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The following is a summary of the key findings relative to ***Region II*** respondents.

Adult Use of Alcohol [see Table 2.1.1]

- Similar to the statewide results, when participants were asked to rank the seriousness of *adult* use of alcohol, 63.7 percent of the ***Community Member*** participants indicated this to be a *minor to moderate* problem in their community. According to the ***Key Informants***, the majority (60.3%) felt that *adult* alcohol use was also a *minor to moderate* problem in their community.

Youth Use of Alcohol [see Table 2.1.1]

- ***Community Member*** participants felt that *youth* alcohol use was more of a serious issue as compared to adult use of alcohol, in that 40.2 percent of respondents indicated this to be a *serious* problem in their community. In reference to the ***Key Informants***, the majority (51.3%) felt that *youth* alcohol use was a *serious* problem in their community.

Adult Use of Methamphetamine [see Table 2.1.6]

- In regards to the responses from the ***Community Members***, 31 percent felt *adult* use of methamphetamine was a *minor to moderate* problem within their community. Of the ***Key Informant*** population, 44.9 percent of respondents indicated *adult* use of methamphetamine to be a *minor to moderate* problem in the community.

Youth Use of Methamphetamine [see Table 2.1.6]

- Responses were very similar when comparing *youth* to adult use of methamphetamine. Of the ***Community Member*** participants, 27.1 percent felt *youth* use of methamphetamine was a *minor to moderate* problem in their community. Among the ***Key Informants***, 47.4 percent perceived methamphetamine use by *youth* as a *minor to moderate* problem.

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- Of the ***Community Members***, 49.9 percent believed that the contribution of drug/alcohol use to crashes/injuries was a *minor to moderate* problem within their community. Among the ***Key Informants***, the majority (64.1%) felt this was a *serious* problem within their community.

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- The ***Community Member*** respondents generally *disagree-strongly disagree* (74.8%) with the presence of community acceptance of underage drinking. Perceptions of the ***Key Informants*** were different from that of the Community Members, in that 41 percent *agree-strongly agree* that underage drinking is accepted in the community and 59 percent *disagree-strongly disagree* with this statement.

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- When respondents were asked to indicate the extent to which they either agree or disagree with increasing alcohol taxes, 58.2 percent *agree-strongly agree* in support of increasing alcohol taxes. In regards to the ***Key Informant*** respondents, 66.7 percent *agree-strongly agree* in support of an increase in alcohol taxes.

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- Of the **Community Member** respondents, 72.6 percent indicated that *yes* they would be in support of this type of law. The **Key Informant** population was slightly more supportive of this type of law in that 74.4 percent responded that *yes* they would be in support of a law prohibiting giving alcohol to “your own” children.

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Youth Accessibility to Alcohol [see Table 5.1]

- When the **Community Member** respondents were asked “How difficult is it for youth to get an older person to buy alcohol for them,” 46.5 percent believed that it is *slightly/somewhat* difficult. Among the **Key Informant** population, 52.6 percent of respondents indicated that it was *slightly/somewhat* difficult for youth to get an older person to buy alcohol for them.
- When **Community Members** were asked the following, “How difficult is it for youth to sneak alcohol from their home or a friend’s home,” 50.4 percent believed this was *not at all* difficult for youth. Of the **Key Informant** population, 61.5 percent specified that it was *not at all* difficult for youth to obtain alcohol in this manner.

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- Of the **Community Members**, access to marijuana was perceived as *slightly/somewhat* difficult by 43.8 percent of respondents. On the other hand, 51.3 percent of **Key Informant** respondents perceived access to marijuana as *slightly/somewhat* difficult.
- Access to methamphetamine was perceived as *slightly/somewhat* difficult by 46.3 percent of **Community Member** respondents. Similarly, 62.8 percent of **Key Informant** respondents indicated that access to methamphetamine was *slightly/somewhat* difficult.

Presence of Community Action Plan [see Table 6.2]

- Among the **Community Members**, the majority (65.7%) *don’t know* if their community had any action plan in place. Of the **Key Informant** respondents, 48.7 percent *don’t know* if there was any community action plan in place.

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- The most common source of information regarding crime for the **Community Members** was *Television* (39.1%). Similar to the Community Member responses, the most common source of information regarding crime for the **Key Informants** was *Television* (37.2%).

Introduction

The Rural Crime and Justice Center (RCJC) at Minot State University, in conjunction with North Dakota's Department of Human Services, implemented a Community Readiness Survey to gauge perceptions of alcohol and other drug use in North Dakota communities. This was made possible through funding provided by North Dakota's Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services. The Community Readiness Survey assessed the perceptions of Youth Alcohol and Other Drug Use by surveying community members living in North Dakota. The sample represents eight regions in North Dakota and within each region frontier, rural, and urban communities are represented based on population density. This report will focus on the data collected from *Region II* and will also include the statewide results. This is not a statistical comparison; Region wide data is simply presented alongside statewide data.

The RCJC conducted a similar study in 2005, surveying community members residing in Region II of North Dakota. The Region II Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug use study provided a concrete foundation for looking at parallel issues at the statewide level.

The use and abuse of alcohol and other drugs has a considerable impact on communities throughout the nation. Often times the use of such substances is overlooked by members within a particular community. Consequently, community perception and the readiness to address the problem of alcohol and other drug use needs to be periodically assessed in order to fully develop a comprehensive plan.

Project Goals

The specific goal of the Community Readiness Survey was to design an assessment tool targeting communities and the public's readiness to respond to alcohol and other drug use (AOD) among adults and youth. Since North Dakota communities are currently experiencing high rates of binge drinking among adolescents, the RCJC, along with the North Dakota Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, recognized the importance of assessing community members' perceptions regarding these issues. The five pertinent areas that were addressed in the survey were: 1) Community perception of an AOD problem; 2) Permissiveness of attitudes towards AOD use; 3) Community support for AOD prevention; 4) Community perception of adolescent access to alcohol and other illegal substances; and 5) Overall perception of community commitment.

By addressing communities at local levels, we can begin to identify the real issues that are plaguing our communities. It is our hope that this project will lead to promising initiatives concentrating on our communities and lead to preventative measures that can decrease the rate of AOD concerns in North Dakota.

Literature Review

The destructive use and abuse of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs has become a major social problem deeply rooted in our society (www.bridges-mccasa.org/ypp.html). The impressionability of youth makes them extremely vulnerable to many problems associated with alcohol and drug abuse.

Furthermore, adolescence is an experimental stage in life and often results in the testing of illegal substances. Since North Dakota is leading the nation in adolescent binge drinking (NSDUH, 2004-05), preventative efforts need to be taken at various levels in an attempt to curtail these problems.

National Survey on Drug Use and Health

Data obtained from the *State Estimates of Substance Use from the 2004-2005 National Surveys on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH)* illustrate the extent of substance abuse issues within communities nationwide. The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) combined two years of data to enhance the accuracy of estimates for less populated states. The survey evaluates state rates of use of illegal drugs, binge drinking, serious mental illness, and tobacco use. State-by-state data provides a powerful tool for policymakers at the federal, state, and local levels by identifying needs and targeting prevention and treatment resources.

Alcohol

In regards to rates of past month alcohol use, North Dakota was ranked in the top five of all states for all three age groups (12 to 17, 18 to 25, and 26 or older) (NSDUH, 2004-05).

Results from the National Survey indicate that at the national level, almost a quarter of all persons aged 12 or older participated in binge use of alcohol in the past month. Binge alcohol use is defined as “drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion (i.e., at the same time or within a couple hours of each other) on at least one day in the 30 days prior to the survey” (NSDUH, 2004-05). The highest rates of binge alcohol use occurred among persons aged 18 to 25. North Dakota had the highest rate in this age group at 58.1 percent, almost double the highest rate among persons aged 26 or older and almost four times the highest rate among youth aged 12 to 17 (NSDUH, 2004-05). Based on this finding alone, an assessment of communities in North Dakota is necessary in order to develop policy to concentrate on these issues.

In assessing perceptions of the risk of binge alcohol drinking use to the actual rates of usage, the National Study concluded that although North Dakota had the highest rate of binge drinking among all 50 states, the *perceived* risk of binge drinking was among the *lowest*. Similarly, six other states with higher rates of binge drinking also scored lower in terms of perception of risk.

Illicit Drugs

According to the results of NSDUH (2004-2005), the frequent use of illicit drugs in North Dakota appears to be less severe than alcohol use. The survey results indicate that North Dakota was one of two states to show a significant decrease from 2003-04 to 2004-05 in the percentage of “all persons aged 12 or older who used an illicit drug in the past month” (North Dakota decreased from 7.5% to 6.2%).

North Dakota was also one of six states to represent a decline amid the 2003-04 and 2004-05 studies, in “past year use of marijuana among all persons aged 12 or older,” dropping from 10.1 percent to 8.5 percent. In regards to other illicit drugs, aside from marijuana, state-by-state results also show improvements in North Dakota’s prevalence of use. According to NSDUH, “illicit drugs other than marijuana include cocaine, heroin, hallucinogens, inhalants, and the nonmedical use of prescription-type pain relievers, tranquilizers, stimulants, and sedatives” (NSDUH, 2004-05). Both North and South Dakota had the lowest rate (2.8%) of past month use of an illicit drug other than marijuana among persons 12 or older, compared to the national average of 3.6 percent and the state with the highest rate of use, Colorado at 4.5 percent. Lastly, with regards to past year cocaine use among all persons aged 12 or older, North Dakota had the lowest rate (1.7%) in that population (NSDUH, 2004-05).

The focus of the next section is to identify the significance of public opinion, the influence of the media on the configuration of public opinion, and details how this information can be interpreted and useful when looking at developing effective prevention strategies for Alcohol and Other Drug use among youth. Results from the 2007 Youth Risk Behavior Survey will be incorporated.

Media Influence on Public Opinion

Mass media has a tendency to shape a person’s outlook, their cultural identity, as well as processes of open exchange (www.wz.nrw.de, 2006). The nature of the media has changed drastically and has evolved with technology. Therefore, the source of information for people, whether it is television, newspaper, internet, or other forms of mass media may play a crucial role in shaping ideas and perceptions. This can lead to the development of inaccurate understanding of the issues at hand, especially if the source of information does not clearly state the distinction between fact and opinion.

North Dakota Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS)

Through the implementation of the YRBS, youth are provided the opportunity to share their experiences with AOD in this survey that is conducted every two years. High School students are asked a series of questions in which they are instructed to answer “truthfully.” The YRBS is designed to target those behaviors related to the paramount causes of death and disability among youth and young adults and to evaluate how these risky behaviors change over time (North Dakota High School, YRBS data, 2007). The YRBS is a self-reporting survey that is intended to measure health-risk behaviors that fall into six categories:

- Behaviors that result in unintentional injuries and violence
- Tobacco use
- Alcohol and other drug use
- Sexual behaviors that result in HIV infection, other sexually transmitted diseases, and unintended pregnancies
- Dietary behaviors
- Physical activity (ND YRBS data, 2007)

The data obtained from the YRBS represent both urban and rural areas allowing the data to focus on problem areas geographically. Thus, data may potentially be helpful in identifying which regions are in most need of resources and assistance to target problems plaguing their youth. According to North Dakota's YRBS data (2007), 6,745 middle school students (Grades 7-8) from 110 North Dakota middle schools participated in the survey and 9,750 high school students (Grades 9-12) from 104 North Dakota high schools participated in the survey.

North Dakota YRBS (2007) Middle School Results

Results pertaining to the use of alcohol and/or other drugs will be discussed. The following section will include **Statewide** results from the YRBS, as well as data as it pertains to **Region II** (Minot Area).

Alcohol Use

In regards to the "percentage of students who have ever had a drink of alcohol, other than a few sips," the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) **Statewide** results indicate that 32.7 percent of students have had at least one drink of alcohol in their lifetime; **Region II** results indicate that 35.2 percent of students indicated ever having had a drink of alcohol (North Dakota YRBS, 2007).

The percentage of students who indicated having had five or more drinks of alcohol in a row, that is, within a couple of hours (binge alcohol use) was 15 percent for the **Statewide** results; percentage of use in **Region II** was 16.2 percent.

Marijuana & Other Drug Use

The percentage of students who specified ever having used marijuana was 7.8 percent **Statewide**. **Region II** results showed that 11.8 percent of students indicated having used marijuana at least once in their lifetime. The **Statewide** percentage of students who had sniffed glue, breathed the contents of spray cans, or inhaled any paints or sprays to get high for the first time before age 11 years was 9.5 percent; results for **Region II** indicated 13 percent. Students who responded as ever having used methamphetamines – also called speed, crystal, crank or ice, was 1.7 percent **Statewide**; **Region II** results indicated that 1.8 percent of students have used methamphetamine at least once in their lifetime.

North Dakota YRBS (2007) High School Results

Alcohol Use

According to the **Statewide** results, the percentage of students who "had at least one drink of alcohol on one or more days during their life" was 73.9 percent. **Region II** (Minot Area) results specified that 72.7 percent of students had reported engaging in alcohol use at least once in their lifetime.

Statewide, 32.5 percent of students specified having had "five or more drinks of alcohol in row, that is, within a couple of hours, on one or more of the past 30 days" (binge alcohol use). **Region II** results illustrated that a lower percentage (30.4%) of students had engaged in this type of behavior within the past 30 days.

When students were asked to report whether they “drank a usual type of alcohol during the past 30 days,” 43.9 percent of students **Statewide** reported that they preferred a specific type of alcohol to consume; percentages for **Region II** indicated that 40.5 percent of students preferred to consume a specific type of alcohol.

Marijuana & Other Drugs

According to the **Statewide** results, 30.1 percent of students indicated having used “marijuana one or more times during their life;” **Region II** results also indicated that 30.1 percent of students had engaged in this type of behavior.

With a focus on other drugs, students were asked a series of questions regarding prevalence of use. **Statewide**, 6.2 percent of students reported having used “any form of cocaine, including powder, crack, or freebase one or more times during their life” (North Dakota YRBS, 2007). **Region II** indicated higher numbers in that 6.5 percent of students reported having used a form of cocaine on one or more occasions in their lifetime.

When students were asked if they have “sniffed glue, breathed the contents of aerosol spray cans, or inhaled any paints or sprays to get high one or more times during their life,” **Statewide** results illustrated that 11.1 percent of students had engaged in this behavior; percentages for **Region II** were slightly higher, at 12.7 percent.

When asked whether they had used “methamphetamines one or more times during their life,” the **Statewide** results indicated that 4.1 percent of students had used methamphetamine at least once, and **Region II** use was slightly lower at 3.4 percent.

Statewide outcomes indicated that the percentage of students who were “offered, sold, or given an illegal drug by someone on school property during the past 12 months” was 18.7 percent. **Region II** percentages were slightly greater at 18.8 percent.

The next section will discuss in detail the research methods that were used to efficiently complete the research process. The topics that will be discussed include survey construction/measurement, sample populations, overall sample sizes, participant selection for the *Key Informant* groups and the *Community Members*, the procedure for survey distribution, and response rates for both participants and non-participants.

Methods

The RCJC, in collaboration with the North Dakota Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, completed this research project in an attempt to assess community perceptions regarding issues of alcohol and substance abuse. The data obtained reflect small towns and communities and resident's willingness to recognize AOD use within their communities. Recipients of the survey were provided the opportunity to communicate their beliefs and opinions regarding AOD abuse. It is anticipated that the data collected from this study will create opportunities for frontier, rural, and urban communities within North Dakota to respond effectively to these issues.

Survey Development

This project involved one data collection instrument designed to assess the community's perception of AOD use within their community. A portion of the questions contained in this survey are used with permission from the *Community Readiness Survey* © 1999 by Minnesota Institute of Public Health (www.miph.org). Five specific areas were addressed in the survey: Community Perception of an Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) Problem; Permissiveness of Attitudes Toward AOD use; Community Support for AOD Prevention; Access to Alcohol and Other Drugs; and Perception of Community Commitment. The input received from selected community members will facilitate more effective responses in dealing with substance abuse.

The survey included ten demographic questions, sixty-one ranking questions, followed by three open-ended questions.

Survey Construction/Measurement

Ideally, this survey was created to evaluate the opinions of community members related to AOD use within frontier, rural, and urban communities throughout North Dakota. Of the five specific classifications included, each was intended to evaluate different areas of AOD issues. This survey was compiled based on a ranking system and all questions, with the exception of the demographic questions, were ranked using two, four, or five point Likert scales.

Section 1 – Demographics

This section of the survey focused on demographic questions, including age, sex, race/ethnicity, employment status and current occupation, level of church and community volunteering, recipient location, and number of children present in the home.

Section 2 – Community Perception of an AOD Problem

Items in this category focused on perception of alcohol and other drug use issues within each community. Participants were questioned as to how much of a problem they perceived for both adults and youth regarding the following: use of alcohol; use of tobacco; and use of marijuana to be in their community. Other items consisted of use of inhalants, cocaine, methamphetamine, over-the-counter drugs,

prescription drugs, and hallucinogens. Final items in this section included contribution of drug and alcohol use to crashes or injuries and contribution of drug and alcohol use to crime.

Section 3 – Permissiveness of Attitudes toward AOD use

This section focused on how tolerant community members may or may not be in relation to AOD issues. Items required participants to indicate the extent to which they either *agree* or *disagree* with the following statements: youth consuming alcohol at parties; youth drinking and driving; youth smoking cigarettes; youth alcohol and other drug experimentation; parents offering alcoholic beverages to youth in their own homes; community acceptance of underage drinking; driving while under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs; and riding in a motor vehicle with someone under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.

Section 4 – Community Support for AOD Prevention

Willingness to support AOD prevention initiatives was the focus of this section of the survey. Participants were asked to rank the items ranging from *strongly disagree* to *strongly agree*. Items included the following: a focus on law enforcement competency, support for educational and prevention programs, community commitment, advertising devices, tax issues related to alcohol and tobacco, the enforcement of drinking and driving laws, and laws prohibiting parents providing alcohol to their own children.

Additional items in this section assessed responses regarding support for the following statements: drinking age of 21 years; penalties for adults who provide alcohol to youth; compliance checks; laws prohibiting giving alcohol to your own children; and DUI checkpoints. Respondents were also questioned as to whether or not they support *bans* on the following: liquors advertisements on TV; beer and wine advertisements on TV; and billboard alcohol advertisements. The final series of questions asked respondents if they would be willing to attend the following events if they were alcohol-free: a party; wedding dance/reception; and sporting events.

Section 5 – Access to Alcohol and Other Drugs

This series of questions focused on the availability of alcohol and other drugs within the sampled communities. Respondents were asked to indicate the level of difficulty in which youth can obtain alcohol under the following circumstances; liquor store accessibility, bar accessibility, at home accessibility, and alcohol provided by parents and/or other family members. Regarding the accessibility of illegal substances within the community, respondents were asked to rank how difficult it is to access marijuana, inhalants, cocaine, methamphetamine, and hallucinogens.

