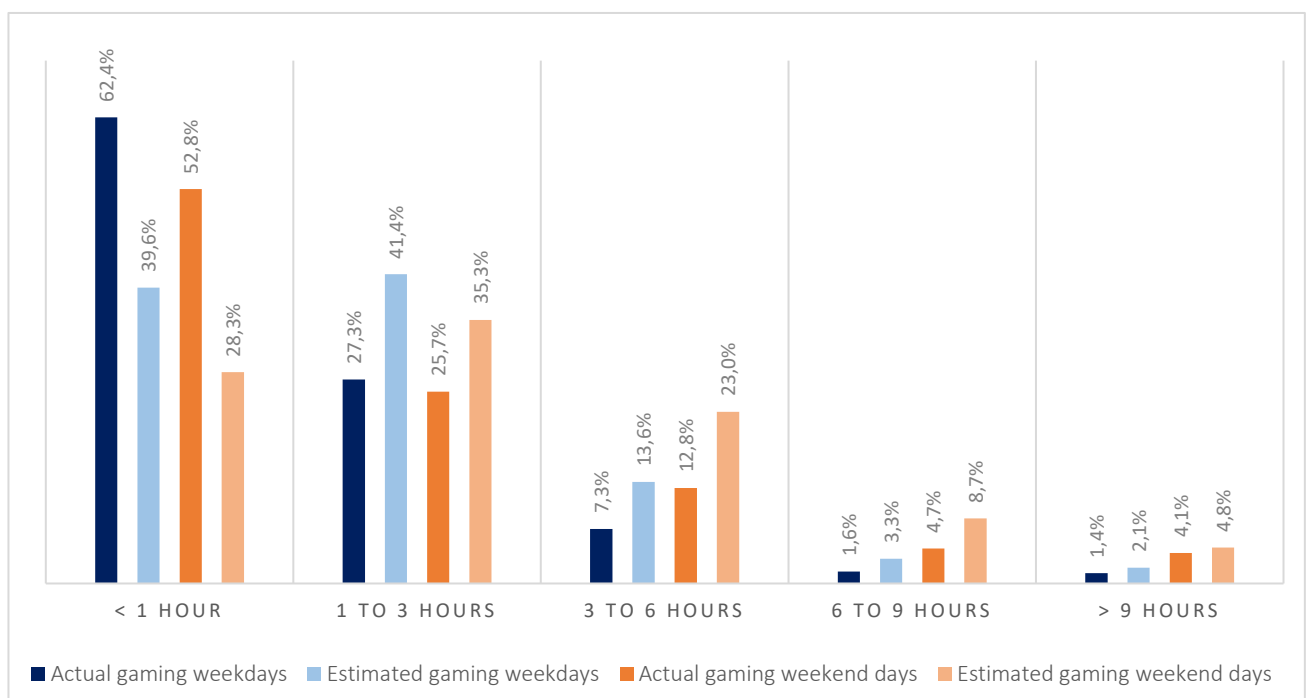
The amount of gaming was measured by means of a matrix question: “How long do you play games, per day?”. The question was divided into: weekdays (Monday–Thursday) and weekend days (Friday–Sunday). The reply categories per weekday and weekend day were: less than 1 hour, 1 to 3 hours a day, 3 to 6 hours a day, 6 to 9 hours a day and more than 9 hours a day.

62% of the young people do not play games or play less than 1 hour. Most young people play games 1 to 3 hours a day. 3% play games more than 6 hours a day during the week. 9% play games more than 6 hours a day during the weekend. In the German regions they play games the longest per day. Males play games for longer than females.

By asking the question “How many hours a day do you think most of your peers play games?”, we established what they feel is the ‘social norm’. This question was also divided into: weekdays (Monday–Thursday) and weekend days (Friday–Sunday). The reply categories were: less than 1 hour, 1 to 3 hours a day, 3 to 6 hours a day, 6 to 9 hours a day and more than 9 hours a day.

The participants estimated that 40% play games less than 1 hour during weekdays and 28% play games less than 1 hour during weekend days. They estimated the amount of gaming much higher on weekend days.

**Figure 12: Frequency of gaming and estimated hours spent gaming by peers on weekdays (blue) and weekend days (orange) in the last month.**



In general, the respondents overestimate the hours spent gaming during the week. The differences between the regions are significant. German regions overestimate to a greater

extent, compared to all the other regions. Males overestimate to a greater extent compared to females. The age groups differ significantly. The youngest age (12-16) group overestimate in a greater extent. Higher education differs significantly from lower and higher secondary education. University differs significantly from lower and higher secondary and intermediate education. The risk group differs significantly from the non-risk group in underestimating the amount of gaming.

In general, the respondents overestimate the hours spent gaming during the weekend. There are significant differences found between the regions. The Province of Limburg overestimates to a greater extent. Males overestimate to a greater extent compared to females. Furthermore, no significant differences were found between the age group, level of education and the general risk group. The risk group gaming significantly differs from the non-risk group in the sense that they underestimate.

**Table 22: Frequency of hours spent gaming and estimated hours spent gaming by peers on weekdays in the last month, by age group.**

|         |                  | < 1 hour | 1 to 3 hours | 3 to 6 hours | 6 to 9 hours | >9 hours |
|---------|------------------|----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------|
| Total   | Actual gaming    | 62.4%    | 27.3%        | 7.3%         | 1.6%         | 1.4%     |
|         | Estimated gaming | 39.6%    | 41.4%        | 13.6%        | 3.3%         | 2.1%     |
| 12y-14y | Actual gaming    | 45.6%    | 40.1%        | 9.9%         | 2.7%         | 1.6%     |
|         | Estimated gaming | 22.5%    | 48.4%        | 14.8%        | 9.9%         | 4.4%     |
| 14y-16y | Actual gaming    | 45.2%    | 36.1%        | 13.7%        | 2.8%         | 2.1%     |
|         | Estimated gaming | 25.1%    | 39.9%        | 25.5%        | 6.1%         | 3.3%     |
| 16y-18y | Actual gaming    | 55.2%    | 30.3%        | 9.1%         | 2.1%         | 3.3%     |
|         | Estimated gaming | 35.6%    | 37.3%        | 17.0%        | 5.4%         | 4.7%     |
| 18y-20y | Actual gaming    | 65.8%    | 25.3%        | 6.3%         | 1.7%         | 0.9%     |
|         | Estimated gaming | 40.0%    | 44.1%        | 11.4%        | 2.8%         | 1.8%     |
| 20y-26y | Actual gaming    | 72.3%    | 22.3%        | 4.2%         | 0.7%         | 0.6%     |
|         | Estimated gaming | 48.4%    | 41.9%        | 8.3%         | 0.9%         | 0.6%     |

**Table 23: Frequency of hours spent gaming and estimated hours spent gaming by peers on weekend days in the last month, by age group.**

|         |                  | < 1 hour | 1 to 3 hours | 3 to 6 hours | 6 to 9 hours | >9 hours |
|---------|------------------|----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------|
| Total   | Actual gaming    | 52,8%    | 25.7%        | 12.8%        | 4.7%         | 4.1%     |
|         | Estimated gaming | 28.3%    | 35.3%        | 23.0%        | 8.7%         | 4.8%     |
| 12y-14y | Actual gaming    | 29.8%    | 38.7%        | 19.9%        | 6.1%         | 5.5%     |
|         | Estimated gaming | 14.3%    | 33.0%        | 33.0%        | 9.3%         | 10.4%    |
| 14y-16y | Actual gaming    | 35.6%    | 30.4%        | 20.2%        | 7.2%         | 6.6%     |
|         | Estimated gaming | 19.5%    | 27.1%        | 30.5%        | 14.5%        | 8.4%     |
| 16y-18y | Actual gaming    | 46.9%    | 22.7%        | 16.1%        | 6.1%         | 8.3%     |
|         | Estimated gaming | 29.2%    | 26.7%        | 21.8%        | 13.1%        | 9.2%     |
| 18y-20y | Actual gaming    | 53.3%    | 26.5%        | 11.9%        | 4.7%         | 3.7%     |
|         | Estimated gaming | 27.1%    | 37.0%        | 24.4%        | 7.0%         | 4.5%     |
| 20y-26y | Actual gaming    | 63.8%    | 23.5%        | 8.3%         | 2.9%         | 1.4%     |
|         | Estimated gaming | 33.1%    | 41.5%        | 19.0%        | 5.1%         | 1.2%     |

**Table 24: Frequency of hours spent gaming and estimated hours spent gaming by peers on weekdays in the last month, by risk group.**

|                   |                  | < 1 hour | 1 to 3 hours | 3 to 6 hours | 6 to 9 hours | >9 hours |
|-------------------|------------------|----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------|
| Total             | Actual gaming    | 62.4%    | 27.3%        | 7.3%         | 1.6%         | 1.4%     |
|                   | Estimated gaming | 39.6%    | 41.4%        | 13.6%        | 3.3%         | 2.1%     |
| Gaming risk group | Actual gaming    | 8.5%     | 33.3%        | 28.6%        | 12.7%        | 16.9%    |
|                   | Estimated gaming | 13.8%    | 31.2%        | 29.1%        | 12.2%        | 13.8%    |
| Non-risk group    | Actual gaming    | 64.6%    | 27.1%        | 6.4%         | 1.1%         | 0.8%     |
|                   | Estimated gaming | 40.6%    | 41.8%        | 13.0%        | 2.9%         | 1.7%     |

**Table 25: Frequency of hours spent gaming and estimated hours spent gaming by peers on weekend days in the last month, by risk group.**

|                   |                  | < 1 hour | 1 to 3 hours | 3 to 6 hours | 6 to 9 hours | >9 hours |
|-------------------|------------------|----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------|
| Total             | Actual gaming    | 52,8%    | 25.7%        | 12.8%        | 4.7%         | 4.1%     |
|                   | Estimated gaming | 28.3%    | 35.3%        | 23.0%        | 8.7%         | 4.8%     |
| Gaming risk group | Actual gaming    | 3.7%     | 18.5%        | 21.2%        | 18.5%        | 38.1%    |
|                   | Estimated gaming | 6.3%     | 22.2%        | 24.3%        | 22.8%        | 13.8%    |
| Non-risk group    | Actual gaming    | 54.8%    | 26.0%        | 12.5%        | 4.1%         | 2.7%     |
|                   | Estimated gaming | 29.2%    | 35.8%        | 22.9%        | 8.1%         | 1.7%     |

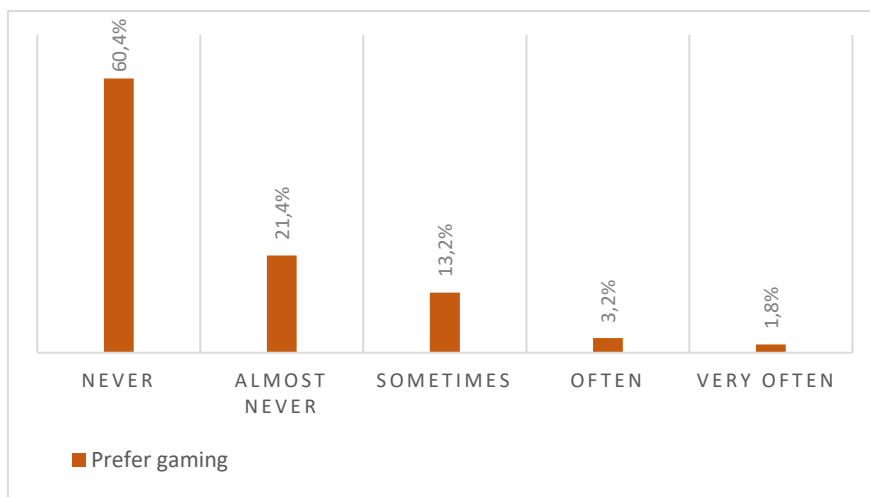


### 3.4.3. Prefer gaming to social time

Preference for gaming above social time was measured by asking the question: “How often would you rather play games than spend time in real life with others (e.g. friends or parents)?”. The reply categories were: Never; Almost never; Sometimes; Often; Very often.

The majority of the participants stop gaming and prefer spending social time in real life. Only 5% prefer gaming often or very often to spending time in real life with others.

**Figure 13: Frequency of preferring gaming above time spent in real life with others.**

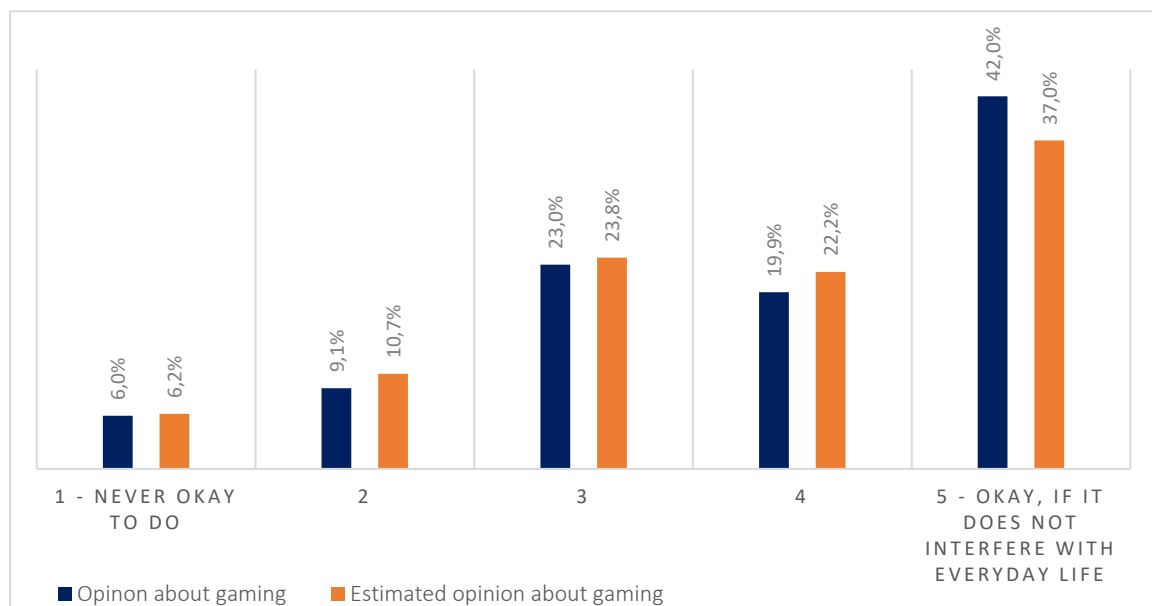


### 3.4.4. Opinion about gaming

The opinion about gaming is based on the question “What do you think of gaming?”. On a scale of 1 to 5, the respondents were asked what they think about gaming. 1 means it is never okay to play games and 5 means it is okay to do so as long as it does not interfere with everyday life. The average score was 3.8. Only 6% think it is never okay to play games (score of 1) and 42% think it is okay, if it does not interfere with everyday life (score of 5).

To determine what the respondents think that others feel about gaming, we asked the question: “What do you think most of your peers think about gaming?”. This was also a scale question, on a scale of 1 to 5. 1 means it is never okay to play games and 5 means it is okay, as long as it does not interfere with everyday life. The average score was 3.7. 37% think peers find it okay to play games if it does not interfere with everyday life.

**Figure 14: Frequency of opinion about gaming use and estimated opinion of peers about gaming.**



On average, peers’ opinions on gaming are underestimated. These differences are not significant between the regions and age groups. Females underestimate to a greater extent. Significant differences were found between lower secondary education and higher education. The gaming risk group differs significantly from the non-risk group which underestimates to a greater extent.

**Table 26: Frequency of opinion about gaming and estimated opinion of peers about gaming, by risk group.**

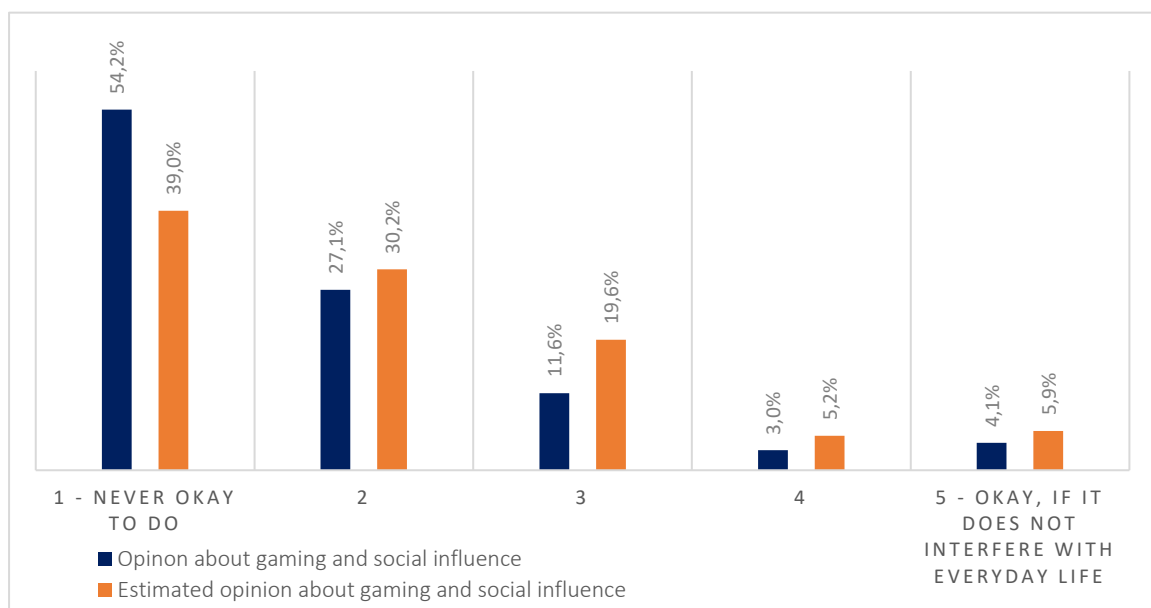
|                   |                                | 1    | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Total             | Opinion about gaming           | 6.0% | 9.1%  | 23.0% | 19.9% | 42.0% |
|                   | Estimated opinion about gaming | 6.2% | 10.7% | 23.8% | 22.2% | 37.0% |
| Gaming risk group | Opinion about gaming           | 3.7% | 2.1%  | 7.9%  | 13.2% | 73.0% |
|                   | Estimated opinion about gaming | 5.8% | 4.8%  | 13.2% | 21.7% | 54.5% |
| Non-risk group    | Opinion about gaming           | 6.1% | 9.4%  | 23.6% | 20.2% | 40.7% |
|                   | Estimated opinion about gaming | 6.2% | 11.0% | 24.2% | 22.3% | 36.3% |

### 3.4.5. Opinion about gaming and social influence

The opinion about gaming and its social influence was measured by asking the question: “What do you think of people who play so many games that their daily activities and social contacts suffer as a result?”. On a scale of 1 to 5, people were asked what they think about this. 1 means it is never okay and 5 means it is okay, if that is what they want. The average score was 1.8. Only 4% think it is okay to do (score 5).

