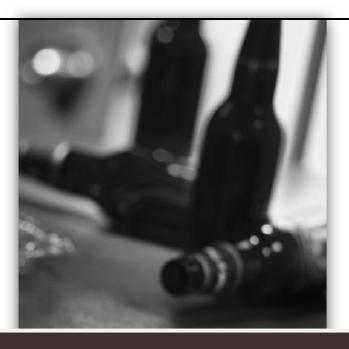
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# **Executive Summary**

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

# **<u>Adult Use of Alcohol</u>** [see Table 2.1.1]

• Similar to the statewide results, when participants were asked to rank the seriousness of *adult* use of alcohol, 62.4 percent of the *Community Member* participants indicated this to be a *minor to moderate* problem in their community. According to the *Key Informants*, 50 percent felt that *adult* alcohol use was a *minor to moderate* problem while the other 50 percent believed this to be a *serious* 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 44.2 percent of respondents indicated this to be a *serious* problem in their community. In reference to the *Key Informants*, the majority (58.3%) felt that *youth* alcohol use was a *serious* problem.

# **Adult Use of Methamphetamine** [see Table 2.1.6]

• In regards to the responses from the *Community Members*, 34 percent specified that they *don't know* the extent of adult use of methamphetamine. Of the *Key Informant* population, 52.1 percent of respondents indicated *adult* use of methamphetamine to be a *minor to moderate* problem within their community.

# **Youth Use of Methamphetamine** [see Table 2.1.6]

• Reponses were very similar when comparing *youth* to adult use of methamphetamine. Of the *Community Member* participants, 34.3 percent specified they *don't know* the extent of the problem. Among the *Key Informants*, 58.3 percent perceived methamphetamine use by youth as a *minor to moderate* problem.

## Contribution of Drug and Alcohol Use to Crashes or Injuries [see Table 2.2.1]

• Of the *Community Members*, 47.5 percent believed that the contribution of drug/alcohol use to crashes/injuries was a *minor to moderate* problem. Among the *Key Informants*, the majority (60.4%) felt this was a *serious* problem within their community.

# **Community Acceptance of Underage Drinking** [see Table 3.1]

• The *Community Member* respondents generally *disagree-strongly disagree* (66.3%) with the presence of community acceptance of underage drinking within their community. Perceptions of the *Key Informants* were different from that of the Community Members, in that a majority (62.5%) *agree-strongly agrees* that underage drinking is accepted in the community.

# **Support for Increasing Taxes on Alcohol** [see Table 4.1]

• When respondents were asked to indicate the extent to which they either agree or disagree with increasing alcohol taxes, the majority of *Community Members* (60.1%) *agree-strongly agree* in support of increasing alcohol taxes. Of the *Key Informants*, 58.3 percent *agree-strongly agree* in support of an increase in alcohol taxes.

# **Laws Prohibiting Giving Alcohol to Your Own Children** [see Table 4.2]

• Of the *Community Members*, 72.9 percent indicated that *yes* they would be in support of this type of law. The *Key Informant* population was more supportive, in that 83.3 percent responded that *yes* they would be in support of a law prohibiting giving alcohol to "your own" children.

# Support for Bans on Advertising Liquor/Beer/Wine Ads on Television/Billboards [see Table 4.3]

The results were very similar regarding all three questions related to alcohol advertising. Over sixty-four percent of the *Community Member* respondents were in support of banning alcohol advertisements on either television or billboards. Among the *Key Informants*, over fifty-eight percent indicated that *yes* they would support banning this form of advertising.

# **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," 47.2 percent believed that it is *slightly/somewhat* difficult. Among the *Key Informant* population, 70.8 percent of respondents indicated that it was *not at all* 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," 53.1 percent believed this was *not* at all difficult. Of the *Key Informant* population, 64.6 percent specified that it was *not* at all difficult for youth to obtain alcohol in this manner.

# Adult/Youth Access to Marijuana/Methamphetamine [see Table 5.2]

- Access to marijuana was perceived as *slightly/somewhat* difficult by 41.6 percent *Community Member* respondents. The majority of *Key Informant* respondents (60.4%) perceived access to marijuana as *not at all* difficult for adults/youth to obtain.
- Access to methamphetamine was perceived as *slightly/somewhat* difficult by 44.6 percent *Community Member* respondents. The majority of *Key Informant* respondents (60.4%) indicated that access to methamphetamine was *slightly/somewhat* difficult.

# **Presence of Community Action Plan** [see Table 6.2]

• Among the *Community Members*, the majority (57.4%) *don't know* if their community had any action plan in place. Of the *Key Informant* respondents, 33.3 percent indicated that *yes* there was a plan in place within their community.

# **Sources of Information regarding Crime** [see Table 6.3]

• The most common source of information regarding crime for the *Community Members* was *Television* (37%). Similarly, the most common source of information regarding crime for the *Key Informants* was *Television* (52.1%).

# 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 III* 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 III* (Devils Lake 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 III* results indicate that 46.2 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 III* was higher at 27.9 percent.