Section 6 – Perception of Community Commitment

Lastly, participants were asked to rank the community's overall commitment to addressing the perceived problems of alcohol and substance use. The questions focused on the importance of preventing alcohol and drug use among youth, concern for the availability of sufficient prevention programs, the most effective method for achieving drug free youth, through educating youth, parents, or community members, the presence of leaders within the community willing to address these issues, where to seek assistance

within the community regarding these matters, the presence of a community action plan, and primary sources for information regarding crime.

Sample Population

Participants were selected using a random sample from telephone directories representing community members throughout North Dakota, as well as databases of professionals obtained from respective agencies chosen for the study. Random numbers were selected from a random numbers table, as guided by statistical sampling procedures. The random numbers identified were 34 and 81. For the shorter directories, every 34th name was selected and for the larger directories, every 81st name. The numbers chosen were adequate in ensuring that each directory was, at minimum, sampled through one time.

Overall Sample Sizes

The overall sample consisted of 16,125 individuals selected statewide. The sample of 16,125 was divided into two groups: *Community Members* and *Key Informants*. The same survey instrument was used for both groups.

Community Members Participant Selection (N=14400)

For the Community Members sample of 14,400, participants were selected through a systematic random sampling of households. The households to be sampled were selected from North Dakota telephone directories. The two main sources utilized to obtain this information included: 1) North Dakota Telephone Association (i.e., maintain listings on Local Exchange Companies) and 2) DEX electronic directories. Local exchange companies provided the following directories for sampling: Polar Communications; Souris River Telephone (SRT) Communications; Consolidated Badlands; Southeast North Dakota; Durum Triangle; and Northwest North Dakota. DEX Directories provided residential information on the following cities and surrounding areas: Bismarck/Mandan; Dickinson; Fargo/Moorhead; Grafton; Grand Forks/East Grand Forks; North Dakota/South Central; Jamestown/Valley City; Wahpeton/Breckenridge; and Williston. The listings included the following information: non-residential listings; duplicate phone numbers (i.e., households with more than one landline were counted as one household; and listings from towns/cities (i.e., East Grand Forks, Moorhead, Breckenridge) bestriding neighboring states (i.e., Minnesota, South Dakota).

Since the community member participants were selected from the telephone directories, the selection included the risk of eliminating potential candidates for the study due to unlisted telephone numbers and relocation. However, this was the most exhaustive and accurate listing that could be obtained for the purposes of this study.

Sample Size for Community Members

Sample sizes were predetermined by the Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (See Appendix A). Within each region, 1,800 community members (i.e., 600

each from **urban, rural, frontier**) were sampled tallying 14,400 across all eight regions in North Dakota. Definitions of population density, although differing by source, were obtained from the U.S. Census Bureau system. **Urban Areas** (UA) are defined as those counties with a central city and the surrounding area consisting of a population of 50,000 or more. An **Urban Cluster** (UC) consists of densely settled territory that has at least 2,500 people but fewer than 50,000. Subsequently, by this definition **Rural Areas** consist of all territory located outside of urbanized areas and urban clusters. A **Frontier County** describes a county with a population density of six or fewer persons per square mile (U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000). For North Dakota, persons per square mile according to the U.S. Census, 2000, averaged 9.3.

Key Informant Group participant selection (N=1725)

The Key Informant sample was selected from the following professions: School Counselors; Family Medicine/Physicians; Social Services; Treatment Providers; Prevention Coordinators; and Law Enforcement agencies to include Police and Sheriff. The names and addresses of individuals were obtained by purchasing Excel databases of the respective agencies/entities. A listing of current employees within each professional group was obtained as detailed below:

1. *School Counselors in North Dakota*-purchased through North Dakota Department of Public Instruction (NDDPI);
2. *Family Medicine Physicians*-free of charge through the North Dakota Academy of Family Physicians;
3. *Social Services*-purchased from North Dakota Board of Social Work Examiners (NDBSWE);
4. *Treatment Providers*- purchased from North Dakota Board of Addiction Counseling Examiners (NDBACE)
5. *Law Enforcement Agencies*-Police and Sheriff Departments were identified through a public listing of agencies from the North Dakota Peace Officer Standards and Training Boards (NDPOST).
6. *Prevention Coordinators*-provided by the state Prevention Administrator.

Each North Dakota law enforcement agency (113) was included in the sample (i.e., one survey mailed to each agency/department), as well as one survey mailed to all 12 Prevention Coordinators statewide (totaling 125 surveys distributed among these two groups). For the remaining Key Informant Groups, *Proportional Allocation* was used to determine what percentage of each database must be selected to attain a sample of 1,600. The table below demonstrates the proposed sample sizes as guided by this formula:

KEY INFORMANT GROUP	Group Database N	Sample N
School Counselor	347	209
Family Medicine Physicians	385	232
Social Services	1648	990
Treatment Providers	281	169
Law Enforcement agencies	113	113
Prevention Coordinators	12	12
Total	2786	1725

The proportions were sampled from each database using a *Random Number Function* in Microsoft Office Excel, 2007. This function randomly selected the sample from each group (i.e., assigned computer program-generated random numbers to each row item/name, shuffled, and sorted the spreadsheet allowing the desired sample to be drawn).

Region II Sample Population

Of the 14,400 community members sampled statewide, 1,800 individuals were selected to represent *Region II* by Urban, Rural, and Frontier population densities. Souris River Telephone (SRT) Communications was the directory used for sampling, therefore represented the population within this region.

Survey Distribution

Prior to distributing the survey, a press conference was held focusing on alcohol and substance abuse among youth in North Dakota communities in which the public was informed that a statewide AOD study would be administered in the spring. Of the first sample, 1,725 participants were selected from the key informant databases representing the professional groups previously mentioned. For the 14,400 general community members, these individuals were selected from the telephone directories to include all eight regions of North Dakota.

Surveys were mail administered and included a detailed letter discussing the nature and anonymity of the study (to include confidentiality, participation opt in/opt out, etc.), a prepaid return envelope, and an entry form for the incentive gas card drawing. This provided recipients the opportunity to become eligible for a chance to win a prepaid gas card reliant upon completion and return of the survey.

In order to minimize the number of *undeliverable* surveys, the envelope was addressed to the name selected in the phone directory and included *or current resident*. In May 2008, the surveys were mailed to the selected 16,125 and respondents were given three weeks to complete and return the survey. Data entry was completed on June 30, 2008.

Response Rates – Statewide Participants

Of the 16,125 individuals surveyed, the overall response rate was 18.9 percent (3,046 of the 16,125). The response rate for the Community Members (14,400 sampled) was 16.81 percent, and for the Key Informants (1,625 sampled), the response rate was 36.29 percent.

The following is a breakdown of those Key Informant Groups with *adequate* rates of response: School Counselors (53.11%); Social Services (35.35%); Treatment Providers (41.42%); Police Departments (43.44%); Sheriffs (33.96%); and Prevention Coordinators (100%). The only Key Informant Group generating a low response rate was Family Medicine Physicians (16.81%). In an attempt to ensure accurate response rates, respondents were given the opportunity to qualify for a prepaid gas card drawing if the survey was completed and returned. Among the surveys completed, the incentive participation rate was 15.2 percent.

Response Rates – Statewide Non-Participants

The number of items returned totaled 79 (.48% of the surveys mailed out). Of the Key Informants, four social workers and one family medicine physician surveys were returned stating “no longer work here.” Three surveys received from one law enforcement agency were excluded, as they were photocopies of the original survey. Among the Community Members, 52 surveys were returned as “undeliverable.”

Remaining surveys were returned uncompleted for the following reasons as noted:

- Deceased (n=2);
- Do not participate in surveys/remove name from mailing list (n=4);
- Did not feel qualified/not in touch with current issues/too old (n=3);
- Completed surveys were returned past the deadline (n=13).

Response Rates – Region II Participants

Four hundred and thirty-nine individuals from *Region II* participated in the survey. Of the 1,800 Community Members sampled within *Region II*, 361 individuals completed and returned the survey. This resulted in a response rate of 20.1 percent. Among Key Informants, the total number of respondents in this group was 78, which accounts for 17.8 percent of the total (N=439) within this region. The following is a breakdown of representation by profession within Region II: *School Counselors* (N=20, 4.6%); *Family Medicine-Physicians* (N=5, 1.1%); *Social Services* (N=40, 9.1%); *Treatment Providers* (N=7, 1.6%); *LE-Police* (N=3, .7%); *LE-Sheriff* (N=1, .2%); *Prevention Coordinators* (N=2, .5%).

Sample Composition by Respondent Geographic Location (*Region II*, N=439)

FRONTIER (N=123, 28%)

- **Counties:** Bottineau, Burke, McHenry, Mountrail, Renville
- **Towns/Cities:** Anamoose, Antler, Bottineau*, Bowbells*, Drake, Glenburn, Granville*, Lansford, Maxbass, McGregor, Mohall*, New Town*, Newburg, Norwich, Parshall*, Plaza, Sherwood, Souris, Stanley*, Tolley, Towner*, Upham, Velva, Westhope, Willow City

RURAL (N=107, 24.4%)

- **Counties:** Pierce, Ward
- **Towns/Cities:** Berthold, Burlington, Carpio, Des Lacs*, Donnybrook, Douglas, Kenmare*, Makoti, Minot AFB, Rugby*, Ryder, Sawyer, Surrey*, Wolford

URBAN (N=209, 47.6%)

- **Counties:** Ward
- **Towns/Cities:** Minot*

*denotes a Key Informant town/city of residence

The next section will highlight the results of the study and will include frequencies (basic percentages) according to *Community Members* and *Key Informants*, separated by Urban, Rural, and Frontier. This will include *Region II* results, as well as the *Statewide* results.

Survey Findings

The following tables provide a descriptive summary of the findings. The percentages used to describe the findings refer specifically to overall community members and key informants. It should be kept in mind that the following tables are **NOT comparative** in nature. In other words, though presented side-by-side, the responses of the community members and those of the key informants are NOT being compared. The tables simply present a descriptive account about how each group responded to each question.

Section 1: Demographics

This section of the survey focused on demographic questions, including age, sex, race/ethnicity, employment status and current occupation, level of church and community volunteering, recipient location, and number of children present in the home.

Table 1.1: WHAT IS YOUR AGE?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	COMMUNITY MEMBERS							KEY INFORMANTS					OVERALL TOTAL					
	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%				
18-20 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	6	.7	3	.4	3	.4	12	.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	.4
21-24 years	8	5.1	1	1.0	1	1.0	10	2.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	2.3
	15	1.7	9	1.3	9	1.1	33	1.4	2	.5	-	-	3	2.6	5	.8	38	1.3
25-44 years	39	25.0	30	30.0	14	13.3	83	23.0	23	43.4	3	42.9	7	38.9	33	42.3	116	26.4
	203	23.5	173	24.3	151	19.3	527	22.4	170	42.9	30	36.1	41	36.0	241	40.6	768	26.0
45-64 years	71	45.5	41	41.0	44	41.9	156	43.2	28	52.8	3	42.9	8	44.4	39	50.0	195	44.4
	412	47.7	322	45.3	347	44.3	1081	45.9	210	53.0	50	60.2	65	57.0	325	54.8	1406	47.7
65 + years	37	23.7	28	28.0	41	39.0	106	29.4	1	1.9	1	14.3	3	16.7	5	6.4	111	25.3
	215	24.9	197	27.7	259	33.1	671	28.5	12	3.0	3	3.6	5	4.4	20	3.4	691	23.4
<i>Did not answer</i>	1	.6	-	-	5	4.8	6	1.7	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	7	1.6
	12	1.4	7	1.0	14	1.8	33	1.4	2	.5	-	-	-	-	2	.3	35	1.2
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Viewing the overall age distribution of *Statewide* and *Region II* respondents, (47.7% and 44.4% respectively) it is apparent that roughly fifty percent of respondents fall within the 45-64 age range. Moreover, when compared to the U.S. Census, 2006 estimates which reports that persons 65 years and over account for 14.6 percent of North Dakota's population, *Region II* was overrepresented.

Table 1.2: SEX

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	COMMUNITY MEMBERS								KEY INFORMANTS								OVERALL TOTAL	
	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
Male	68	43.6	37	37.0	35	33.3	140	38.8	13	24.5	4	57.1	7	38.9	24	30.8	164	37.4
	342	39.6	234	32.9	288	36.8	864	36.7	94	23.7	21	25.3	42	36.8	157	26.5	1021	34.6
Female	87	55.8	62	62.0	64	61.0	213	59.0	39	73.6	3	42.9	11	61.1	53	67.9	266	60.6
	506	58.6	466	65.5	476	60.8	1448	61.4	298	75.3	62	74.7	72	63.2	432	72.8	1880	63.7
<i>Did not answer</i>	1	.6	1	1.0	6	5.7	8	2.2	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	9	2.1
	15	1.7	11	1.5	19	2.4	45	1.9	4	1.0	-	-	-	-	4	.7	49	1.7
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

According to U.S. Census Bureau 2006 estimates, females constitute 49.8 percent of the population in North Dakota. At the **Statewide** level, 63.7 percent (61.4% *Community Members* and 72.8% *Key Informants*) of the survey respondents were *female*. A higher proportion of females are represented in the sample for **Region II** participants as well, with an overall total of 60.6 percent.

Table 1.3: RACE

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	COMMUNITY MEMBERS						KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL					
	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		TOTAL	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Caucasian	153	98.1	100	100	97	92.4	350	97.0	50	94.3	6	85.7	14	77.8	70	89.7	420	95.7
	827	95.8	676	95.1	742	94.8	2245	95.2	382	96.5	72	86.7	98	86.0	552	93.1	2797	94.8
Black or African American	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3.8	-	-	-	-	2	2.6	2	.5
	2	.2	-	-	2	.3	4	.2	2	.5	-	-	1	.9	3	.5	7	.2
American Indian or Alaska Native	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	16.7	3	3.8	3	.7
	9	1.0	22	3.1	12	1.5	43	1.8	6	1.5	10	12.0	13	11.4	29	4.9	72	2.4
Asian	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1	.1	-	-	-	-	1	.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	.0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	2	.2	-	-	-	-	2	.1	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.2	3	.1
Hispanic or Latino	-	-	-	-	1	1.0	1	.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	.2
	-	-	-	-	1	.1	1	.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	.0
Other	1	.6	-	-	1	1.0	2	.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	.5
	2	.2	1	.1	4	.5	7	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.9	1	.2	8	.3
<i>Did not answer</i>	2	1.3	-	-	6	5.7	8	2.2	1	1.9	1	14.3	1	5.6	3	3.8	11	2.5
	20	2.3	12	1.7	22	2.8	54	2.3	5	1.3	1	1.2	1	.9	7	1.2	61	2.1
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

According to the U.S. Census Bureau 2006, North Dakota race/ethnicity estimates for white persons was 91.9 percent and for *American Indian and Alaska Native* persons, 5.4 percent. Given the racial and ethnic composition of North Dakota, it is evident that the sample was slightly overrepresented with 94.8 percent of the *Statewide* sample and 95.7 percent of the *Region II* sample being *Caucasian*.

Table 1.4: EMPLOYMENT STATUS

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	COMMUNITY MEMBERS								KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL			
	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
Full Time	86	55.1	52	52.0	44	41.9	182	50.4	49	92.5	5	71.4	12	66.7	66	84.6	248	56.5
	462	53.5	339	47.7	356	45.5	1157	49.1	355	89.6	71	85.5	99	86.8	525	88.5	1682	57.0
Part Time	15	9.6	12	12.0	8	7.6	35	9.7	2	3.8	1	14.3	5	27.8	8	10.3	43	9.8
	93	10.8	102	14.3	91	11.6	286	12.1	24	6.1	8	9.6	8	7.0	40	6.7	326	11.1
Full Time w/ Second Job	8	5.1	4	4.0	2	1.9	14	3.9	-	-	-	-	1	5.6	1	1.3	15	3.4
	33	3.8	24	3.4	27	3.4	84	3.6	9	2.3	2	2.4	6	5.3	17	2.9	101	3.4
Not Employed	46	29.5	32	32.0	44	41.9	122	33.8	1	1.9	1	14.3	-	-	2	2.6	124	28.2
	260	30.1	232	32.6	290	37.0	782	33.2	5	1.3	2	2.4	-	-	7	1.2	789	26.7
<i>Did not answer</i>	1	.6	-	-	7	6.7	8	2.2	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	9	2.1
	15	1.7	14	2.0	19	2.4	48	2.0	3	.8	-	-	1	.9	4	.7	52	1.8
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Fifty-seven percent of the *Statewide* sample and 56.5 percent of the *Region II* sample report *full-time* employment, while 26.7 percent of the *Statewide* sample and 28.2 percent of the *Region II* sample were *not employed*.

Table 1.5: CURRENT OCCUPATION (if not working, check category of last employment)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	COMMUNITY MEMBERS								KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL				
	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%			
Agriculture	3	1.9	19	19.0	19	18.1	41	11.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41	9.3
	39	4.5	116	16.3	168	21.5	323	13.7	-	-	-	-	1	.9	1	.2	-	324	11.0
Construction/Mining	9	5.8	5	5.0	2	1.9	16	4.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	3.6
	35	4.1	38	5.3	27	3.4	100	4.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100	3.4
Manufacturing	1	.6	2	2.0	2	1.9	5	1.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	1.1
	28	3.2	29	4.1	24	3.1	81	3.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	81	2.7
Transportation/Utilities	6	3.8	3	3.0	3	2.9	12	3.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	2.7
	40	4.6	21	3.0	21	2.7	82	3.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	82	2.8
Wholesale	3	1.9	-	-	-	-	3	.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	.7
	13	1.5	3	.4	4	.5	20	.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	.7
Retail	20	12.8	6	6.0	5	4.8	31	8.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31	7.1
	77	8.9	64	9.0	42	5.4	183	7.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	183	6.2
Finance/Real Estate	9	5.8	3	3.0	1	1.0	13	3.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	3.0
	27	3.1	17	2.4	25	3.2	69	2.9	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.2	-	70	2.4
Business and Repair Services	7	4.5	6	6.0	2	1.9	15	4.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	3.4
	30	3.5	28	3.9	18	2.3	76	3.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	76	2.6
Professional	36	23.1	18	18.0	25	23.8	79	21.9	28	52.8	4	57.1	6	33.3	38	48.7	-	117	26.7
	245	28.4	139	19.5	172	22.0	556	23.6	246	62.1	44	53.0	48	42.1	338	57.0	-	894	30.0
Government	20	12.8	9	9.0	10	9.5	39	10.8	4	7.5	3	42.9	4	22.2	11	14.1	-	50	11.4
	86	10.0	48	6.8	77	9.8	211	9.0	69	17.4	12	14.5	26	22.8	107	18.0	-	318	10.8
Leisure and Hospitality	7	4.5	6	6.0	8	7.6	21	5.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	4.8
	36	4.2	43	6.0	47	6.0	126	5.3	2	.5	-	-	-	-	2	.3	-	128	4.3
Education	24	15.4	12	12.0	11	10.5	47	13.0	19	35.8	-	-	7	38.9	26	33.3	-	73	16.6
	132	15.3	101	14.2	79	10.1	312	13.2	71	17.9	24	28.9	35	30.7	130	21.9	-	442	15.0
Other (selected but did not specify)	6	3.8	8	8.0	10	9.5	24	6.6	1	1.9	-	-	1	5.6	2	2.6	-	26	5.9
	35	4.1	27	3.8	41	5.2	103	4.4	4	1.0	1	1.2	3	2.6	8	1.3	-	111	3.8
Student	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1	.1	2	.3	2	.3	5	.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	.2
Entrepreneur/Self-Employed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	2	.2	4	.6	2	.3	8	.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	.3
Clergy	-	-	-	-	1	1.0	1	.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	.2
	1	.1	1	.1	3	.4	5	.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	.2
<i>Did not answer</i>	5	3.2	3	3.0	6	5.7	14	3.9	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	-	15	3.4
	36	4.2	30	4.2	31	4.0	97	4.1	3	.8	2	2.4	1	.9	6	1.0	-	103	3.5
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	-	439	100
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	-	2950	100

At the **Statewide** level, *Professional* (23.6%), *Agriculture* (13.7%), and *Education* (13.2%) were among the most frequent categories of employment selected by *Community Members*, while *Key Informants* categorized their employment as *Professional* (57.0%), and *Education* (21.9%). Within **Region II**, *Professional* (21.9%), and *Education* (13.0%) were among the most frequent categories of employment selected by *Community Members*, while *Key Informants* categorized their employment as *Professional* (48.7%), *Education* (33.3%), and *Government* (14.1%).