To determine what the respondents think that others feel about gaming and its social influence, we asked the question: "What do you think most of your peers think of people who play so many games that their daily activities and social contacts suffer as a result?". This was also a scale question, on a scale of 1 to 5. 1 means it is never okay and 5 means it is okay, if that is what people want. The average score was 2.1. 39% think peers feel it is never okay.

**Figure 15: Frequency of opinion about gaming and social influence, and estimated opinion of peers about gaming and social influence.**



In general, the respondents overestimate peers’ opinion of gaming and its social influence. However, there are no significant differences between the regions, the age groups or level of education. Females overestimate to a greater extent. There are significant differences in the risk group which underestimates to a greater extent.

**Table 27: Frequency of opinion about gaming and its social influence and estimated opinion of peers about gaming and its social influence, by risk group.**

|                   |                                | 1     | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Total             | Opinion about gaming           | 54.2% | 27.1% | 11.6% | 3.0%  | 4.1%  |
|                   | Estimated opinion about gaming | 39.0% | 30.2% | 19.6% | 5.2%  | 5.9%  |
| Gaming risk group | Opinion about gaming           | 12.2% | 24.3% | 28.0% | 12.7% | 22.8% |
|                   | Estimated opinion about gaming | 17.5% | 27.0% | 25.4% | 9.0%  | 21.2% |
| Non-risk group    | Opinion about gaming           | 56.0% | 27.2% | 10.9% | 2.6%  | 3.3%  |
|                   | Estimated opinion about gaming | 39.9% | 30.4% | 19.4% | 5.1%  | 5.3%  |

## 4 Social Norms Approach

Based on the results of the Euroregional Health Survey (EHS), we will develop several social norm messages for euPrevent SNA. These general messages for young people will be disseminated by means of an intervention campaign in the EMR. Furthermore, we will conduct training for professionals to help them use the SNA method and the general SNA messages – as well as region-specific messages – in their work.

### 4.1 General SNA Messages

Based on the results on overestimation and/or underestimation, messages that can be used for the population of young people are the following. An overestimation was found for the general consumption of alcohol. We choose to make a distinction between the younger age groups and those older than 18 years. However, policy differs in the three countries involved. Within the Netherlands, for instance, you are not allowed to drink alcohol under the age of 18. An overestimation was found for the use of cannabis and gaming was also overestimated. However, we also feel that a strong message lies in the fact that the majority of respondents prefer spending time with friends or family rather than gaming.

The general SNA messages for the target group young people (12 – 26 years) are:

- **Alcohol 16 – 18 years:**  
Do you know that the majority of people your age (63.8%) have never drunk alcohol or at least not in the last month!
- **Alcohol 18 – 20 years:**  
Do you know the majority of people your age (84.4%) only drink once a week or less.
- **Cannabis:**  
Do you know that the majority of people your age (77.7%) do not smoke cannabis.
- **Gaming:**  
Most people your age stop gaming if they have better/other things to do. Keep track of the time you spend on gaming.

## Appendix 1: Youth Questionnaire, EHS Young people

### Welcome to the Euroregional Health Survey – Young People (12–26 years)

This survey was designed to gain insight into the lifestyle and experience of young people. It is about dealing with alcohol, cannabis and gaming, and the accompanying attitudes.

The aim of this research is to improve the quality of life of the inhabitants of the Meuse-Rhine Euroregion (EMR).

Completion of this questionnaire is voluntary. The survey is confidential and anonymous. This means that no name can be linked to your answers. No one will find out what you have filled in.

Important information when completing the questionnaire:

- There are no right or wrong answers. What matters is your opinion and your experiences.
- We ask you to answer as many questions as possible; read through the questions calmly and answer them as best you can.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your valuable contribution. Good luck!

First of all, we will ask you some questions about your personal background and living conditions.

|   |
|---|
| <b>1. Where do you live?</b>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> België – Provincie Limburg<br><input type="checkbox"/> Belgique – Province de Liège<br><input type="checkbox"/> Belgien – Ostbelgien<br><input type="checkbox"/> Nederland – Zuid-Limburg<br><input type="checkbox"/> Deutschland – Nordrhein Westfalen (NRW)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Deutschland – West-Eifel |

|   |
|---|
| <b>2. What are the 4 digits of your postal code?</b>                                |
| <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> |

|   |
|---|
| <b>3. What is your year of birth?</b>   |
| <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> |

|   |
|---|
| <b>4. Are you a ... ?</b>   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boy/Man [use the term male peers in follow-up questions]<br><input type="checkbox"/> Girl/Woman [use the term female peers in follow-up questions]<br><input type="checkbox"/> Otherwise [use the term peers in follow-up questions].<br><input type="checkbox"/> I do not want to answer this question [use the term peers in follow-up questions]. |

|   |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>5. Please indicate to what extent you agree with the following statements.</b> |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |
|   | <b>Not at all</b>        |                          |                          |                          | <b>Totally agree</b>     |                          |
| I identify myself with my [male/female] peers                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I feel a strong bond with my [male/female] peers                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**6. Do you go to school/follow education?**

- Yes, I go to school/follow education [go to question 7a]
- No, I am not in education [go to question 7b].

**7a. What kind of education do you follow?**

- Lower secondary education
- Higher secondary education
- Intermediate Education
- Higher Education
- University
- Otherwise
- I do not wish to answer this question

**7b. Which situation applies to you?**

- I work part-time
- I work full time
- I am unemployed/looking for work
- I am incapacitated for work/receive social assistance benefit
- I am a housewife/househusband
- Otherwise
- I do not wish to answer this question

**8. Who do you currently live with?**

*Multiple answer options are possible*

- I live with my parent(s)
- I live alone
- I live together with (several) peers/students
- I live with my partner
- I live with my child(ren)
- Otherwise
- I do not wish to answer this question

We will now ask you some questions about your use of alcohol and cannabis and about gaming. Also about things that might have happened when you drank alcohol, used cannabis or were gaming. Please remember that all this information is anonymous and will be treated confidentially.

**9. How much money do you spend each month on ... ?**

*Tick one box on each line.*

|                 | €0                       | €1 – €25.00              | €26.00 – €50.00          | €51.00 – €75.00          | €76.00 – €100            | More than €100           | I do not wish to answer this question |
|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>Alcohol</b>  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>              |
| <b>Cannabis</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>              |
| <b>Games</b>    | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>              |

*By games, we mean all games you play on a smartphone, tablet, laptop, PC, Mac or game computer (such as Playstation, Xbox, Nintendo); both online and offline.*



**10. Do you drink alcohol (beer, wine, cocktails, etc.)?**

I do not drink alcohol [continue to question 15].

Ever, but not in the last month

Once a week in the last month

Multiple times a week in the last month

(Almost) every day in the last month

**11. How many drinks do you drink on average on a day that you drink alcohol?**  
*Tick one box on each line.*

|   | 0 glasses                | 1 or 2 glasses           | 3 or 4 glasses           | 5 or 6 glasses           | 7 to 10 glasses          | 11 glasses or more       |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>During weekdays (Monday to Thursday)</b>   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>During weekend days (Friday to Sunday)</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**12. What is the largest number of alcoholic drinks you have drunk on one occasion in the last month?**

1 or 2 glasses

3 or 4 glasses

5 or 6 glasses

7 to 10 glasses

11 glasses or more

**13. Have you ever been drunk?**

Never

Ever, but not in the last month

Once a week in the last month

Multiple times a week in the last month

(Almost) every day in the last month

**14. Have you ever experienced the following in your life because you drank alcohol?**  
*Multiple answer options are possible. (Continue to question 16)*

Drank more than I had intended

Regret my behaviour

I had a hangover/felt bad the day after

I hurt myself/had a fall

Missed an appointment/missed a day's work

Drove a car or motorbike when I had drunk too much

Drove with someone who had drunk too much

Memory loss/not being able to remember things

Arguing or using force

Never experienced any of the above

**15. Why don't you drink alcohol?**

- I don't like it
- For medical reasons
- From a religious conviction
- I am addicted
- Otherwise

**16. Do you ever use cannabis (marijuana, weed, hash, spliff, etc.) ?**

- Never [continue to question 20]
- Ever, but not in the last month
- Once a week in the last month
- Multiple times a week in the last month
- (Almost) every day in the last month

**17. If you smoke weed or hash, how many joints do you smoke on average each time?**

|                          |  |
|--------------------------|--|
|                          | Joints                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Less than 1 joint; I smoke with others |

**18. If you smoke weed or hash, on average, how much money do you spend on joints per week?**

- €0; I smoke with others
- €0–€9.00
- €10.00–€20.00
- More than €20.00

**19. Have you ever experienced the following in your life because you used cannabis?**

*Multiple answer options are possible*

- Used more than I had intended
- Regret my behaviour
- I didn't feel well the day after
- I hurt myself/had a fall
- Missed an appointment/missed a day of school or work
- Drove a car or motorbike when I had used too much
- Drove with someone who had used too much
- Memory loss/not being able to remember things
- Arguing or using force
- Never experienced any of the above

**20. How often do you play games? By games, we mean all games you play on a smartphone, tablet, laptop, PC, Mac or game computer (such as Playstation, Xbox, Nintendo); both online and offline.**

- Never [continue to question 24]
- Ever, but not in the last month
- Once a week in the last month
- Multiple times a week in the last month
- (Almost) every day in the last month

**21. Which games do you play or have you played?**

*Multiple answers possible.*

- Shooters (e.g. Grand Theft Auto, Call of duty, Counter Strike)
- Adventure (e.g. Assassin's Creed, Tomb Raider)
- RPG (Bv.Fallout, The Elder Scrolls, Witcher, Final Fantasy)
- MMO (e.g. World of Warcraft, Elderscrolls Online)
- Sandbox (e.g. Minecraft, Terraria)
- Puzzle(e.g. Portal, Mahjong)
- Strategy (e.g. Starcraft, Civilization, Age of Empire, Shogun, Total War)
- Racing (e.g. Forza, Gran Turismo)
- Sport (e.g. FIFA, Madden NFL)
- Free to play (e.g. Fortnite, Path of Exile, Warframe)
- Mobile (e.g. Clash of Clans, Brawlstars, Candy Crush, Angry Brids, Fruit Ninja)
- Other games

**22. How long do you play games per day?**

*Tick one box on each line.*

|   | Less than 1<br>hour per day | 1 to 3 hours<br>per day  | 3 to 6 hours<br>per day  | 6 to 9 hours<br>per day  | More than 9<br>hours per day |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>During weekdays (Monday to Thursday)</b>   | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>     |
| <b>During weekend days (Friday to Sunday)</b> | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>     |

**23. Can you indicate how often you have experienced the following?**

*Tick one box on each line.*

|  | Never                    | Hardly<br>ever           | Some<br>times            | Often                    | Very<br>often            |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>How often do you find it difficult to quit gaming?</b>  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>How often do others (e.g. parents or friends) tell you that you should play less?</b>                   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>How often would you rather play than spend time in real life with others (e.g. friends or parents)?</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>How often do you feel restless, stressed or irritated when you can't play?</b>                          | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>How often do you rush through your homework because you want to play?</b>                               | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>How often do you play because you feel bad?</b>   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>How often do you lack sleep because of gaming?</b>  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

The following questions are about your attitude towards the use of alcohol, cannabis and games. Use the scale to indicate what best suits your attitude.

**24. What do you think about drinking alcohol?** *Indicate your rating on this scale from 1 to 5, where 1 stands for "Never okay" and 5 stands for "Okay, if it does not interfere with everyday life".*

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

**25. What do you think of people who are drunk?** *Indicate your rating on this scale from 1 to 5, where 1 stands for "Never okay" and 5 stands for "Okay, if it does not interfere with everyday life".*

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

**26. What do you think about the use of cannabis?** *Indicate your rating on this scale from 1 to 5, where 1 stands for "Never okay" and 5 stands for "Okay, if it does not interfere with everyday life".*

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

**27. What do you think about people who use so much cannabis to be (heavily) under the influence?** *Indicate your rating on this scale from 1 to 5, where 1 stands for "Never okay" and 5 stands for "Okay, if it does not interfere with everyday life".*

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

**28. What do you think about gaming?** *Indicate your rating on this scale from 1 to 5, where 1 stands for "Never okay" and 5 stands for "Okay, if it does not interfere with everyday life".*

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

**29. What do you think of people who play so many games that their daily activities and social contacts suffer as a result? Indicate your rating on this scale from 1 to 5, where 1 stands for "Never okay" and 5 stands for "Okay, if it does not interfere with social life".**

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

The following questions are about what you think about your peers' use of alcohol, cannabis and playing games.

**30. How often do you think most of your peers have drunk alcohol?**

- Never
- Ever, but not in the last month
- Once a week in the last month
- Multiple times a week in the last month
- (Almost) every day in the last month

**31. How many drinks do you think most of your [male/female] peers drink on a day that they drink alcohol? Tick one box on each line.**

|  | 0 glasses                | 1 or 2 glasses           | 3 or 4 glasses           | 5 or 6 glasses           | 7 to 10 glasses          | 11 glasses or more       |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| During weekdays (Monday to Thursday)   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| During weekend days (Friday to Sunday) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**32. What is the largest number of alcoholic drinks that most of your [male/female] peers have drunk on one occasion in the last month?**

- 1 or 2 glasses
- 3 or 4 glasses
- 5 or 6 glasses
- 7 to 10 glasses
- 11 glasses or more

**33. How often do you think most of your [male/female] peers have been drunk?**

- Never
- Ever, but not in the last month
- Once a week in the last month
- Multiple times a week in the last month
- (Almost) every day in the last month

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <b>34. How often do you think most of your peers have used cannabis?</b> |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>   | Never                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>   | Ever, but not in the last month         |
| <input type="checkbox"/>   | Once a week in the last month           |
| <input type="checkbox"/>   | Multiple times a week in the last month |
| <input type="checkbox"/>   | (Almost) every day in the last month    |

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <b>35. How many joints do you think most of your peers have smoked in the last month?</b> |   |
|   | Joints                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  | Less than 1 joint; they smoke with others |

|  |                            |
|--|----------------------------|
| <b>36. How much money do most of your peers spend on average on joints per week?</b> |                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/>   | €0; they smoke with others |
| <input type="checkbox"/>   | €0–€9.00                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>   | €10,00–€20.00              |
| <input type="checkbox"/>   | More than €20.00           |

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <b>37. How often do you think most of your peers have played games?</b> |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  | Never                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  | Ever, but not in the last month         |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  | Once a week in the last month           |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  | Multiple times a week in the last month |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  | (Almost) every day in the last month    |

|  |                                     |                                 |                                 |                                 |                                      |
|--|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <b>38. How long a day do you think most of your peers play games ... ?</b> |                                     |                                 |                                 |                                 |                                      |
| <i>Tick one box on each line.</i>  |                                     |                                 |                                 |                                 |                                      |
|  | <b>Less than 1<br/>hour per day</b> | <b>1 to 3 hours<br/>per day</b> | <b>3 to 6 hours<br/>per day</b> | <b>6 to 9 hours<br/>per day</b> | <b>More than 9<br/>hours per day</b> |
| <b>During weekdays (Monday to<br/>Thursday)</b>                            | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>        | <input type="checkbox"/>        | <input type="checkbox"/>        | <input type="checkbox"/>             |
| <b>During weekend days (Friday to<br/>Sunday)</b>                          | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>        | <input type="checkbox"/>        | <input type="checkbox"/>        | <input type="checkbox"/>             |

The following questions are about the attitude of your peers towards alcohol, cannabis and playing games. Here you can indicate on a scale what you think best suits the attitude of your peers.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <b>39. What do you think most of your peers think about the use of alcohol? Indicate your rating on this scale from 1 to 5, where 1 stands for "Never okay" and 5 stands for "Okay, if it does not interfere with everyday life".</b> |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  | 1 |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  | 2 |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  | 4 |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  | 5 |

**40. What do you think most of your peers think about people who are drunk?** *Indicate your rating on this scale from 1 to 5, where 1 stands for "Never okay" and 5 stands for "Okay, if it does not interfere with everyday life".*

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

**41. What do you think most of your peers think about the use of cannabis?** *Indicate your rating on this scale from 1 to 5, where 1 stands for "Never okay" and 5 stands for "Okay, if it does not interfere with everyday life".*

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

**42. What do you think most of your peers think about people who use so much cannabis to be (heavily) under the influence?** *Indicate your rating on this scale from 1 to 5, where 1 stands for "Never okay" and 5 stands for "Okay, if it does not interfere with everyday life".*

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

**43. What do you think most of your peers think about gaming?** *Indicate your rating on this scale from 1 to 5, where 1 stands for "Never okay" and 5 stands for "Okay, if it does not interfere with everyday life".*

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

**44. What do you think most of your peers think about people who game so much that their daily activities and social contacts suffer?** *Indicate your rating on this scale from 1 to 5, where 1 stands for "Never okay" and 5 stands for "Okay, if it does not interfere with everyday life".*