Marijuana & Other Drug Use

The percentage of students who specified ever having used marijuana was 7.8 percent *Statewide*. *Region III* results showed that 16.9 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 III* indicated 14.6 percent. Students who responded as ever having used methamphetamines – also called speed, crystal, crank or ice, was 1.7 percent *Statewide*; *Region III* results indicated that 2.3 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 III* (Devils Lake Area) results specified that 75.1 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 III** results illustrated that nearly the same percentage (32.4%) 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 III* indicate that 42.8 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 III* results indicated that 36.2 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 III* indicated higher numbers in that 6.6 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 III* were higher, at 14.1 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 methamphetamines at least once, and *Region III* use was higher at 5.5 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 III* percentages were slightly greater at 20.7 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 of 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: 1) non-residential listings, 2) duplicate phone numbers (i.e., households with more than one landline were counted as one household), and 3) 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; Law Enforcement agencies to include Police and Sheriff; and Prevention Coordinators. 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 III Sample Population**

Of the 14,400 community members sampled statewide, 1,800 individuals were selected to represent region III by Urban, Rural, and Frontier population densities. Durum Triangle Telephone Directory 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 III Participants**

Three hundred and fifty-one individuals from *Region III* participated in the survey. Of the 1,800 Community Members sampled within *Region III*, 303 individuals completed and returned the survey. This resulted in a response rate of 16.8 percent. Among Key Informants, the total number of respondents in this group was 48, which accounts for 13.7 percent of the total (N=351) within this region. The following is a breakdown of representation by profession within Region III: *School Counselors* (N=10, 2.8%); *Family Medicine-Physicians* (N=4, 1.1%); *Social Services* (N=23, 6.6%); *Treatment Providers* (N=4, 1.1%); *LE-Police* (N=2, .6%); *LE-Sheriff* (N=2, .6%); and *Prevention Coordinators* (N=3, .9%).

# Sample Composition by Respondent Geographic Location (Region III, N=351)

## **FRONTIER** (N=130, 37%)

- Counties: Benson, Cavalier
- Towns/Cities: Alsen, Cando\*, Clyde, Esmond, Fort Totten\*, Hannah, Knox, Langdon\*, Leeds\*, Maddock, Milton, Minnewaukan\*, Munich, Nekoma, New Rockford\*, Osnabrock, Rocklake\*, Sarles, Sheyenne\*, Wales, Warwick\*, York

#### **RURAL** (N=103, 29.3%)

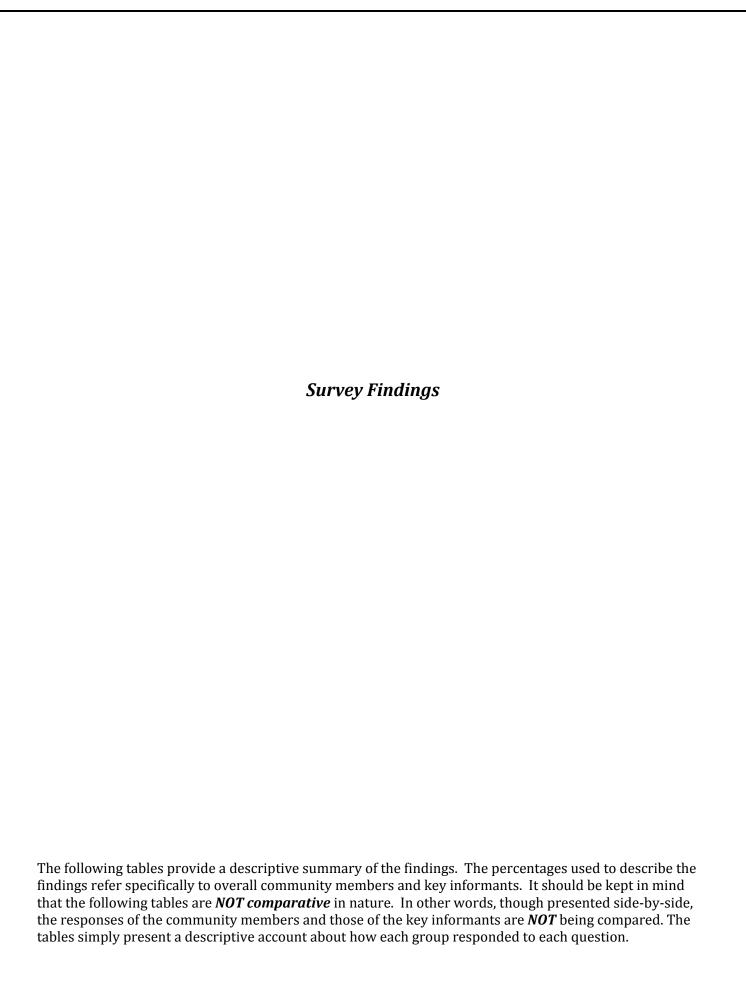
- Counties: Ramsey, Rolette
- **Towns/Cities:** Belcourt\*, Brocket, Churchs Ferry, Crary, Doyon, Dunseith\*, Edmore, Hampden, Lawton\*, Penn, Rolette\*, Rolla\*, St. John\*, Starkweather, Webster\*

# **URBAN** (N=118, 33.6%)

- **Counties:** Ramsey
- **Towns/Cities:** Devils Lake\*

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 III* results, as well as the *Statewide* results.