Table 1.6: COMMUNITY VOLUTEERING-Church

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	COMMUNITY MEMBERS							KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL				
	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
Volunteer	68	43.6	60	60.0	55	52.4	183	50.7	20	37.7	2	28.6	11	61.1	33	42.3	216	49.2
	384	44.5	377	53.0	422	53.9	1183	50.2	153	38.6	43	51.8	60	52.6	256	43.2	1439	48.8
Do not volunteer	88	56.4	39	39.0	47	44.8	174	48.2	33	62.3	5	71.4	7	38.9	45	57.7	219	49.9
	466	54.0	327	46.0	353	45.1	1146	48.6	241	60.9	40	48.2	54	47.4	335	56.5	1481	50.2
<i>Did not answer</i>	-	-	1	1.0	3	2.9	4	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	.9
	13	1.5	7	1.0	8	1.0	28	1.2	2	.5	-	-	-	-	2	.3	30	1.0
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Table 1.7: COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERING-Civic

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	COMMUNITY MEMBERS							KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL				
	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
Volunteer	43	27.6	37	37.0	42	40.0	122	33.8	26	49.1	4	57.1	5	27.8	35	44.9	157	35.8
	257	29.8	243	34.2	334	42.7	834	35.4	146	36.9	39	47.0	43	37.7	228	38.4	1062	36.0
Do not volunteer	113	72.4	63	63.0	60	57.1	236	65.4	27	50.9	3	42.9	13	72.2	43	55.1	279	63.6
	593	68.7	461	64.8	441	56.3	1495	63.4	248	62.6	44	53.0	71	62.3	363	61.2	1858	63.0
<i>Did not answer</i>	-	-	-	-	3	2.9	3	.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	.7
	13	1.5	7	1.0	8	1.0	28	1.2	2	.5	-	-	-	-	2	.3	30	1.0
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Volunteering is often considered to be a primary activity for promoting both social and personal change. Nearly half (48.8%) of *Statewide* respondents indicated they participate in *church-related* community volunteering. Similarly, 49.2 percent of *Region II* respondents indicated participation in a *church-related* volunteering while 49.9 percent indicated they do not participate. When asked to specify the type of *church-related* volunteering, responses ranged from providing guidance to youth, teaching bible studies/Sunday school, and fundraising through membership in women’s groups.

In regards to *civic-related* volunteering activity, two-thirds (63.0% and 63.6%) of both *Statewide* and *Region II* respondents reported that they *do not volunteer*.

Table 1.8: NUMBER of CHILDREN in YOUR HOME

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	COMMUNITY MEMBERS							KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL				
	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		TOTAL		
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
None (including children NOT living at home)	102	65.4	55	55.0	71	67.6	228	63.2	24	45.3	4	57.1	8	44.4	36	46.2	264	60.1
	540	62.6	443	62.3	524	66.9	1507	63.9	202	51.0	39	47.0	46	40.4	287	48.4	1794	60.8
1-2	41	26.3	34	34.0	24	22.9	99	27.4	24	45.3	1	14.3	9	50.0	34	43.6	133	30.3
	231	26.8	190	26.7	185	23.6	606	25.7	155	39.1	29	34.9	49	43.0	233	39.3	839	28.4
3+	12	7.7	11	11.0	10	9.5	33	9.1	5	9.4	2	28.6	1	5.6	8	10.3	41	9.3
	83	9.6	72	10.1	64	8.2	219	9.3	39	9.8	14	16.9	17	14.9	70	11.8	289	9.8
<i>Did not answer</i>	1	.6	-	-	-	-	1	.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	.2
	9	1.0	6	.8	10	1.3	25	1.1	-	-	1	1.2	2	1.8	3	.5	28	.9
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Overall, roughly sixty percent of *Statewide* and *Region II* respondents reported having *no children (including children NOT living at home)* while almost thirty percent (28.4% *Statewide* and 30.3% *Region II*) indicated *1-2 children*. This would be expected given that a considerable number of respondents fell within the 45 and above age groups.

Section 2: Community Perception of Alcohol & Other Drug (AOD) Problem

Items in this category focused on perception of alcohol and other drug use issues within each community. Participants were questioned as to how much of a problem they perceived for both adults and youth regarding the following: use of alcohol; use of tobacco; and use of marijuana to be in their community. Other items consisted of use of Inhalants, Cocaine, Methamphetamine, Over-the-Counter Drugs, Prescription Drugs, and Hallucinogens. Final items in this section included contribution of Drug and Alcohol use to crashes or injuries, and contribution of Drug and Alcohol use to crime.

NOTE: It should be kept in mind that the following tables are **NOT comparative** in nature. In other words, though presented side-by-side, the responses of the community members and those of the key informants are **NOT** being compared. The tables simply present a descriptive account about how each group responded to each question.

Table 2.1.1: Perception of ALCOHOL use in your community

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 		COMMUNITY MEMBERS						KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL					
		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		TOTAL	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
ADULT use	NOT A PROBLEM	7	4.5	8	8.0	11	10.5	26	7.2	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	27	6.2
		34	3.9	47	6.6	46	5.9	127	5.4	2	.5	-	-	1	.9	3	.5	130	4.4
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	96	61.5	71	71.0	63	60.0	230	63.7	30	56.6	3	42.9	14	77.8	47	60.3	277	63.1
		552	64.0	449	63.2	535	68.3	1536	65.2	219	55.3	48	57.8	77	67.5	344	58.0	1880	63.7
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	49	31.4	14	14.0	20	19.0	83	23.0	22	41.5	4	57.1	4	22.2	30	38.5	113	25.7
		239	27.7	155	21.8	152	19.4	546	23.2	168	42.4	33	39.8	35	30.7	236	39.8	782	26.5
	DON'T KNOW	4	2.6	6	6.0	7	6.7	17	4.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17	3.9
	32	3.7	52	7.3	36	4.6	120	5.1	7	1.8	2	2.4	1	.9	10	1.7	130	4.4	
	Did not answer	-	-	1	1.0	4	3.8	5	1.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	1.1	
		6	.7	8	1.1	14	1.8	28	1.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28	.9	
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Table 2.1.1Cont'd: Perception of ALCOHOL use in your community

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	COMMUNITY MEMBERS								KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL				
	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		TOTAL		
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	
YOUTH use	NOT A PROBLEM	5	3.2	9	9.0	4	3.8	18	5.0	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	19	4.3
		13	1.5	39	5.5	23	2.9	75	3.2	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.2	76	2.6
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	54	34.6	57	57.0	45	42.9	156	43.2	19	35.8	4	57.1	12	66.7	35	44.9	191	43.5
		336	38.9	327	46.0	404	51.6	1067	45.3	129	32.6	28	33.7	53	46.5	210	35.4	1277	43.3
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	83	53.2	26	26.0	36	34.3	145	40.2	32	60.4	2	28.6	6	33.3	40	51.3	185	42.1
		448	51.9	259	36.4	266	34.0	973	41.3	256	64.6	52	62.7	61	53.5	369	62.2	1342	45.5
	DON'T KNOW	8	5.1	5	5.0	8	7.6	21	5.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	4.8
		38	4.4	55	7.7	51	6.5	144	6.1	4	1.0	1	1.2	-	-	5	.8	149	5.1
	Did not answer	6	3.8	3	3.0	12	11.4	21	5.8	1	1.9	1	14.3	-	-	2	2.6	23	5.2
		28	3.2	31	4.4	39	5.0	98	4.2	6	1.5	2	2.4	-	-	8	1.3	106	3.6
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	

Statewide, 63.7 percent of the overall sample indicated that *adult* use of alcohol is a *minor to moderate* problem in their community and 26.5 percent felt this was a *serious* problem. Specific to **Region II**, 63.1 percent of respondents indicated this to be a *minor to moderate* problem in their community and 25.7 percent felt this was a *serious* problem.

Over forty percent (43.3%) of the **Statewide** sample perceived *youth* alcohol use to be a *minor to moderate* problem, while 45.5 percent felt this was a *serious* problem. Similar findings are apparent for **Region II** in that 43.5 percent of the sample felt that youth alcohol use was a *minor to moderate* issue 42.1 percent felt that *youth* alcohol use was a *serious* problem.

Table 2.1.2: Perception of TOBACCO use in your community

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 		COMMUNITY MEMBERS						KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL					
		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		TOTAL	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
ADULT use	NOT A PROBLEM	10	6.4	9	9.0	15	14.3	34	9.4	-	-	-	-	1	5.6	1	1.3	35	8.0
		59	6.8	43	6.0	62	7.9	164	7.0	10	2.5	3	3.6	8	7.0	21	3.5	185	6.3
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	101	64.7	68	68.0	67	63.8	236	65.4	29	54.7	5	71.4	12	66.7	46	59.0	282	64.2
		542	62.8	473	66.5	545	69.6	1560	66.2	237	59.8	51	61.4	83	72.8	371	62.6	1931	65.5
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	40	25.6	20	20.0	16	15.2	76	21.1	23	43.4	2	28.6	5	27.8	30	38.5	106	24.1
		220	25.5	132	18.6	127	16.2	479	20.3	138	34.8	26	31.3	22	19.3	186	31.4	665	22.5
	DON'T KNOW	4	2.6	2	2.0	4	3.8	10	2.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	2.3
	37	4.3	53	7.5	37	4.7	127	5.4	8	2.0	3	3.6	1	.9	12	2.0	139	4.7	
	Did not answer	1	.6	1	1.0	3	2.9	5	1.4	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	6	1.4
		5	.6	10	1.4	12	1.5	27	1.1	3	.8	-	-	-	-	3	.5	30	1.0
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
YOUTH use	NOT A PROBLEM	6	3.8	12	12.0	5	4.8	23	6.4	1	1.9	-	-	1	5.6	2	2.6	25	5.7
		24	2.8	44	6.2	27	3.4	95	4.0	2	.5	1	1.2	4	3.5	7	1.2	102	3.5
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	76	48.7	54	54.0	54	51.4	184	51.0	29	54.7	5	71.4	15	83.3	49	62.8	233	53.1
		448	51.9	397	55.8	474	60.5	1319	56.0	220	55.6	48	57.8	76	66.7	344	58.0	1663	56.4
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	64	41.0	26	26.0	25	23.8	115	31.9	22	41.5	1	14.3	1	5.6	24	30.8	139	31.7
		319	37.0	166	23.3	165	21.1	650	27.6	163	41.2	30	36.1	30	26.3	223	37.6	873	29.6
	DON'T KNOW	5	3.2	7	7.0	11	10.5	23	6.4	-	-	-	-	1	5.6	1	1.3	24	5.5
	47	5.4	78	11.0	83	10.6	208	8.8	6	1.5	2	2.4	4	3.5	12	2.0	220	7.5	
	Did not answer	5	3.2	1	1.0	10	9.5	16	4.4	1	1.9	1	14.3	-	-	2	2.6	18	4.1
		25	2.9	26	3.7	34	4.3	85	3.6	5	1.3	2	2.4	-	-	7	1.2	92	3.1
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Regarding *adult* use of tobacco, 65.5 percent of **Statewide** respondents overall perceived this to be a *minor to moderate* problem. Within **Region II**, 64.2 percent of the overall sample designates tobacco use among *adults* as a *minor to moderate* problem.

With respect to *youth* use of tobacco, 56.4 percent of **Statewide** respondents overall perceived this as a *minor to moderate* problem while 29.6 percent rated this as a *serious* problem. Similarly, 53.1 percent of **Region II** respondents overall perceived tobacco use among *youth* as a *minor to moderate* problem and 31.7 percent rated tobacco use by youth as *serious*.

Table 2.1.3: Perception of MARIJUANA use in your community

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 		COMMUNITY MEMBERS						KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL					
		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
ADULT use	NOT A PROBLEM	12	7.7	19	19.0	16	15.2	47	13.0	3	5.7	1	14.3	3	16.7	7	9.0	54	12.3
		58	6.7	97	13.6	110	14.0	265	11.2	8	2.0	3	3.6	10	8.8	21	3.5	286	9.7
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	70	44.9	44	44.0	39	37.1	153	42.4	31	58.5	5	71.4	13	72.2	49	62.8	202	46.0
		413	47.9	270	38.0	302	38.6	985	41.8	257	64.9	52	62.7	74	64.9	383	64.6	1368	46.4
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	29	18.6	5	5.0	7	6.7	41	11.4	16	30.2	1	14.3	1	5.6	18	23.1	59	13.4
		124	14.4	65	9.1	75	9.6	264	11.2	78	19.7	17	20.5	15	13.2	110	18.5	374	12.7
	DON'T KNOW	42	26.9	30	30.0	40	38.1	112	31.0	3	5.7	-	-	1	5.6	4	5.1	116	26.4
	257	29.8	265	37.3	279	35.6	801	34.0	51	12.9	10	12.0	15	13.2	76	12.8	877	29.7	
<i>Did not answer</i>	3	1.9	2	2.0	3	2.9	8	2.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	1.8	
	11	1.3	14	2.0	17	2.2	42	1.8	2	.5	1	1.2	-	-	3	.5	45	1.5	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
YOUTH use	NOT A PROBLEM	7	4.5	13	13.0	9	8.6	29	8.0	1	1.9	-	-	3	16.7	4	5.1	33	7.5
		21	2.4	60	8.4	64	8.2	145	6.2	3	.8	1	1.2	7	6.1	11	1.9	156	5.3
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	58	37.2	47	47.0	33	31.4	138	38.2	15	28.3	5	71.4	11	61.1	31	39.7	169	38.5
		360	41.7	266	37.4	308	39.3	934	39.6	206	52.0	47	56.6	66	57.9	319	53.8	1253	42.5
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	47	30.1	13	13.0	15	14.3	75	20.8	35	66.0	1	14.3	2	11.1	38	48.7	113	25.7
		230	26.7	107	15.0	108	13.8	445	18.9	148	37.4	24	28.9	20	17.5	192	32.4	637	21.6
	DON'T KNOW	38	24.4	25	25.0	36	34.3	99	27.4	1	1.9	-	-	2	11.1	3	3.8	102	23.2
	224	26.0	249	35.0	264	33.7	737	31.3	33	8.3	8	9.6	21	18.4	62	10.5	799	27.1	
<i>Did not answer</i>	6	3.8	2	2.0	12	11.4	20	5.5	1	1.9	1	14.3	-	-	2	2.6	22	5.0	
	28	3.2	29	4.1	39	5.0	96	4.1	6	1.5	3	3.6	-	-	9	1.5	105	3.6	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	

Overall, 46.4 percent of the *Statewide* sample view the use of marijuana by *adults* as a *minor to moderate* and 42.5 percent perceived the use of marijuana by *youth* as a *minor to moderate* problem. Nearly one-third of the *Statewide* sample indicated that they *don't know* the extent of marijuana use by *adults* and/or *youth* (29.7% and 27.1% respectively) within their community.

Survey participants residing in *Region II* displayed little variation from statewide percentages. Overall, 46 percent of the *Region II* sample views the use of marijuana by *adults* a *minor to moderate*, while 38.5 percent perceived the use of marijuana by *youth* as a *minor to moderate* problem. Again,

nearly one-quarter of the **Region II** sample indicated that they *don't know* the extent of marijuana use by *adults* and/or *youth* (26.4% and 23.2% respectively) within their community.

Table 2.1.4: Perception of INHALANT (glue, paint, aerosols, solvents, etc.) use in your community

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 		COMMUNITY MEMBERS								KEY INFORMANTS								OVERALL TOTAL	
		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		TOTAL	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
ADULT use	NOT A PROBLEM	31	19.9	29	29.0	26	24.8	86	23.8	12	22.6	3	42.9	7	38.9	22	28.2	108	24.6
		151	17.5	187	26.3	230	29.4	568	24.1	75	18.9	31	37.3	36	31.6	142	23.9	710	24.1
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	48	30.8	23	23.0	9	8.6	80	22.2	24	45.3	4	57.1	7	38.9	35	44.9	115	26.2
		290	33.6	133	18.7	123	15.7	546	23.2	205	51.8	34	41.0	39	34.2	278	46.9	824	27.9
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	11	7.1	-	-	-	-	11	3.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	2.5
		35	4.1	11	1.5	13	1.7	59	2.5	12	3.0	1	1.2	-	-	13	2.2	72	2.4
	DON'T KNOW	62	39.7	46	46.0	66	62.9	174	48.2	16	30.2	-	-	4	22.2	20	25.6	194	44.2
		373	43.2	365	51.3	399	51.0	1137	48.2	101	25.5	15	18.1	38	33.3	154	26.0	1291	43.8
	<i>Did not answer</i>	4	2.6	2	2.0	4	3.8	10	2.8	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	11	2.5
		14	1.6	15	2.1	18	2.3	47	2.0	3	.8	2	2.4	1	.9	6	1.0	53	1.8
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
YOUTH use	NOT A PROBLEM	10	6.4	17	17.0	15	14.3	42	11.6	2	3.8	2	28.6	3	16.7	7	9.0	49	11.2
		46	5.3	119	16.7	141	18.0	306	13.0	8	2.0	13	15.7	16	14.0	37	6.2	343	11.6
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	61	39.1	34	34.0	11	10.5	106	29.4	31	58.5	4	57.1	8	44.4	43	55.1	149	33.9
		343	39.7	186	26.2	177	22.6	706	30.0	248	62.6	51	61.4	53	46.5	352	59.4	1058	35.9
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	25	16.0	1	1.0	6	5.7	32	8.9	12	22.6	-	-	3	16.7	15	19.2	47	10.7
		121	14.0	28	3.9	39	5.0	188	8.0	76	19.2	4	4.8	12	10.5	92	15.5	280	9.5
	DON'T KNOW	53	34.0	47	47.0	59	56.2	159	44.0	7	13.2	-	-	4	22.2	11	14.1	170	38.7
		325	37.7	355	49.9	386	49.3	1066	45.2	58	14.6	13	15.7	31	27.2	102	17.2	1168	39.6
	<i>Did not answer</i>	7	4.5	1	1.0	14	13.3	22	6.1	1	1.9	1	14.3	-	-	2	2.6	24	5.5
		28	3.2	23	3.2	40	5.1	91	3.9	6	1.5	2	2.4	2	1.8	10	1.7	101	3.4
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	

Both **Statewide** and **Region II** respondents appear to lack knowledge on the presence and use of inhalants in their community. With *adult* use, 43.8 percent of **Statewide** respondents and 44.2 percent of the **Region II** sample indicated *don't know* when asked to indicate how problematic inhalant use by adults was in their community. Similarly, 39.6 percent of **Statewide** respondents and 38.7 percent of **Region II** respondents indicated *don't know*

when asked about *youth* use of inhalants. Notably, both **Statewide** and **Region II Key Informants** ratings were very different from *Community Members* in that between 44.9 percent and 59.4 percent perceived *adult* and *youth* inhalant use as a *minor to moderate* problem.