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

## Appendix 2: Background statistics, EHS Young People

**Table 2.1: Participants, per region, EHS**

| Region                    | N    | %     |
|---------------------------|------|-------|
| <i>Total project area</i> | 4878 | 100%  |
| South-Limburg (NL)        | 304  | 6.2%  |
| Province of Limburg (BE)  | 831  | 17.0% |
| Province of Liège (BE)    | 1842 | 37.8% |
| Ostbelgien (BE)           | 425  | 8.7%  |
| Aachen (DE)               | 77   | 1.6%  |
| Euskirchen (DE)           | 127  | 2.6%  |
| Heinsberg (DE)            | 1138 | 23.3% |
| Bitburg-Prüm (DE)         | 134  | 2.7%  |

**Table 2.2: Participants, per region, EHS**

| Region                    | N    | %     |
|---------------------------|------|-------|
| <i>Total project area</i> | 4878 | 100%  |
| South-Limburg (NL)        | 304  | 6.2%  |
| Province of Limburg (BE)  | 831  | 17%   |
| Province of Liège (BE)    | 2267 | 46.5% |
| German regions (DE)       | 1476 | 30.3% |

**Table 2.3: Age groups, per region, EHS**

| Region                    | 12y-14y | 14y-16y | 16y-18y | 18y-20y | 20y-26y |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| <i>Total project area</i> | 3.7%    | 17.5%   | 17.4%   | 18%     | 43.3%   |
| South-Limburg (NL)        | 5.3%    | 14.5%   | 18.8%   | 14.8%   | 46.7%   |
| Province of Limburg (BE)  | 6.0%    | 24.5%   | 21.4%   | 18.4%   | 29.6%   |
| Province of Liège (BE)    | 1.8%    | 8.2%    | 7.9%    | 19.0%   | 63.1%   |
| German regions (DE)       | 5.1%    | 28.4%   | 29.6%   | 16.9%   | 19.9%   |



**Table 2.4: Gender, per region, EHS**

| Region                    | Male  | Female | Other | Don't want to answer |
|---------------------------|-------|--------|-------|----------------------|
| <i>Total project area</i> | 39.2% | 58.7%  | 0.6%  | 1.5%                 |
| South-Limburg (NL)        | 35.9% | 62.2%  | 1%    | 1%                   |
| Province of Limburg (BE)  | 45.1% | 54.2%  | 0%    | 0.7%                 |
| Province of Liège (BE)    | 32.6% | 65.6%  | 0.6%  | 1.2%                 |
| German regions (DE)       | 46.7% | 49.9%  | 0.9%  | 2.5%                 |

**Table 2.5: Level of education, per region, EHS**

| Region                    | Lower secondary education | Higher secondary education | Medium Education | Higher Education | University |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------|
| <i>Total project area</i> | 13.3%                     | 33.1%                      | 4.4%             | 22.8%            | 16.6%      |
| South-Limburg (NL)        | 12.8%                     | 32.2%                      | 6.3%             | 16.8%            | 10.5%      |
| Province of Limburg (BE)  | 25.6%                     | 39.6%                      | 0.1%             | 13.2%            | 13.8%      |
| Province of Liège (BE)    | 6.0%                      | 17.3%                      | 0.7%             | 38.9%            | 27.8%      |
| German regions (DE)       | 17.6%                     | 53.8%                      | 12.2%            | 4.7%             | 2.2%       |

**Table 2.6: Working situation, per region, EHS**

| Region                    | Part-time | Fulltime | Unemployed/ Job-seeking | Incapacitated/ Social assistance | Housewife/ Househusband |
|---------------------------|-----------|----------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <i>Total project area</i> | 1.0%      | 5.4%     | 0.7%                    | 0.1%                             | 0.1%                    |
| South-Limburg (NL)        | 3.9%      | 10.2%    | 0.7%                    | 0.7%                             | 0.0%                    |
| Province of Limburg (BE)  | 1.0%      | 4.0%     | 0.4%                    | 0.1%                             | 0.0%                    |
| Province of Liège (BE)    | 0.8%      | 5.6%     | 0.8%                    | 0.0%                             | 0.1%                    |
| German regions (DE)       | 0.8%      | 4.7%     | 0.7%                    | 0.2%                             | 0.1%                    |

**Table 2.7: Is working, per region, EHS**

| Region                    | Working |
|---------------------------|---------|
| <i>Total project area</i> | 6.4%    |
| South-Limburg (NL)        | 14.1%   |
| Province of Limburg (BE)  | 4.9%    |
| Province of Liège (BE)    | 6.4%    |
| German regions (DE)       | 5.6%    |

**Table 2.8: Underprivileged, EHS**

| Region                    | Underprivileged |
|---------------------------|-----------------|
| <i>Total project area</i> | 0.8%            |
| South-Limburg (NL)        | 1.3%            |
| Province of Limburg (BE)  | 0.5%            |
| Province of Liège (BE)    | 0.9%            |
| German regions (DE)       | 0.9%            |

**Table 2.9: Average identification score, per region, EHS**

| Region                    | Identification score |
|---------------------------|----------------------|
| <i>Total project area</i> | 4.05                 |
| South-Limburg (NL)        | 4.59                 |
| Province of Limburg (BE)  | 4.50                 |
| Province of Liège (BE)    | 4.06                 |
| German regions (DE)       | 3.67                 |

**Table 2.10: Risk groups, per region, EHS**

| Region                    | Total risk group | Alcohol risk group | Cannabis risk group | Gaming risk group |
|---------------------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| <i>Total project area</i> | 44.0%            | 40.3%              | 4.8%                | 3.9%              |
| South-Limburg (NL)        | 38.8%            | 37.8%              | 3.0%                | 2.0%              |
| Province of Limburg (BE)  | 41.4%            | 38.3%              | 4.7%                | 3.0%              |
| Province of Liège (BE)    | 48.1%            | 45.2%              | 4.2%                | 2.8%              |
| German regions (DE)       | 40.3%            | 34.4%              | 6.3%                | 6.4%              |

**Table 2.11: Risk groups, per age group, EHS**

| Age group | Total risk group | Alcohol risk group | Cannabis risk group | Gaming risk group |
|-----------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| 12y-14y   | 12.6%            | 6.6%               | 0.0%                | 7.7%              |
| 14y-16y   | 34.0%            | 29.7%              | 1.6%                | 6.8%              |
| 16y-18y   | 40.0%            | 34.8%              | 7.1%                | 5.6%              |
| 18y-20y   | 47.5%            | 44.3%              | 4.2%                | 3.9%              |
| 20y-26y   | 51.0%            | 48.0%              | 5.9%                | 1.7%              |

## Appendix 3: Alcohol statistics, EHS Young People

**Table 3.1: Alcohol use among young people, EHS**

|                       |                            | Never | Sometimes, but not in the last month | Once a week in the last month | Multiple times a week in the last month | (Almost) every day in the last month |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| <b>Total</b>          |                            | 28.5% | 26.6%                                | 29.3%                         | 13.8%                                   | 1.8%                                 |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 29.3% | 24.0%                                | 36.5%                         | 8.6%                                    | 1.6%                                 |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 34.9% | 23.8%                                | 28.9%                         | 11.4%                                   | 1.0%                                 |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 19.8% | 25.2%                                | 33.8%                         | 18.8%                                   | 2.4%                                 |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 38.2% | 30.8%                                | 21.0%                         | 8.8%                                    | 1.3%                                 |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 93.4% | 6.0%                                 | 0.5%                          | 0.0%                                    | 0.0%                                 |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 70.3% | 21.9%                                | 4.8%                          | 2.0%                                    | 1.1%                                 |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 27.9% | 35.9%                                | 26.8%                         | 8.2%                                    | 1.2%                                 |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 16.4% | 30.1%                                | 37.9%                         | 13.9%                                   | 1.7%                                 |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 11.3% | 25.1%                                | 39.1%                         | 22.1%                                   | 2.5%                                 |
| Gender                | Male                       | 31.6% | 22.9%                                | 25.7%                         | 17.0%                                   | 2.8%                                 |
|                       | Female                     | 26.2% | 29.1%                                | 31.9%                         | 11.9%                                   | 0.9%                                 |
|                       | Other                      | 20.7% | 24.1%                                | 27.6%                         | 13.8%                                   | 13.8%                                |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 43.1% | 25.0%                                | 19.4%                         | 8.3%                                    | 4.2%                                 |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 30.1% | 27.6%                                | 27.9%                         | 12.8%                                   | 1.7%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 26.0% | 24.9%                                | 31.5%                         | 15.6%                                   | 1.9%                                 |
| Working               | No                         | 29.8% | 26.8%                                | 28.2%                         | 13.4%                                   | 1.8%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 9.6%  | 23.1%                                | 45.2%                         | 20.8%                                   | 1.3%                                 |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 28.7% | 26.5%                                | 29.1%                         | 13.9%                                   | 1.8%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 12.2% | 34.1%                                | 46.3%                         | 4.9%                                    | 2.4%                                 |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 38.9% | 28.4%                                | 21.2%                         | 10.0%                                   | 1.4%                                 |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 49.5% | 26.6%                                | 18.2%                         | 4.9%                                    | 0.7%                                 |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 15.2% | 37.3%                                | 34.6%                         | 11.1%                                   | 1.8%                                 |
|                       | Higher Education           | 12.4% | 27.0%                                | 37.7%                         | 20.4%                                   | 2.4%                                 |
|                       | University                 | 11.5% | 22.1%                                | 38.9%                         | 24.8%                                   | 2.7%                                 |
|                       | Other                      | 35.0% | 26.2%                                | 23.3%                         | 10.7%                                   | 4.9%                                 |
|                       | Not applicable             | 10.4% | 25.7%                                | 43.6%                         | 18.4%                                   | 1.9%                                 |
| Living alone          | No                         | 29.4% | 26.6%                                | 28.8%                         | 13.6%                                   | 1.7%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 11.9% | 27.2%                                | 39.6%                         | 19.1%                                   | 2.1%                                 |
| Alcohol risk group    | No                         | 47.8% | 37.8%                                | 12.2%                         | 2.0%                                    | 0.2%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 0.0%  | 10.1%                                | 54.5%                         | 31.3%                                   | 4.1%                                 |

**Table 3.2: Estimated alcohol use by peers, EHS**

|                       |                            | Never | Sometimes, but not in the last month | Once a week in the last month | Multiple times a week in the last month | (Almost) every day in the last month |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| <b>Total</b>          |                            | 8.8%  | 15.0%                                | 41.6%                         | 32.0%                                   | 2.5%                                 |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 9.2%  | 17.8%                                | 41.4%                         | 30.6%                                   | 1.0%                                 |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 12.0% | 17.0%                                | 40.1%                         | 28.9%                                   | 2.0%                                 |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 4.5%  | 8.1%                                 | 44.3%                         | 40.7%                                   | 2.3%                                 |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 13.5% | 23.9%                                | 38.4%                         | 20.7%                                   | 3.5%                                 |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 64.1% | 30.4%                                | 3.9%                          | 1.7%                                    | 0.0%                                 |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 30.1% | 42.9%                                | 18.8%                         | 6.3%                                    | 1.9%                                 |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 4.1%  | 20.0%                                | 50.4%                         | 21.3%                                   | 4.1%                                 |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 1.6%  | 7.0%                                 | 52.9%                         | 35.6%                                   | 3.0%                                 |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 0.3%  | 3.7%                                 | 45.9%                         | 47.8%                                   | 2.2%                                 |
| Gender                | Male                       | 11.5% | 14.9%                                | 34.9%                         | 34.9%                                   | 3.8%                                 |
|                       | Female                     | 7.1%  | 15.0%                                | 46.1%                         | 30.4%                                   | 1.3%                                 |
|                       | Other                      | 6.9%  | 10.3%                                | 34.5%                         | 31.0%                                   | 17.2%                                |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 8.5%  | 18.3%                                | 43.7%                         | 16.9%                                   | 12.7%                                |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 9.2%  | 15.4%                                | 41.0%                         | 31.8%                                   | 2.6%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 8.2%  | 14.4%                                | 42.6%                         | 32.3%                                   | 2.5%                                 |
| Working               | No                         | 9.4%  | 15.7%                                | 41.2%                         | 31.1%                                   | 2.7%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 0.3%  | 5.4%                                 | 48.4%                         | 45.2%                                   | 0.6%                                 |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 8.8%  | 15.1%                                | 41.6%                         | 31.9%                                   | 2.5%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 7.3%  | 2.4%                                 | 46.3%                         | 41.5%                                   | 2.4%                                 |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 12.1% | 26.2%                                | 33.2%                         | 23.4%                                   | 5.1%                                 |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 19.9% | 27.7%                                | 38.1%                         | 13.2%                                   | 1.2%                                 |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 1.4%  | 17.1%                                | 43.3%                         | 33.2%                                   | 5.1%                                 |
|                       | Higher Education           | 0.3%  | 2.5%                                 | 48.3%                         | 45.7%                                   | 3.2%                                 |
|                       | University                 | 0.4%  | 1.9%                                 | 44.3%                         | 51.9%                                   | 1.6%                                 |
|                       | Other                      | 17.6% | 14.7%                                | 30.4%                         | 31.4%                                   | 5.9%                                 |
|                       | Not applicable             | 1.1%  | 5.6%                                 | 47.9%                         | 43.9%                                   | 1.6%                                 |
| Living alone          | No                         | 9.2%  | 15.5%                                | 41.4%                         | 31.4%                                   | 2.5%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 1.3%  | 5.1%                                 | 46.0%                         | 44.7%                                   | 3.0%                                 |
| Alcohol risk group    | No                         | 13.9% | 19.3%                                | 36.8%                         | 28.3%                                   | 1.7%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 1.3%  | 8.6%                                 | 48.8%                         | 37.6%                                   | 3.8%                                 |

**Table 3.3: Reasons why young people do not drink alcohol, EHS**

|              | Do not like alcohol | Medical reasons | Religious beliefs | Addictive | Other reason |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------|--------------|
| <i>Total</i> | 10.4%               | 2.9%            | 4.0%              | 0.1%      | 11.0%        |

**Table 3.4: Number of glasses of alcohol young people consume during weekdays, EHS**

|                       |                            | 0 glasses | 1 or 2 glasses | 3 or 4 glasses | 5 or 6 glasses | 7 to 10 glasses | 11 or more glasses |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| <i>Total</i>          |                            | 52.7%     | 23.1%          | 9.2%           | 6.5%           | 4.6%            | 3.9%               |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 62.2%     | 19.7%          | 8.6%           | 3.3%           | 3.9%            | 2.3%               |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 59.4%     | 21.8%          | 6.3%           | 6.7%           | 3.5%            | 2.3%               |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 42.5%     | 29.9%          | 12.0%          | 7.0%           | 5.4%            | 3.2%               |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 62.6%     | 14.1%          | 6.8%           | 6.2%           | 4.1%            | 6.2%               |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 97.3%     | 2.7%           | 0.0%           | 0.0%           | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 84.7%     | 9.0%           | 1.8%           | 2.0%           | 0.7%            | 1.9%               |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 57.1%     | 16.0%          | 8.8%           | 6.5%           | 4.7%            | 6.9%               |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 47.3%     | 20.8%          | 11.6%          | 8.4%           | 6.2%            | 5.7%               |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 36.4%     | 34.4%          | 12.3%          | 8.0%           | 5.9%            | 3.1%               |
| Gender                | Male                       | 51.9%     | 19.9%          | 8.8%           | 6.8%           | 6.2%            | 6.3%               |
|                       | Female                     | 52.9%     | 25.6%          | 9.6%           | 6.3%           | 3.6%            | 2.1%               |
|                       | Other                      | 41.4%     | 27.6%          | 6.9%           | 6.9%           | 0.0%            | 17.2%              |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 69.4%     | 6.9%           | 8.3%           | 5.6%           | 2.8%            | 6.9%               |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 54.5%     | 22.0%          | 8.8%           | 6.2%           | 4.7%            | 3.8%               |
|                       | Yes                        | 49.8%     | 24.9%          | 9.9%           | 7.0%           | 4.5%            | 4.0%               |
| Working               | No                         | 53.8%     | 22.2%          | 9.2%           | 6.3%           | 4.6%            | 3.9%               |
|                       | Yes                        | 36.5%     | 36.9%          | 10.3%          | 9.0%           | 4.2%            | 3.2%               |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 52.8%     | 23.0%          | 9.3%           | 6.4%           | 4.6%            | 3.9%               |
|                       | Yes                        | 36.6%     | 36.6%          | 4.9%           | 12.2%          | 7.3%            | 2.4%               |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 60.4%     | 14.8%          | 8.3%           | 5.9%           | 4.2%            | 6.3%               |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 73.0%     | 12.0%          | 4.7%           | 4.2%           | 3.3%            | 2.7%               |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 47.0%     | 19.4%          | 9.2%           | 8.8%           | 8.3%            | 7.4%               |
|                       | Higher Education           | 39.1%     | 29.8%          | 14.0%          | 7.9%           | 5.4%            | 3.8%               |
|                       | University                 | 32.7%     | 37.7%          | 13.1%          | 7.8%           | 5.7%            | 3.1%               |
|                       | Other                      | 58.3%     | 22.3%          | 4.9%           | 3.9%           | 2.9%            | 7.8%               |
|                       | Not applicable             | 36.9%     | 36.1%          | 9.1%           | 9.6%           | 4.5%            | 3.7%               |
| Living alone          | No                         | 53.6%     | 22.5%          | 9.1%           | 6.4%           | 4.5%            | 3.9%               |
|                       | Yes                        | 34.0%     | 34.9%          | 12.8%          | 7.7%           | 7.2%            | 3.4%               |
| Alcohol risk group    | No                         | 70.3%     | 18.7%          | 6.2%           | 2.5%           | 1.5%            | 0.8%               |
|                       | Yes                        | 26.6%     | 29.7%          | 13.8%          | 12.4%          | 9.1%            | 8.5%               |