<sup>\*</sup>denotes Key Informant town/city of residence



# 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 I	S YOUR AGE?																		
				сомі	MUNIT	Y MEI	MBERS	S				KE	Y INFO	RMA	NTS			OVE	DALL
<ul><li>Region III</li><li>Statewide</li></ul>		Ur	ban	Ru	ıral	Fror	ntier		nunity r <b>TOTAL</b>	Ur	ban	Rı	ıral	Fro	ntier	,	ormant TAL	TOT	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	18-20 years	2 6	2.0 .7	3	- .4	3	- .4	2 12	. <b>7</b> .5		-				- -		-	2 12	.6 .4
	21-24 years	- 15	- 1.7	<b>2</b> 9	2.2 1.3	<b>2</b> 9	1.8 1.1	4 33	1.3 1.4	- 2	- .5	-	-	- 3	- 2.6	- 5	- .8	4 38	1.1 1.3
	25-44 years	22	22.0	12	13.5	18	15.8	52	17.2	10	55.6	3	21.4	7	43.8	20	41.7	72	20.5
	25 11 years	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	47	47.0	51	57.3	50	43.9	148	48.8	5	27.8	11	78.6	7	43.8	23	47.9	171	48.7
		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	27	27.0	21	23.6	42	36.8	90	29.7	3	16.7	-	-	2	12.5	5	10.4	95	27.1
	Did not many	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
	Did not answer	2 12	2.0 1.4	3	3.4 1.0	2 14	1.8 1.8	7 33	2.3 1.4	2	.5	-	-	_	-	2	.3	7 35	2.0 1.2
	Total	100	100	89	100	114	100	<b>303</b>	100	18	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	351	100
	70147	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Viewing the overall age distribution for the *Statewide* and *Region III* respondents, (47.7% and 48.7% respectively) it is apparent that roughly fifty percent of respondents fall within the 45-64 age range. Furthermore, the overall total for the 65 plus category in *Region III* was over-representative at 27.1 percent 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.

Ī	Table 1.2: <b>SEX</b>																			
					сом	МИМІТ	Y MEI	MBERS	S				KE	Y INFO	DRMA	NTS			OVEI	110
	<ul><li>Region III</li><li>Statewide</li></ul>		Url	ban	Rı	ıral	Froi	ntier	Comm Membe	,	Ur	ban	Rı	ural	Fro	ntier		formant TAL	TOT	
			N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
		Male	37 342	37.0 39.6	32 234	36.0 32.9	37 288	32.5 36.8	106 864	35.0 36.7	<mark>8</mark> 94	44.4 23.7	4 21	28.6 25.3	4 42	25.0 36.8	16 157	33.3 26.5	122 1021	34.8 34.6
		Female	61	61.0	53	59.6	74	64.9	188	62.0	10	55.6	10	71.4	12	75.0	32	66.7	220	<i>62.7</i>
			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
		Did not answer	2	2.0	4	4.5	3	2.6	9	3.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	2.6
			15	1.7	11	1.5	19	2.4	45	1.9	4	1.0	-	-	-	-	4	.7	49	1.7
		Total	100	100	89	100	114	100	303	100	18	100	14	100	<b>16</b>	100	48	100	<b>351</b>	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 III* participants as well, with an overall total of 62.7 percent.

Table 1.3: RACE **COMMUNITY MEMBERS KEY INFORMANTS OVERALL** Region III Community TOTAL **Key Informant** Urban Rural Frontier Member TOTAL Urban Rural Frontier Statewide TOTAL N N % % % Ν % Ν % Ν % % Ν % Ν % 93 93.0 70 78.7 107 93.9 270 89.1 18 100 6 42.9 11 68.8 35 72.9 *305* 86.9 Caucasian 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** 1 .9 1 .3 1 .3 2 .2 2 .3 4 .2 2 .5 .9 3 .5 7 .2 **American Indian or Alaska Native** 3.0 15 16.9 2 1.8 20 6.6 8 57.1 25.0 12 25.0 **32** 9.1 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 .0 1 1 .0 **Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander** .2 2 .1 1 .3 .2 3 .1 **Hispanic or Latino** 1 .1 1 .0 1 .0 Other 1 .9 1 .3 6.2 2.1 2 .6 4 7 .2 1 .1 .5 .3 .9 1 .2 8 .3 Did not answer 4.5 3 2.6 11 3.6 11 3.1 4.0 4 61 2.3 12 1.7 22 2.8 54 2.3 5 1.3 1 1.2 1 .9 7 1.2 2.1 100 100 303 100 18 100 14 100 48 100 351 100 **Total** 100 89 114 100 16 100 100 100 783 2357 100 396 100 100 2950 100 863 711 100 83 114 100 593 100

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 over-representative with 94.8 percent of the *Statewide* sample and 86.9 percent of the *Region III* sample being *Caucasian*.

Table 1.4: EMP	LOYMENT STATUS																		
				сомі	MUNIT	Y MEI	MBER	S				KE	Y INFO	DRMA	NTS			OVE	DALL
<ul><li>Region III</li><li>Statewide</li></ul>		Uri	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier		nunity er <b>TOTAL</b>	Ur	ban	Ru	ıral	Fro	ntier		ormant TAL	_	RALL TAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	Full Time	50	50.0	42	47.2	44	38.6	136	44.9	14	77.8	13	92.9	15	93.8	42	87.5	178	50.7
		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	12	12.0	12	13.5	15	13.2	39	12.9	2	11.1	1	7.1	-	-	3	6.2	42	12.0
		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	3	3.0	5	5.6	8	7.0	16	5.3	1	5.6	-	-	1	6.2	2	4.2	18	5.1
		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	33	33.0	26	29.2	45	39.5	104	34.3	1	5.6	-	-	-	-	1	2.1	105	29.9
	. ,	260	30.1	232	32.6	290	37.0	782	33.2	5	1.3	2	2.4	-	-	7	1.2	789	26.7
	Did not answer	2	2.0	4	4.5	2	1.8	8	2.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	8	2.3
		15	1.7	14	2.0	19	2.4	48	2.0	3	.8	-	-	1	.9	4	.7	52	1.8
	Total	100	100	89	100	114	100	303	100	18	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	351	100.0
		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 50.7 percent of the *Region III* sample report *full-time* employment, while 26.7 percent of the *Statewide* sample and 29.9 percent of the *Region III* sample were *not employed*.