Table 2.1.5: Perception of COCAINE use in your community

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 		COMMUNITY MEMBERS								KEY INFORMANTS								OVERALL TOTAL	
		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		TOTAL	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
ADULT use	NOT A PROBLEM	19	12.2	24	24.0	24	22.9	67	18.6	3	5.7	1	14.3	6	33.3	10	12.8	77	17.5
		96	11.1	135	19.0	203	25.9	434	18.4	14	3.5	18	21.7	31	27.2	63	10.6	497	16.8
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	55	35.3	26	26.0	17	16.2	98	27.1	28	52.8	6	85.7	8	44.4	42	53.8	140	31.9
		317	36.7	148	20.8	151	19.3	616	26.1	237	59.8	43	51.8	42	36.8	322	54.3	938	31.8
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	14	9.0	4	4.0	2	1.9	20	5.5	9	17.0	-	-	-	-	9	11.5	29	6.6
		59	6.8	25	3.5	26	3.3	110	4.7	48	12.1	5	6.0	3	2.6	56	9.4	166	5.6
	DON'T KNOW	62	39.7	45	45.0	57	54.3	164	45.4	13	24.5	-	-	4	22.2	17	21.8	181	41.2
	376	43.6	390	54.9	385	49.2	1151	48.8	96	24.2	17	20.5	38	33.3	151	25.5	1302	44.1	
	<i>Did not answer</i>	6	3.8	1	1.0	5	4.8	12	3.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	2.7
		15	1.7	13	1.8	18	2.3	46	2.0	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.2	47	1.6
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
YOUTH use	NOT A PROBLEM	16	10.3	24	24.0	21	20.0	61	16.9	6	11.3	1	14.3	6	33.3	13	16.7	74	16.9
		87	10.1	135	19.0	184	23.5	406	17.2	25	6.3	24	28.9	34	29.8	83	14.0	489	16.6
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	51	32.7	24	24.0	10	9.5	85	23.5	26	49.1	5	71.4	5	27.8	36	46.2	121	27.6
		303	35.1	138	19.4	134	17.1	575	24.4	228	57.6	36	43.4	40	35.1	304	51.3	879	29.8
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	20	12.8	4	4.0	5	4.8	29	8.0	6	11.3	-	-	-	-	6	7.7	35	8.0
		66	7.6	26	3.7	27	3.4	119	5.0	34	8.6	4	4.8	4	3.5	42	7.1	161	5.5
	DON'T KNOW	61	39.1	46	46.0	57	54.3	164	45.4	14	26.4	-	-	7	38.9	21	26.9	185	42.1
	381	44.1	388	54.6	399	51.0	1168	49.6	103	26.0	18	21.7	36	31.6	157	26.5	1325	44.9	
	<i>Did not answer</i>	8	5.1	2	2.0	12	11.4	22	6.1	1	1.9	1	14.3	-	-	2	2.6	24	5.5
		26	3.0	24	3.4	39	5.0	89	3.8	6	1.5	1	1.2	-	-	7	1.2	96	3.3
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Similar to perceptions of inhalant use, both **Statewide** and **Region II** respondents, namely *Community Members*, appear to be less aware regarding the presence and use of cocaine in their community. With *adult* use, 48.8 percent of **Statewide Community Members** and 45.4 percent of **Region II Community Members** indicated *don't know* the extent of cocaine use by *adults* was in their community. Similarly, 49.6 percent of **Statewide Community Members** and 45.4 percent of **Region II Community Members** indicated *don't know* when asked about *youth* use of cocaine.

Table 2.1.6: Perception of METHAMPHETAMINE use in your community

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 		COMMUNITY MEMBERS						KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL					
		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		TOTAL	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
ADULT use	NOT A PROBLEM	7	4.5	20	20.0	18	17.1	45	12.5	3	5.7	-	-	4	22.2	7	9.0	52	11.8
		42	4.9	84	11.8	113	14.4	239	10.1	5	1.3	3	3.6	9	7.9	17	2.9	256	8.7
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	54	34.6	31	31.0	27	25.7	112	31.0	20	37.7	7	100	8	44.4	35	44.9	147	33.5
		315	36.5	222	31.2	238	30.4	775	32.9	164	41.4	52	62.7	60	52.6	276	46.5	1051	35.6
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	59	37.8	14	14.0	13	12.4	86	23.8	25	47.2	-	-	5	27.8	30	38.5	116	26.4
		304	35.2	145	20.4	126	16.1	575	24.4	205	51.8	23	27.7	26	22.8	254	42.8	829	28.1
	DON'T KNOW	33	21.2	34	34.0	43	41.0	110	30.5	5	9.4	-	-	1	5.6	6	7.7	116	26.4
	193	22.4	250	35.2	289	36.9	732	31.1	22	5.6	5	6.0	18	15.8	45	7.6	777	26.3	
	<i>Did not answer</i>	3	1.9	1	1.0	4	3.8	8	2.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	1.8
		9	1.0	10	1.4	17	2.2	36	1.5	-	-	-	-	1	.9	1	.2	37	1.3
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
YOUTH use	NOT A PROBLEM	5	3.2	17	17.0	14	13.3	36	10.0	3	5.7	-	-	6	33.3	9	11.5	45	10.3
		23	2.7	81	11.4	89	11.4	193	8.2	6	1.5	6	7.2	24	21.1	36	6.1	229	7.8
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	49	31.4	33	33.0	16	15.2	98	27.1	25	47.2	6	85.7	6	33.3	37	47.4	135	30.8
		323	37.4	221	31.1	234	29.9	778	33.0	196	49.5	53	63.9	49	43.0	298	50.3	1076	36.5
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	60	38.5	11	11.0	17	16.2	88	24.4	16	30.2	-	-	2	11.1	18	23.1	106	24.1
		293	34.0	131	18.4	114	14.6	538	22.8	145	36.6	11	13.3	13	11.4	169	28.5	707	24.0
	DON'T KNOW	35	22.4	37	37.0	48	45.7	120	33.2	8	15.1	-	-	4	22.2	12	15.4	132	30.1
	199	23.1	253	35.6	313	40.0	765	32.5	43	10.9	12	14.5	27	23.7	82	13.8	847	28.7	
	<i>Did not answer</i>	7	4.5	2	2.0	10	9.5	19	5.3	1	1.9	1	14.3	-	-	2	2.6	21	4.8
		25	2.9	25	3.5	33	4.2	83	3.5	6	1.5	1	1.2	1	.9	8	1.3	91	3.1
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Regarding the use of methamphetamine by adults, 35.6 percent of the overall **Statewide** respondents reported this to be a *minor to moderate* problem. When looking at *youth* use of methamphetamine, 36.5 percent of **Statewide** respondents believed this was a *minor to moderate* problem, while 24 percent reported this to be a *serious* problem within their community.

Overall, **Region II** responses indicated that 33.5 percent felt *adult* use of methamphetamine was a *minor to moderate* problem and 26.4 percent of respondents felt that *adult* use of methamphetamine was either a *serious* problem or they *don't know* the extent of the problem in their community.

Region II responses were very similar when comparing *youth* to adult use of methamphetamine. Approximately thirty percent (30.8%) of the overall respondents felt *youth* use of methamphetamine was a *minor to moderate* problem, while 30.1 percent specified they *don't know* the extent of the problem.

Table 2.1.7: Perception of OVER-the-COUNTER DRUG (abuse of cough medicines, Dramamine, diet pills, sleeping pills, etc.) use in your community

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 		COMMUNITY MEMBERS						KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL					
		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		TOTAL	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
ADULT use	NOT A PROBLEM	10	6.4	24	24.0	17	16.2	51	14.1	2	3.8	1	14.3	4	22.2	7	9.0	58	13.2
		77	8.9	128	18.0	139	17.8	344	14.6	13	3.3	12	14.5	14	12.3	39	6.6	383	13.0
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	75	48.1	36	36.0	24	22.9	135	37.4	28	52.8	4	57.1	8	44.4	40	51.3	175	39.9
		380	44.0	206	29.0	229	29.2	815	34.6	223	56.3	37	44.6	52	45.6	312	52.6	1127	38.2
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	24	15.4	6	6.0	8	7.6	38	10.5	15	28.3	2	28.6	2	11.1	19	24.4	57	13.0
		109	12.6	45	6.3	40	5.1	194	8.2	92	23.2	16	19.3	12	10.5	120	20.2	314	10.6
	DON'T KNOW	45	28.8	34	34.0	54	51.4	133	36.8	7	13.2	-	-	4	22.2	11	14.1	144	32.8
	287	33.3	325	45.7	364	46.5	976	41.4	65	16.4	17	20.5	36	31.6	118	19.9	1094	37.1	
	<i>Did not answer</i>	2	1.3	-	-	2	1.9	4	1.1	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	5	1.1
		10	1.2	7	1.0	11	1.4	28	1.2	3	.8	1	1.2	-	-	4	.7	32	1.1
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
YOUTH use	NOT A PROBLEM	7	4.5	22	22.0	13	12.4	42	11.6	1	1.9	-	-	3	16.7	4	5.1	46	10.5
		48	5.6	108	15.2	122	15.6	278	11.8	8	2.0	10	12.0	14	12.3	32	5.4	310	10.5
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	74	47.4	36	36.0	22	21.0	132	36.6	31	58.5	5	71.4	10	55.6	46	59.0	178	40.5
		379	43.9	207	29.1	222	28.4	808	34.3	221	55.8	42	50.6	55	48.2	318	53.6	1126	38.2
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	27	17.3	6	6.0	6	5.7	39	10.8	13	24.5	1	14.3	1	5.6	15	19.2	54	12.3
		134	15.5	50	7.0	36	4.6	220	9.3	107	27.0	15	18.1	10	8.8	132	22.3	352	11.9
	DON'T KNOW	45	28.8	35	35.0	51	48.6	131	36.3	6	11.3	-	-	4	22.2	10	12.8	141	32.1
	284	32.9	326	45.9	374	47.8	984	41.7	52	13.1	15	18.1	35	30.7	102	17.2	1086	36.8	
	<i>Did not answer</i>	3	1.9	1	1.0	13	12.4	17	4.7	2	3.8	1	14.3	-	-	3	3.8	20	4.6
		18	2.1	20	2.8	29	3.7	67	2.8	8	2.0	1	1.2	-	-	9	1.5	76	2.6
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

When asked to gauge over-the-counter drug abuse in their community, both **Statewide** and **Region II Community Members** appeared to be less aware of such abuse among both *adults* and *youth* where at least thirty-five percent reported they did not know the extent of the problem. On the other

hand, both **Statewide** and **Region II** Key Informants perceived the *adult* abuse of over-the-counter drugs as a *minor to moderate* problem with 52.6 percent and 51.3 percent respectively. With respect to youth abuse, 53.6 percent of **Statewide** Key Informants and 59 percent of **Region II** Key Informants gauged the problem as *minor to moderate*.

Table 2.1.8: Perception of PRESCRIPTION DRUG (abuse of) use in your community

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 		COMMUNITY MEMBERS						KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL					
		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
ADULT use	NOT A PROBLEM	11	7.1	25	25.0	20	19.0	56	15.5	2	3.8	-	-	2	11.1	4	5.1	60	13.7
		66	7.6	126	17.7	137	17.5	329	14.0	6	1.5	8	9.6	9	7.9	23	3.9	352	11.9
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	73	46.8	34	34.0	28	26.7	135	37.4	26	49.1	5	71.4	7	38.9	38	48.7	173	39.4
		389	45.1	210	29.5	252	32.2	851	36.1	201	50.8	38	45.8	51	44.7	290	48.9	1141	38.7
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	27	17.3	5	5.0	6	5.7	38	10.5	16	30.2	2	28.6	2	11.1	20	25.6	58	13.2
		136	15.8	47	6.6	36	4.6	219	9.3	142	35.9	19	22.9	17	14.9	178	30.0	397	13.5
	DON'T KNOW	43	27.6	36	36.0	49	46.7	128	35.5	9	17.0	-	-	7	38.9	16	20.5	144	32.8
	266	30.8	324	45.6	346	44.2	936	39.7	46	11.6	18	21.7	37	32.5	101	17.0	1037	35.2	
	Did not answer	2	1.3	-	-	2	1.9	4	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	.9
		6	.7	4	.6	12	1.5	22	.9	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.2	23	.8
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
YOUTH use	NOT A PROBLEM	13	8.3	29	29.0	14	13.3	56	15.5	1	1.9	1	14.3	3	16.7	5	6.4	61	13.9
		75	8.7	131	18.4	156	19.9	362	15.4	15	3.8	15	18.1	17	14.9	47	7.9	409	13.9
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	66	42.3	27	27.0	21	20.0	114	31.6	30	56.6	4	57.1	8	44.4	42	53.8	156	35.5
		371	43.0	170	23.9	186	23.8	727	30.8	228	57.6	44	53.0	49	43.0	321	54.1	1048	35.5
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	19	12.2	1	1.0	4	3.8	24	6.6	10	18.9	1	14.3	-	-	11	14.1	35	8.0
		96	11.1	38	5.3	29	3.7	163	6.9	71	17.9	5	6.0	6	5.3	82	13.8	245	8.3
	DON'T KNOW	55	35.3	41	41.0	53	50.5	149	41.3	11	20.8	-	-	7	38.9	18	23.1	167	38.0
	304	35.2	351	49.4	379	48.4	1034	43.9	75	18.9	17	20.5	42	36.8	134	22.6	1168	39.6	
	Did not answer	3	1.9	2	2.0	13	12.4	18	5.0	1	1.9	1	14.3	-	-	2	2.6	20	4.6
		17	2.0	21	3.0	33	4.2	71	3.0	7	1.8	2	2.4	-	-	9	1.5	80	2.7
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Similarly, when asked to gauge prescription drug abuse in their community, both **Statewide** and **Region II** Community Members appeared to be less aware of such abuse among both *adults* and *youth* where at least one-third (range 35.5% to 43.9%) reported they *don't know* the extent of the problem. On the other hand, both **Statewide** and **Region II** Key Informants perceived the *adult* abuse of prescription drugs as a *minor to moderate*

problem with 48.9 percent and 48.7 percent respectively. With respect to *youth* abuse, 54.1 percent of *Statewide Key Informants* and 53.8 percent of *Region II Key Informants* gauged the problem as *minor to moderate*.

Table 2.1.9: Perception of HALLUCINOGEN (LSD, Shrooms, PCP, etc.) use in your community

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 		COMMUNITY MEMBERS								KEY INFORMANTS								OVERALL TOTAL	
		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		TOTAL	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
ADULT use	NOT A PROBLEM	15	9.6	31	31.0	26	24.8	72	19.9	9	17.0	3	42.9	3	16.7	15	19.2	87	19.8
		117	13.6	162	22.8	213	27.2	492	20.9	40	10.1	28	33.7	34	29.8	102	17.2	594	20.1
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	60	38.5	23	23.0	9	8.6	92	25.5	22	41.5	4	57.1	8	44.4	34	43.6	126	28.7
		280	32.4	111	15.6	112	14.3	503	21.3	223	56.3	34	41.0	30	26.3	287	48.4	790	26.8
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	8	5.1	1	1.0	1	1.0	10	2.8	5	9.4	-	-	-	-	5	6.4	15	3.4
		30	3.5	11	1.5	9	1.1	50	2.1	13	3.3	-	-	2	1.8	15	2.5	65	2.2
	DON'T KNOW	71	45.5	43	43.0	66	62.9	180	49.9	17	32.1	-	-	7	38.9	24	30.8	204	46.5
	429	49.7	418	58.8	437	55.8	1284	54.5	120	30.3	21	25.3	47	41.2	188	31.7	1472	49.9	
	<i>Did not answer</i>	2	1.3	2	2.0	3	2.9	7	1.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	1.6
		7	.8	9	1.3	12	1.5	28	1.2	-	-	-	-	1	.9	1	.3	29	1.0
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
YOUTH use	NOT A PROBLEM	12	7.7	29	29.0	19	18.1	60	16.6	3	5.7	1	14.3	2	11.1	6	7.7	66	15.0
		80	9.3	142	20.0	179	22.9	401	17.0	33	8.3	26	31.3	39	34.2	98	16.5	499	16.9
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	57	36.5	22	22.0	10	9.5	89	24.7	31	58.5	5	71.4	9	50.0	45	57.7	134	30.5
		298	34.5	113	15.9	122	15.6	533	22.6	228	57.6	33	39.8	27	23.7	288	48.6	821	27.8
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	14	9.0	1	1.0	3	2.9	18	5.0	3	5.7	-	-	-	-	3	3.8	21	4.8
		49	5.7	15	2.1	16	2.0	80	3.4	18	4.5	2	2.4	2	1.8	22	3.7	102	3.5
	DON'T KNOW	69	44.2	45	45.0	63	60.0	177	49.0	15	28.3	-	-	7	38.9	22	28.2	199	45.3
	418	48.4	419	58.9	436	55.7	1273	54.0	112	28.3	21	25.3	45	39.5	178	30.0	1451	49.2	
	<i>Did not answer</i>	4	2.6	3	3.0	10	9.5	17	4.7	1	1.9	1	14.3	-	-	2	2.6	19	4.3
		18	2.1	22	3.1	30	3.8	70	3.0	5	1.3	1	1.2	1	.9	7	1.2	77	2.6
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

When asked to gauge the *adult* and *youth* use of hallucinogens in their community, both *Statewide* and *Region II Community Members* appeared to be least aware of on such use across all drugs covered in this section. That is, nearly half (range 49.0% to 54.5%) reported they *don't know* the extent of the problem. On the other hand, both *Statewide* and *Region II Key Informants* perceived the *adult* use of hallucinogens as a *minor to moderate* problem

with 48.4 percent and 43.6 percent respectively. With respect to *youth* use, 48.6 percent of **Statewide Key Informants** and 57.7 percent of **Region II Key Informants** gauged the problem as *minor to moderate*.

