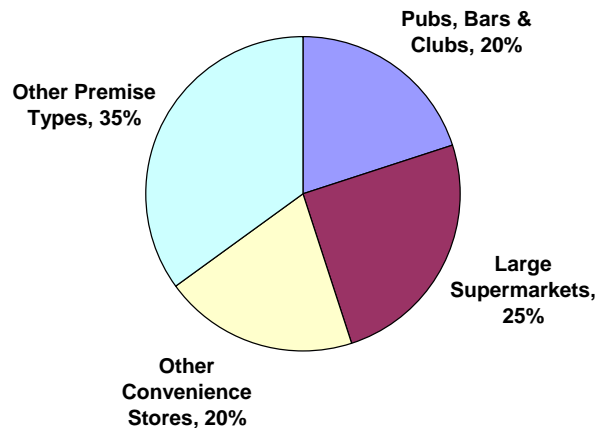


## LICENSING KEY FACTS

*Note that these figures are interim estimates only, based on a relatively small sample (28%) of Licensing Authorities. More information on this, and planned future, data collection is provided below the findings.*

### Licences

- Over 200,000 premise licences/certificates are in force
- Around 3,000 of these are 24 hour licences – less than 2% of the total
- **Broken down by premise type**, the split of 24 hour licences in force is approximately:



- Therefore the vast majority of premises will **not** allow 24hr drinking
- Around 300,000 personal licence holders
- Over 100,000 Temporary Event Notices have been given

### Weekend hour of closing<sup>i</sup>

- There is no evidence in the sample of a move to a new single terminal hour
- Approximately a fifth of pubs, bars and clubs close by 11pm at the latest, and roughly a half by midnight

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<sup>i</sup> Licensing Authorities were asked to record the *latest* terminal hour of pubs, bars and nightclubs – most likely to fall on a weekend. Terminal hours may be earlier during the week.

- Around 4 in 5 pubs, bars and nightclubs are closed by 1am at the latest
- Under the old regime about 80% of pubs, public bars and night-clubs had licences until 11pm. Of the remainder about 15% (mostly nightclubs) opened until 2am. Only a small percentage (London based) were licensed until 3am.
- Evidence suggests there have been only modest changes to closing times from Sunday to Thursday

### **Licence reviews and outcomes**

- Estimates suggest there have been roughly 600 completed reviews, of which:
    - Around three-quarters resulted in changes to conditions, hours etc
    - Approximately 100 licences were revoked
    - A small number resulted in no further action being taken
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### **Methodology**

These findings are broad estimates of the current position only. A short electronic survey was sent to all Licensing Authorities in England & Wales, with a 28% response rate achieved. Results were collated and extrapolated to provide very basic estimates at a National level.

A more comprehensive data collection exercise will be carried out by the Department in 2007.