Table 1.5: CURRENT OCCUPATION (if not working, check category of last employment) COMMUNITY MEMBERS **KEY INFORMANTS OVERALL** Region III Community TOTAL **Key Informant** Urban Rural Frontier Member TOTAL Urban Rural Frontier Statewide TOTAL % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % 7.0 14 15.7 33 28.9 54 54 15.4 **Agriculture** 17.8 4.5 116 16.3 168 21.5 323 13.7 .9 1 .2 324 11.0 Construction/Mining 2 2.0 2 2.2 2 1.8 6 2.0 1.7 35 5.3 100 4.2 4.1 38 27 3.4 100 3.4 Manufacturing 2 2.0 5 5.6 1 .9 2.6 2.3 28 29 81 3.2 4.1 24 3.1 3.4 81 2.7 **Transportation/Utilities** 2 2.2 2 4 1.3 4 1.1 1.8 82 40 4.6 21 3.0 21 2.7 82 3.5 2.8 .9 2 .7 .6 Wholesale 1 1.0 13 .5 20 .8 20 .7 1.5 3 .4 4 Retail 13 13.0 10 11.2 8 7.0 31 10.2 31 8.8 77 8.9 64 9.0 42 5.4 183 7.8 183 6.2 Finance/Real Estate 3 3.0 2 2.2 5 4.4 10 3.3 10 2.8 27 3.1 17 2.4 25 3.2 69 2.9 1 .3 1 .2 70 2.4 **Business and Repair Services** 3 3.0 3 3.4 3 2.6 3.0 9 2.6 3.5 28 3.9 18 2.3 76 3.2 76 2.6 57.1 30.0 18.0 22.1 9 54.2 26.5 **Professional** 30 16 21 18.4 67 50.0 56.2 26 93 19.5 22.0 30.0 245 28.4 139 172 556 23.6 246 62.1 44 53.0 48 42.1 338 57.0 894 12.4 10.5 Government 9 9.0 11 12 32 10.6 3 16.7 1 7.1 2 12.5 6 12.5 38 10.8 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 3 3.0 5 5.6 6.1 15 5.0 15 4.3 36 4.2 43 6.0 47 6.0 126 5.3 2 .5 2 .3 128 4.3 11.2 **Education** 18 18.0 10 11 9.6 39 12.9 6 33.3 5 35.7 4 25.0 15 31.2 54 15.4 132 101 14.2 79 10.1 71 17.9 28.9 35 30.7 130 21.9 442 15.0 15.3 312 13.2 24 2 2.2 5 2.1 12 Other (selected but did not specify) 4.0 4.4 11 3.6 6.2 3.4 4.4 4.1 27 3.8 41 5.2 103 4 1.0 1.2 2.6 8 1.3 111 3.8 Student 2 .3 2 5 .2 5 .2 1 .1 .3 **Entrepreneur/Self-Employed** 2.2 .7 .6 .2 4 .6 2 .3 8 .3 .3 Clergy 3 .2 5 .2 .1 1 .1 .4 5 5 5.0 5 5.6 3 2.6 13 4.3 13 3.7 Did not answer 36 30 4.2 31 4.0 97 4.1 3 .8 103 3.5 4.2 2 2.4 .9 6 1.0 **Total** 100 100 89 100 114 100 303 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 351 100.0 2950 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100

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 III*, *Professional* (22.1%), and *Agriculture* (17.8%) were among the most frequent categories of employment selected by *Community Members*, while *Key Informants* categorized their employment as *Professional* (54.2%), *Education* (31.2%) and *Government* (12.5%).

Table 1.6: COM	IMUNITY VOLUNTEERI	NG-(	Churc	h															
				сомі	MUNIT	Y MEI	MBERS	6				KE	Y INFO	RMA	NTS			OVE	110
<ul><li>Region III</li><li>Statewide</li></ul>	_		ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier	Comm Member	,	Ur	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier		ormant	TOT	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	Volunteer	47 384	47.0 44.5	47 377	<b>52.8</b> 53.0	<b>72</b> 422	63.2 53.9	166 1183	54.8 50.2	7 153	38.9 38.6	6 43	42.9 51.8	7 60	43.8 52.6	20 256	41.7 43.2	186 1439	53.0 48.8
	Do not volunteer	51 466	<b>51.0</b> 54.0	40 327	44.9 46.0	41 353	36.0 45.1	132 1146	<b>43.6</b> 48.6	11 241	61.1 60.9	8 40	57.1 48.2	9 54	56.2 47.4	28 335	58.3 56.5	160 1481	45.6 50.2
	Did not answer	2 13	2.0 1.5	<b>2</b> 7	2.2 1.0	1 8	. <mark>9</mark> 1.0	5 28	1.7 1.2	- 2	- .5		-	1 1	-	2	- .3	5 30	1.4 1.0
	Total	100 863	100 100	89 711	100 100	114 783	100 100	303 2357	100 100	18 396	100 100	14 83	100 100	16 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	351 2950	100 100

Table 1.7: COM	IMUNITY VOLUNTEERI	NG-0	Civic																
				сом	MUNIT	Y MEI	MBERS	S				KE	Y INFO	RMA	NTS			OVE	2011
<ul><li>Region III</li><li>Statewide</li></ul>		Uri	ban	Rı	ıral	Fror	ntier	Comm Member		Ur	ban	Rı	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	ormant <b>TAL</b>	TOT	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	Volunteer	32 257	32.0 29.8	35 243	39.3 34.2	47 334	41.2 42.7	114 834	37.6 35.4	3 146	16.7 36.9	5 39	35.7 47.0	7 43	43.8 37.7	15 228	31.2 38.4	129 1062	36.8 36.0
	Do not volunteer	66	66.0	52	58.4	66	57.9	184	60.7	15	83.3	9	64.3	9	56.2	33	68.8	217	61.8
		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
	Did not answer	2	2.0	2	2.2	1	.9	5	1.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	1.4
		13	1.5	7	1.0	8	1.0	28	1.2	2	.5	-	-	-	-	2	.3	30	1.0
	Total	100	100	<b>89</b>	100	114	100	<b>303</b>	100	<b>18</b>	100	14	100	<b>16</b>	100	48	100	<i>351</i>	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, 53 percent of *Region III* respondents indicated participation in *church-related* volunteering while 45.6 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 of *Statewide* (63.0%) and *Region III* (61.8%) respondents reported that they *do not volunteer*.