Table 2.2.1: Contribution of drug and alcohol use to CRASHES or INJURIES (such as automobile, hunting, boating, snowmobiling)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	COMMUNITY MEMBERS								KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL			
	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
NOT A PROBLEM	3	1.9	8	8.0	9	8.6	20	5.5	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	21	4.8
	22	2.5	55	7.7	64	8.2	141	6.0	2	.5	-	-	2	1.8	4	.7	145	4.9
MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	71	45.5	59	59.0	50	47.6	180	49.9	13	24.5	2	28.6	12	66.7	27	34.6	207	47.2
	401	46.5	352	49.5	422	53.9	1175	49.9	128	32.3	40	48.2	61	53.5	229	38.6	1404	47.6
SERIOUS PROBLEM	72	46.2	20	20.0	27	25.7	119	33.0	39	73.6	5	71.4	6	33.3	50	64.1	169	38.5
	382	44.3	229	32.2	207	26.4	818	34.7	256	64.6	41	49.4	49	43.0	346	58.3	1164	39.5
DON'T KNOW	8	5.1	13	13.0	18	17.1	39	10.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	39	8.9
	55	6.4	70	9.8	84	10.7	209	8.9	10	2.5	2	2.4	2	1.8	14	2.4	223	7.6
Did not answer	2	1.3	-	-	1	1.0	3	.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	.7
	3	.3	5	.7	6	.8	14	.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	.5
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

When respondents were asked to indicate their beliefs regarding the contribution of drugs/alcohol to injuries, 47.6 percent of the overall **Statewide** respondents indicated this was a *minor to moderate* problem, while 39.5 percent felt this was a *serious* problem in their community.

Region II responses align with those of the statewide participants. That is, 47.2 percent of the overall regional respondents indicated that the contribution of drug/alcohol use to crashes/injuries was a *minor to moderate* problem and 38.5% indicated this was *serious* problem.

In sum, 85.7 percent of the **Region II** respondents perceive the use of drugs and/or alcohol as a contributing factor to crashes or injuries to some degree.

Table 2.2.2: Contribution of drug and alcohol use to CRIMES

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	COMMUNITY MEMBERS							KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL				
	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		OVERALL TOTAL		
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
NOT A PROBLEM	3	1.9	9	9.0	14	13.3	26	7.2	1	1.9	-	-	2	11.1	3	3.8	29	6.6
	15	1.7	71	10.0	66	8.4	152	6.4	2	.5	3	3.6	6	5.3	11	1.9	163	5.5
MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	49	31.4	54	54.0	44	41.9	147	40.7	14	26.4	2	28.6	8	44.4	24	30.8	171	39.0
	330	38.2	318	44.7	384	49.0	1032	43.8	99	25.0	38	45.8	54	47.4	191	32.2	1223	41.5
SERIOUS PROBLEM	90	57.7	20	20.0	24	22.9	134	37.1	37	69.8	5	71.4	7	38.9	49	62.8	183	41.7
	434	50.3	208	29.3	200	25.5	842	35.7	280	70.7	38	45.8	48	42.1	366	61.7	1208	40.9
DON'T KNOW	11	7.1	16	16.0	23	21.9	50	13.9	-	-	-	-	1	5.6	1	1.3	51	11.6
	76	8.8	106	14.9	129	16.5	311	13.2	14	3.5	4	4.8	6	5.3	24	4.0	335	11.4
Did not answer	3	1.9	1	1.0	-	-	4	1.1	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	5	1.1
	8	.9	8	1.1	4	.5	20	.8	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.2	21	.7
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

When respondents were asked about the relationship between drug/alcohol use and crime, 41.5 percent of the overall *Statewide* respondents indicated that this was a *minor to moderate* problem, while 40.9 percent felt this was a *serious* problem within their community.

In terms of *Region II*, 39 percent overall believed that the contribution of drug/alcohol use to crime was a *minor to moderate* problem and 41.7 percent indicated this was *serious* problem.

In sum, 80.7 percent of the *Region II* respondents perceived drugs and/or alcohol as a contributing factor to crime.

Section 3: Permissiveness of Attitudes Toward AOD Use

This section focused on how tolerant community members may or may not be in relation to AOD issues. Items required participants to indicate the extent to which they either Agreed or Disagreed with the following statements: youth consuming alcohol at parties; youth drinking and driving; youth smoking cigarettes; youth alcohol and other drug experimentation; parents offering alcoholic beverages to youth in their own homes; community acceptance of underage drinking; driving while under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs; and riding in a motor vehicle with someone under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.

NOTE: It should be kept in mind that the following tables are **NOT comparative** in nature. In other words, though presented side-by-side, the responses of the community members and those of the key informants are **NOT** being compared. The tables simply present a descriptive account about how each group responded to each question. For this section, response categories were collapsed into **AGREE** (to include agree or strongly agree) and **DISAGREE** (to include disagree or strongly disagree).

Table 3.1: To what extent do you AGREE or DISAGREE with the following statements?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 		COMMUNITY MEMBERS						KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL					
		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
It is okay for youth to drink at parties as long as they don't get drunk.	DISAGREE	152	97.4	96	96.0	103	98.1	351	97.2	50	94.3	7	100	17	94.4	74	94.9	425	96.8
		830	96.2	680	95.6	750	95.8	2260	95.9	384	97.0	83	100	112	98.2	579	95.9	2839	96.2
	AGREE	4	2.6	4	4.0	2	1.9	10	2.8	2	3.8	-	-	1	5.6	3	3.8	13	3.0
		31	3.6	29	4.1	30	3.8	90	3.8	10	2.5	-	-	2	1.8	12	3.8	102	3.5
	Did not answer	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	1	.2
	2	.2	2	.3	3	.4	7	.3	2	.5	-	-	-	-	2	.3	9	.3	
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
Youth should be able to drink as long as they don't drive afterwards.	DISAGREE	149	95.5	96	96.0	100	95.2	345	95.6	49	92.5	7	100	17	94.4	73	93.6	418	95.2
		829	96.1	680	95.6	735	93.9	2244	95.2	386	97.5	83	100	111	97.4	580	97.8	2824	95.7
	AGREE	5	3.2	4	4.0	4	3.8	13	3.6	4	7.5	-	-	1	5.6	5	6.4	18	4.1
		32	3.7	28	3.9	44	5.6	104	4.4	10	2.5	-	-	3	2.6	13	2.2	117	4.0
	Did not answer	2	1.3	-	-	1	1.0	3	.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	.7
	2	.2	3	.4	4	.5	9	.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	.3	
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
It is okay for youth to smoke cigarettes.	DISAGREE	152	97.4	98	98.0	101	96.2	351	97.2	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	429	97.7
		841	97.5	699	98.3	766	97.8	2306	97.8	395	99.7	83	100	113	99.1	591	99.7	2897	98.2
	AGREE	4	2.6	-	-	4	3.8	8	2.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	1.8
		19	2.2	7	1.0	12	1.5	38	1.6	1	.3	-	-	1	.9	2	.3	40	1.4
	Did not answer	-	-	2	2.0	-	-	2	.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	.5
	3	.3	5	.7	5	.6	13	.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	.4	
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Table 3.1 Cont'd: To what extent do you AGREE or DISAGREE with the following statements?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	COMMUNITY MEMBERS								KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL				
	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%			
Youth who experiment with alcohol or other drugs almost always grow out of it.	DISAGREE	148	94.9	93	93.0	99	94.3	340	94.2	50	94.3	7	100	18	100	75	96.2	415	94.5
		797	92.4	663	93.2	734	93.7	2194	93.1	369	93.2	81	97.6	109	95.6	559	94.3	2753	93.3
	AGREE	7	4.5	7	7.0	5	4.8	19	5.3	3	5.7	-	-	-	-	3	3.8	22	5.0
		62	7.2	45	6.3	44	5.6	151	6.4	26	6.6	2	2.4	5	4.4	33	5.6	184	6.2
	Did not answer	1	.6	-	-	1	1.0	2	.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	.5
	4	.5	3	.4	5	.6	12	.5	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.2	13	.4	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
It is okay for parents to offer their youth alcoholic beverages in their home.	DISAGREE	140	89.7	91	91.0	97	92.4	328	90.9	49	92.5	7	100	17	94.4	73	93.6	401	91.3
		763	88.4	634	89.2	699	89.3	2096	88.9	377	95.2	78	94.0	108	94.7	563	94.9	2659	90.1
	AGREE	14	9.0	7	7.0	6	5.7	27	7.5	4	7.5	-	-	1	5.6	5	6.4	32	7.3
		95	11.0	72	10.1	77	9.8	244	10.4	18	4.5	5	6.0	6	5.3	29	4.9	273	9.3
	Did not answer	2	1.3	2	2.0	2	1.9	6	1.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	1.4
	5	.6	5	.7	7	.9	17	.7	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.2	18	.6	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
It is okay for parents to offer alcoholic beverages in their home to youth (other than their own).	DISAGREE	155	99.4	99	99.0	104	99.0	358	99.2	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	436	99.3
		854	99.0	701	98.6	764	97.6	2319	98.4	395	99.7	83	100	114	100	592	99.8	2911	98.7
	AGREE	-	-	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	.5
		8	.9	6	.8	16	2.0	30	1.3	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.2	31	1.1
	Did not answer	1	.6	-	-	-	-	1	.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	.2
	1	.1	4	.6	3	.4	8	.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	.3	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
In my community, drinking among teenagers is acceptable.	DISAGREE	123	78.8	70	70.0	77	73.3	270	74.8	31	58.5	4	57.1	11	61.1	46	59.0	316	72.0
		635	73.6	452	63.6	526	67.2	1613	68.4	228	57.6	34	41.0	45	39.5	307	51.8	1920	65.1
	AGREE	31	19.9	28	28.0	28	26.7	87	24.1	22	41.5	3	42.9	7	38.9	32	41.0	119	27.1
		223	25.8	249	35.0	252	32.2	724	30.7	167	42.2	49	59.0	68	59.6	284	47.9	1008	34.2
	Did not answer	2	1.3	2	2.0	-	-	4	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	.9
	5	.6	10	1.4	5	.6	20	.8	1	.3	-	-	1	.9	2	.3	22	.7	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	

Table 3.1 Cont'd: To what extent do you AGREE or DISAGREE with the following statements?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	COMMUNITY MEMBERS							KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL					
	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		TOTAL			
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%			
Driving under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol is okay.	DISAGREE	152	97.4	99	99.0	102	97.1	353	97.8	52	98.1	7	100	17	94.4	76	97.4	429	97.7
		845	97.9	701	98.6	757	96.7	2303	97.7	390	98.5	80	96.4	110	96.5	580	97.8	2883	97.7
	AGREE	3	1.9	1	1.0	3	2.9	7	1.9	1	1.9	-	-	1	5.6	2	2.6	9	2.1
		13	1.5	10	1.4	21	2.7	44	1.9	5	1.3	2	2.4	3	2.6	10	1.7	54	1.8
	Did not answer	1	.6	-	-	-	-	1	.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	.2
		5	.6	-	-	5	.6	10	.4	1	.3	1	1.2	1	.9	3	.5	13	.4
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
It is okay to ride in a motor vehicle with someone under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol.	DISAGREE	153	98.1	99	99.0	102	97.1	354	98.1	52	98.1	7	100	18	100	77	98.7	431	98.2
		848	98.3	705	99.2	765	97.7	2318	98.3	393	99.2	82	98.8	113	99.1	588	99.2	2906	98.5
	AGREE	2	1.3	1	1.0	3	2.9	6	1.7	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	7	1.6
		14	1.6	6	.8	16	2.0	36	1.5	3	.8	1	1.2	1	.9	5	.8	41	1.4
	Did not answer	1	.6	-	-	-	-	1	.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	.2
		1	.1	-	-	2	.3	3	.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	.1
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	

The statements contained in Table 3.1 were structured in such a way that agreement would indicate a permissive attitude toward drug and alcohol related issues. The results indicate that overall, **Region II Community Members** and **Key Informants** are *not tolerant* of AOD use and related activity among adults and youth. A strong majority of respondents **disagreed** with following statements and thus, demonstrate this generalization:

- It is okay for youth to drink at parties as long as they don't get drunk (96.8% *disagree-strongly disagree*)
- Youth should be able to drink as long as they don't drive afterwards (95.2% *disagree-strongly disagree*)
- It is okay for youth to smoke cigarettes (97.7% *disagree-strongly disagree*)
- Youth who experiment with alcohol or other drugs almost always grow out of it (94.5% *disagree-strongly disagree*)
- It is okay for parents to offer their youth alcoholic beverages in their home (91.3% *disagree-strongly disagree*)
- It is okay for parents to offer alcoholic beverages in their home to youth other than their own (99.3% *disagree-strongly disagree*)
- Driving under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol is okay (97.7% *disagree-strongly disagree*)
- It is okay to ride in a motor vehicle with someone under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol (98.2% *disagree-strongly disagree*)

On the other hand, when asked whether drinking among teenagers is acceptable within their community, 72 percent of respondents overall *disagree-strongly disagree* while 27.1 percent *agree-strongly agree*.

Section 4: Community Support for AOD Prevention

Willingness to support AOD prevention initiatives was the focus of this section of the survey. Participants were asked to rank the items ranging from strongly disagree to strongly agree. Items included the following: a focus on law enforcement competency, support for educational and prevention programs, community commitment, advertising devices, tax issues related to alcohol and tobacco, the enforcement of drinking and driving laws, and laws prohibiting parents providing alcohol to their own children.

Additional items in this section assessed responses regarding support for the following statements: drinking age of 21 years; penalties for adults who provide alcohol to youth; compliance checks; laws prohibiting giving alcohol to your own children; and DUI checkpoints. Respondents were also questioned as to whether or not they support bans on the following: liquors advertisements on TV; beer and wine advertisements on TV; and billboard alcohol advertisements. The final series of questions asked respondents if they would be willing to attend the following events if they were alcohol-free: a party; wedding dance/reception; and sporting events.

NOTE: It should be kept in mind that the following tables are **NOT comparative** in nature. In other words, though presented side-by-side, the responses of the community members and those of the key informants are **NOT** being compared. The tables simply present a descriptive account about how each group responded to each question. Within this section, response categories were collapsed into **AGREE** (to include agree or strongly agree) and **DISAGREE** (to include disagree or strongly disagree).

Table 4.1: To what extent do you AGREE or DISAGREE with the following statements?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 		COMMUNITY MEMBERS						KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL					
		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
Law enforcement should be spending more time enforcing the minimum drinking age.	DISAGREE	27	17.3	11	11.0	10	9.5	48	13.3	11	20.8	1	14.3	3	16.7	15	19.2	63	14.4
		177	20.5	114	16.0	96	12.3	387	16.4	90	22.7	11	13.3	11	9.6	112	18.9	499	16.9
	AGREE	129	82.7	89	89.0	95	90.5	313	86.7	42	79.2	6	85.7	15	83.3	63	80.8	376	85.6
		675	78.2	592	83.3	683	87.2	1950	82.7	303	76.5	72	86.7	101	88.6	476	80.3	2426	82.2
	Did not answer	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	11	1.3	5	.7	4	.5	20	.8	3	.8	-	-	2	1.8	5	.8	25	.8	
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
Schools need to be more active in dealing with alcohol, tobacco, and other drug problems.	DISAGREE	21	13.5	14	14.0	9	8.6	44	12.2	9	17.0	1	14.3	3	16.7	13	16.7	57	13.0
		113	13.1	99	13.9	81	10.3	293	12.4	64	16.2	12	14.5	19	16.7	95	16.0	388	13.2
	AGREE	135	86.5	85	85.0	95	90.5	315	87.3	43	81.1	6	85.7	15	83.3	64	82.1	379	86.3
		746	86.4	604	85.0	697	89.0	2047	86.8	329	83.1	71	85.5	94	82.5	494	83.3	2541	86.1
	Did not answer	-	-	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	.6	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	3	.7
	4	.5	8	1.1	5	.6	17	.7	3	.8	-	-	1	.9	4	.7	21	.7	
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Table 4.1 Cont'd: To what extent do you AGREE or DISAGREE with the following statements?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	COMMUNITY MEMBERS								KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL				
	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		TOTAL		
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	
<p>It is possible to reduce alcohol and drug problems through prevention.</p>	DISAGREE	17	10.9	10	10.0	6	5.7	33	9.1	1	1.9	1	14.3	-	-	2	2.6	35	8.0
		73	8.5	53	7.5	50	6.4	176	7.5	25	6.3	6	7.2	3	2.6	34	5.7	210	7.1
	AGREE	139	89.1	90	90.0	96	91.4	325	90.0	52	98.1	6	85.7	18	100	76	97.4	401	91.3
		786	91.1	652	91.7	721	92.1	2159	91.6	371	93.7	76	91.6	111	97.4	558	94.1	2717	92.1
	Did not answer	-	-	-	-	3	2.9	3	.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
	4	.5	6	.8	12	1.5	22	.9	-	-	1	1.2	-	-	1	.2	23	.8	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
<p>Alcohol and other drug prevention programs are a good investment because they save lives and money.</p>	DISAGREE	15	9.6	5	5.0	5	4.8	25	6.9	3	5.7	-	-	-	-	3	3.8	28	6.4
		58	6.7	42	5.9	40	5.1	140	5.9	27	6.8	3	3.6	3	2.6	33	5.6	173	5.9
	AGREE	138	88.5	95	95.0	99	94.3	332	92.0	50	94.3	7	100	18	100	75	96.2	407	92.7
		798	92.5	662	93.1	731	93.4	2191	93.0	369	93.2	77	92.8	111	97.4	557	93.9	2748	93.2
	Did not answer	3	1.9	-	-	1	1.0	4	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	.9
	7	.8	7	1.0	12	1.5	26	1.1	-	-	3	3.6	-	-	3	.5	29	1.0	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
<p>The community has the responsibility to set up prevention programs to help people avoid alcohol and other drug problems.</p>	DISAGREE	22	14.1	14	14.0	13	12.4	49	13.6	3	5.7	1	14.3	1	5.6	5	6.4	54	12.3
		98	11.4	104	14.6	100	12.8	302	12.8	18	4.5	7	8.4	9	7.9	34	5.7	336	11.4
	AGREE	132	84.6	84	84.0	89	84.8	305	84.5	50	94.3	6	85.7	17	94.4	73	93.6	378	86.1
		759	87.9	594	83.5	671	85.7	2024	85.9	376	94.9	75	90.4	105	92.1	556	93.8	2580	87.5
	Did not answer	2	1.3	2	2.0	3	2.9	7	1.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	1.6
	6	.7	13	1.8	12	1.5	31	1.3	2	.5	1	1.2	-	-	3	.5	34	1.2	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
<p>Public service announcements are a good way to change attitudes about alcohol, tobacco, & other drugs.</p>	DISAGREE	32	20.5	17	17.0	16	15.2	65	18.0	9	17.0	2	28.6	1	5.6	12	15.4	77	17.5
		165	19.1	115	16.2	120	15.3	400	17.0	84	21.2	16	19.3	27	23.7	127	21.4	527	17.9
	AGREE	124	79.5	82	82.0	87	82.9	293	81.2	44	83.0	5	71.4	17	94.4	66	84.6	359	81.8
		695	80.5	583	82.0	655	83.7	1933	82.0	309	78.0	65	78.3	87	76.3	461	77.7	2394	81.2
	Did not answer	-	-	1	1.0	2	1.9	3	.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	.7
	3	.3	13	1.8	8	1.0	24	1.0	3	.8	2	2.4	-	-	5	.8	29	1.0	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	