**Table 3.5: Estimated number of glasses of alcohol young people consume during weekdays, EHS**

|                       |                            | 0 glasses | 1 or 2 glasses | 3 or 4 glasses | 5 or 6 glasses | 7 to 10 glasses | 11 or more glasses |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| <b>Total</b>          |                            | 19.6%     | 28.1%          | 22.8%          | 16.1%          | 8.8%            | 4.6%               |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 22.7%     | 30.6%          | 24.3%          | 11.5%          | 7.9%            | 3.0%               |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 24.8%     | 29.0%          | 20.7%          | 14.1%          | 8.1%            | 3.4%               |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 11.1%     | 30.3%          | 26.2%          | 19.3%          | 9.6%            | 3.5%               |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 29.1%     | 23.6%          | 18.4%          | 13.4%          | 8.1%            | 7.4%               |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 82.4%     | 14.3%          | 1.6%           | 1.6%           | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 51.2%     | 32.1%          | 8.7%           | 3.3%           | 1.8%            | 2.9%               |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 22.0%     | 21.4%          | 19.4%          | 18.3%          | 10.3%           | 8.6%               |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 10.8%     | 25.2%          | 26.2%          | 19.7%          | 11.3%           | 6.7%               |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 4.1%      | 31.5%          | 30.2%          | 20.2%          | 10.7%           | 3.3%               |
| Gender                | Male                       | 20.5%     | 25.8%          | 20.6%          | 15.8%          | 9.8%            | 7.5%               |
|                       | Female                     | 19.0%     | 29.5%          | 24.4%          | 16.6%          | 8.0%            | 2.5%               |
|                       | Other                      | 13.8%     | 37.9%          | 10.3%          | 6.9%           | 10.3%           | 20.7%              |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 23.6%     | 26.4%          | 20.8%          | 11.1%          | 9.7%            | 8.3%               |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 19.4%     | 27.6%          | 22.4%          | 16.6%          | 8.9%            | 5.0%               |
|                       | Yes                        | 20.0%     | 28.8%          | 23.3%          | 15.4%          | 8.5%            | 4.0%               |
| Working               | No                         | 20.6%     | 27.6%          | 22.5%          | 16.0%          | 8.7%            | 4.7%               |
|                       | Yes                        | 5.8%      | 35.6%          | 26.6%          | 18.6%          | 9.9%            | 3.5%               |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 19.7%     | 28.1%          | 22.7%          | 16.0%          | 8.8%            | 4.6%               |
|                       | Yes                        | 7.3%      | 19.5%          | 31.7%          | 26.8%          | 4.9%            | 9.8%               |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 25.5%     | 25.9%          | 17.0%          | 11.6%          | 11.3%           | 8.7%               |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 39.8%     | 25.2%          | 13.3%          | 11.7%          | 5.8%            | 4.1%               |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 11.1%     | 22.6%          | 24.9%          | 17.5%          | 13.4%           | 10.6%              |
|                       | Higher Education           | 4.4%      | 29.3%          | 31.6%          | 20.6%          | 10.5%           | 3.6%               |
|                       | University                 | 3.3%      | 32.3%          | 32.1%          | 21.9%          | 8.7%            | 1.7%               |
|                       | Other                      | 24.5%     | 32.4%          | 20.6%          | 6.9%           | 6.9%            | 8.8%               |
|                       | Not applicable             | 6.4%      | 33.6%          | 26.4%          | 18.9%          | 9.9%            | 4.8%               |
| Living alone          | No                         | 20.2%     | 27.9%          | 22.6%          | 15.8%          | 8.8%            | 4.7%               |
|                       | Yes                        | 7.6%      | 31.8%          | 25.8%          | 22.5%          | 8.1%            | 4.2%               |
| Alcohol risk group    | No                         | 25.7%     | 28.0%          | 22.5%          | 14.5%          | 6.4%            | 3.0%               |
|                       | Yes                        | 10.5%     | 28.2%          | 23.2%          | 18.6%          | 12.3%           | 7.1%               |

**Table 3.6: Number of glasses of alcohol young people consume during weekend days,  
EHS**

|                       |                            | 0 glasses | 1 or 2 glasses | 3 or 4 glasses | 5 or 6 glasses | 7 to 10 glasses | 11 or more glasses |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
|                       | <b>Total</b>               | 34.9%     | 23.1%          | 9.2%           | 6.5%           | 4.6%            | 3.9%               |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 37.0%     | 25.4%          | 13.5%          | 12.2%          | 13.5%           | 5.0%               |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 43.4%     | 22.9%          | 12.4%          | 8.3%           | 11.6%           | 5.3%               |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 26.4%     | 24.9%          | 17.6%          | 13.4%          | 11.0%           | 7.2%               |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 42.7%     | 12.7%          | 11.7%          | 12.6%          | 8.5%            | 11.1%              |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 97.2%     | 2.8%           | 0.0%           | 0.0%           | 9.2%            | 0.0%               |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 80.3%     | 10.2%          | 2.8%           | 2.5%           | 9.9%            | 2.3%               |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 34.9%     | 17.8%          | 14.0%          | 12.8%          | 9.3%            | 10.7%              |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 22.5%     | 18.6%          | 16.0%          | 16.6%          | 12.2%           | 12.9%              |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 16.3%     | 29.0%          | 20.4%          | 15.0%          | 9.5%            | 7.7%               |
| Gender                | Male                       | 38.2%     | 16.2%          | 11.5%          | 10.4%          | 12.2%           | 12.7%              |
|                       | Female                     | 32.2%     | 24.2%          | 17.1%          | 13.4%          | 7.6%            | 4.6%               |
|                       | Other                      | 34.5%     | 24.1%          | 10.3%          | 13.8%          | 7.1%            | 13.8%              |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 52.8%     | 12.5%          | 4.2%           | 9.7%           | 13.8%           | 9.7%               |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 36.4%     | 20.7%          | 13.7%          | 11.9%          | 11.6%           | 8.0%               |
|                       | Yes                        | 32.4%     | 21.1%          | 16.2%          | 12.6%          | 11.0%           | 7.7%               |
| Working               | No                         | 36.4%     | 20.5%          | 14.1%          | 11.9%          | 5.9%            | 7.9%               |
|                       | Yes                        | 13.1%     | 26.9%          | 23.4%          | 15.7%          | 11.8%           | 8.7%               |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 35.1%     | 20.8%          | 14.6%          | 12.1%          | 9.3%            | 7.9%               |
|                       | Yes                        | 12.2%     | 29.3%          | 24.4%          | 17.1%          | 12.3%           | 4.9%               |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 46.2%     | 17.2%          | 9.9%           | 8.2%           | 6.9%            | 11.0%              |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 57.2%     | 12.1%          | 9.2%           | 9.1%           | 7.7%            | 5.3%               |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 18.4%     | 16.1%          | 10.6%          | 17.5%          | 10.5%           | 23.5%              |
|                       | Higher Education           | 19.0%     | 26.4%          | 19.9%          | 15.4%          | 9.4%            | 7.7%               |
|                       | University                 | 16.4%     | 31.6%          | 20.9%          | 14.7%          | 11.9%           | 5.4%               |
|                       | Other                      | 43.6%     | 23.8%          | 5.9%           | 7.9%           | 9.4%            | 12.9%              |
| Living alone          | No                         | 13.6%     | 27.5%          | 22.2%          | 15.5%          | 0.0%            | 9.4%               |
|                       | Yes                        | 35.8%     | 20.4%          | 14.2%          | 12.2%          | 1.9%            | 8.0%               |
| Alcohol risk group    | Yes                        | 15.7%     | 29.8%          | 22.6%          | 12.8%          | 9.8%            | 6.8%               |
|                       | No                         | 53.7%     | 23.8%          | 12.1%          | 6.0%           | 2.8%            | 1.5%               |
| Alcohol risk group    | Yes                        | 7.1%      | 16.5%          | 18.4%          | 21.3%          | 19.3%           | 17.4%              |

**Table 3.7: Estimated number of glasses of alcohol young people consume during weekend days, EHS**

|                       |                            | 0 glasses | 1 or 2 glasses | 3 or 4 glasses | 5 or 6 glasses | 7 to 10 glasses | 11 or more glasses |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| <b>Total</b>          |                            | 11.5%     | 12.9%          | 21.2%          | 25.0%          | 18.3%           | 11.2%              |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 13.2%     | 11.8%          | 24.3%          | 24.7%          | 20.7%           | 5.3%               |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 16.7%     | 17.7%          | 22.5%          | 21.8%          | 14.6%           | 6.7%               |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 6.5%      | 9.3%           | 23.6%          | 29.1%          | 21.3%           | 10.2%              |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 15.8%     | 15.8%          | 16.2%          | 20.4%          | 15.2%           | 16.5%              |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 73.6%     | 20.9%          | 2.7%           | 1.6%           | 0.5%            | 0.5%               |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 39.1%     | 32.5%          | 13.3%          | 6.8%           | 3.6%            | 4.6%               |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 6.8%      | 14.4%          | 21.4%          | 24.6%          | 17.2%           | 15.6%              |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 2.5%      | 6.2%           | 19.8%          | 28.5%          | 25.8%           | 17.2%              |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 0.6%      | 6.4%           | 26.5%          | 33.0%          | 23.0%           | 10.5%              |
| Gender                | Male                       | 13.3%     | 13.1%          | 16.2%          | 20.3%          | 20.6%           | 16.5%              |
|                       | Female                     | 10.2%     | 12.6%          | 24.8%          | 28.3%          | 16.8%           | 7.2%               |
|                       | Other                      | 10.3%     | 17.2%          | 17.2%          | 13.8%          | 6.9%            | 34.5%              |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 13.9%     | 15.3%          | 12.5%          | 20.8%          | 18.1%           | 19.4%              |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 11.6%     | 12.9%          | 20.5%          | 24.7%          | 18.3%           | 12.0%              |
|                       | Yes                        | 11.3%     | 12.8%          | 22.3%          | 25.3%          | 18.3%           | 9.9%               |
| Working               | No                         | 12.2%     | 13.3%          | 21.0%          | 24.4%          | 17.9%           | 11.2%              |
|                       | Yes                        | 1.0%      | 6.4%           | 24.7%          | 33.3%          | 24.0%           | 10.6%              |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 11.6%     | 12.9%          | 21.1%          | 24.9%          | 18.3%           | 11.2%              |
|                       | Yes                        | 2.4%      | 9.8%           | 31.7%          | 29.3%          | 12.2%           | 14.6%              |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 16.1%     | 19.7%          | 15.9%          | 15.3%          | 16.6%           | 16.4%              |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 25.6%     | 20.6%          | 17.5%          | 17.0%          | 11.1%           | 8.1%               |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 1.4%      | 7.4%           | 12.9%          | 24.9%          | 26.3%           | 27.2%              |
|                       | Higher Education           | 0.8%      | 5.9%           | 24.6%          | 32.5%          | 24.7%           | 11.5%              |
|                       | University                 | 0.9%      | 5.9%           | 28.9%          | 35.4%          | 21.4%           | 7.5%               |
|                       | Other                      | 17.6%     | 10.8%          | 21.6%          | 18.6%          | 14.7%           | 16.7%              |
|                       | Not applicable             | 1.6%      | 7.2%           | 24.5%          | 32.5%          | 22.4%           | 11.7%              |
| Living alone          | No                         | 12.0%     | 13.1%          | 21.1%          | 24.4%          | 18.1%           | 11.2%              |
|                       | Yes                        | 1.3%      | 7.6%           | 24.2%          | 35.2%          | 21.6%           | 10.2%              |
| Alcohol risk group    | No                         | 17.2%     | 15.1%          | 22.4%          | 23.1%          | 14.0%           | 8.2%               |
|                       | Yes                        | 3.0%      | 9.6%           | 19.4%          | 27.7%          | 24.6%           | 15.7%              |



**Table 3.8: Largest number of drinks young people consume on a single occasion, EHS**

|                       |                            | 1 or 2 glasses | 3 or 4 glasses | 5 or 6 glasses | 7 to 10 glasses | 11 or more glasses |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
|                       | <b>Total</b>               | 52.7%          | 10.7%          | 11.9%          | 13.9%           | 19.7%              |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 48.2%          | 13.5%          | 9.9%           | 15.2%           | 13.2%              |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 51.8%          | 9.6%           | 10.4%          | 13.1%           | 15.2%              |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 34.5%          | 12.3%          | 14.3%          | 16.1%           | 22.8%              |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 52.9%          | 8.3%           | 9.3%           | 10.8%           | 18.7%              |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 97.8%          | 0.5%           | 1.6%           | 0.0%            | 0.0%               |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 86.4%          | 4.3%           | 2.8%           | 1.7%            | 4.9%               |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 44.0%          | 10.8%          | 11.1%          | 13.5%           | 20.7%              |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 30.3%          | 11.3%          | 15.3%          | 16.9%           | 26.1%              |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 27.7%          | 13.9%          | 15.2%          | 18.9%           | 24.2%              |
| Gender                | Male                       | 44.0%          | 7.8%           | 7.5%           | 12.3%           | 28.4%              |
|                       | Female                     | 43.2%          | 12.9%          | 15.0%          | 15.1%           | 13.8%              |
|                       | Other                      | 55.2%          | 6.9%           | 10.3%          | 0.0%            | 27.6%              |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 58.3%          | 2.8%           | 6.9%           | 15.3%           | 16.7%              |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 46.0%          | 11.3%          | 11.6%          | 12.4%           | 18.6%              |
|                       | Yes                        | 40.3%          | 9.7%           | 12.3%          | 16.3%           | 21.3%              |
| Working               | No                         | 45.3%          | 10.1%          | 11.6%          | 13.3%           | 19.6%              |
|                       | Yes                        | 22.8%          | 19.2%          | 15.7%          | 22.1%           | 20.2%              |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 52.9%          | 7.5%           | 8.6%           | 8.9%            | 22.2%              |
|                       | Yes                        | 64.0%          | 7.8%           | 8.1%           | 9.0%            | 11.1%              |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 33.3%          | 12.0%          | 9.7%           | 17.6%           | 27.3%              |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 27.9%          | 11.6%          | 16.2%          | 17.6%           | 26.7%              |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 28.3%          | 14.6%          | 15.6%          | 18.5%           | 23.1%              |
|                       | Higher Education           | 52.5%          | 9.9%           | 5.9%           | 13.9%           | 17.8%              |
|                       | University                 | 26.2%          | 17.4%          | 15.8%          | 20.6%           | 20.1%              |
|                       | Other                      | 43.9%          | 10.7%          | 11.8%          | 13.9%           | 19.7%              |
|                       | Not applicable             | 39.0%          | 9.8%           | 22.0%          | 12.2%           | 17.1%              |
| Living alone          | No                         | 44.6%          | 10.4%          | 11.6%          | 13.7%           | 19.7%              |
|                       | Yes                        | 28.9%          | 16.2%          | 17.4%          | 17.9%           | 19.6%              |
| Alcohol risk group    | No                         | 68.5%          | 15.4%          | 7.8%           | 4.2%            | 4.0%               |
|                       | Yes                        | 7.2%           | 3.7%           | 17.9%          | 28.2%           | 42.9%              |

**Table 3.9: Estimated largest number of drinks peers consume on a single occasion, EHS**

|                       |                            | 1 or 2 glasses | 3 or 4 glasses | 5 or 6 glasses | 7 to 10 glasses | 11 or more glasses |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| <i>Total</i>          |                            | 14.3%          | 8.7%           | 18.5%          | 25.1%           | 33.5%              |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 19.3%          | 8.0%           | 20.3%          | 25.0%           | 27.3%              |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 21.3%          | 8.6%           | 18.9%          | 20.6%           | 30.6%              |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 7.6%           | 7.4%           | 19.1%          | 31.7%           | 34.2%              |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 19.6%          | 10.8%          | 16.9%          | 17.4%           | 35.4%              |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 82.7%          | 9.6%           | 3.2%           | 1.3%            | 3.2%               |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 51.1%          | 16.7%          | 12.4%          | 6.9%            | 12.8%              |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 9.8%           | 9.6%           | 18.0%          | 22.8%           | 39.7%              |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 2.6%           | 6.1%           | 19.5%          | 28.6%           | 43.2%              |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 1.6%           | 6.2%           | 21.6%          | 33.3%           | 37.2%              |
| Gender                | Male                       | 16.5%          | 7.5%           | 11.1%          | 19.1%           | 45.8%              |
|                       | Female                     | 12.6%          | 9.5%           | 23.5%          | 29.3%           | 25.1%              |
|                       | Other                      | 17.2%          | 6.9%           | 17.2%          | 13.8%           | 44.8%              |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 18.6%          | 7.1%           | 14.3%          | 20.0%           | 40.0%              |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 14.6%          | 9.1%           | 18.4%          | 25.1%           | 32.8%              |
|                       | Yes                        | 13.7%          | 7.9%           | 18.6%          | 25.1%           | 34.7%              |
| Working               | No                         | 15.1%          | 8.8%           | 18.1%          | 24.8%           | 33.1%              |
|                       | Yes                        | 1.9%           | 6.7%           | 23.7%          | 28.5%           | 39.1%              |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 23.5%          | 12.4%          | 14.9%          | 14.8%           | 34.4%              |
|                       | Yes                        | 30.1%          | 11.4%          | 16.1%          | 17.0%           | 25.4%              |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 3.2%           | 4.2%           | 17.1%          | 20.4%           | 55.1%              |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 1.4%           | 5.9%           | 19.2%          | 35.3%           | 38.0%              |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 1.6%           | 5.6%           | 23.7%          | 34.7%           | 34.4%              |
|                       | Higher Education           | 22.5%          | 12.7%          | 11.8%          | 18.6%           | 34.3%              |
|                       | University                 | 2.7%           | 7.2%           | 23.0%          | 29.1%           | 38.0%              |
|                       | Other                      | 14.3%          | 8.7%           | 18.5%          | 24.9%           | 33.6%              |
|                       | Not applicable             | 5.0%           | 10.0%          | 10.0%          | 50.0%           | 25.0%              |
| Living alone          | No                         | 14.8%          | 8.7%           | 18.2%          | 24.7%           | 33.6%              |
|                       | Yes                        | 3.8%           | 7.7%           | 24.3%          | 32.3%           | 31.9%              |
| Alcohol risk group    | No                         | 21.1%          | 11.4%          | 20.7%          | 22.1%           | 24.7%              |
|                       | Yes                        | 4.4%           | 4.7%           | 15.2%          | 29.4%           | 46.3%              |