Table 1.8: <b>NU</b>	IMBER of CHILDREN in YO	UR I	HOM	Ξ															
				сом	MUNIT	Y MEI	VIBERS	5				KE	Y INFO	RMAI	NTS			OVEF TOT	
<ul><li>Region III</li><li>Statewide</li></ul>		Uri	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier	Comm Member	,	Uri	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	ormant <b>TAL</b>		
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	None	53	53.0	65	73.0	75	65.8	193	63.7	9	50.0	7	50.0	9	56.2	25	52.1	218	<b>62.1</b>
	(including children NOT living at home)	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	33	33.0	16	18.0	34	29.8	83	27.4	7	38.9	5	35.7	7	43.8	19	39.6	102	29.1
		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+	14	14.0	7	7.9	4	3.5	25	8.3	2	11.1	2	14.3	-	-	4	8.3	29	<i>8.3</i>
		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
	Did not answer	-	-	1	1.1	1	.9	2	.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	.6
		9	1.0	6	.8	10	1.3	25	1.1	-	-	1	1.2	2	1.8	3	.5	28	.9
	Total	100	100	89	100	114	100	303	100	18	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	351	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 III* respondents reported having *no children (including children NOT living at home)* while almost thirty percent (28.4% *Statewide* and 29.1% *Region III*) 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: <b>F</b>	Table 2.1.1: Perception of ALCOHOL use in your community    COMMUNITY MEMBERS   KEY INFORMANTS																		
				сомі	MUNIT	Y MEI	MBERS	5				KE	Y INFO	RMA	NTS			OVE	DALL
_		Uri	ban	Ru	ral	Fror	ntier		,	Ur	ban	Rı	ıral	Froi	ntier	,			
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	NOT A PROBLEM	2	2.0	4	4.5	4	3.5	10	3.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	2.8
		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	61	61.0	47	52.8	81	71.1	189	62.4	10	55.6	5	35.7	9	56.2	24	50.0	213	<i>60.7</i>
		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	34	34.0	34	38.2	22	19.3	90	29.7	8	44.4	9	64.3	7	43.8	24	50.0	114	32.5
		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
<b>ADULT</b> use	DON'T KNOW	3	3.0	3	3.4	6	5.3	12	4.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	3.4
		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	1.1	1	.9	2	.7	_	-	-	-	-	-	_	-	2	.6
		6	.7	8	1.1	14	1.8	28	1.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28	.9
	Total	100	100	<i>89</i>	100	114	100	303	100	18	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	351	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Table 2.1.1 Co	ont'd: Perception of ALC	ОНС	)L us	e in y	our o	comn	nunit	ty											
				сомі	MUNIT	Y MEI	MBERS	S				OVE	DALL						
<ul><li>Region III</li><li>Statewide</li></ul>		Url	Urban		Rural		Frontier		Community Member <b>TOTAL</b>		Urban		Rural		ntier	Key Informant <b>TOTAL</b>		OVERALL TOTAL	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	NOT A PROBLEM	1	1.0	4	4.5	4	3.5	9	3.0	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	9	2.6
		13	1.5	39	5.5	23	2.9	75	3.2	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.2	76	2.6
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	43	43.0	31	34.8	55	48.2	129	42.6	9	50.0	5	35.7	5	31.2	19	39.6	148	42.2
		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	47	47.0	45	50.6	42	36.8	134	44.2	9	50.0	8	57.1	11	68.8	28	58.3	162	46.2
		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
YOUTH use	DON'T KNOW	5	5.0	4	4.5	11	9.6	20	6.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	5.7
		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	4	4.0	5	5.6	2	1.8	11	3.6	-	-	1	7.1	-	-	1	2.1	12	3.4
		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	100	100	<i>89</i>	100	114	100	<i>303</i>	100	<b>18</b>	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	<b>351</b>	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Regarding *adult* use of alcohol, 65.2 percent of the *Statewide Community Members* indicated that *adult* use of alcohol is a *minor to moderate* problem in their community and 23.2 percent felt this was a *serious* problem. Similarly, 58.0 percent of the *Statewide Key Informant* participants felt this was a *minor to moderate* problem within their community and 39.8 percent responded this was a *serious* problem. Within *Region III*, 60.7 percent of respondents indicated this to be a *minor to moderate* problem in their community, and 32.5 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 III* in that 42.2 percent of the sample felt that youth alcohol use was a *minor to moderate* issue, while 46.2 percent felt that *youth* alcohol use was more of a *serious* problem.

