

NIUE

Traditional alcoholic beverages

In Niue, the cheapest form of alcohol is home brew. There is a home brew made from hops, coconut and sugar which is left to ferment for three days and then drunk. Other ingredients used to make home brew include pawpaw and beetroot.¹

Country background information

Total population 2003	1788	Life expectancy at birth (2002)	Male	67.6
Adult (15+)	1216		Female	73.3
% under 15	32	Probability of dying under age 5 per 1000 (2002)	Male	38
Population distribution 2001 (%)			Female	24
Urban	35	Gross National Income per capita 2002	US\$	3715
Rural	65			

Sources: Population and Statistics Division of the United Nations Secretariat, World Bank World Development Indicators database, The World Health Report 2004

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