

# Review of: "Consumption of Beverage among Secondary and Intermediate Students in Riyadh Schools, Saudi Arabia: A Cross-Sectional Study"

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This may be one of the pioneering studies that assesses adolescent's consumption of the different kinds of beverages (i.e. water, juices, milk, coffee, tea, and soda) in different schools in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia and determine the adequacy of such consumptions. However, I finally understood what beverage implied when I reach section 2.3 of the paper. In general, I find the paper somewhat hard to read/follow.

I did a search on the word 'table' in both the web and pdf versions of the paper and could not locate tables 1 to 3. This makes it very difficult to follow the interpretation of the results of this study in the Results section.

The first two sentences in the Discussion section say: "The current study aims to describe beverage consumption and its variation by age. The results show significant differences in the quantity and pattern of beverage consumption across the age and sex groups examined." Nevertheless, without looking at the tables, it can be almost impossible for me to ascertain the aims of the study.

Perhaps the authors should add 2-3 sentences to further explain this limitation of the study: 'The self-reported drink intake might have been over or underestimated.'