Table 4.1 Cont'd: To what extent do you AGREE or DISAGREE with the following statements?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 		COMMUNITY MEMBERS						KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL					
		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
Taxes on alcohol should be increased.	DISAGREE	58	37.2	45	45.0	42	40.0	145	40.2	15	28.3	2	28.6	8	44.4	25	32.1	170	38.7
		370	42.9	290	40.8	325	41.5	985	41.8	145	36.6	26	31.3	39	34.2	210	35.4	1195	40.5
	AGREE	94	60.3	54	54.0	62	59.0	210	58.2	37	69.8	5	71.4	10	55.6	52	66.7	262	59.7
		485	56.2	414	58.2	446	57.0	1345	57.1	248	62.6	56	67.5	73	64.0	377	63.6	1722	58.4
	Did not answer	4	2.6	1	1.0	1	1.0	6	1.7	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	7	1.6
	8	.9	7	1.0	12	1.5	27	1.1	3	.8	1	1.2	2	1.8	6	1.0	33	1.1	
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
Taxes on tobacco should be increased.	DISAGREE	50	32.1	38	38.0	34	32.4	122	33.8	14	26.4	1	14.3	5	27.8	20	25.6	142	32.3
		290	33.6	236	33.2	255	32.6	781	33.1	119	30.1	23	27.7	40	35.1	182	30.7	963	32.6
	AGREE	104	66.7	61	61.0	70	66.7	235	65.1	38	71.7	6	85.7	13	72.2	57	73.1	292	66.5
		566	65.6	467	65.7	513	65.5	1546	65.6	274	69.2	59	71.1	72	63.2	405	68.3	1951	66.1
	Did not answer	2	1.3	1	1.0	1	1.0	4	1.1	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	5	1.1
	7	.8	8	1.1	15	1.9	30	1.3	3	.8	1	1.2	2	1.8	6	1.0	36	1.2	
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
Drinking and driving laws are enforced in my local community.	DISAGREE	17	10.9	25	25.0	33	31.4	75	20.8	4	7.5	4	57.1	2	11.1	10	12.8	85	19.4
		79	9.2	188	26.4	229	29.2	496	21.0	34	8.6	29	34.9	34	29.8	97	16.4	593	20.1
	AGREE	138	88.5	72	72.0	67	63.8	277	76.7	49	92.5	3	42.9	16	88.9	68	87.2	345	78.6
		777	90.0	511	71.9	535	68.3	1823	77.3	359	90.7	54	65.1	77	67.5	490	82.6	2313	78.4
	Did not answer	1	.6	3	3.0	5	4.8	9	2.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	2.1
	7	.8	12	1.7	19	2.4	38	1.6	3	.8	-	-	3	2.6	6	1.0	44	1.5	
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
There should be a law prohibiting giving alcohol to your children	DISAGREE	47	30.1	28	28.0	29	27.6	104	28.8	11	20.8	2	28.6	7	38.9	20	25.6	124	28.2
		282	32.7	253	35.6	261	33.3	796	33.8	102	25.8	17	20.5	34	29.8	153	25.8	949	32.2
	AGREE	108	69.2	70	70.0	72	68.6	250	69.3	42	79.2	5	71.4	10	55.6	57	73.1	307	69.9
		573	66.4	450	63.3	509	65.0	1532	65.0	290	73.2	66	79.5	78	68.4	434	73.2	1966	66.6
	Did not answer	1	.6	2	2.0	4	3.8	7	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	5.6	1	1.3	8	1.8
	8	.9	8	1.1	13	1.7	29	1.2	4	1.0	-	-	2	1.8	6	1.0	35	1.2	
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Table 4.1 demonstrates that both *Community Members* and *Key Informants* agree on key issues ranging from enforcing minimum drinking violations to support for prevention programs and local initiatives. When **Region II** respondents were asked to indicate the extent to which they either agree or disagree with increasing alcohol taxes, 59.7 percent of the overall respondents *agree-strongly agree*.

When **Region II** respondents were asked to indicate the extent to which they either agree or disagree with increasing taxes on tobacco, 66.5 percent *agree-strongly agree*. Overall, **Region II** responses to increasing alcohol and tobacco taxes paralleled those found at the **Statewide** level.

Table 4.2: Do you support the following?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	Community Members							Key Informants							OVERALL TOTAL				
	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%		
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%			
Minimum legal drinking age of 21	YES	141	90.4	90	90.0	94	89.5	325	90.0	48	90.6	7	100	17	94.4	72	92.3	397	90.4
		761	88.2	629	88.5	700	89.4	2090	88.7	364	91.9	80	96.4	108	94.7	552	93.1	2642	89.6
	NO	15	9.6	10	10.0	9	8.6	34	9.4	5	9.4	-	-	1	5.6	6	7.7	40	9.1
		102	11.8	76	10.7	78	10.0	256	10.9	30	7.6	3	3.6	6	5.3	39	6.6	295	10.0
	Did not answer	-	-	-	-	2	1.9	2	.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	.5
	-	-	6	.8	5	.6	11	.5	2	.5	-	-	-	-	2	.3	13	.4	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
Penalties for adults who provide alcohol to youth	YES	153	98.1	99	99.0	102	97.1	354	98.1	52	98.1	7	100	16	88.9	75	96.2	429	97.7
		840	97.3	686	96.5	753	96.2	2279	96.7	388	98.0	81	97.6	111	97.4	580	97.8	2859	96.9
	NO	3	1.9	1	1.0	3	2.9	7	1.9	1	1.9	-	-	2	11.1	3	3.8	10	2.3
		22	2.5	21	3.0	26	3.3	69	2.9	7	1.8	2	2.4	3	2.6	12	2.0	81	2.7
	Did not answer	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1	.1	4	.6	4	.5	9	.4	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.2	10	.3	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
Compliance checks (used to identify alcohol establishments that sell alcohol to underage youth)	YES	152	97.4	98	98.0	101	96.2	351	97.2	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	429	97.7
		828	95.9	684	96.2	752	96.0	2264	96.1	387	97.7	82	98.8	113	99.1	582	98.1	2846	96.5
	NO	3	1.9	2	2.0	3	2.9	8	2.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	1.8
		33	3.8	24	3.4	25	3.2	82	3.5	8	2.0	1	1.2	1	.9	10	1.7	92	3.1
	Did not answer	1	.6	-	-	1	1.0	2	.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	.5
	2	.2	3	.4	6	.8	11	.5	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.2	12	.4	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	

Table 4.2 Cont'd: Do you support the following?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 		Community Members								Key Informants								OVERALL TOTAL	
		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
Laws prohibiting giving alcohol to your own children	YES	110	70.5	71	71.0	81	77.1	262	72.6	43	81.1	5	71.4	10	55.6	58	74.4	320	72.9
		592	68.6	459	64.6	523	66.8	1574	66.8	295	74.5	68	81.9	82	71.9	445	75.0	2019	68.4
	NO	46	29.5	25	25.0	24	22.9	95	26.3	10	18.9	2	28.6	7	38.9	19	24.4	114	26.0
		262	30.4	236	33.2	251	32.1	749	31.8	96	24.2	15	18.1	30	26.3	141	23.8	890	30.2
	<i>Did not answer</i>	-	-	4	4.0	-	-	4	1.1	-	-	-	-	1	5.6	1	1.3	5	1.1
	9	1.0	16	2.3	9	1.1	34	1.4	5	1.3	-	-	2	1.8	7	1.2	41	1.4	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
DUI checkpoint <small>(used by law enforcement to deter or detect a drunk driver through the use of roadblocks or sobriety checkpoints)</small>	YES	138	88.5	93	93.0	88	83.8	319	88.4	48	90.6	7	100	17	94.4	72	92.3	391	89.1
		742	86.0	627	88.2	674	86.1	2043	86.7	357	90.2	80	96.4	105	92.1	542	91.4	2585	87.6
	NO	17	10.9	7	7.0	16	15.2	40	11.1	5	9.4	-	-	1	5.6	6	7.7	46	10.5
		118	13.7	78	11.0	101	12.9	297	12.6	38	9.6	3	3.6	9	7.9	50	8.4	347	11.8
	<i>Did not answer</i>	1	.6	-	-	1	1.0	2	.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	.5
	3	.3	6	.8	8	1.0	17	.7	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.2	18	.6	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	

There is somewhat of a disparity in beliefs that support laws that prohibit giving alcohol to “your own” children. Nearly sixty-seven percent of the *Statewide Community Members* supported this law (66.8%); results from the *Key Informant* population indicated that 75 percent responded *yes* they would support this notion.

For *Region II Community Member* respondents, 72.6 percent indicated that *yes* they would be in support of this type of law. *Key Informant* responses mirrored *Community Members* in that 74.4 percent responded that *yes* they would be in support of a law prohibiting giving alcohol to “your own” children.

Table 4.3: Do you support BANS on the following?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	COMMUNITY MEMBERS								KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL				
	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	
Liquor advertisements on TV	YES	96	61.5	55	55.0	74	70.5	225	62.3	38	71.7	5	71.4	14	77.8	57	73.1	282	64.2
		539	62.5	472	66.4	525	67.0	1536	65.2	269	67.9	64	77.1	80	70.2	413	69.6	1949	66.1
	NO	58	37.2	44	44.0	26	24.8	128	35.5	15	28.3	2	28.6	4	22.2	21	26.9	149	33.9
		309	35.8	233	32.8	249	31.8	791	33.6	124	31.3	19	22.9	31	27.2	174	29.3	965	32.7
	Did not answer	2	1.3	1	1.0	5	4.8	8	2.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	1.8
	15	1.7	6	.8	9	1.1	30	1.3	3	.8	-	-	3	2.6	6	1.0	36	1.2	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
Beer & wine advertisements on TV	YES	93	59.6	56	56.0	73	69.5	222	61.5	37	69.8	5	71.4	14	77.8	56	71.8	278	63.3
		519	60.1	458	64.4	506	64.6	1483	62.9	265	66.9	64	77.1	77	67.5	406	68.5	1889	64.0
	NO	61	39.1	43	43.0	27	25.7	131	36.3	16	30.2	2	28.6	4	22.2	22	28.2	153	34.9
		330	38.2	244	34.3	267	34.1	841	35.7	128	32.3	19	22.9	33	28.9	180	30.4	1021	34.6
	Did not answer	2	1.3	1	1.0	5	4.8	8	2.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	1.8
	14	1.6	9	1.3	10	1.3	33	1.4	3	.8	-	-	4	3.5	7	1.2	40	1.4	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
Billboard alcohol advertisements	YES	95	60.9	53	53.0	72	68.6	220	60.9	37	69.8	5	71.4	13	72.2	55	70.5	275	62.6
		526	61.0	453	63.7	505	64.5	1484	63.0	262	66.2	63	75.9	77	67.5	402	67.8	1886	63.9
	NO	59	37.8	46	46.0	26	24.8	131	36.3	16	30.2	2	28.6	5	27.8	23	29.5	154	35.1
		323	37.4	250	35.2	266	34.0	839	35.6	131	33.1	20	24.1	33	28.9	184	31.0	1023	34.7
	Did not answer	2	1.3	1	1.0	7	6.7	10	2.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	2.3
	14	1.6	8	1.1	12	1.5	34	1.4	3	.8	-	-	4	3.5	7	1.2	41	1.4	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	

The results presented in Table 4.3 are very consistent across questions. Over sixty-three percent (63.9% to 66.1%) of the *Statewide* respondents support bans on television and billboards as forms of alcohol advertisements while one-third (32.7% to 34.7%) would not support such bans. Results from *Region II* respondents were also very similar regarding all three questions relating to alcohol advertising. Over sixty-two percent of the overall regional respondents were in support of banning alcohol advertisements on either television or billboards.

Table 4.4: Would you attend any of the following events if they were alcohol-free?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 		COMMUNITY MEMBERS								KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL			
		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		TOTAL	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Party	YES	147	94.2	94	94.0	92	87.6	333	92.2	50	94.3	7	100	18	100	75	96.2	408	92.9
		821	95.1	683	96.1	737	94.1	2241	95.1	388	98.0	82	98.8	109	95.6	579	97.6	2820	95.6
	NO	7	4.5	5	5.0	7	6.7	19	5.3	3	5.7	-	-	-	-	3	3.8	22	5.0
		38	4.4	25	3.5	35	4.5	98	4.2	8	2.0	1	1.2	2	1.8	11	1.9	109	3.7
	<i>Did not answer</i>	2	1.3	1	1.0	6	5.7	9	2.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	2.1
	4	.5	3	.4	11	1.4	18	.8	-	-	-	-	3	2.6	3	.5	21	.7	
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
Wedding Dance/Reception	YES	143	91.7	91	91.0	96	91.4	330	91.4	52	98.1	6	85.7	18	100	76	97.4	406	92.5
		820	95.0	681	95.8	742	94.8	2243	95.2	393	99.2	81	97.6	111	97.4	585	98.7	2828	95.9
	NO	9	5.8	7	7.0	6	5.7	22	6.1	1	1.9	1	14.3	-	-	2	2.6	24	5.5
		37	4.3	24	3.4	33	4.2	94	4.0	3	.8	2	2.4	1	.9	6	1.0	100	3.4
	<i>Did not answer</i>	4	2.6	2	2.0	3	2.9	9	2.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	2.1
	6	.7	6	.8	8	1.0	20	.8	-	-	-	-	2	1.8	2	.3	22	.7	
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
Sporting Event	YES	147	94.2	95	95.0	97	92.4	339	93.9	51	96.2	7	100	18	100	76	97.4	415	94.5
		825	95.6	693	97.5	755	96.4	2273	96.4	393	99.2	82	98.8	111	97.4	586	98.8	2859	96.9
	NO	7	4.5	3	3.0	4	3.8	14	3.9	2	3.8	-	-	-	-	2	2.6	16	3.6
		34	3.9	12	1.7	18	2.3	64	2.7	3	.8	1	1.2	1	.9	5	.8	69	2.3
	<i>Did not answer</i>	2	1.3	2	2.0	4	3.8	8	2.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	1.8
	4	.5	6	.8	10	1.3	20	.8	-	-	-	-	2	1.8	2	.3	22	.7	
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

The absence of alcohol at parties, wedding related activities, or sporting events would not curb attendance by an overwhelming majority of both the *Statewide* and *Region II* respondents.

Section 5: Access to Alcohol and Other Drugs

This series of questions focused on the availability of alcohol and other drugs by youth within the sampled communities. Respondents were asked to rank the level of difficulty in which youth can obtain alcohol under the following circumstances; liquor store accessibility, bar accessibility, at home accessibility, and alcohol provided by parents and/or other family members. Regarding the accessibility of illegal substances within the community, respondents were asked to rank how difficult it is for youth to access marijuana, inhalants, cocaine, methamphetamine, and hallucinogens.

NOTE: It should be kept in mind that the following tables are **NOT comparative** in nature. In other words, though presented side-by-side, the responses of the community members and those of the key informants are **NOT** being compared. The tables simply present a descriptive account about how each group responded to each question.

