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What Types of Licensed Alcohol Establishments Are Located in DC’s Eight Wards?

- Licensed establishments in Wards 1, 2, and 6 account for more than 70% of all establishments in DC, while those in Wards 4, 5, 7, and 8 account for less than 20% of all establishments.
- Forty percent of licensed establishments in DC are located in Ward 2.
- Ward 2 has more licensed restaurants (340), taverns (68), hotels (59), liquor stores (47), other establishments (36), and nightclubs (25) than all other wards.
- Ward 1 has more licensed grocery stores (56) than all other wards.
- Of all licensed restaurants in DC, 96% are in Wards 1, 2, 3, and 6.
- Approximately half of all licensees in Wards 1, 2, and 3 are licensed restaurants.
- Of all licensed hotels in DC, nearly all are in Wards 2 and 6.
- Nearly all licensees in Wards 7 and 8 are licensed grocery stores or liquor stores.
- Catering licenses are also issued for use in all eight wards of the District. There are 44 licensed caterers across DC (although data not shown in graphic above).

See District Youth In Brief, Vol. 3, Issue 2 for more information on types of licensed alcohol establishments.

Notes: Data reported in this briefing were adapted by CESAR from data from the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration. Ward data are of 1,556 licensed alcohol establishments (non-temporary licenses and non-caterers) as of July 6, 2010.