Table 2.1.2: Perception of TOBACCO use in your community COMMUNITY MEMBERS **KEY INFORMANTS OVERALL** Region III Community TOTAL **Key Informant** Urban Rural Frontier Member TOTAL Urban Rural Frontier Statewide TOTAL % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % **NOT A PROBLEM** 3 3 11 17 5.6 2 12.5 2 4.2 19 5.4 3.0 3.4 9.6 185 6.3 59 6.8 43 6.0 62 7.9 164 7.0 10 2.5 3 3.6 7.0 21 3.5 MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM 63 53 59.6 82 71.9 198 65.3 9 50.0 28.6 56.2 22 45.8 220 62.7 63.0 4 542 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** 30.3 10 5 47.9 31 31.0 27 18 15.8 76 25.1 8 44.4 71.4 31.2 23 99 28.2 18.6 22 19.3 665 220 25.5 132 127 16.2 479 20.3 138 34.8 26 31.3 186 31.4 22.5 **ADULT** use DON'T KNOW 3 5 5.6 3.3 5.6 11 3.1 3.0 2 1.8 10 1 1 2.1 37 7.5 37 4.7 5.4 8 2.0 3 2.0 139 4.7 4.3 53 127 3.6 1 .9 12 Did not answer 1.1 1 .9 2 .7 2 .6 5 .6 10 1.4 12 1.5 27 1.1 3 .8 3 .5 30 1.0 100 100 114 100 303 100 100 14 16 48 100 **351** 100 Total 100 89 18 100 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100 **NOT A PROBLEM** 3 3.4 3 2.6 6 2.0 1 6.2 1 2.1 2.0 24 2.8 44 6.2 27 3.4 95 4.0 2 .5 1.2 3.5 7 1.2 102 3.5 MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM 49.4 6 9 56.2 52.1 204 58.1 60 60.0 44 75 65.8 179 59.1 10 55.6 42.9 25 448 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 30.0 50.0 43.8 29.6 30 36.0 18.4 83 27.4 44.4 37.5 104 32 21 21 23.3 165 21.1 650 27.6 41.2 30 36.1 30 26.3 223 873 29.6 319 37.0 166 163 37.6 **YOUTH** use DON'T KNOW 6.0 7.9 13 11.4 26 8.6 26 7.4 47 2 7.5 5.4 78 11.0 83 10.6 208 8.8 6 1.5 2.4 4 3.5 12 2.0 220 Did not answer 4.0 2 1.8 3.0 1 7.1 2.1 10 2.8 3.4 25 2.9 3.7 34 4.3 85 3.6 1.3 2 2.4 7 1.2 92 3.1 Total 100 100 89 100 114 100 **303** 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 **351** 100 863 100 100 783 2357 100 396 100 100 2950 100 711 100 83 114 100 593 100

Regarding *adult* use of tobacco, 65.5 percent of *Statewide* respondents overall perceived this to be a *minor to moderate* problem. Similarly, in the case of tobacco use by *youth*, 56.4 percent state it as a *minor to moderate* problem. Within *Region III*, 62.7 percent of the overall sample designates tobacco use among *adults* as a *minor to moderate* problem. In terms of tobacco use among *youth*, 58.1 percent suggest this to be a *minor to moderate* problem.

Table 2.1.3: <b>Pe</b>	rception of MARIJUAN	A us	e in y	our	comr	nunit	ty												
				сомі	MUNIT	Y MEI	MBERS	S			OVE	DAII							
<ul><li>Region III</li><li>Statewide</li></ul>		Uri	ban	Ru	Rural		Frontier		Community Member <b>TOTAL</b>		Urban		ıral	Frontier		Key Informant <b>TOTAL</b>		TO	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	NOT A PROBLEM	2 58	2.0 6.7	10 97	11.2 13.6	15 110	13.2 14.0	27 265	8.9 11.2	- 8	2.0	- 3	3.6	1 10	6.2 8.8	1 21	2.1 3.5	28 286	8.0 9.7
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	47 413	<b>47.0 47.9</b>	23 270	25.8 38.0	39 302	34.2 38.6	109 985	36.0 41.8	8 257	<b>44.4</b> 64.9	7 52	<b>50.0</b> 62.7	11 74	68.8 64.9	26 383	<b>54.2</b> 64.6	135 1368	38.5 46.4
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	19 124	19.0 14.4	20 65	22.5 9.1	9 75	7.9 9.6	48 264	15.8 11.2	6 78	33.3 19.7	5 17	35.7 20.5	3 15	18.8 13.2	14 110	29.2 18.5	62 374	17.7 12.7
<b>ADULT</b> use	DON'T KNOW	30 257	30.0 29.8	35 265	39.3 37.3	49 279	43.0 35.6	114 801	37.6 34.0	4 51	22.2 12.9	1 10	7.1 12.0	1 15	6.2 13.2	6 76	12.5 12.8	120 877	34.2 29.7
	Did not answer	2 11	2.0 1.3	1 14	1.1	2 17	1.8 2.2	5 42	1.7 1.8	- 2	5	1 1	7.1 1.2	-	-	1 3	2.1	6 45	1.7 1.5
	Total	100 863	100 100	89 711	100 100	114 783	100 100	303 2357	100 100	18 396	100 100	14 83	100 100	16 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	351 2950	100 100
	NOT A PROBLEM	-	-	6	6.7	8	7.0	14	4.6	-	-	-	-	-		-		14	4.0
		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	42	42.0	21	23.6	46	40.4	109	36.0	10	55.6	5	35.7	11	68.8	26	54.2	135	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	34 230	34.0 26.7	28 107	31.5 15.0	10 108	8.8 13.8	72 445	23.8 18.9	6 148	33.3 37.4	6 24	42.9 28.9	3 20	18.8 17.5	15 192	31.2 32.4	87 637	24.8 21.6
<b>YOUTH</b> use	DON'T KNOW	18	18.0	29	32.6	45	39.5	92	30.4	2	11.1	1	7.1	2	12.5	5	10.4	97	27.6
		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
	Did not answer	6	6.0	5	5.6	5	4.4	16	5.3	-	-	2	14.3	-	-	2	4.2	18	<b>5.1</b>
		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	100 863	100 100	89 711	100 100	114 783	100 100	303 2357	100 100	18 396	100 100	14 83	100 100	16 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	351 2950	100 100

Overall, 46.4 percent of the *Statewide* sample view the use of marijuana by *adults* as either a *minor to moderate* problem. Survey participants residing in *Region III* show some variation from statewide percentages. Roughly fifty-five percent (38.5% and 17.7%) designate marijuana use by *adults* as either a *minor to moderate* or a *serious* problem. Marijuana use by *youth* was designated as a *minor to moderate* problem by 38.5 percent of overall regional respondents, while 24.8 percent indicated this to be a *serious* problem within their community. Again, nearly one-third of *Community Member* respondents (both *Statewide* and *Region III*, 31.3% and 30.4% respectively) do not have sufficient knowledge about the nature and extent of marijuana use among youth and adults by indicating *don't know*.