Table 5.1: Please respond accordingly to the following questions regarding access in your community.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 		COMMUNITY MEMBERS								KEY INFORMANTS								OVERALL TOTAL	
		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
How difficult is it for youth to buy beer, wine, or hard liquor at stores themselves?	NOT AT ALL	15	9.6	4	4.0	8	7.6	27	7.5	5	9.4	-	-	2	11.1	7	9.0	34	7.7
		55	6.4	65	9.1	74	9.5	194	8.2	28	7.1	13	15.7	9	7.9	50	8.4	244	8.3
	SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT	83	53.2	42	42.0	39	37.1	164	45.4	33	62.3	3	42.9	10	55.6	46	59.0	210	47.8
		442	51.2	297	41.8	342	43.7	1081	45.9	229	57.8	41	49.4	64	56.1	334	56.3	1415	48.0
	QUITE/EXTREMELY	50	32.1	52	52.0	53	50.5	155	42.9	15	28.3	4	57.1	6	33.3	25	32.1	180	41.0
		343	39.7	326	45.9	337	43.0	1006	42.7	134	33.8	29	34.9	38	33.3	201	33.9	1207	40.9
	Did not answer	8	5.1	2	2.0	5	4.8	15	4.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	3.4
	23	2.7	23	3.2	30	3.8	76	3.2	5	1.3	-	-	3	2.6	8	1.3	84	2.8	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
How difficult is it for youth to get an older person to buy alcohol for them?	NOT AT ALL	70	44.9	32	32.0	44	41.9	146	40.4	23	43.4	2	28.6	11	61.1	36	46.2	182	41.5
		332	38.5	290	40.8	324	41.4	946	40.1	190	48.0	44	53.0	66	57.9	300	50.6	1246	42.2
	SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT	67	42.9	56	56.0	45	42.9	168	46.5	29	54.7	5	71.4	7	38.9	41	52.6	209	47.6
		439	50.9	351	49.4	359	45.8	1149	48.7	185	46.7	38	45.8	43	37.7	266	44.9	1415	48.0
	QUITE/EXTREMELY	10	6.4	10	10.0	9	8.6	29	8.0	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	30	6.8
		65	7.5	48	6.8	66	8.4	179	7.6	14	3.5	1	1.2	2	1.8	17	2.9	196	6.6
	Did not answer	9	5.8	2	2.0	7	6.7	18	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	4.1
	27	3.1	22	3.1	34	4.3	83	3.5	7	1.8	-	-	3	2.6	10	1.7	93	3.2	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	

Table 5.1 Cont'd: Please respond accordingly to the following questions regarding access in your community.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	Level of Difficulty	COMMUNITY MEMBERS						KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL					
		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
How difficult is it for youth to order a drink at a bar?	NOT AT ALL	5	3.2	1	1.0	2	1.9	8	2.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	1.8
		22	2.5	16	2.3	25	3.2	63	2.7	4	1.0	3	3.6	3	2.6	10	1.7	73	2.5
	SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT	77	49.4	40	40.0	35	33.3	152	42.1	27	50.9	3	42.9	10	55.6	40	51.3	192	43.7
		388	45.0	275	38.7	271	34.6	934	39.6	199	50.3	41	49.4	62	54.4	302	50.9	1236	41.9
	QUITE/EXTREMELY	65	41.7	57	57.0	62	59.0	184	51.0	26	49.1	4	57.1	8	44.4	38	48.7	222	50.6
		428	49.6	396	55.7	455	58.1	1279	54.3	187	47.2	39	47.0	45	39.5	271	45.7	1550	52.5
	Did not answer	9	5.8	2	2.0	6	5.7	17	4.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17	3.9
	25	2.9	24	3.4	32	4.1	81	3.4	6	1.5	-	-	4	3.5	10	1.7	91	3.1	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
How difficult is it for youth to sneak alcohol from their home or a friend's home?	NOT AT ALL	93	59.6	35	35.0	54	51.4	182	50.4	31	58.5	5	71.4	12	66.7	48	61.5	230	52.4
		504	58.4	328	46.1	387	49.4	1219	51.7	269	67.9	61	73.5	78	68.4	408	68.8	1627	55.2
	SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT	50	32.1	51	51.0	37	35.2	138	38.2	21	39.6	2	28.6	6	33.3	29	37.2	167	38.0
		298	34.5	322	45.3	316	40.4	936	39.7	120	30.3	21	25.3	33	28.9	174	29.3	1110	37.6
	QUITE/EXTREMELY	5	3.2	10	10.0	8	7.6	23	6.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23	5.2
		35	4.1	35	4.9	45	5.7	115	4.9	2	.5	1	1.2	-	-	3	.5	118	4.0
	Did not answer	8	5.1	4	4.0	6	5.7	18	5.0	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	19	4.3
	26	3.0	26	3.7	35	4.5	87	3.7	5	1.3	-	-	3	2.6	8	1.3	95	3.2	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
How difficult is it for youth to get their parents to give them alcohol?	NOT AT ALL	10	6.4	5	5.0	10	9.5	25	6.9	5	9.4	-	-	4	22.2	9	11.5	34	7.7
		77	8.9	81	11.4	95	12.1	253	10.7	34	8.6	9	10.8	17	14.9	60	10.1	313	10.6
	SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT	104	66.7	58	58.0	56	53.3	218	60.4	36	67.9	6	85.7	10	55.6	52	66.7	270	61.5
		533	61.8	407	57.2	449	57.3	1389	58.9	279	70.5	56	67.5	77	67.5	412	69.5	1801	61.1
	QUITE/EXTREMELY	32	20.5	33	33.0	32	30.5	97	26.9	11	20.8	1	14.3	4	22.2	16	20.5	113	25.7
		220	25.5	195	27.4	206	26.3	621	26.3	75	18.9	17	20.5	15	13.2	107	18.0	728	24.7
	Did not answer	10	6.4	4	4.0	7	6.7	21	5.8	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	22	5.0
	33	3.8	28	3.9	33	4.2	94	4.0	8	2.0	1	1.2	5	4.4	14	2.4	108	3.7	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	

Table 5.1 Cont'd: Please respond accordingly to the following questions regarding access in your community.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	COMMUNITY MEMBERS								KEY INFORMANTS								OVERALL TOTAL		
	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		TOTAL		
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	
How difficult is it for youth to get other family members to give them alcohol?	NOT AT ALL	27	17.3	9	9.0	15	14.3	51	14.1	10	18.9	1	14.3	5	27.8	16	20.5	67	15.3
		134	15.5	131	18.4	137	17.5	402	17.1	73	18.4	21	25.3	30	26.3	124	20.9	526	17.8
	SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT	103	66.0	64	64.0	60	57.1	227	62.9	38	71.7	6	85.7	12	66.7	56	71.8	283	64.5
		557	64.5	407	57.2	471	60.2	1435	60.9	276	69.7	56	67.5	73	64.0	405	68.3	1840	62.4
	QUITE/EXTREMELY	18	11.5	24	24.0	22	21.0	64	17.7	5	9.4	-	-	1	5.6	6	7.7	70	15.9
		142	16.5	146	20.5	142	18.1	430	18.2	40	10.1	5	6.0	6	5.3	51	8.6	481	16.3
	Did not answer	8	5.1	3	3.0	8	7.6	19	5.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	4.3
	30	3.5	27	3.8	33	4.2	90	3.8	7	1.8	1	1.2	5	4.4	13	2.2	103	3.5	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	

When respondents were asked “How difficult is it for youth to get an older person to buy alcohol for them,” 42.2 percent of the overall **Statewide** respondents indicated it was *not at all* difficult, while 48 percent believed that it is *slightly/somewhat* difficult.

Consistent with the above, 41.5 percent of **Region II** respondents believed that getting an older person to buy alcohol for youth was *not at all* difficult and 47.6 percent indicated it was only *slightly/somewhat* difficult.

When respondents were asked “How difficult is it for youth to sneak alcohol from their home or a friend’s home,” 55.2 percent of the **Statewide** respondents reported that this was *not at all* difficult and 37.6 percent perceived this to be only *slightly/somewhat* difficult.

Looking specifically at **Region II**, when asked the following, “how difficult is it for youth to sneak alcohol from their home or a friend’s home,” 52.4 percent of the overall respondents believed this was *not at all* difficult and 38 percent indicated this was only *slightly/somewhat* difficult.

Table 5.2: How difficult is it for youth or adult to ACCESS the following in your community.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	Level of Difficulty	COMMUNITY MEMBERS						KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL					
		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
Marijuana	NOT AT ALL	63	40.4	24	24.0	33	31.4	120	33.2	29	54.7	-	-	7	38.9	36	46.2	156	35.5
		331	38.4	220	30.9	234	29.9	785	33.3	217	54.8	35	42.2	44	38.6	296	49.9	1081	36.6
	SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT	68	43.6	51	51.0	39	37.1	158	43.8	24	45.3	6	85.7	10	55.6	40	51.3	198	45.1
		398	46.1	326	45.9	343	43.8	1067	45.3	161	40.7	43	51.8	55	48.2	259	43.7	1326	44.9
	QUITE/EXTREMELY	10	6.4	17	17.0	22	21.0	49	13.6	-	-	1	14.3	-	-	1	1.3	50	11.4
		62	7.2	101	14.2	120	15.3	283	12.0	8	2.0	5	6.0	8	7.0	21	3.5	304	10.3
	Indicated "Do not know"	12	7.7	5	5.0	6	5.7	23	6.4	-	-	-	-	1	5.6	1	1.3	24	5.5
		52	6.0	41	5.8	66	8.4	159	6.7	8	2.0	-	-	5	4.4	13	2.2	172	5.8
	Did not answer	3	1.9	3	3.0	5	4.8	11	3.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	2.5
		20	2.3	23	3.2	20	2.6	63	2.7	2	.5	-	-	2	1.8	4	.7	67	2.3
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
Inhalants (Glue, paint, aerosols, solvents, etc.)	NOT AT ALL	95	60.9	38	38.0	49	46.7	182	50.4	41	77.4	4	57.1	11	61.1	56	71.8	238	54.2
		506	58.6	318	44.7	325	41.5	1149	48.7	324	81.8	61	73.5	71	62.3	456	76.9	1605	54.4
	SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT	40	25.6	42	42.0	25	23.8	107	29.6	10	18.9	2	28.6	5	27.8	17	21.8	124	28.2
		231	26.8	242	34.0	249	31.8	722	30.6	57	14.4	18	21.7	28	24.6	103	17.4	825	28.0
	QUITE/EXTREMELY	7	4.5	13	13.0	17	16.2	37	10.2	1	1.9	1	14.3	1	5.6	3	3.8	40	9.1
		48	5.6	81	11.4	113	14.4	242	10.3	5	1.3	4	4.8	7	6.1	16	2.7	258	8.7
	Indicated "Do not know"	11	7.1	5	5.0	8	7.6	24	6.6	1	1.9	-	-	1	5.6	2	2.6	26	5.9
		54	6.3	41	5.8	70	8.9	165	7.0	7	1.8	-	-	5	4.4	12	2.0	177	6.0
	Did not answer	3	1.9	2	2.0	6	5.7	11	3.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	2.5
		24	2.8	29	4.1	26	3.3	79	3.4	3	.8	-	-	3	2.6	6	1.0	85	2.9
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
Cocaine	NOT AT ALL	26	16.7	6	6.0	9	8.6	41	11.4	8	15.1	-	-	1	5.6	9	11.5	50	11.4
		123	14.3	77	10.8	73	9.3	273	11.6	62	15.7	8	9.6	9	7.9	79	13.3	352	11.9
	SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT	80	51.3	48	48.0	38	36.2	166	46.0	37	69.8	4	57.1	13	72.2	54	69.2	220	50.1
		458	53.1	334	47.0	323	41.3	1115	47.3	263	66.4	51	61.4	60	52.6	374	63.1	1489	50.5
	QUITE/EXTREMELY	33	21.2	36	36.0	38	36.2	107	29.6	6	11.3	3	42.9	3	16.7	12	15.4	119	27.1
		189	21.9	217	30.5	275	35.1	681	28.9	55	13.9	22	26.5	35	30.7	112	18.9	793	26.9
	Indicated "Do not know"	12	7.7	5	5.0	10	9.5	27	7.5	1	1.9	-	-	1	5.6	2	2.6	29	6.6
		62	7.2	45	6.3	79	10.1	186	7.9	11	2.8	1	1.2	7	6.1	19	3.2	205	6.9
	Did not answer	5	3.2	5	5.0	10	9.5	20	5.5	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	21	4.8
		31	3.6	38	5.3	33	4.2	102	4.3	5	1.3	1	1.2	3	2.6	9	1.5	111	3.8
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	

Table 5.2 Cont'd: How difficult is it for youth or adult to ACCESS the following in your community.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	Level of Difficulty	COMMUNITY MEMBERS						KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL					
		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
Methamphetamine	NOT AT ALL	51	32.7	15	15.0	21	20.0	87	24.1	18	34.0	-	-	3	16.7	21	26.9	108	24.6
		252	29.2	161	22.6	154	19.7	567	24.1	137	34.6	18	21.7	26	22.8	181	30.5	748	25.4
	SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT	75	48.1	50	50.0	42	40.0	167	46.3	31	58.5	5	71.4	13	72.2	49	62.8	216	49.2
		442	51.2	347	48.8	358	45.7	1147	48.7	225	56.8	54	65.1	67	58.8	346	58.3	1493	50.6
	QUITE/EXTREMELY	16	10.3	24	24.0	27	25.7	67	18.6	3	5.7	2	28.6	1	5.6	6	7.7	73	16.6
		90	10.4	125	17.6	172	22.0	387	16.4	24	6.1	10	12.0	14	12.3	48	8.1	435	14.7
	Indicated "Do not know"	11	7.1	5	5.0	8	7.6	24	6.6	1	1.9	-	-	1	5.6	2	2.6	26	5.9
		55	6.4	44	6.2	72	9.2	171	7.3	8	2.0	-	-	5	4.4	13	2.2	184	6.2
	Did not answer	3	1.9	6	6.0	7	6.7	16	4.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	3.6
		24	2.8	34	4.8	27	3.4	85	3.6	2	.5	1	1.2	2	1.8	5	.8	90	3.1
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
Hallucinogens (LSD, Shrooms, PCP, etc.)	NOT AT ALL	27	17.3	5	5.0	8	7.6	40	11.1	5	9.4	-	-	1	5.6	6	7.7	46	10.5
		136	15.8	79	11.1	70	8.9	285	12.1	59	14.9	6	7.2	9	7.9	74	12.5	359	12.2
	SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT	80	51.3	52	52.0	31	29.5	163	45.2	41	77.4	5	71.4	13	72.2	59	75.6	222	50.6
		463	53.7	328	46.1	309	39.5	1100	46.7	254	64.1	51	61.4	58	50.9	363	61.2	1463	49.6
	QUITE/EXTREMELY	32	20.5	33	33.0	43	41.0	108	29.9	6	11.3	2	28.6	3	16.7	11	14.1	119	27.1
		170	19.7	222	31.2	288	36.8	680	28.9	67	16.9	24	28.9	37	32.5	128	21.6	808	27.4
	Indicated "Do not know"	12	7.7	5	5.0	11	10.5	28	7.8	1	1.9	-	-	1	5.6	2	2.6	30	6.8
		64	7.4	46	6.5	80	10.2	190	8.1	12	3.0	1	1.2	7	6.1	20	3.4	210	7.1
	Did not answer	5	3.2	5	5.0	12	11.4	22	6.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22	5.0
		30	3.5	36	5.1	36	4.6	102	4.3	4	1.0	1	1.2	3	2.6	8	1.3	110	3.7
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	

Of the **Statewide** respondents, 36.6% percent perceived access to marijuana as *not at all* difficult for adults/youth to obtain in their community and 44.9 percent felt access was *slightly/somewhat* difficult. When asked about access to methamphetamine, 25.4 percent of **Statewide** respondents perceived access to methamphetamine as *not at all* difficult to access and 50.6 percent believed that access was *slightly/somewhat* difficult. In terms of **Region II**, respondents, access to marijuana was perceived access to as *not at all* difficult for adults/youth to obtain as indicated by 35.5 percent and 45.1 percent felt access was *slightly/somewhat* difficult. Of **Region II** respondents, 24.6 percent perceived access to methamphetamine as *not at all* difficult for adults/youth to obtain and 49.2 percent believed that access was only *slightly/somewhat* difficult.

Respondents perceived access to cocaine and hallucinogens in a similar way (i.e., *slightly/somewhat* difficult to access) although one-quarter thought access would be *quite/extremely* difficult. Overall, inhalants were perceived as the most accessible to youth and adults by 54.4 percent of **Statewide** respondents and 54.2 percent of **Region II** respondents.

Section 6: Perception of Community Commitment

Lastly, participants were asked to rank the community's overall commitment to addressing the perceived problems of youth alcohol and substance use. The questions focused on the importance of preventing alcohol and drug use among youth, concern for the availability of sufficient prevention programs, the most effective method for achieving drug free youth, through educating youth, parents, or community members, the presence of leaders within the community willing to address these issues, where to seek assistance within the community regarding these matters, the presence of a community action plan, and primary sources of information regarding crime.

NOTE: It should be kept in mind that the following tables are **NOT comparative** in nature. In other words, though presented side-by-side, the responses of the community members and those of the key informants are **NOT** being compared. The tables simply present a descriptive account about how each group responded to each question. Within this section, response categories were collapsed into **AGREE** (to include agree or strongly agree) and **DISAGREE** (to include disagree or strongly disagree).

Table 6.1: To what extent do you AGREE or DISAGREE with the following statements?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 		COMMUNITY MEMBERS						KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL					
		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
Preventing alcohol and other drug use among youth is important.	DISAGREE	4	2.6	2	2.0	4	3.8	10	2.8	3	5.7	1	14.3	-	-	4	5.1	14	3.2
		23	2.7	15	2.1	28	3.6	66	2.8	12	3.0	2	2.4	4	3.5	18	3.0	84	2.8
	AGREE	150	96.2	97	97.0	98	93.3	345	95.6	50	94.3	6	85.7	18	100	74	94.9	419	95.4
		836	96.9	693	97.5	748	95.5	2277	96.6	384	97.0	81	97.6	108	94.7	573	96.6	2850	96.6
	Did not answer	2	1.3	1	1.0	3	2.9	6	1.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	1.4
	4	.5	3	.4	7	.9	14	.6	-	-	-	-	2	1.8	2	.3	16	.5	
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
I am concerned about whether my community has sufficient AOD abuse prevention programs.	DISAGREE	27	17.3	15	15.0	16	15.2	58	16.1	10	18.9	-	-	3	16.7	13	16.7	71	16.2
		182	21.1	139	19.5	134	17.1	455	19.3	80	20.2	16	19.3	20	17.5	116	19.6	571	19.4
	AGREE	126	80.8	84	84.0	86	81.9	296	82.0	43	81.1	7	100	15	83.3	65	83.3	361	82.2
		668	77.4	565	79.5	636	81.2	1869	79.3	312	78.8	67	80.7	92	80.7	471	79.4	2340	79.3
	Did not answer	3	1.9	1	1.0	3	2.9	7	1.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	1.6
	13	1.5	7	1.0	13	1.7	33	1.4	4	1.0	-	-	2	1.8	6	1.0	39	1.3	
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
Alcohol and drug free youth can best be achieved by educating youth themselves.	DISAGREE	12	7.7	5	5.0	13	12.4	30	8.3	5	9.4	1	14.3	1	5.6	7	9.0	37	8.4
		68	7.9	59	8.3	75	9.6	202	8.6	55	13.9	10	12.0	11	9.6	76	12.8	278	9.4
	AGREE	141	90.4	94	94.0	89	84.8	324	89.8	48	90.6	6	85.7	17	94.4	71	91.0	395	90.0
		784	90.8	647	91.0	698	89.1	2129	90.3	338	85.4	72	86.7	101	88.6	511	86.2	2640	89.5
	Did not answer	3	1.9	1	1.0	3	2.9	7	1.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	1.6
	11	1.3	5	.7	10	1.3	26	1.1	3	.8	1	1.2	2	1.8	6	1.0	32	1.1	
	Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Table 6.1 Cont'd: To what extent do you AGREE or DISAGREE with the following statements?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 		COMMUNITY MEMBERS								KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL			
		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		TOTAL	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Alcohol and drug free youth can best be achieved by educating parents.	DISAGREE	14	9.0	8	8.0	11	10.5	33	9.1	6	11.3	-	-	-	-	6	7.7	39	8.9
		91	10.5	53	7.5	79	10.1	223	9.5	40	10.1	4	4.8	6	5.3	50	8.4	273	9.3
	AGREE	140	89.7	91	91.0	89	84.8	320	88.6	47	88.7	7	100	18	100	72	92.3	392	89.3
		765	88.6	650	91.4	690	88.1	2105	89.3	356	89.9	78	94.0	106	93.0	540	91.1	2645	89.7
	Did not answer	2	1.3	1	1.0	5	4.8	8	2.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	1.8
	7	.8	8	1.1	14	1.8	29	1.2	-	-	1	1.2	2	1.8	3	.5	32	1.1	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
Alcohol and drug free youth can best be achieved by educating the community.	DISAGREE	14	9.0	12	12.0	13	12.4	39	10.8	6	11.3	-	-	1	5.6	7	9.0	46	10.5
		88	10.2	73	10.3	76	9.7	237	10.1	29	7.3	4	4.8	10	8.8	43	7.3	280	9.5
	AGREE	138	88.5	87	87.0	87	82.9	312	86.4	47	88.7	7	100	17	94.4	71	91.0	383	87.2
		767	88.9	630	88.6	692	88.4	2089	88.6	365	92.2	78	94.0	101	88.6	544	91.7	2633	89.3
	Did not answer	4	2.6	1	1.0	5	4.8	10	2.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	2.3
	8	.9	8	1.1	15	1.9	31	1.3	2	.5	1	1.2	3	2.6	6	1.0	37	1.3	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
There are leaders in my community who are interested in reducing access & abuse of alcohol and other drugs.	DISAGREE	15	9.6	16	16.0	20	19.0	51	14.1	8	15.1	2	28.6	2	11.1	12	15.4	63	14.4
		75	8.7	134	18.8	137	17.5	346	14.7	26	6.6	17	20.5	18	15.8	61	10.3	407	13.8
	AGREE	134	85.9	77	77.0	80	76.2	291	80.6	44	83.0	5	71.4	16	88.9	65	83.3	356	81.1
		765	88.6	549	77.2	616	78.7	1930	81.9	368	92.9	66	79.5	93	81.6	527	88.9	2457	83.3
	Did not answer	7	4.5	7	7.0	5	4.8	19	5.3	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	1	1.3	20	4.6
	23	2.7	28	3.9	30	3.8	81	3.4	2	.5	-	-	3	2.6	5	.8	86	2.9	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	
I know who to go to if I need help for myself or family members(s) who are abusing alcohol and other drugs.	DISAGREE	22	14.1	17	17.0	24	22.9	63	17.5	4	7.5	1	14.3	1	5.6	6	7.7	69	15.7
		132	15.3	137	19.3	159	20.3	428	18.2	18	4.5	4	4.8	11	9.6	33	5.6	461	15.6
	AGREE	131	84.0	79	79.0	77	73.3	287	79.5	49	92.5	6	85.7	17	94.4	72	92.3	359	81.8
		716	83.0	559	78.6	607	77.5	1882	79.8	378	95.5	79	95.2	101	88.6	558	94.1	2440	82.7
	Did not answer	3	1.9	4	4.0	4	3.8	11	3.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	2.5
	15	1.7	15	2.1	17	2.2	47	2.0	-	-	-	-	2	1.8	2	.3	49	1.7	
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100	
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100	

When asked whether *Statewide* and *Region II* respondents considered alcohol and other drug use prevention among youth as important, a strong majority (96.6% and 95.4% respectively) *agree-strongly agree*. When asked whether they are concerned about the sufficiency of their

community’s AOD abuse prevention programs, 79.3 percent of **Statewide** respondents and 82.2 percent of **Region II** respondents indicated that they were concerned.

