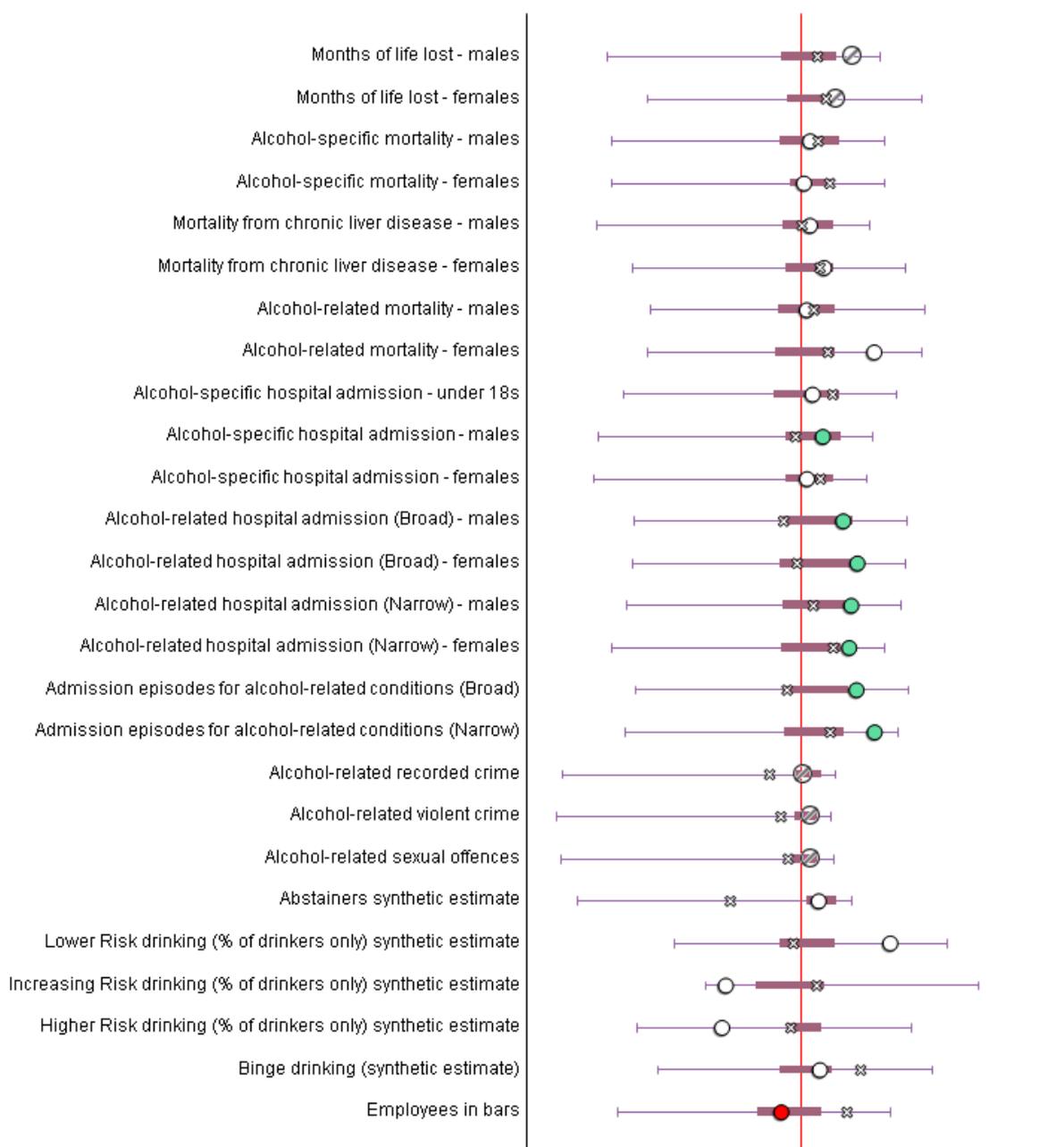
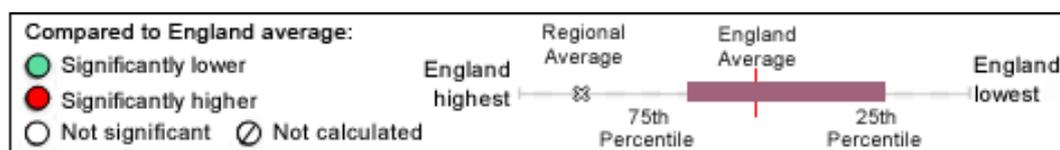


# JSNA newsflash

## Local Alcohol Profile

Public Health England has published the annual update to the [Local Alcohol Profiles for England](#). These include a selection of indicators related to alcohol consumption and related harm.

### What does this mean for Richmond?



- Richmond is similar to, or better than, the London and England averages for alcohol-related and alcohol-specific mortality and hospital admissions.
- Richmond trends show some level of recent improvement, in line with national trends. After year-on-year increases in alcohol-related mortality and hospital admissions in Richmond, these latest data (2012) show some decreases. This is with the exception of alcohol-related mortality among men.
- Nevertheless, levels of harm are considerable and a proportion is preventable.
- Numbers of Richmond residents drinking at levels harmful to health remain high. Estimates indicate that Richmond has higher than average proportions of increasing-risk (21.3%) and higher-risk (7.8%) drinkers<sup>1</sup>, compared to England. Richmond ranks 316 out of 326 local authorities for this 'higher risk' drinking.
- Conversely, Richmond has a below average proportion of over-16s who are abstainers (15.0%, second lowest in London) and lower-risk drinkers (70.1%, third lowest in England).

1. 'Increasing-risk' drinkers are those consuming between 22 and 50 units of alcohol per week for males, and between 15 and 35 units of alcohol per week for females. 'Higher-risk' drinkers are those consuming more than 50 units of alcohol per week for males, and more than 35 units of alcohol per week for females.

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We welcome feedback and are continually reviewing processes and products.

As new information becomes available, we aim to rapidly distribute with a local commentary via our Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) newflashes. We'd welcome your feedback. Please send your comments directly to [JSNA@richmond.gov.uk](mailto:JSNA@richmond.gov.uk) or to the Public Health Team.

Joint Strategic Needs Assessments for the borough of Richmond are available at [www.richmond.gov.uk/jsna](http://www.richmond.gov.uk/jsna).



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