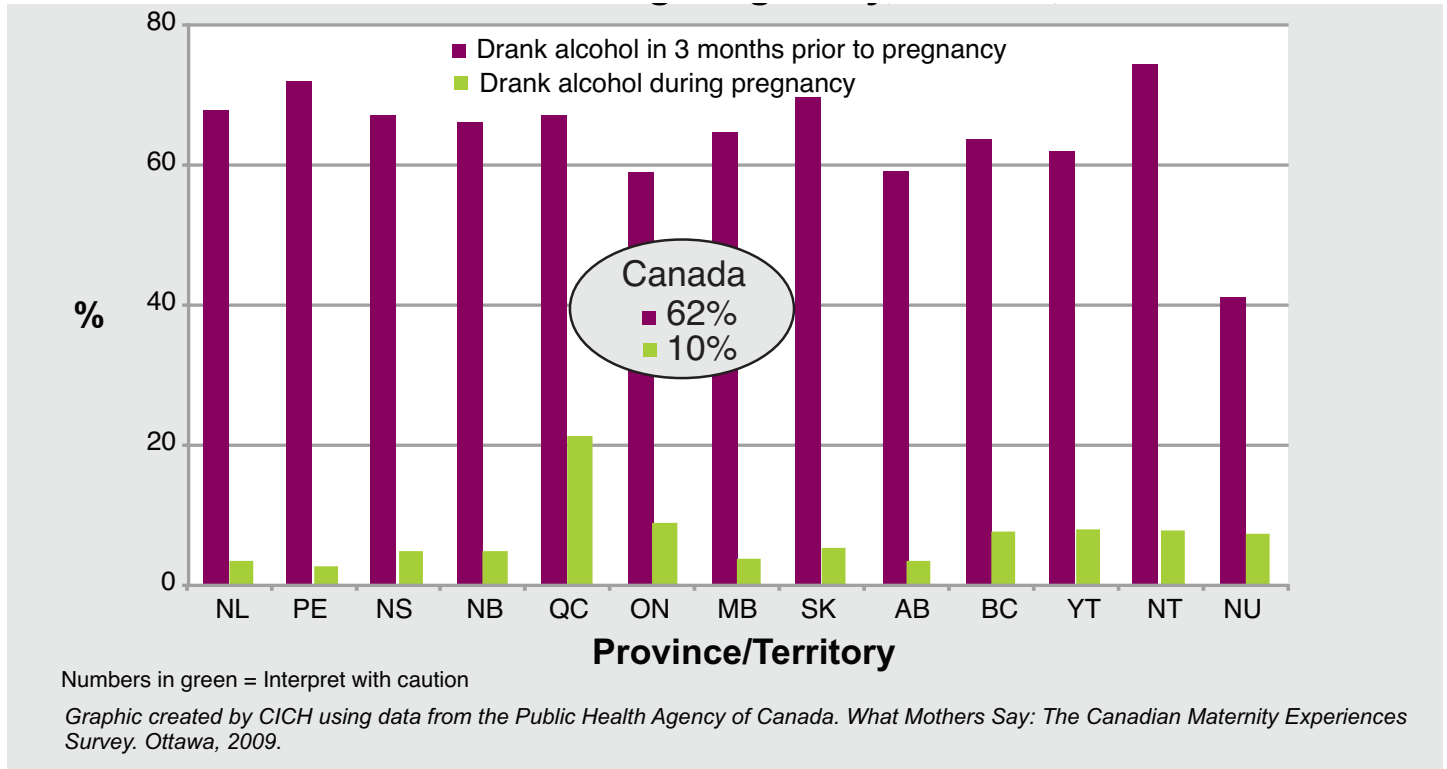




### 6.1.4 Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder – Alcohol Use During Pregnancy, Canada, 2009



According to a national survey of new mothers, 62.4% of women reported drinking alcohol during the three months before their pregnancy. However, only 10.5% of women reported consuming alcohol during pregnancy, and that number varied by province and territory. Less than one percent (0.7%) of mothers reported drinking frequently. Furthermore, 11% indicated they had engaged in binge drinking before realizing they were pregnant.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Public Health Agency of Canada. *What Mothers Say: The Canadian Maternity Experiences Survey*. Ottawa: Public Health Agency of Canada; 2009