Finally, at least eighty-seven percent of the **Statewide** and **Region II** respondents agree that alcohol and drug free youth can best be achieved by: 1) educating youth themselves; 2) educating parents; and 3) educating the community.

Table 6.2: Our community has an action plan for dealing with issues surrounding substance abuse

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	COMMUNITY MEMBERS							KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL				
	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
Yes	44	28.2	15	15.0	13	12.4	72	19.9	17	32.1	2	28.6	2	11.1	21	26.9	93	21.2
	321	37.2	93	13.1	108	13.8	522	22.1	170	42.9	20	24.1	23	20.2	213	35.9	735	24.9
No	5	3.2	16	16.0	22	21.0	43	11.9	8	15.1	4	57.1	7	38.9	19	24.4	62	14.1
	39	4.5	161	22.6	164	20.9	364	15.4	42	10.6	36	43.4	37	32.5	115	19.4	479	16.2
Don't know	102	65.4	67	67.0	68	64.8	237	65.7	28	52.8	1	14.3	9	50.0	38	48.7	275	62.6
	481	55.7	440	61.9	495	63.2	1416	60.1	181	45.7	23	27.7	53	46.5	257	43.3	1673	56.7
<i>Did not answer</i>	5	3.2	2	2.0	2	1.9	9	2.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	2.1
	22	2.5	17	2.4	16	2.0	55	2.3	3	.8	4	4.8	1	.9	8	1.3	63	2.1
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

For **Statewide Community Members**, 22.1 percent responded that *yes* they do have a community action plan in place, 15.4 percent specified that *no* there was not a plan in place, and 60.1 percent of respondents *don't know* if their community had any action plan in place. For **Key Informants** respondents, 35.9 percent answered that *yes* their community does have an action plan to deal with alcohol/substance abuse issues, 19.4 percent indicated that *no* the community has no plan in place, and 43.3 percent *don't know* whether there is a substance abuse action plan in their community.

Among **Region II Community Members**, 19.9 percent responded that *yes* they do have a community action plan in place, 11.9 percent specified that *no* there was not a plan in place, and the majority (65.7%) *don't know* if their community has any action plan in place. **Key Informant** respondents appeared to be as informed about the presence of a community action plan where 26.9 percent indicated that *yes* there was a plan in place within their community, 24.4 percent specified that *no* there was not a plan in place and 48.7 percent *don't know* if there was any community action plan in place.

Table 6.3: From which one source do you get most of your news about crime?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region II ▪ Statewide 	COMMUNITY MEMBERS								KEY INFORMANTS						OVERALL TOTAL			
	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member TOTAL		Urban		Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		N	%
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		
Television	65	41.7	36	36.0	40	38.1	141	39.1	22	41.5	3	42.9	4	22.2	29	37.2	170	38.7
	307	35.6	302	42.5	287	36.7	896	38.0	170	42.9	35	42.2	52	45.6	257	43.3	1153	39.1
Newspapers	47	30.1	21	21.0	24	22.9	92	25.5	20	37.7	-	-	6	33.3	26	33.3	118	26.9
	280	32.4	150	21.1	177	22.6	607	25.8	119	30.1	21	25.3	26	22.8	166	28.0	773	26.2
Co-workers	2	1.3	5	5.0	5	4.8	12	3.3	1	1.9	-	-	1	5.6	2	2.6	14	3.2
	15	1.7	19	2.7	35	4.5	69	2.9	17	4.3	2	2.4	7	6.1	26	4.4	95	3.2
Friends	1	.6	4	4.0	5	4.8	10	2.8	-	-	-	-	1	5.6	1	1.3	11	2.5
	19	2.2	29	4.1	45	5.7	93	3.9	1	.3	-	-	5	4.4	6	1.0	99	3.4
Neighbors	-	-	-	-	1	1.0	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	5.6	1	1.3	2	.5
	4	.5	10	1.4	10	1.3	24	1.0	1	.3	1	1.2	2	1.8	4	.7	28	.9
Other (combination of above to include internet)	31	19.9	25	25.0	18	17.1	74	20.5	9	17.0	3	42.9	4	22.2	16	20.5	90	20.5
	172	19.9	146	20.5	151	19.3	469	19.9	61	15.4	19	22.9	19	16.7	99	16.7	568	19.3
Do not know	1	.6	1	1.0	1	1.0	3	.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	.7
	4	.5	2	.3	5	.6	11	.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	.4
<i>Did not answer</i>	9	5.8	8	8.0	11	10.5	28	7.8	1	1.9	1	14.3	1	5.6	3	3.8	31	7.1
	62	7.2	53	7.5	73	9.3	188	8.0	27	6.8	5	6.0	3	2.6	35	5.9	223	7.6
Total	156	100	100	100	105	100	361	100	53	100	7	100	18	100	78	100	439	100
	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

When respondents were asked to indicate which media sources they access to obtain news about crime, **Statewide** respondents cited *Television* (39.1%) and *Newspapers* (26.2%) as their preferred sources. Likewise, the most common source of information regarding crime for the **Region II** respondents was *Television* (38.7%), and *Newspapers* was the second most common with 26.9 percent.

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APPENDICES

Appendix A: Sample Sizes for Prevention Readiness Survey

Sample Sizes for Prevention Readiness Survey (based on pop 18+, 2006), 10% margin of error

*inflated by 10x's

		85%	90%	95%	
Region 1					
Frontier	Divide/McKenzie	520	600	680	960
Rural	Williams	520	600	680	960
Urban	Williams (Williston)	520	600	680	960
Region 2					
Frontier	Bottineau/Burke/McHenry/Mountrail/Renville	520	600	680	960
Rural	Pierce/Ward	520	600	680	960
Urban	Ward (Minot)	520	600	680	960
Region 3					
Frontier	Benson/Cavalier/Eddy/Towner	520	600	680	960
Rural	Ramsey/Rolette	520	600	680	960
Urban	Ramsey (Devils Lake)	520	600	680	960
Region 4					
Frontier	Nelson	520	600	680	960
Rural	Grand Forks/Pembina/Walsh	520	600	680	960
Urban	Grand Forks (Grand Forks)	520	600	680	960
Region 5					
Frontier	Sargent/Steele	520	600	680	960
Rural	Cass/Ransom/Richland/Traill	520	600	680	960
Urban	Cass (Fargo/West Fargo)/Richland (Wahpeton)	520	600	680	960
Region 6					
Frontier	Dickey/Foster/Griggs/Lamoure/Logan/McIntosh/Wells	520	600	680	960
Rural	Barnes/Stutsman	520	600	680	960
Urban	Barnes (Valley City)/Stutsman (Jamestown)	520	600	680	960
Region 7					
Frontier	Emmons/Grant/Kidder/McLean/Oliver/Sheridan/Sioux	520	600	680	960
Rural	Burleigh/Mercer/Morton	520	600	680	960
Urban	Burleigh (Bismarck)/Morton (Mandan)	520	600	680	960
Region 8					
Frontier	Adams/Billings/Bowman/Dunn/Golden Valley/Hettinger/Slope	520	600	680	960
Rural	Stark	520	600	680	960
Urban	Stark (Dickinson)	520	600	680	960
Total Sample		12480	14400	16320	23040

Appendix B: Cover Letter

Dear Community Member:

Congratulations! You have been selected to participate in the enclosed survey designed to gauge your community's perceptions of alcohol and other drug use. As our thank-you for completing this survey, you have the opportunity to enter your name in a drawing to win one of several **pre-paid gas cards worth up to \$500**.

The Rural Crime and Justice Center (RCJC), along with the North Dakota Department of Human Services, has designed this survey to discuss alcohol and other drug (AOD) use in your community. With your help, we can identify perceptions of the AOD problem, attitudes toward AOD use, support for AOD prevention, adolescent access to AOD, and level of commitment within *your* community to address these issues.

It will only take 5-10 minutes to complete this brief survey. Your responses are confidential and anonymous, and will be used to develop effective responses to AOD issues at the community level. Following completion, please return the survey in the enclosed pre-paid return envelope by **June 15, 2008**. Results of the survey will be available to the public this fall. If you would like to participate in the drawing for a pre-paid gas card, please refer to the enclosed postcard for more information.

Your support and participation are greatly appreciated. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at 1-800-777-0750, ext. 3441.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Trista Ortynsky". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Trista Ortynsky
Project Coordinator
Rural Crime and Justice Center

Appendix C: Survey Instrument

Alcohol and Other Drugs(AOD) in North Dakota:



*A Community Readiness Survey
to Gauge perceptions of Alcohol and Other Drug Use*



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Please refer to the following information regarding your participation in this survey:

The RCJC follows the guidelines stated in the United States Code of Federal Regulations 45 CFR 46.116. Any information gathered in this survey is viewed as confidential. The RCJC will follow all necessary protocol to ensure the confidentiality and integrity of all information supplied. Each survey will remain anonymous and identifiable only to the selected researchers assigned to this project. All information obtained will be restricted in a password protected database. Hard copies are stored in a protected file in a secure location. Computer and hard copy files pertaining to this data collection device will be destroyed three years following the completion of the project. Such procedures are necessary to guarantee your anonymity and to decrease any risk to your involvement as a contributor.

This survey has been approved by the Institutional Review Board (IRB) at Minot State University. For additional information regarding IRB regulations, please contact Dr. Margi Coxwell, IRB Chair, at (701) 858-3125. ***Please understand that completion of this survey constitutes that you fully comprehend the information contained in this letter, you provide consent to partake in completion of this survey, you fully understand that all the information you provide in this survey will be kept confidential, and you have the choice to withdraw from participation in this survey at any time.***

INTRODUCTION: North Dakota's Department of Human Services has designed a Community Readiness survey to evaluate alcohol, and other drug (AOD) use. This survey is intended to measure **perceptions** about AOD use as well as current prevention efforts. The results will be used to help identify how prepared communities are to take action on AOD, and utilized by prevention specialists and community members to decide the best strategies for North Dakota communities.

Keeping "**your community**" in mind, please indicate your choice by placing a ✓ in the appropriate box. For open-ended questions, please write your thoughts in the space provided.

Section 1: Demographics

This information will be used for statistical purposes only. Please mark your answers in the appropriate boxes.

1.1 What is your age?

- 18-20
- 21-24
- 25-44
- 45-64
- 65 and Over

1.2 Sex:

- Male
- Female

1.3 Race (please mark all that apply):

- Caucasian
- Black or African American
- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- Other (please specify): _____

1.4 Are you of Hispanic Origin?

- Yes
- No

1.5 Employment Status:

- Full Time
- Part Time
- Full Time with Second Job
- Not Employed – Looking
- Not Employed – Not looking (i.e. retired, have a disability, stay-at-home spouse/parent)

1.6 Current Occupation (If not currently working, check category of *last* employment):

- Agriculture
- Construction/Mining
- Manufacturing
- Transportation/Utilities
- Wholesale
- Retail
- Finance and Real Estate
- Business and Repair Services
- Professional
- Government
- Leisure and Hospitality
- Education
- Other _____

1.7 Community Volunteering:

- Church
(Please specify: _____)

- Civic
(Please specify: _____)

1.8 City of Residence: _____

1.9 County of Residence: _____

1.10 Number of Children in Your Home: _____

Section 2: Community Perception of an Alcohol & Other Drug (AOD) Problem

2.1 How much of a problem do you perceive the use of the following substances to be in your community?

	Not a Problem	Minor Problem	Moderate Problem	Serious Problem	Don't Know
Alcohol					
Adults	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tobacco					
Adults	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marijuana					
Adults	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Inhalants (glue, paint, aerosols, solvents, etc.)					
Adults	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cocaine					
Adults	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Methamphetamine					
Adults	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over-the-Counter Drugs (abuse of cough medicines, Dramamine, diet pills, sleeping pills, etc.)					
Adults	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prescription Drugs (abuse of)					
Adults	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hallucinogens (LSD, Shrooms, PCP, etc.)					
Adults	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2.2 How much of a problem do you perceive the following to be in your community?

	Not a Problem	Minor Problem	Moderate Problem	Serious Problem	Don't Know
Contribution of drug and alcohol use to crashes or injuries (such as automobile, hunting, boating, snowmobiling).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Contribution of drug and alcohol use to crimes.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Section 3: Permissiveness of Attitudes Toward AOD Use

3.1 To what extent do you AGREE or DISAGREE with the following statements?

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
It is okay for youth to drink at parties as long as they don't get drunk.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth should be able to drink as long as they don't drive afterwards.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
It is okay for youth to smoke cigarettes.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth who experiment with alcohol or other drugs almost always grow out of it.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
It is okay for parents to offer their youth alcoholic beverages in their home.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
It is okay for parents to offer alcoholic beverages in their home to youth (other than their own children).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
In my community, drinking among teenagers is acceptable.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Driving under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol is okay.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
It is okay to ride in a motor vehicle with someone under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Section 4: Community Support for AOD Prevention

4.1 To what extent do you AGREE or DISAGREE with the following statements?

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Law enforcement should be spending more time enforcing the minimum drinking age.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Schools need to be more active in dealing with alcohol, tobacco, and other drug problems.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
It is possible to reduce alcohol and drug problems through prevention.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Alcohol and other drug prevention programs are a good investment because they save lives and money.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The community has the responsibility to set up prevention programs to help people avoid alcohol and other drug problems.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public service announcements are a good way to change attitudes about alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Taxes on alcohol should be increased.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Taxes on tobacco should be increased.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Drinking and driving laws are enforced in my local community.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
There should be a law prohibiting giving alcohol to your own children.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4.2 Please check YES or NO for the following sets of questions.

Do you support the following?	Yes	No
Minimum legal drinking age of 21	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Penalties for adults who provide alcohol to youth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Compliance checks (used to identify alcohol establishments that sell alcohol to underage youth)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Laws prohibiting giving alcohol to your own children	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DUI checkpoint (used by law enforcement to deter or detect a drunk driver through the use of roadblocks or <u>sobriety checkpoints</u> .)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Do you support BANS on the following?

	Yes	No
Liquor advertisements on TV	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Beer and wine advertisements on TV	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Billboard alcohol advertisements	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Would you attend any of the following events if they were alcohol-free?

	Yes	No
Party	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wedding Dance/Reception	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sporting Event	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Section 5: Access to Alcohol and Other Drugs

5.1 Please respond accordingly to the following questions regarding access in your community.

	Not at All Difficult	Slightly Difficult	Somewhat Difficult	Quite Difficult	Extremely Difficult
How difficult is it for youth to buy beer, wine, or hard liquor at stores themselves?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
How difficult is it for youth to get an older person to buy alcohol for them?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
How difficult is it for youth to order a drink at a bar?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
How difficult is it for youth to sneak alcohol from their home or a friend's home?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
How difficult is it for youth to get their parents to give them alcohol?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
How difficult is it for youth to get other family members to give them alcohol?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

5.2 How difficult is it for a youth or adult to access the following in your community?

	Not at All Difficult	Slightly Difficult	Somewhat Difficult	Quite Difficult	Extremely Difficult
Marijuana	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Inhalants (glue, paint, aerosols, solvents, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cocaine	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Methamphetamine	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hallucinogens (LSD, Shrooms, PCP, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Section 6: Perception of Community Commitment

6.1 To what extent do you AGREE or DISAGREE with the following statements?

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Preventing alcohol and other drug use among youth is important.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I am concerned about whether my community has sufficient alcohol and other drug abuse prevention programs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Alcohol and drug free youth can best be achieved by educating youth themselves.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Alcohol and drug free youth can best be achieved by educating parents.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Alcohol and drug free youth can best be achieved by educating the community.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
There are leaders in my community who are interested in reducing access and abuse of alcohol and other drugs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I know who to go to if I need help for myself or family member(s) who are abusing alcohol or other drugs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

6.2 Our community has an action plan for dealing with issues surrounding substance abuse.

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

6.3 From which one source do you get most of your news about crime?

- Television
- Newspapers
- Co-workers
- Friends
- Neighbors
- Other (Please specify: _____)
- Do not know

6.4 What kind of information do people in your community need regarding the prevention of alcohol and substance use by our youth?

6.5 What would be the best way to deliver this information?

6.6 Please list ways in which your community is addressing problems associated with substance use and abuse.

Thank you for completing this survey!