**Table 3.10: Times young people were drunk, EHS**

|                       |                            | Never | Ever, but not in the last month | Once a week in the last month | Multiple times a week in the last month | (Almost) every day in the last month |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
|                       | <i>Total</i>               | 43.3% | 37.6%                           | 16.0%                         | 2.8%                                    | 0.4%                                 |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 46.7% | 38.2%                           | 13.8%                         | 1.0%                                    | 0.3%                                 |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 53.5% | 29.1%                           | 15.3%                         | 2.0%                                    | 0.0%                                 |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 33.1% | 44.0%                           | 19.1%                         | 3.5%                                    | 0.3%                                 |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 52.3% | 32.3%                           | 12.0%                         | 2.4%                                    | 0.9%                                 |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 98.9% | 1.1%                            | 0.0%                          | 0.0%                                    | 0.0%                                 |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 87.5% | 8.7%                            | 2.5%                          | 0.7%                                    | 0.7%                                 |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 51.1% | 34.6%                           | 11.1%                         | 2.5%                                    | 0.8%                                 |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 35.8% | 39.5%                           | 21.3%                         | 3.1%                                    | 0.2%                                 |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 20.5% | 52.8%                           | 22.5%                         | 3.9%                                    | 0.2%                                 |
| Gender                | Male                       | 43.5% | 32.0%                           | 19.7%                         | 4.1%                                    | 0.6%                                 |
|                       | Female                     | 42.9% | 41.6%                           | 13.6%                         | 1.9%                                    | 0.1%                                 |
|                       | Other                      | 31.0% | 37.9%                           | 13.8%                         | 6.9%                                    | 10.3%                                |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 56.9% | 25.0%                           | 13.9%                         | 1.4%                                    | 2.8%                                 |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 45.5% | 37.0%                           | 14.4%                         | 2.7%                                    | 0.4%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 39.7% | 38.5%                           | 18.5%                         | 3.0%                                    | 0.4%                                 |
| Working               | No                         | 45.2% | 35.8%                           | 15.9%                         | 2.7%                                    | 0.4%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 15.4% | 63.1%                           | 17.6%                         | 3.8%                                    | 0.0%                                 |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 57.2% | 28.4%                           | 10.7%                         | 2.8%                                    | 0.9%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 68.1% | 22.0%                           | 8.4%                          | 1.3%                                    | 0.2%                                 |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 26.7% | 47.0%                           | 24.0%                         | 1.8%                                    | 0.5%                                 |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 26.1% | 47.3%                           | 23.0%                         | 3.5%                                    | 0.1%                                 |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 22.2% | 49.3%                           | 23.8%                         | 4.4%                                    | 0.2%                                 |
|                       | Higher Education           | 47.5% | 36.6%                           | 11.9%                         | 3.0%                                    | 1.0%                                 |
|                       | University                 | 17.1% | 61.2%                           | 16.3%                         | 4.0%                                    | 1.3%                                 |
|                       | Other                      | 43.4% | 37.4%                           | 16.0%                         | 2.8%                                    | 0.4%                                 |
|                       | Not applicable             | 22.0% | 56.1%                           | 12.2%                         | 4.9%                                    | 4.9%                                 |
| Living alone          | No                         | 44.4% | 36.7%                           | 15.7%                         | 2.8%                                    | 0.4%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 20.0% | 54.9%                           | 22.1%                         | 2.1%                                    | 0.9%                                 |
| Alcohol risk group    | No                         | 64.1% | 34.3%                           | 1.4%                          | 0.2%                                    | 0.0%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 12.5% | 42.4%                           | 37.5%                         | 6.7%                                    | 1.0%                                 |

**Table 3.11: Estimated times peers were drunk, EHS**

|                       |                            | Never | Ever, but not in the last month | Once a week in the last month | Multiple times a week in the last month | (Almost) every day in the last month |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| <i>Total</i>          |                            | 12.5% | 33.5%                           | 42.1%                         | 10.3%                                   | 1.6%                                 |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 15.5% | 33.2%                           | 40.5%                         | 10.2%                                   | 0.7%                                 |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 20.0% | 33.1%                           | 38.8%                         | 7.7%                                    | 0.4%                                 |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 6.9%  | 31.2%                           | 50.0%                         | 11.0%                                   | 1.0%                                 |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 16.3% | 37.5%                           | 31.9%                         | 10.8%                                   | 3.4%                                 |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 79.6% | 17.1%                           | 2.8%                          | 0.6%                                    | 0.0%                                 |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 43.9% | 40.6%                           | 9.8%                          | 3.8%                                    | 2.0%                                 |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 7.9%  | 43.3%                           | 35.0%                         | 10.1%                                   | 3.7%                                 |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 1.7%  | 31.2%                           | 53.0%                         | 12.4%                                   | 1.7%                                 |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 0.4%  | 29.2%                           | 56.7%                         | 13.0%                                   | 0.7%                                 |
| Gender                | Male                       | 14.8% | 28.3%                           | 42.0%                         | 12.5%                                   | 2.3%                                 |
|                       | Female                     | 11.0% | 37.1%                           | 42.3%                         | 8.9%                                    | 0.7%                                 |
|                       | Other                      | 13.8% | 34.5%                           | 27.6%                         | 10.3%                                   | 13.8%                                |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 12.3% | 30.1%                           | 38.4%                         | 6.8%                                    | 12.3%                                |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 12.5% | 34.5%                           | 40.1%                         | 11.2%                                   | 1.7%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 12.5% | 32.0%                           | 45.2%                         | 9.0%                                    | 1.3%                                 |
| Working               | No                         | 13.3% | 33.5%                           | 41.3%                         | 10.2%                                   | 1.6%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 0.3%  | 34.6%                           | 52.6%                         | 11.5%                                   | 1.0%                                 |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 16.3% | 37.2%                           | 30.3%                         | 11.7%                                   | 4.5%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 28.6% | 38.5%                           | 25.6%                         | 5.9%                                    | 1.4%                                 |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 1.4%  | 31.3%                           | 47.5%                         | 17.5%                                   | 2.3%                                 |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 0.6%  | 28.4%                           | 57.7%                         | 12.2%                                   | 1.1%                                 |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 0.6%  | 29.0%                           | 58.7%                         | 11.4%                                   | 0.2%                                 |
|                       | Higher Education           | 20.6% | 30.4%                           | 30.4%                         | 17.6%                                   | 1.0%                                 |
|                       | University                 | 1.9%  | 33.1%                           | 50.7%                         | 13.1%                                   | 1.3%                                 |
|                       | Other                      | 12.5% | 33.6%                           | 42.0%                         | 10.3%                                   | 1.6%                                 |
|                       | Not applicable             | 7.3%  | 22.0%                           | 51.2%                         | 17.1%                                   | 2.4%                                 |
| Living alone          | No                         | 13.0% | 33.7%                           | 41.6%                         | 10.2%                                   | 1.6%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 2.1%  | 30.9%                           | 51.7%                         | 13.1%                                   | 2.1%                                 |
| Alcohol risk group    | No                         | 18.2% | 36.1%                           | 35.9%                         | 8.8%                                    | 1.0%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 4.0%  | 29.8%                           | 51.1%                         | 12.6%                                   | 2.4%                                 |

**Table 3.12: Opinion about alcohol use among young people (on a scale of 1 to 5), EHS**

|                       |                            | 1     | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <i>Total</i>          |                            | 10.5% | 10.2% | 24.9% | 22.2% | 32.2% |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 13.2% | 9.5%  | 25.3% | 17.8% | 34.2% |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 11.6% | 11.2% | 23.2% | 23.5% | 30.6% |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 6.6%  | 8.7%  | 24.7% | 24.9% | 35.1% |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 15.4% | 12.1% | 25.9% | 18.2% | 28.4% |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 33.5% | 18.1% | 24.2% | 9.3%  | 14.8% |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 26.8% | 19.1% | 26.6% | 11.5% | 15.9% |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 10.7% | 9.2%  | 27.0% | 21.4% | 31.7% |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 6.8%  | 8.8%  | 21.8% | 23.6% | 38.9% |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 3.4%  | 6.9%  | 24.7% | 27.3% | 37.8% |
| Gender                | Male                       | 14.5% | 10.9% | 22.5% | 20.4% | 31.7% |
|                       | Female                     | 7.8%  | 9.8%  | 26.5% | 23.6% | 32.4% |
|                       | Other                      | 17.2% | 6.9%  | 20.7% | 13.8% | 41.4% |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 11.0% | 11.0% | 26.0% | 15.1% | 37.0% |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 11.6% | 10.6% | 24.7% | 21.9% | 31.2% |
|                       | Yes                        | 8.8%  | 9.6%  | 25.1% | 22.6% | 33.9% |
| Working               | No                         | 11.1% | 10.4% | 24.7% | 21.5% | 32.3% |
|                       | Yes                        | 2.2%  | 7.4%  | 27.9% | 31.7% | 30.8% |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 18.9% | 13.9% | 24.1% | 16.2% | 26.9% |
|                       | Yes                        | 16.9% | 13.8% | 26.4% | 18.0% | 24.9% |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 9.7%  | 9.2%  | 28.1% | 19.4% | 33.6% |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 4.2%  | 6.4%  | 24.1% | 24.6% | 40.7% |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 2.5%  | 6.0%  | 22.7% | 30.0% | 38.8% |
|                       | Higher Education           | 19.8% | 12.9% | 15.8% | 12.9% | 38.6% |
|                       | University                 | 2.7%  | 8.5%  | 27.2% | 30.4% | 31.2% |
|                       | Other                      | 10.6% | 10.2% | 24.9% | 22.1% | 32.2% |
|                       | Not applicable             | 4.9%  | 14.6% | 24.4% | 24.4% | 31.7% |
| Living alone          | No                         | 10.8% | 10.4% | 24.8% | 21.7% | 32.3% |
|                       | Yes                        | 5.5%  | 6.4%  | 26.3% | 30.9% | 30.9% |
| Alcohol risk group    | No                         | 16.7% | 14.8% | 28.1% | 18.3% | 22.1% |
|                       | Yes                        | 1.4%  | 3.4%  | 20.1% | 27.8% | 47.2% |

**Table 3.13: Estimated peer opinion about alcohol use (on a scale of 1 to 5), EHS**

|                       |                            | 1     | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <i>Total</i>          |                            | 8.1%  | 7.0%  | 18.8% | 27.9% | 38.2% |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 8.9%  | 6.9%  | 18.2% | 28.7% | 37.3% |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 11.0% | 10.4% | 17.1% | 26.7% | 34.8% |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 4.6%  | 4.9%  | 17.9% | 30.4% | 42.2% |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 11.7% | 8.1%  | 21.5% | 24.5% | 34.2% |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 44.5% | 24.7% | 16.5% | 7.1%  | 7.1%  |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 24.7% | 18.9% | 25.1% | 15.9% | 15.4% |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 5.7%  | 6.1%  | 19.5% | 28.6% | 40.1% |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 3.0%  | 3.8%  | 15.9% | 32.2% | 45.1% |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 1.3%  | 2.2%  | 17.5% | 32.5% | 46.5% |
| Gender                | Male                       | 10.2% | 7.2%  | 16.7% | 26.2% | 39.6% |
|                       | Female                     | 6.5%  | 6.8%  | 20.3% | 29.2% | 37.3% |
|                       | Other                      | 13.8% | 0.0%  | 10.3% | 20.7% | 55.2% |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 11.0% | 8.2%  | 20.5% | 24.7% | 35.6% |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 8.3%  | 7.2%  | 18.5% | 27.5% | 38.4% |
|                       | Yes                        | 7.6%  | 6.5%  | 19.3% | 28.5% | 38.0% |
| Working               | No                         | 8.5%  | 7.3%  | 18.6% | 27.6% | 37.9% |
|                       | Yes                        | 1.6%  | 1.3%  | 22.1% | 32.1% | 42.9% |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 16.4% | 11.2% | 18.2% | 24.3% | 29.9% |
|                       | Yes                        | 14.4% | 12.4% | 21.4% | 23.2% | 28.7% |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 2.8%  | 6.9%  | 22.6% | 28.1% | 39.6% |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 1.5%  | 2.3%  | 15.0% | 32.5% | 48.6% |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 0.7%  | 1.9%  | 16.3% | 33.2% | 47.9% |
|                       | Higher Education           | 17.6% | 6.9%  | 17.6% | 21.6% | 36.3% |
|                       | University                 | 2.4%  | 1.1%  | 24.0% | 30.9% | 41.6% |
|                       | Other                      | 8.1%  | 7.0%  | 18.7% | 27.9% | 38.3% |
|                       | Not applicable             | 4.9%  | 0.0%  | 31.7% | 34.1% | 29.3% |
| Living alone          | No                         | 8.3%  | 7.1%  | 18.8% | 27.9% | 37.9% |
|                       | Yes                        | 3.4%  | 3.8%  | 20.3% | 27.1% | 45.3% |
| Alcohol risk group    | No                         | 12.0% | 9.2%  | 18.7% | 24.0% | 36.1% |
|                       | Yes                        | 2.3%  | 3.7%  | 19.0% | 33.7% | 41.4% |

**Table 3.14: Opinion about young people being drunk (on a scale of 1 to 5), EHS**

|                       |                            | 1     | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <i>Total</i>          |                            | 19.7% | 21.6% | 30.4% | 16.5% | 11.7% |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 21.4% | 23.4% | 31.3% | 14.1% | 9.9%  |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 21.7% | 22.5% | 29.9% | 16.3% | 9.6%  |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 16.4% | 20.5% | 31.8% | 18.3% | 12.9% |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 23.4% | 22.3% | 28.5% | 14.5% | 11.3% |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 51.6% | 29.7% | 12.6% | 1.6%  | 4.4%  |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 37.3% | 25.6% | 20.8% | 8.1%  | 8.2%  |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 18.4% | 21.2% | 31.5% | 15.6% | 13.3% |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 15.5% | 20.2% | 31.9% | 19.8% | 12.5% |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 12.2% | 20.0% | 34.8% | 20.2% | 12.7% |
| Gender                | Male                       | 21.3% | 19.6% | 28.1% | 16.9% | 14.2% |
|                       | Female                     | 18.8% | 22.9% | 32.0% | 16.6% | 9.7%  |
|                       | Other                      | 17.2% | 17.2% | 31.0% | 10.3% | 24.1% |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 17.8% | 23.3% | 30.1% | 8.2%  | 20.5% |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 21.1% | 22.0% | 30.2% | 15.4% | 11.3% |
|                       | Yes                        | 17.6% | 20.9% | 30.8% | 18.4% | 12.3% |
| Working               | No                         | 20.4% | 21.3% | 29.9% | 16.4% | 12.0% |
|                       | Yes                        | 9.6%  | 26.3% | 38.1% | 18.3% | 7.7%  |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 27.7% | 21.8% | 26.9% | 13.6% | 9.9%  |
|                       | Yes                        | 27.5% | 24.3% | 25.1% | 12.8% | 10.2% |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 16.2% | 20.4% | 32.9% | 14.4% | 16.2% |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 12.9% | 19.0% | 34.2% | 19.8% | 14.1% |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 11.6% | 19.0% | 34.7% | 22.6% | 12.0% |
|                       | Higher Education           | 25.5% | 18.6% | 29.4% | 10.8% | 15.7% |
|                       | University                 | 10.9% | 24.0% | 37.6% | 17.9% | 9.6%  |
|                       | Other                      | 19.8% | 21.6% | 30.4% | 16.5% | 11.7% |
|                       | Not applicable             | 14.6% | 17.1% | 39.0% | 17.1% | 12.2% |
| Living alone          | No                         | 20.2% | 21.5% | 30.1% | 16.6% | 11.7% |
|                       | Yes                        | 11.0% | 23.7% | 37.3% | 16.1% | 11.9% |
| Alcohol risk group    | No                         | 29.7% | 27.4% | 26.9% | 9.6%  | 6.4%  |
|                       | Yes                        | 5.0%  | 12.9% | 35.6% | 26.9% | 19.5% |

