

Other Questions

Does your group have regular group conscience meetings?

Quarterly	28%
Monthly	50%
Other	15%
Never	7%

If so do you attend?

Regularly	77%
Sometimes	18%
Never	6%

Do you have a disability?

Wheel Chair	0%
Hearing	18%
Other	81%

Other disabilities included

Arthritis
Back injury
Bi Polar
Cancer
Depression
Diabetes
Mental Illness
Not Specified
Partially Blind
Schizophrenia

In 2005, a survey was conducted within the Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous in Australia.

1232 members from 116 groups responded to the survey.

This represents about 6% of the estimated total membership of 20,000.

The purpose of the survey is to keep AA members informed on current trends in membership characteristics, and to provide information about Alcoholics Anonymous to the professional community.

The survey also serves to inform the general public as part of the effort to reach those who still suffer from Alcoholism.

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To contact AA, look in your local telephone directory or contact:

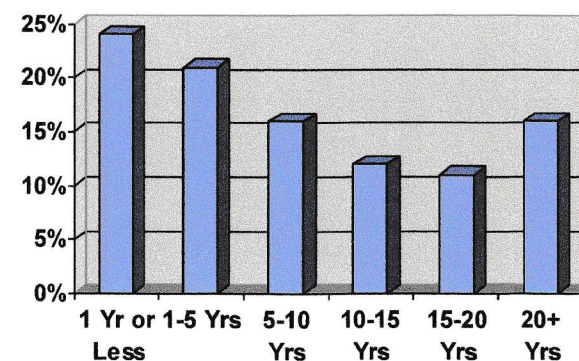
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ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Australian Membership Survey 2005



Length of Sobriety



Average Length of Sobriety 9.6 Years.

How Long to Get Sober

- Before first meeting 9%
- Since first meeting 42%
- Within 1 month 4%
- Within 1-12 months 12%
- Within 1-5 years 16%
- Within 5-10 years 8%
- Over 10 years 10%

Attendance at Meetings

- Less than 1 per week 2%
- 1 per week 9%
- 2 per week 21%
- 3 per week 25%
- 4 per week 15%
- 5 per week 11%
- More than 5 per week 16%

Reasons for Coming to AA

- AA Member 26%
- On my own 21%
- Treatment Facility 11%
- Family 10%
- Doctor 7%
- Non AA friend or neighbour 5%
- Counselling Agency 5%
- AA Literature 3%
- Newspaper, Radio or TV 3%
- Al-Anon or Alateen member 3%
- Employer or Fellow worker 3%
- Other 2%
- Court Order 1%
- Correctional Facility 1%
- Member of Clergy 0%

Average Age

- Under 30 yrs 6%
- 30 – 39 yrs 19%
- 40 – 49 yrs 28%
- 50 – 59 yrs 28%
- 60 – 69 yrs 14%
- Over 70 yrs 5%
- Average minimum age 20
- Average maximum age 88

Nature of Employment

- Retired 19.0%
- Self Employed 16.0%
- Manager or Administrator 9.2%
- Trades or related 8.2%
- Homemaker 6.8%
- Other Health worker 5.2%
- Educator 3.9%
- Clerical worker 3.8%
- Media, Arts & related 3.8%
- Disability Pension/Unemployed 3.7%
- Nursing Professional 3.6%
- Counsellor , Social or Welfare 3.6%
- Transport (equip operator) 3.0%
- Service worker (except private household) 2.5%
- Information & Communication technologies 2.1%
- Professional or Technical worker 1.1%
- Student 0.9%
- Farmer or Farm labour 0.9%
- Police or Security 0.8%
- Military 0.7%
- Medical Profession (MD) 0.6%
- Legal 0.4%
- Member of the Clergy 0.2%

Other Questions and Responses Yes or No

- Do you belong to a Group Y 88%
N 12%
- Did you ever have a Sponsor Y 80%
N 20%
- Do you have a Sponsor now Y 57%
N 43%
- Did you get your Sponsor within the first 90 days Y 45%
N 55%
- Did you have Treatment before coming to AA Y 64%
N 36%
- Was Treatment important in directing you to AA Y 38%
N 62%
- Did you have Treatment after coming to AA Y 60%
N 40%
- Was it important to your recovery Y 50%
N 50%
- Does your Doctor know you are in AA Y 82%
N 18%
- Is English your first language Y 96%
N 4%
- Are you Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Y 4%
N 96%

Gender of Respondents

Male – 65% Female – 35%