Table 2.1.4: Perception of INHALANT (glue, paint, aerosols, solvents, etc.) use in your community COMMUNITY MEMBERS **KEY INFORMANTS OVERALL** Region III Community TOTAL **Key Informant** Urban Rural Frontier Member TOTAL Urban Rural Frontier Statewide TOTAL % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % **NOT A PROBLEM** 15 13 14.6 36 64 3 16.7 3 21.4 9 56.2 15 31.2 **79** 22.5 15.0 31.6 21.1 151 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 38 38.0 28 31.5 26.7 61.1 8 57.1 31.2 105 29.9 15 13.2 81 11 24 50.0 290 33.6 133 18.7 15.7 546 23.2 205 51.8 34 41.0 39 34.2 46.9 824 27.9 123 278 **SERIOUS PROBLEM** 6 5 5.6 6.0 2 1.8 13 4.3 13 3.7 13 59 12 3.0 1.2 2.2 72 35 4.1 11 1.5 1.7 2.5 1 13 2.4 **ADULT** use DON'T KNOW 40 40.0 47.2 52.6 142 46.9 22.2 1 7.1 2 12.5 7 14.6 149 42.5 42 60 373 51.3 51.0 1137 48.2 101 25.5 15 38 33.3 26.0 1291 43.8 43.2 365 399 18.1 154 Did not answer 1 1.0 1.1 1 .9 3 1.0 2 14.3 2 4.2 5 1.4 14 1.6 15 2.1 18 2.3 47 2.0 3 .8 2 2.4 1 .9 6 1.0 53 1.8 100 *89* 100 114 100 303 100 14 16 100 48 100 351 100 Total 100 100 18 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100 **NOT A PROBLEM** 1.0 10 11.2 17 14.9 28 9.2 5.6 1 7.1 3 18.8 5 10.4 33 9.4 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 45 28.1 32.3 10 55.6 9 37.5 52.1 123 35.0 45.0 25 28 24.6 98 64.3 6 25 343 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** 9.0 7.9 18.8 20 20.0 37 12.2 27.8 7.1 18.8 9 13.1 121 28 3.9 39 5.0 188 76 19.2 4 4.8 12 10.5 92 15.5 280 9.5 14.0 8.0 **YOUTH** use DON'T KNOW 30 30.0 43 48.3 56 49.1 129 42.6 2 11.1 2 14.3 4 25.0 8 16.7 137 39.0 325 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 Did not answer 4 4.0 3 3.4 3.5 3.6 1 7.1 2.1 12 3.4 11 28 3.2 23 3.2 40 5.1 91 3.9 1.5 2 2.4 1.8 10 1.7 101 3.4 Total 100 100 89 100 114 100 **303** 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 **351** 100 863 100 711 100 783 2357 100 396 100 83 100 2950 100 100 114 100 593 100

Both *Statewide* and *Region III* 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 42.5 percent of the *Region III* 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 39 percent of *Region III* respondents indicated *don't know* when asked about *youth* use of inhalants. Notably, both *Statewide* and *Region III Key Informants* ratings were very different from *Community Members* in that between 46.9 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 COMMUNITY MEMBERS **KEY INFORMANTS OVERALL** Region III Community TOTAL **Key Informant** Urban Rural Frontier Member TOTAL Urban Rural Frontier Statewide TOTAL % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % **NOT A PROBLEM** 13 11 12.4 29 53 3 50.0 11 22.9 64 18.2 13.0 25.4 17.5 21.4 8 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 34 18 20.2 9 50.0 7 50.0 25.0 86 24.5 34.0 14 12.3 66 21.8 4 20 41.7 317 36.7 20.8 19.3 26.1 237 59.8 43 42 36.8 54.3 938 31.8 148 151 616 51.8 322 **SERIOUS PROBLEM** 5 3 3.0 7 7.9 2 1.8 12 4.0 3 16.7 1 7.1 6.2 10.4 17 4.8 3.5 5 59 6.8 25 26 3.3 110 4.7 48 12.1 6.0 3 2.6 56 9.4 166 5.6 **ADULT** use DON'T KNOW 50 50.0 58.4 58.8 33.3 3 21.4 3 25.0 181 52 67 169 55.8 18.8 12 51.6 49.2 24.2 17 38 33.3 25.5 1302 376 43.6 390 54.9 385 1151 48.8 96 20.5 151 44.1 Did not answer 1.1 2 1.8 3 1.0 3 .9 15 1.7 13 1.8 18 2.3 46 2.0 1 .3 1 .2 47 1.6 100 100 303 100 14 16 100 **351** 100 Total 100 89 100 114 100 18 100 100 48 863 100 711 100 783 100 100 396 100 83 100 114 593 100 100 2357 100 **NOT A PROBLEM** 8.0 11 12.4 25 21.9 44 14.5 2 11.1 4 28.6 43.8 13 27.1 57 16.2 87 10.1 135 19.0 184 23.5 406 25 6.3 24 28.9 34 29.8 83 14.0 489 17.2 16.6 MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM 18.0 9 50.0 6 5 87 35 35.0 16 16 14.0 67 22.1 42.9 31.2 20 41.7 24.8 303 35.1 138 19.4 134 17.1 575 228 57.6 36 43.4 40 35.1 304 51.3 879 29.8 24.4 SERIOUS PROBLEM 4.2 5 5.0 7.9 .9 4.3 5.6 6.2 15 4.3 13 66 3.7 27 119 34 8.6 3.5 42 7.1 161 5.5 7.6 26 3.4 5.0 4 4.8 **YOUTH** use DON'T KNOW 49 49.0 52 58.4 67 58.8 168 55.4 6 33.3 4 28.6 3 18.8 13 27.1 181 51.6 381 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 Did not answer 3 3.4 4.4 3.0 11 3.6 11 3.1 26 3.4 39 89 3.8 1.5 1.2 1.2 96 3.3 3.0 5.0 6 Total 100 100 89 100 114 100 **303** 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 **351** 100 2357 100 396 100 100 2950 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 83 114 100 593 100