**Table 3.15: Estimated opinion of peers about being drunk (on a scale of 1 to 5), EHS**

|                       |                            | 1     | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <i>Total</i>          |                            | 11.9% | 16.2% | 31.6% | 24.5% | 15.9% |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 13.2% | 18.8% | 30.4% | 21.8% | 15.8% |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 16.5% | 17.6% | 30.5% | 22.1% | 13.3% |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 8.1%  | 14.8% | 33.5% | 27.8% | 15.9% |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 14.9% | 17.1% | 29.4% | 21.3% | 17.3% |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 59.1% | 26.0% | 11.6% | 2.8%  | 0.6%  |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 33.0% | 24.6% | 22.3% | 12.5% | 7.7%  |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 8.0%  | 16.3% | 31.1% | 25.6% | 18.9% |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 5.8%  | 10.6% | 36.6% | 27.9% | 19.1% |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 3.4%  | 14.3% | 35.1% | 29.3% | 17.9% |
| Gender                | Male                       | 13.3% | 14.3% | 28.2% | 24.8% | 19.3% |
|                       | Female                     | 10.9% | 17.6% | 33.9% | 24.5% | 13.2% |
|                       | Other                      | 13.8% | 10.3% | 10.3% | 31.0% | 34.5% |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 13.7% | 16.4% | 35.6% | 13.7% | 20.5% |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 11.6% | 16.4% | 31.1% | 24.2% | 16.7% |
|                       | Yes                        | 12.4% | 15.9% | 32.3% | 24.9% | 14.5% |
| Working               | No                         | 12.4% | 16.2% | 31.2% | 24.2% | 15.9% |
|                       | Yes                        | 3.8%  | 15.7% | 36.9% | 28.8% | 14.7% |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 21.8% | 16.0% | 25.4% | 19.8% | 17.0% |
|                       | Yes                        | 20.5% | 20.4% | 28.0% | 19.3% | 11.8% |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 5.5%  | 13.4% | 41.0% | 17.1% | 23.0% |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 3.4%  | 13.1% | 34.5% | 30.2% | 18.9% |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 2.6%  | 14.5% | 35.3% | 30.7% | 17.0% |
|                       | Higher Education           | 19.8% | 12.9% | 25.7% | 22.8% | 18.8% |
|                       | University                 | 4.5%  | 14.1% | 36.8% | 29.3% | 15.2% |
|                       | Other                      | 12.0% | 16.3% | 31.5% | 24.4% | 15.9% |
|                       | Not applicable             | 4.9%  | 4.9%  | 39.0% | 36.6% | 14.6% |
| Living alone          | No                         | 12.3% | 16.3% | 31.3% | 24.3% | 15.9% |
|                       | Yes                        | 4.7%  | 14.8% | 36.4% | 28.8% | 15.3% |
| Alcohol risk group    | No                         | 16.8% | 17.6% | 29.0% | 22.5% | 14.1% |
|                       | Yes                        | 4.6%  | 14.1% | 35.4% | 27.5% | 18.4% |



## Appendix 4: Cannabis statistics, EHS Young People

Table 4.1: Cannabis use among young people, EHS

|                       |                            | Never | Ever, but not in the last month | Once a week in the last month | Multiple times a week in the last month | (Almost) every day in the last month |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| <b>Total</b>          |                            | 77.7% | 15.4%                           | 2.6%                          | 1.8%                                    | 2.5%                                 |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 75.3% | 19.1%                           | 2.6%                          | 1.0%                                    | 2.0%                                 |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 81.3% | 12.6%                           | 2.3%                          | 1.9%                                    | 1.8%                                 |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 77.3% | 15.7%                           | 2.9%                          | 1.8%                                    | 2.3%                                 |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 76.5% | 15.7%                           | 2.4%                          | 1.8%                                    | 3.5%                                 |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 98.9% | 1.1%                            | 0.0%                          | 0.0%                                    | 0.0%                                 |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 95.5% | 2.8%                            | 0.4%                          | 0.4%                                    | 0.9%                                 |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 79.6% | 13.3%                           | 2.7%                          | 2.1%                                    | 2.2%                                 |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 74.8% | 18.0%                           | 3.0%                          | 2.3%                                    | 1.9%                                 |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 69.0% | 21.5%                           | 3.6%                          | 2.1%                                    | 3.8%                                 |
| Gender                | Male                       | 72.9% | 17.5%                           | 3.2%                          | 2.2%                                    | 4.2%                                 |
|                       | Female                     | 81.2% | 14.0%                           | 2.2%                          | 1.5%                                    | 1.2%                                 |
|                       | Other                      | 69.0% | 17.2%                           | 3.4%                          | 3.4%                                    | 6.9%                                 |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 66.7% | 16.7%                           | 4.2%                          | 1.4%                                    | 11.1%                                |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 77.3% | 15.1%                           | 2.8%                          | 2.0%                                    | 2.8%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 78.2% | 15.8%                           | 2.4%                          | 1.4%                                    | 2.1%                                 |
| Working               | No                         | 77.9% | 15.2%                           | 2.7%                          | 1.8%                                    | 2.5%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 74.0% | 18.9%                           | 2.2%                          | 1.9%                                    | 2.9%                                 |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 81.1% | 10.5%                           | 2.3%                          | 2.8%                                    | 3.2%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 86.0% | 9.9%                            | 1.9%                          | 1.0%                                    | 1.1%                                 |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 59.0% | 27.6%                           | 5.1%                          | 1.4%                                    | 6.9%                                 |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 73.7% | 18.2%                           | 3.3%                          | 2.2%                                    | 2.6%                                 |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 72.2% | 21.0%                           | 2.5%                          | 2.0%                                    | 2.3%                                 |
|                       | Higher Education           | 74.5% | 15.7%                           | 3.9%                          | 1.0%                                    | 4.9%                                 |
|                       | University                 | 70.6% | 20.1%                           | 2.7%                          | 2.1%                                    | 4.5%                                 |
|                       | Other                      | 77.8% | 15.4%                           | 2.6%                          | 1.8%                                    | 2.5%                                 |
|                       | Not applicable             | 58.5% | 22.0%                           | 4.9%                          | 2.4%                                    | 12.2%                                |
| Living alone          | No                         | 78.4% | 14.8%                           | 2.7%                          | 1.7%                                    | 2.3%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 62.1% | 26.8%                           | 1.7%                          | 2.6%                                    | 6.8%                                 |
| Cannabis risk group   | No                         | 80.7% | 16.3%                           | 2.4%                          | 0.1%                                    | 0.4%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 0.0%  | 0.0%                            | 12.8%                         | 33.7%                                   | 53.5%                                |

**Table 4.2: Estimated cannabis use by peers, EHS**

|                       |                            | Never | Ever, but not in the last month | Once a week in the last month | Multiple times a week in the last month | (Almost) every day in the last month |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| <b>Total</b>          |                            | 34.0% | 43.8%                           | 14.3%                         | 5.6%                                    | 2.3%                                 |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 28.3% | 47.4%                           | 15.1%                         | 7.6%                                    | 1.6%                                 |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 44.0% | 39.9%                           | 10.0%                         | 4.6%                                    | 1.6%                                 |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 23.2% | 52.2%                           | 18.5%                         | 5.0%                                    | 1.1%                                 |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 46.2% | 32.4%                           | 10.1%                         | 6.5%                                    | 4.8%                                 |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 93.4% | 4.4%                            | 1.7%                          | 0.6%                                    | 0.0%                                 |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 76.7% | 15.8%                           | 4.6%                          | 1.2%                                    | 1.8%                                 |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 45.5% | 32.9%                           | 10.3%                         | 6.3%                                    | 5.1%                                 |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 25.1% | 49.2%                           | 14.9%                         | 8.4%                                    | 2.4%                                 |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 10.7% | 60.7%                           | 20.7%                         | 6.3%                                    | 1.6%                                 |
| Gender                | Male                       | 33.0% | 37.5%                           | 16.8%                         | 8.6%                                    | 4.1%                                 |
|                       | Female                     | 34.7% | 48.4%                           | 12.8%                         | 3.4%                                    | 0.7%                                 |
|                       | Other                      | 20.7% | 44.8%                           | 13.8%                         | 10.3%                                   | 10.3%                                |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 37.5% | 30.6%                           | 8.3%                          | 9.7%                                    | 13.9%                                |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 34.5% | 42.3%                           | 14.7%                         | 6.0%                                    | 2.4%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 33.1% | 46.3%                           | 13.7%                         | 4.8%                                    | 2.1%                                 |
| Working               | No                         | 35.3% | 42.7%                           | 14.1%                         | 5.5%                                    | 2.4%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 14.4% | 60.3%                           | 17.3%                         | 6.7%                                    | 1.3%                                 |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 46.7% | 28.6%                           | 11.3%                         | 7.0%                                    | 6.3%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 61.6% | 25.2%                           | 7.1%                          | 4.3%                                    | 1.7%                                 |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 18.0% | 49.8%                           | 16.6%                         | 10.1%                                   | 5.5%                                 |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 13.3% | 59.4%                           | 21.1%                         | 5.6%                                    | 0.6%                                 |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 10.0% | 64.3%                           | 21.3%                         | 3.7%                                    | 0.7%                                 |
|                       | Higher Education           | 38.0% | 39.0%                           | 4.0%                          | 13.0%                                   | 6.0%                                 |
|                       | University                 | 14.4% | 57.3%                           | 17.1%                         | 8.0%                                    | 3.2%                                 |
|                       | Other                      | 34.2% | 43.8%                           | 14.3%                         | 5.5%                                    | 2.3%                                 |
|                       | Not applicable             | 12.2% | 46.3%                           | 17.1%                         | 17.1%                                   | 7.3%                                 |
| Living alone          | No                         | 35.1% | 43.5%                           | 13.7%                         | 5.4%                                    | 2.2%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 12.3% | 50.4%                           | 25.8%                         | 8.1%                                    | 3.4%                                 |
| Cannabis risk group   | No                         | 34.1% | 45.5%                           | 14.3%                         | 4.8%                                    | 1.2%                                 |
|                       | Yes                        | 5.9%  | 27.0%                           | 18.1%                         | 21.9%                                   | 27.0%                                |

**Table 4.3: Opinion about cannabis use among young people (on a scale of 1 to 5), EHS**

|                       |                            | 1     | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Total</b>          |                            | 41.0% | 17.5% | 15.5% | 10.4% | 15.7% |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 41.8% | 16.8% | 15.1% | 12.5% | 13.8% |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 51.5% | 16.6% | 12.5% | 8.1%  | 11.3% |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 32.6% | 20.4% | 19.6% | 11.7% | 15.8% |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 47.8% | 13.6% | 11.1% | 9.3%  | 18.3% |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 85.6% | 5.0%  | 4.4%  | 1.7%  | 3.3%  |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 71.8% | 11.6% | 5.6%  | 4.0%  | 6.9%  |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 47.5% | 15.9% | 11.4% | 8.7%  | 16.5% |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 36.8% | 17.7% | 18.5% | 10.5% | 16.6% |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 23.9% | 21.4% | 20.9% | 14.3% | 19.5% |
| Gender                | Male                       | 39.6% | 14.2% | 14.3% | 11.4% | 20.6% |
|                       | Female                     | 42.1% | 19.9% | 16.2% | 9.7%  | 12.1% |
|                       | Other                      | 27.6% | 6.9%  | 20.7% | 24.1% | 20.7% |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 38.4% | 11.0% | 19.2% | 8.2%  | 23.3% |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 41.1% | 16.6% | 15.4% | 10.7% | 16.3% |
|                       | Yes                        | 40.8% | 18.9% | 15.7% | 9.9%  | 14.7% |
| Working               | No                         | 41.6% | 17.2% | 15.1% | 10.3% | 15.8% |
|                       | Yes                        | 32.4% | 21.2% | 21.5% | 11.5% | 13.5% |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 58.8% | 11.0% | 10.2% | 5.9%  | 14.1% |
|                       | Yes                        | 56.6% | 14.2% | 10.1% | 7.3%  | 11.8% |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 33.6% | 11.5% | 14.3% | 11.1% | 29.5% |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 27.5% | 21.8% | 20.9% | 12.3% | 17.5% |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 20.4% | 24.6% | 21.4% | 16.3% | 17.4% |
|                       | Higher Education           | 49.5% | 10.9% | 9.9%  | 10.9% | 18.8% |
|                       | University                 | 29.9% | 19.7% | 21.6% | 12.3% | 16.5% |
|                       | Other                      | 41.2% | 17.5% | 15.4% | 10.4% | 15.5% |
|                       | Not applicable             | 19.5% | 9.8%  | 26.8% | 14.6% | 29.3% |
| Living alone          | No                         | 41.9% | 17.1% | 15.4% | 10.3% | 15.4% |
|                       | Yes                        | 23.7% | 23.7% | 18.6% | 12.7% | 21.2% |
| Cannabis risk group   | No                         | 43.0% | 18.3% | 16.0% | 10.0% | 12.7% |
|                       | Yes                        | 0.4%  | 0.0%  | 7.2%  | 18.2% | 74.2% |

**Table 4.4: Estimated opinion of peers about cannabis use (on a scale of 1 to 5), EHS**

|                       |                            | 1     | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Total</b>          |                            | 23.2% | 21.4% | 28.4% | 13.6% | 13.3% |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 24.3% | 18.4% | 27.0% | 16.4% | 13.8% |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 34.5% | 25.5% | 24.3% | 7.4%  | 8.3%  |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 15.4% | 21.1% | 34.0% | 16.4% | 13.2% |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 28.8% | 20.4% | 22.5% | 12.2% | 16.2% |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 75.3% | 15.4% | 4.9%  | 2.2%  | 2.2%  |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 55.0% | 21.7% | 13.1% | 4.6%  | 5.5%  |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 27.5% | 24.1% | 25.4% | 10.2% | 12.9% |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 15.1% | 23.5% | 32.1% | 14.2% | 15.1% |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 7.7%  | 20.0% | 36.3% | 19.3% | 16.8% |
| Gender                | Male                       | 23.6% | 16.2% | 25.4% | 16.2% | 18.6% |
|                       | Female                     | 23.2% | 25.2% | 30.6% | 11.7% | 9.4%  |
|                       | Other                      | 13.8% | 13.8% | 20.7% | 13.8% | 37.9% |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 20.5% | 16.4% | 26.0% | 16.4% | 20.5% |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 23.1% | 21.2% | 27.9% | 13.7% | 14.0% |
|                       | Yes                        | 23.5% | 21.8% | 29.1% | 13.4% | 12.2% |
| Working               | No                         | 24.2% | 21.2% | 27.9% | 13.4% | 13.3% |
|                       | Yes                        | 9.9%  | 24.7% | 35.3% | 16.0% | 14.1% |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 39.2% | 20.9% | 18.9% | 8.1%  | 12.9% |
|                       | Yes                        | 39.3% | 22.7% | 20.5% | 8.3%  | 9.2%  |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 16.1% | 18.4% | 29.0% | 13.8% | 22.6% |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 8.6%  | 22.4% | 35.9% | 17.9% | 15.1% |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 6.1%  | 18.9% | 40.1% | 20.3% | 14.6% |
|                       | Higher Education           | 27.5% | 12.7% | 22.5% | 14.7% | 22.5% |
|                       | University                 | 10.7% | 23.5% | 32.5% | 17.6% | 15.7% |
|                       | Other                      | 23.3% | 21.5% | 28.5% | 13.5% | 13.2% |
|                       | Not applicable             | 12.2% | 17.1% | 19.5% | 26.8% | 24.4% |
| Living alone          | No                         | 24.0% | 21.6% | 27.8% | 13.3% | 13.3% |
|                       | Yes                        | 8.1%  | 17.8% | 39.8% | 19.9% | 14.4% |
| Cannabis risk group   | No                         | 24.1% | 22.0% | 28.5% | 13.4% | 12.0% |
|                       | Yes                        | 6.0%  | 10.2% | 26.8% | 17.0% | 40.0% |

**Table 4.5: Opinion about young people using cannabis and being under the influence (on a scale of 1 to 5), EHS**

|                       |                            | 1     | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Total</b>          |                            | 52.5% | 17.6% | 13.6% | 6.8%  | 9.6%  |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 62.0% | 14.5% | 13.5% | 3.6%  | 6.3%  |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 70.2% | 12.3% | 7.9%  | 5.1%  | 4.6%  |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 49.3% | 22.2% | 15.1% | 6.3%  | 7.2%  |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 45.5% | 14.1% | 14.5% | 9.3%  | 16.7% |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 88.4% | 4.4%  | 3.3%  | 2.2%  | 1.7%  |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 73.5% | 10.7% | 7.5%  | 3.2%  | 5.2%  |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 51.1% | 15.5% | 11.3% | 7.9%  | 14.2% |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 50.7% | 17.0% | 13.9% | 6.6%  | 11.8% |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 42.2% | 22.5% | 17.7% | 8.3%  | 9.3%  |
| Gender                | Male                       | 46.8% | 15.6% | 14.8% | 8.3%  | 14.5% |
|                       | Female                     | 56.8% | 19.0% | 12.6% | 6.0%  | 5.7%  |
|                       | Other                      | 24.1% | 20.7% | 27.6% | 0.0%  | 27.6% |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 43.8% | 12.3% | 16.4% | 1.4%  | 26.0% |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 51.5% | 17.0% | 13.6% | 7.1%  | 10.6% |
|                       | Yes                        | 54.0% | 18.4% | 13.5% | 6.3%  | 7.8%  |
| Working               | No                         | 52.7% | 17.7% | 13.2% | 6.9%  | 9.5%  |
|                       | Yes                        | 49.7% | 16.0% | 18.6% | 5.8%  | 9.9%  |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 63.3% | 12.1% | 8.4%  | 6.4%  | 9.9%  |
|                       | Yes                        | 61.0% | 13.0% | 10.3% | 6.0%  | 9.7%  |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 34.1% | 11.5% | 19.8% | 10.6% | 24.0% |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 48.3% | 23.2% | 15.0% | 6.8%  | 6.6%  |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 40.5% | 25.9% | 18.1% | 8.9%  | 6.5%  |
|                       | Higher Education           | 49.5% | 14.9% | 14.9% | 1.0%  | 19.8% |
|                       | University                 | 46.9% | 15.7% | 18.4% | 6.1%  | 12.8% |
|                       | Other                      | 52.6% | 17.6% | 13.5% | 6.8%  | 9.5%  |
|                       | Not applicable             | 36.6% | 14.6% | 19.5% | 7.3%  | 22.0% |
| Living alone          | No                         | 52.9% | 17.4% | 13.5% | 6.8%  | 9.4%  |
|                       | Yes                        | 44.5% | 20.3% | 15.3% | 7.6%  | 12.3% |
| Cannabis risk group   | No                         | 55.1% | 18.1% | 13.4% | 6.1%  | 7.3%  |
|                       | Yes                        | 0.8%  | 6.8%  | 16.1% | 21.6% | 54.7% |

**Table 4.6: Estimated opinion of peers about using cannabis and being under the influence (on a scale of 1 to 5), EHS**

|                       |                            | 1     | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Total</b>          |                            | 34.2% | 26.4% | 21.9% | 8.9%  | 8.6%  |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 44.6% | 24.1% | 18.8% | 5.3%  | 7.3%  |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 55.5% | 23.9% | 12.2% | 5.4%  | 2.9%  |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 28.1% | 31.9% | 25.2% | 8.4%  | 6.4%  |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 29.3% | 19.8% | 23.0% | 12.5% | 15.4% |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 81.9% | 9.9%  | 4.9%  | 2.2%  | 1.1%  |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 59.5% | 19.3% | 11.3% | 4.5%  | 5.4%  |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 36.4% | 23.1% | 19.2% | 9.1%  | 12.1% |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 27.9% | 26.4% | 26.9% | 8.5%  | 10.3% |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 21.6% | 32.0% | 26.7% | 11.4% | 8.4%  |
| Gender                | Male                       | 31.8% | 21.1% | 22.7% | 12.0% | 12.4% |
|                       | Female                     | 36.0% | 30.1% | 21.4% | 6.8%  | 5.6%  |
|                       | Other                      | 13.8% | 20.7% | 27.6% | 10.3% | 27.6% |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 29.2% | 19.4% | 20.8% | 12.5% | 18.1% |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 32.5% | 26.8% | 21.9% | 9.1%  | 9.7%  |
|                       | Yes                        | 36.8% | 25.7% | 22.0% | 8.7%  | 6.9%  |
| Working               | No                         | 35.0% | 26.2% | 21.4% | 8.9%  | 8.5%  |
|                       | Yes                        | 22.4% | 28.8% | 29.5% | 8.7%  | 10.6% |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 46.4% | 19.2% | 16.6% | 6.6%  | 11.3% |
|                       | Yes                        | 46.7% | 21.8% | 16.0% | 7.6%  | 7.8%  |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 18.0% | 19.8% | 28.6% | 13.4% | 20.3% |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 26.7% | 32.1% | 25.9% | 9.1%  | 6.3%  |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 20.2% | 35.3% | 28.0% | 10.9% | 5.7%  |
|                       | Higher Education           | 32.4% | 20.6% | 21.6% | 10.8% | 14.7% |
|                       | University                 | 21.6% | 27.7% | 28.0% | 10.7% | 12.0% |
|                       | Other                      | 34.3% | 26.4% | 21.9% | 8.8%  | 8.5%  |
|                       | Not applicable             | 22.0% | 22.0% | 22.0% | 19.5% | 14.6% |
| Living alone          | No                         | 34.8% | 26.2% | 21.5% | 8.7%  | 8.7%  |
|                       | Yes                        | 20.8% | 29.7% | 30.1% | 13.1% | 6.4%  |
| Cannabis risk group   | No                         | 35.3% | 26.9% | 21.9% | 8.5%  | 7.4%  |
|                       | Yes                        | 11.1% | 16.2% | 23.1% | 17.1% | 32.5% |

## Appendix 5: Gaming statistics, EHS Young People

Table 5.1: Gaming among young people, EHS

|                       |                            | Never | Ever, but not in the last month | Once a week in the last month | Multiple times a week in the last month | (Almost) every day in the last month |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| <b>Total</b>          |                            | 22.2% | 18.7%                           | 13.2%                         | 19.5%                                   | 26.4%                                |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 27.3% | 11.5%                           | 13.5%                         | 23.0%                                   | 24.7%                                |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 22.3% | 14.1%                           | 15.9%                         | 23.6%                                   | 24.2%                                |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 30.0% | 19.5%                           | 12.5%                         | 16.9%                                   | 21.1%                                |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 9.0%  | 21.6%                           | 12.8%                         | 20.4%                                   | 36.2%                                |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 9.3%  | 9.9%                            | 11.5%                         | 23.1%                                   | 46.2%                                |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 6.8%  | 16.4%                           | 13.5%                         | 26.1%                                   | 37.2%                                |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 16.7% | 20.9%                           | 13.9%                         | 19.6%                                   | 28.8%                                |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 23.3% | 19.0%                           | 14.5%                         | 18.4%                                   | 24.9%                                |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 31.3% | 19.3%                           | 12.5%                         | 16.9%                                   | 20.1%                                |
| Gender                | Male                       | 8.5%  | 10.5%                           | 13.0%                         | 27.3%                                   | 40.7%                                |
|                       | Female                     | 31.7% | 24.3%                           | 13.2%                         | 14.2%                                   | 16.6%                                |
|                       | Other                      | 13.8% | 13.8%                           | 13.8%                         | 13.8%                                   | 44.8%                                |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 12.5% | 15.3%                           | 18.1%                         | 22.2%                                   | 31.9%                                |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 20.3% | 18.7%                           | 13.2%                         | 20.3%                                   | 27.5%                                |
|                       | Yes                        | 25.2% | 18.7%                           | 13.3%                         | 18.2%                                   | 24.7%                                |
| Working               | No                         | 21.5% | 18.4%                           | 13.3%                         | 19.7%                                   | 27.0%                                |
|                       | Yes                        | 32.1% | 23.4%                           | 11.5%                         | 15.4%                                   | 17.6%                                |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 15.6% | 14.5%                           | 9.9%                          | 23.8%                                   | 36.2%                                |
|                       | Yes                        | 11.7% | 20.8%                           | 15.1%                         | 21.9%                                   | 30.5%                                |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 10.6% | 19.4%                           | 10.6%                         | 24.9%                                   | 34.6%                                |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 31.3% | 18.2%                           | 13.2%                         | 15.2%                                   | 22.1%                                |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 34.1% | 17.8%                           | 14.1%                         | 17.0%                                   | 17.0%                                |
|                       | Higher Education           | 34.0% | 9.7%                            | 11.7%                         | 21.4%                                   | 23.3%                                |
|                       | University                 | 29.1% | 22.2%                           | 11.2%                         | 15.8%                                   | 21.7%                                |
|                       | Other                      | 22.2% | 18.7%                           | 13.3%                         | 19.5%                                   | 26.3%                                |
|                       | Not applicable             | 14.6% | 14.6%                           | 9.8%                          | 17.1%                                   | 43.9%                                |
| Living alone          | No                         | 21.7% | 18.7%                           | 13.1%                         | 19.7%                                   | 26.8%                                |
|                       | Yes                        | 31.5% | 18.7%                           | 15.3%                         | 14.5%                                   | 20.0%                                |
| Gaming risk group     | No                         | 23.1% | 19.3%                           | 13.7%                         | 19.8%                                   | 24.2%                                |
|                       | Yes                        | 0.0%  | 4.2%                            | 2.6%                          | 11.6%                                   | 81.5%                                |

**Table 5.2: Estimated gaming by peers, EHS**

|                       |                            | Never | Ever, but not in the last month | Once a week in the last month | Multiple times a week in the last month | (Almost) every day in the last month |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| <b>Total</b>          |                            | 9.9%  | 24.1%                           | 21.2%                         | 27.3%                                   | 17.5%                                |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 9.9%  | 26.3%                           | 18.8%                         | 31.3%                                   | 13.8%                                |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 7.8%  | 19.3%                           | 22.4%                         | 29.4%                                   | 21.2%                                |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 10.1% | 28.6%                           | 24.3%                         | 26.8%                                   | 10.2%                                |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 10.8% | 19.5%                           | 16.1%                         | 26.3%                                   | 27.3%                                |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 4.9%  | 9.9%                            | 14.3%                         | 30.8%                                   | 40.1%                                |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 8.1%  | 14.1%                           | 14.8%                         | 28.0%                                   | 35.1%                                |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 14.2% | 20.4%                           | 15.3%                         | 27.5%                                   | 22.6%                                |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 9.8%  | 27.1%                           | 22.3%                         | 26.7%                                   | 14.1%                                |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 9.3%  | 29.6%                           | 26.2%                         | 27.0%                                   | 7.8%                                 |
| Gender                | Male                       | 3.2%  | 4.8%                            | 15.6%                         | 43.7%                                   | 32.7%                                |
|                       | Female                     | 14.6% | 37.8%                           | 25.0%                         | 16.1%                                   | 6.5%                                 |
|                       | Other                      | 10.7% | 0.0%                            | 3.6%                          | 46.4%                                   | 39.3%                                |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 1.4%  | 2.8%                            | 23.9%                         | 32.4%                                   | 39.4%                                |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 10.0% | 23.6%                           | 20.8%                         | 27.8%                                   | 17.9%                                |
|                       | Yes                        | 9.7%  | 25.0%                           | 21.8%                         | 26.6%                                   | 16.8%                                |
| Working               | No                         | 9.8%  | 23.4%                           | 20.7%                         | 27.8%                                   | 18.4%                                |
|                       | Yes                        | 10.9% | 34.3%                           | 28.8%                         | 21.5%                                   | 4.5%                                 |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 7.8%  | 16.1%                           | 14.9%                         | 30.7%                                   | 30.4%                                |
|                       | Yes                        | 11.5% | 19.5%                           | 16.2%                         | 26.9%                                   | 25.9%                                |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 6.9%  | 16.6%                           | 22.1%                         | 32.3%                                   | 22.1%                                |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 9.2%  | 29.4%                           | 26.6%                         | 26.6%                                   | 8.1%                                 |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 8.9%  | 31.3%                           | 25.7%                         | 27.2%                                   | 6.8%                                 |
|                       | Higher Education           | 15.7% | 18.6%                           | 17.6%                         | 30.4%                                   | 17.6%                                |
|                       | University                 | 11.0% | 32.1%                           | 27.8%                         | 22.2%                                   | 7.0%                                 |
|                       | Other                      | 9.9%  | 24.1%                           | 21.2%                         | 27.4%                                   | 17.5%                                |
|                       | Not applicable             | 9.8%  | 22.0%                           | 22.0%                         | 26.8%                                   | 19.5%                                |
| Living alone          | No                         | 10.1% | 23.5%                           | 21.1%                         | 27.4%                                   | 17.9%                                |
|                       | Yes                        | 5.6%  | 35.5%                           | 22.6%                         | 26.9%                                   | 9.4%                                 |
| Gaming risk group     | No                         | 10.1% | 24.8%                           | 21.5%                         | 27.3%                                   | 16.2%                                |
|                       | Yes                        | 4.8%  | 5.8%                            | 12.2%                         | 28.6%                                   | 48.7%                                |



**Table 5.3: Hours young people spend gaming during weekdays, EHS**

|                       |                            | < 1 hour | 1 to 3 hours | 3 to 6 hours | 6 to 9 hours | >9 hours |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------|
| <b>Total</b>          |                            | 62.4%    | 27.3%        | 7.3%         | 1.6%         | 1.4%     |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 60.5%    | 30.9%        | 5.3%         | 1.6%         | 1.6%     |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 63.0%    | 28.7%        | 6.9%         | 1.0%         | 0.5%     |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 70.8%    | 23.7%        | 3.9%         | 0.7%         | 0.8%     |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 49.6%    | 31.2%        | 13.1%        | 3.2%         | 2.9%     |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 45.6%    | 40.1%        | 9.9%         | 2.7%         | 1.6%     |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 45.2%    | 36.1%        | 13.7%        | 2.8%         | 2.1%     |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 55.2%    | 30.3%        | 9.1%         | 2.1%         | 3.3%     |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 65.8%    | 25.3%        | 6.3%         | 1.7%         | 0.9%     |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 72.3%    | 22.3%        | 4.2%         | 0.7%         | 0.6%     |
| Gender                | Male                       | 37.9%    | 42.8%        | 13.2%        | 3.3%         | 2.8%     |
|                       | Female                     | 79.2%    | 16.9%        | 3.2%         | 0.5%         | 0.2%     |
|                       | Other                      | 48.3%    | 20.7%        | 17.2%        | 0.0%         | 13.8%    |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 52.8%    | 31.9%        | 8.3%         | 0.0%         | 6.9%     |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 60.1%    | 28.8%        | 7.6%         | 1.8%         | 1.7%     |
|                       | Yes                        | 66.2%    | 24.9%        | 6.8%         | 1.2%         | 1.0%     |
| Working               | No                         | 61.5%    | 27.8%        | 7.6%         | 1.6%         | 1.5%     |
|                       | Yes                        | 76.0%    | 19.9%        | 3.2%         | 0.3%         | 0.6%     |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 43.0%    | 35.3%        | 13.6%        | 4.2%         | 3.9%     |
|                       | Yes                        | 57.5%    | 30.4%        | 9.1%         | 1.9%         | 1.2%     |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 42.9%    | 36.4%        | 14.3%        | 2.8%         | 3.7%     |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 72.4%    | 22.9%        | 3.7%         | 0.5%         | 0.5%     |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 76.5%    | 20.5%        | 2.7%         | 0.1%         | 0.1%     |
|                       | Higher Education           | 55.3%    | 33.0%        | 6.8%         | 1.9%         | 2.9%     |
|                       | University                 | 70.3%    | 21.1%        | 5.3%         | 1.1%         | 2.1%     |
|                       | Other                      | 62.6%    | 27.4%        | 7.2%         | 1.5%         | 1.3%     |
|                       | Not applicable             | 43.9%    | 19.5%        | 19.5%        | 7.3%         | 9.8%     |
| Living alone          | No                         | 62.1%    | 27.4%        | 7.4%         | 1.6%         | 1.4%     |
|                       | Yes                        | 68.5%    | 24.7%        | 4.7%         | 0.9%         | 1.3%     |
| Gaming risk group     | No                         | 64.6%    | 27.1%        | 6.4%         | 1.1%         | 0.8%     |
|                       | Yes                        | 8.5%     | 33.3%        | 28.6%        | 12.7%        | 16.9%    |

**Table 5.4: Estimated hours young people spend gaming during weekdays. EHS**

|                       |                            | < 1 hour | 1 to 3 hours | 3 to 6 hours | 6 to 9 hours | >9 hours |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------|
| <b>Total</b>          |                            | 39.6%    | 41.4%        | 13.6%        | 3.3%         | 2.1%     |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 43.8%    | 37.2%        | 14.1%        | 3.6%         | 1.3%     |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 39.1%    | 42.5%        | 14.3%        | 3.0%         | 1.1%     |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 46.1%    | 43.8%        | 7.3%         | 1.5%         | 1.3%     |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 29.1%    | 37.9%        | 22.7%        | 6.2%         | 4.2%     |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 22.5%    | 48.4%        | 14.8%        | 9.9%         | 4.4%     |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 25.1%    | 39.9%        | 25.5%        | 6.1%         | 3.3%     |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 35.6%    | 37.3%        | 17.0%        | 5.4%         | 4.7%     |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 40.0%    | 44.1%        | 11.4%        | 2.8%         | 1.8%     |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 48.4%    | 41.9%        | 8.3%         | 0.9%         | 0.6%     |
| Gender                | Male                       | 13.9%    | 50.7%        | 25.0%        | 6.6%         | 3.8%     |
|                       | Female                     | 57.7%    | 35.0%        | 5.6%         | 0.9%         | 0.7%     |
|                       | Other                      | 10.7%    | 46.4%        | 21.4%        | 7.1%         | 14.3%    |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 15.7%    | 44.3%        | 24.3%        | 7.1%         | 8.6%     |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 38.7%    | 40.8%        | 14.2%        | 3.9%         | 2.4%     |
|                       | Yes                        | 41.0%    | 42.3%        | 12.6%        | 2.4%         | 1.7%     |
| Working               | No                         | 38.6%    | 41.6%        | 14.1%        | 3.5%         | 2.2%     |
|                       | Yes                        | 54.7%    | 37.9%        | 5.8%         | 1.0%         | 0.6%     |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 22.0%    | 38.5%        | 25.3%        | 9.0%         | 5.1%     |
|                       | Yes                        | 35.2%    | 40.8%        | 17.2%        | 3.8%         | 2.9%     |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 24.5%    | 35.2%        | 30.6%        | 6.5%         | 3.2%     |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 46.3%    | 45.9%        | 6.7%         | 0.6%         | 0.5%     |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 52.8%    | 42.1%        | 4.7%         | 0.2%         | 0.1%     |
|                       | Higher Education           | 34.7%    | 34.7%        | 12.9%        | 12.9%        | 5.0%     |
|                       | University                 | 50.4%    | 38.9%        | 7.8%         | 1.3%         | 1.6%     |
|                       | Other                      | 39.7%    | 41.3%        | 13.6%        | 3.3%         | 2.1%     |
|                       | Not applicable             | 26.8%    | 46.3%        | 17.1%        | 4.9%         | 4.9%     |
| Living alone          | No                         | 39.3%    | 41.3%        | 13.9%        | 3.4%         | 2.1%     |
|                       | Yes                        | 45.3%    | 42.7%        | 8.1%         | 1.7%         | 2.1%     |
| Gaming risk group     | No                         | 40.6%    | 41.8%        | 13.0%        | 2.9%         | 1.7%     |
|                       | Yes                        | 13.8%    | 31.2%        | 29.1%        | 12.2%        | 13.8%    |

**Table 5.5: Hours young people spend gaming during weekend days, EHS**

|                       |                            | < 1 hour | 1 to 3 hours | 3 to 6 hours | 6 to 9 hours | >9 hours |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------|
| <b>Total</b>          |                            | 52.8%    | 25.7%        | 12.8%        | 4.7%         | 4.1%     |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 52.1%    | 28.7%        | 12.5%        | 2.6%         | 4.0%     |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 53.1%    | 26.5%        | 13.7%        | 4.6%         | 2.0%     |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 60.9%    | 25.1%        | 9.6%         | 3.0%         | 1.5%     |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 40.2%    | 25.5%        | 17.4%        | 7.8%         | 9.2%     |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 29.8%    | 38.7%        | 19.9%        | 6.1%         | 5.5%     |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 35.6%    | 30.4%        | 20.2%        | 7.2%         | 6.6%     |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 46.9%    | 22.7%        | 16.1%        | 6.1%         | 8.3%     |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 53.3%    | 26.5%        | 11.9%        | 4.7%         | 3.7%     |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 63.8%    | 23.5%        | 8.3%         | 2.9%         | 1.4%     |
| Gender                | Male                       | 27.5%    | 32.7%        | 22.9%        | 9.0%         | 8.0%     |
|                       | Female                     | 70.1%    | 21.0%        | 6.1%         | 1.7%         | 1.2%     |
|                       | Other                      | 37.9%    | 17.2%        | 20.7%        | 13.8%        | 10.3%    |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 40.8%    | 29.6%        | 11.3%        | 5.6%         | 12.7%    |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 50.1%    | 26.4%        | 13.5%        | 5.3%         | 4.7%     |
|                       | Yes                        | 57.2%    | 24.5%        | 11.7%        | 3.7%         | 3.0%     |
| Working               | No                         | 51.5%    | 26.2%        | 13.1%        | 4.9%         | 4.2%     |
|                       | Yes                        | 71.1%    | 17.4%        | 9.0%         | 1.3%         | 1.3%     |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 37.4%    | 23.4%        | 20.5%        | 7.6%         | 11.2%    |
|                       | Yes                        | 44.7%    | 29.0%        | 16.0%        | 6.0%         | 4.2%     |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 37.8%    | 25.8%        | 17.5%        | 8.8%         | 10.1%    |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 62.1%    | 25.4%        | 8.1%         | 2.9%         | 1.4%     |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 67.2%    | 24.0%        | 7.7%         | 1.0%         | 0.2%     |
|                       | Higher Education           | 48.5%    | 27.2%        | 11.7%        | 5.8%         | 6.8%     |
|                       | University                 | 65.1%    | 19.0%        | 8.8%         | 4.3%         | 2.7%     |
|                       | Other                      | 52.9%    | 25.7%        | 12.8%        | 4.5%         | 4.0%     |
|                       | Not applicable             | 36.6%    | 22.0%        | 12.2%        | 19.5%        | 9.8%     |
| Living alone          | No                         | 52.3%    | 25.9%        | 13.0%        | 4.6%         | 4.2%     |
|                       | Yes                        | 62.6%    | 20.9%        | 9.8%         | 5.5%         | 1.3%     |
| Gaming risk group     | No                         | 54.8%    | 26.0%        | 12.5%        | 4.1%         | 2.7%     |
|                       | Yes                        | 3.7%     | 18.5%        | 21.2%        | 18.5%        | 38.1%    |

**Table 5.6: Estimated hours young people spend gaming during weekend days, EHS**

|                       |                            | < 1 hour | 1 to 3 hours | 3 to 6 hours | 6 to 9 hours | >9 hours |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------|
| <b>Total</b>          |                            | 28.3%    | 35.3%        | 23.0%        | 8.7%         | 4.8%     |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 34.3%    | 33.3%        | 19.5%        | 9.6%         | 3.3%     |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 27.3%    | 34.8%        | 24.9%        | 8.7%         | 4.3%     |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 31.5%    | 41.1%        | 20.5%        | 4.7%         | 2.2%     |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 22.6%    | 27.0%        | 26.4%        | 14.5%        | 9.4%     |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 14.3%    | 33.0%        | 33.0%        | 9.3%         | 10.4%    |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 19.5%    | 27.1%        | 30.5%        | 14.5%        | 8.4%     |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 29.2%    | 26.7%        | 21.8%        | 13.1%        | 9.2%     |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 27.1%    | 37.0%        | 24.4%        | 7.0%         | 4.5%     |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 33.1%    | 41.5%        | 19.0%        | 5.1%         | 1.2%     |
| Gender                | Male                       | 6.5%     | 32.5%        | 35.3%        | 16.6%        | 9.1%     |
|                       | Female                     | 43.6%    | 37.5%        | 14.3%        | 3.1%         | 1.5%     |
|                       | Other                      | 7.1%     | 28.6%        | 28.6%        | 10.7%        | 25.0%    |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 4.2%     | 25.0%        | 40.3%        | 16.7%        | 13.9%    |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 27.3%    | 34.2%        | 23.6%        | 9.6%         | 5.4%     |
|                       | Yes                        | 29.9%    | 37.0%        | 22.0%        | 7.2%         | 3.9%     |
| Working               | No                         | 27.6%    | 35.0%        | 23.4%        | 9.0%         | 5.0%     |
|                       | Yes                        | 37.7%    | 40.0%        | 16.8%        | 3.9%         | 1.6%     |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 17.1%    | 24.7%        | 27.7%        | 16.0%        | 14.5%    |
|                       | Yes                        | 27.0%    | 30.5%        | 26.0%        | 11.0%        | 5.5%     |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 18.5%    | 23.6%        | 27.3%        | 22.2%        | 8.3%     |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 31.6%    | 43.1%        | 20.7%        | 3.7%         | 0.9%     |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 35.6%    | 44.1%        | 17.1%        | 2.8%         | 0.4%     |
|                       | Higher Education           | 24.5%    | 28.4%        | 25.5%        | 10.8%        | 10.8%    |
|                       | University                 | 33.8%    | 40.2%        | 18.5%        | 4.8%         | 2.7%     |
|                       | Other                      | 28.4%    | 35.2%        | 23.0%        | 8.6%         | 4.8%     |
|                       | Not applicable             | 17.1%    | 41.5%        | 24.4%        | 12.2%        | 4.9%     |
| Living alone          | No                         | 28.1%    | 35.1%        | 23.2%        | 8.7%         | 4.9%     |
|                       | Yes                        | 32.3%    | 38.3%        | 19.1%        | 7.2%         | 3.0%     |
| Gaming risk group     | No                         | 29.2%    | 35.8%        | 22.9%        | 8.1%         | 1.7%     |
|                       | Yes                        | 6.3%     | 22.2%        | 24.3%        | 22.8%        | 13.8%    |

**Table 5.7: Opinion on gaming among young people (on a scale of 1 to 5), EHS**

|                       |                            | 1     | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Total</b>          |                            | 6.0%  | 9.1%  | 23.0% | 19.9% | 42.0% |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 3.6%  | 6.3%  | 20.7% | 25.3% | 44.1% |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 3.6%  | 6.1%  | 23.0% | 25.8% | 41.5% |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 5.5%  | 8.7%  | 24.5% | 19.0% | 42.3% |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 8.7%  | 12.1% | 21.1% | 16.8% | 41.3% |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 3.8%  | 9.9%  | 24.2% | 20.9% | 41.2% |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 6.0%  | 9.2%  | 22.7% | 21.0% | 41.2% |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 9.5%  | 10.9% | 20.1% | 19.4% | 40.0% |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 6.7%  | 9.7%  | 22.4% | 19.3% | 41.8% |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 4.5%  | 8.1%  | 24.4% | 19.8% | 43.2% |
| Gender                | Male                       | 4.0%  | 4.0%  | 14.3% | 18.8% | 58.8% |
|                       | Female                     | 7.3%  | 12.5% | 28.8% | 20.6% | 30.7% |
|                       | Other                      | 13.8% | 10.3% | 13.8% | 10.3% | 51.7% |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 4.2%  | 9.9%  | 23.9% | 23.9% | 38.0% |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 6.3%  | 9.1%  | 22.6% | 19.7% | 42.3% |
|                       | Yes                        | 5.5%  | 9.2%  | 23.6% | 20.2% | 41.4% |
| Working               | No                         | 6.0%  | 9.2%  | 22.7% | 19.8% | 42.4% |
|                       | Yes                        | 6.4%  | 8.7%  | 27.7% | 21.2% | 36.0% |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 9.1%  | 10.4% | 19.8% | 18.9% | 41.9% |
|                       | Yes                        | 6.8%  | 10.8% | 23.0% | 20.6% | 38.8% |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 8.3%  | 9.2%  | 23.5% | 12.0% | 47.0% |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 4.5%  | 6.9%  | 23.8% | 19.8% | 45.0% |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 2.5%  | 8.4%  | 24.0% | 22.0% | 43.2% |
|                       | Higher Education           | 7.8%  | 5.9%  | 16.7% | 19.6% | 50.0% |
|                       | University                 | 7.8%  | 8.8%  | 25.2% | 19.0% | 39.1% |
|                       | Other                      | 6.0%  | 9.2%  | 23.0% | 20.0% | 41.9% |
|                       | Not applicable             | 9.8%  | 4.9%  | 19.5% | 9.8%  | 56.1% |
| Living alone          | No                         | 5.9%  | 9.1%  | 23.0% | 19.8% | 42.2% |
|                       | Yes                        | 8.5%  | 9.4%  | 23.4% | 21.7% | 37.0% |
| Gaming risk group     | No                         | 6.1%  | 9.4%  | 23.6% | 20.2% | 40.7% |
|                       | Yes                        | 3.7%  | 2.1%  | 7.9%  | 13.2% | 73.0% |

**Table 5.8: Estimated opinion of peers about gaming (on a scale of 1 to 5), EHS**

|                       |                            | 1     | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Total</b>          |                            | 6.2%  | 10.7% | 23.8% | 22.2% | 37.0% |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 5.6%  | 8.6%  | 25.1% | 21.5% | 39.3% |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 5.3%  | 7.6%  | 21.2% | 25.9% | 39.9% |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 5.3%  | 11.5% | 25.6% | 22.3% | 35.3% |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 8.3%  | 11.8% | 22.1% | 20.2% | 37.5% |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 9.4%  | 6.6%  | 21.5% | 26.5% | 35.9% |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 9.1%  | 8.7%  | 19.0% | 23.1% | 40.2% |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 9.2%  | 11.1% | 21.8% | 20.5% | 37.3% |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 5.8%  | 12.5% | 22.4% | 21.6% | 37.7% |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 3.7%  | 11.1% | 27.2% | 22.5% | 35.5% |
| Gender                | Male                       | 3.9%  | 2.9%  | 14.5% | 23.9% | 54.8% |
|                       | Female                     | 7.7%  | 16.1% | 30.2% | 21.2% | 24.7% |
|                       | Other                      | 3.4%  | 6.9%  | 13.8% | 6.9%  | 69.0% |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 6.9%  | 9.7%  | 16.7% | 26.4% | 40.3% |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 6.3%  | 11.4% | 23.2% | 22.1% | 37.0% |
|                       | Yes                        | 6.1%  | 9.6%  | 24.7% | 22.5% | 37.1% |
| Working               | No                         | 6.4%  | 10.5% | 23.1% | 22.5% | 37.5% |
|                       | Yes                        | 3.2%  | 14.5% | 33.8% | 18.6% | 29.9% |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 8.6%  | 10.7% | 20.1% | 21.3% | 39.3% |
|                       | Yes                        | 8.7%  | 10.2% | 21.5% | 22.7% | 36.9% |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 5.1%  | 11.6% | 26.4% | 17.6% | 39.4% |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 3.7%  | 10.9% | 25.9% | 21.2% | 38.3% |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 3.2%  | 10.4% | 24.0% | 26.7% | 35.6% |
|                       | Higher Education           | 13.9% | 5.9%  | 21.8% | 23.8% | 34.7% |
|                       | University                 | 4.3%  | 14.2% | 31.8% | 17.6% | 32.1% |
|                       | Other                      | 6.2%  | 10.8% | 23.8% | 22.3% | 37.0% |
|                       | Not applicable             | 9.8%  | 9.8%  | 24.4% | 14.6% | 41.5% |
| Living alone          | No                         | 6.3%  | 10.6% | 23.6% | 22.3% | 37.2% |
|                       | Yes                        | 4.2%  | 14.0% | 27.1% | 21.6% | 33.1% |
| Gaming risk group     | No                         | 6.2%  | 11.0% | 24.2% | 22.3% | 36.3% |
|                       | Yes                        | 5.8%  | 4.8%  | 13.2% | 21.7% | 54.5% |

**Table 5.9: Opinion about young people gaming so much it influences social life (on a scale of 1 to 5), EHS**

|                       |                            | 1     | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Total</b>          |                            | 54.2% | 27.1% | 11.6% | 3.0%  | 4.1%  |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 61.7% | 24.4% | 7.9%  | 2.3%  | 3.6%  |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 58.0% | 25.5% | 11.6% | 2.5%  | 2.4%  |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 51.3% | 30.8% | 11.6% | 2.8%  | 3.5%  |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 55.1% | 22.9% | 12.2% | 3.7%  | 6.0%  |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 60.4% | 21.4% | 11.0% | 2.7%  | 4.4%  |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 52.6% | 25.1% | 13.8% | 3.4%  | 5.0%  |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 57.7% | 24.0% | 9.7%  | 3.2%  | 5.4%  |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 53.9% | 28.4% | 11.5% | 2.7%  | 3.4%  |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 53.1% | 29.1% | 11.5% | 2.9%  | 3.4%  |
| Gender                | Male                       | 43.6% | 29.8% | 16.1% | 4.0%  | 6.4%  |
|                       | Female                     | 61.6% | 25.6% | 8.5%  | 2.1%  | 2.2%  |
|                       | Other                      | 37.9% | 20.7% | 13.8% | 20.7% | 6.9%  |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 50.0% | 18.1% | 12.5% | 4.2%  | 15.3% |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 53.5% | 27.2% | 11.6% | 3.3%  | 4.5%  |
|                       | Yes                        | 55.5% | 27.0% | 11.5% | 2.6%  | 3.4%  |
| Working               | No                         | 54.0% | 27.1% | 11.7% | 3.1%  | 4.1%  |
|                       | Yes                        | 57.9% | 27.3% | 9.3%  | 1.9%  | 3.5%  |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 53.0% | 22.9% | 13.9% | 4.8%  | 5.4%  |
|                       | Yes                        | 57.8% | 25.3% | 10.5% | 2.7%  | 3.7%  |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 52.1% | 19.8% | 18.0% | 1.4%  | 8.8%  |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 51.4% | 30.8% | 11.8% | 2.8%  | 3.1%  |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 51.6% | 32.2% | 10.4% | 3.3%  | 2.5%  |
|                       | Higher Education           | 53.9% | 23.5% | 10.8% | 2.9%  | 8.8%  |
|                       | University                 | 56.4% | 24.9% | 10.4% | 2.4%  | 5.9%  |
|                       | Other                      | 54.3% | 27.2% | 11.5% | 3.0%  | 4.0%  |
|                       | Not applicable             | 51.2% | 12.2% | 19.5% | 2.4%  | 14.6% |
| Living alone          | No                         | 54.2% | 26.9% | 11.7% | 3.0%  | 4.1%  |
|                       | Yes                        | 54.2% | 31.8% | 8.5%  | 2.5%  | 3.0%  |
| Gaming risk group     | No                         | 56.0% | 27.2% | 10.9% | 2.6%  | 3.3%  |
|                       | Yes                        | 12.2% | 24.3% | 28.0% | 12.7% | 22.8% |

**Table 5.10: Estimated opinion of peers about gaming so much it influences social life (on a scale of 1 to 5), EHS**

|                       |                            | 1     | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Total</b>          |                            | 39.0% | 30.2% | 19.6% | 5.2%  | 5.9%  |
| Regions               | South-Limburg (NL)         | 45.0% | 27.8% | 14.9% | 6.0%  | 6.3%  |
|                       | Province of Limburg (BE)   | 41.1% | 30.6% | 19.5% | 4.9%  | 3.9%  |
|                       | Province of Liège (BE)     | 36.8% | 33.4% | 20.5% | 5.0%  | 4.2%  |
|                       | German regions (DE)        | 40.0% | 25.6% | 19.3% | 5.5%  | 9.5%  |
| Age groups            | 12-14 years                | 41.2% | 27.5% | 16.5% | 7.1%  | 7.7%  |
|                       | 14-16 years                | 39.1% | 27.2% | 20.7% | 5.4%  | 7.6%  |
|                       | 16-18 years                | 42.1% | 27.6% | 19.0% | 4.3%  | 7.1%  |
|                       | 18-20 years                | 39.5% | 30.3% | 20.1% | 4.1%  | 5.9%  |
|                       | 20-26 years                | 37.3% | 32.7% | 19.6% | 5.8%  | 4.5%  |
| Gender                | Male                       | 29.2% | 29.8% | 24.3% | 7.9%  | 8.8%  |
|                       | Female                     | 45.7% | 30.8% | 16.4% | 3.4%  | 3.6%  |
|                       | Other                      | 20.7% | 24.1% | 20.7% | 13.8% | 20.7% |
|                       | Don't want to answer       | 36.1% | 22.2% | 25.0% | 4.2%  | 12.5% |
| Identifies with peers | No                         | 38.2% | 29.6% | 19.7% | 5.8%  | 6.8%  |
|                       | Yes                        | 40.3% | 31.3% | 19.6% | 4.3%  | 4.5%  |
| Working               | No                         | 38.9% | 30.4% | 19.8% | 5.1%  | 5.8%  |
|                       | Yes                        | 40.7% | 28.2% | 17.3% | 6.7%  | 7.1%  |
| Under-privileged      | No                         | 36.1% | 23.8% | 24.9% | 5.6%  | 9.6%  |
|                       | Yes                        | 42.7% | 29.0% | 17.1% | 5.2%  | 6.0%  |
| Level of education    | Lower secondary education  | 36.9% | 21.7% | 24.0% | 5.5%  | 12.0% |
|                       | Higher secondary education | 37.4% | 33.2% | 20.8% | 4.7%  | 4.0%  |
|                       | Intermediate Education     | 36.0% | 38.2% | 18.2% | 4.7%  | 2.8%  |
|                       | Higher Education           | 39.2% | 27.5% | 21.6% | 5.9%  | 5.9%  |
|                       | University                 | 40.3% | 26.4% | 18.4% | 7.2%  | 7.7%  |
|                       | Other                      | 39.0% | 30.4% | 19.6% | 5.2%  | 5.9%  |
|                       | Not applicable             | 41.5% | 14.6% | 24.4% | 12.2% | 7.3%  |
| Living alone          | No                         | 39.2% | 30.0% | 19.8% | 5.1%  | 5.9%  |
|                       | Yes                        | 35.6% | 35.2% | 17.4% | 6.8%  | 5.1%  |
| Gaming risk group     | No                         | 39.9% | 30.4% | 19.4% | 5.1%  | 5.3%  |
|                       | Yes                        | 17.5% | 27.0% | 25.4% | 9.0%  | 21.2% |





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