Similar to perceptions of inhalant use, both *Statewide* and *Region III* 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 55.8 percent of *Region III Community Members* indicated they *don't know* the extent of cocaine use by adults was in their community. Similarly, 49.6 percent of *Statewide Community Members* and 55.4 percent of *Region III Community Members* indicated *don't know* when asked about *youth* use of cocaine.

Table 2.1.6: <b>Pe</b>	rception of METHAMPH	HETA	MIN	E use	in y	our c	omm	unity	/										
				сом	МИМІТ	Y MEI	MBER	S			OVE	RΔII							
<ul><li>Region III</li><li>Statewide</li></ul>		Url	ban	Ru	Rural		Frontier		Community Member <b>TOTAL</b>		ban	Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		то:	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	NOT A PROBLEM	7 42	7.0 4.9	8 84	9.0 11.8	15 113	13.2 14.4	30 239	9.9 10.1	- 5	1.3	- 3	3.6	<b>2</b> 9	12.5 7.9	2 17	4.2 2.9	<b>32</b> 256	9.1 8.7
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	37 315	37.0 36.5	16 222	18.0 31.2	28 238	24.6 30.4	81 775	26.7 32.9	9 164	50.0 41.4	6 52	42.9 62.7	10 60	62.5 52.6	25 276	52.1 46.5	106 1051	30.2 35.6
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	28 304	28.0 35.2	35 145	39.3 20.4	22 126	19.3 16.1	85 575	28.1 24.4	8 205	44.4 51.8	8 23	57.1 27.7	3 26	18.8 22.8	19 254	39.6 42.8	104 829	29.6 28.1
<b>ADULT</b> use	DON'T KNOW	28 193	28.0 22.4	30 250	33.7 35.2	45 289	39.5 36.9	103 732	34.0 31.1	1 22	5.6 5.6	- 5	6.0	1 18	6.2 15.8	2 2 45	4.2 7.6	105 777	29.9 26.3
	Did not answer	- 9	1.0	10	- 1.4	4 17	3.5 2.2	4 36	1.3 1.5	-	-	-		- 1	- .9	- 1	2	4 37	1.1 1.3
	Total	100 863	1.0 100 100	89 711	1.4 100 100	114 783	100 100	303	1.5 100 100	18 396	100 100	14 83	100 100	16	.9 100 100	48 593	100 100	351 2950	1.3 100 100
	NOT A PROBLEM	1	1.0	6	6.7	11	9.6	2357 18	5.9	390	100	1	7.1	114 5	31.2	6	12.5	2950	6.8
	NOTATROBLEM	23	2.7	81	11.4	89	11.4	193	8.2	6	1.5	6	7.1	24	21.1	36	6.1	229	7.8
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	44	44.0	19	21.3	30	26.3	93	30.7	12	66.7	9	64.3	7	43.8	28	58.3	121	34.5
		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	32 293	32.0 34.0	31 131	34.8 18.4	17 114	14.9 14.6	80 538	26.4 22.8	6 145	33.3 36.6	4 11	28.6 13.3	2 13	12.5 11.4	12 169	25.0 28.5	92 707	26.2 24.0
<b>YOUTH</b> use	DON'T KNOW	20	20.0	31	34.8	53	46.5	104	34.3	-	-	-	-	2	12.5	2	4.2	106	30.2
		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
	Did not answer	3	3.0	2	2.2	3	2.6	8	2.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	2.3
		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	100 863	100 100	89 711	100 100	114 783	100 100	303 2357	100 100	18 396	100 100	14 83	100 100	16 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	351 2950	100 100

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 *Statewide* of respondents believed this was a *minor to moderate* problem, while 24 percent reported this to be a *serious* problem within their community.

Overall, *Region III* responses indicated that 30.2 percent felt *adult* use of methamphetamine was a *minor to moderate* problem, 29.6 percent of respondents felt that *adult* use of methamphetamine was a *serious problem,* and 29.9 percent specified that they *don't know* the extent of the problem.

**Region III** responses were very similar when comparing *youth* to adult use of methamphetamine. Approximately thirty-five percent (34.5%) of the overall respondents felt *youth* use of methamphetamine was a *minor to moderate* problem, while 30.2 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

				сомі	MUNIT	Y ME	MBERS	S			OVE	DALL							
<ul><li>Region III</li><li>Statewide</li></ul>		Url	Urban		Rural		ntier	Community Member <b>TOTAL</b>		Ur	Urban		ıral	Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL			RALL TAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	NOT A PROBLEM	6	6.0	10	11.2	17	14.9	33	10.9	-	-	1	7.1	2	12.5	3	6.2	36	10.3
		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
<b>ADULT</b> use	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	47	47.0	27	30.3	33	28.9	107	35.3	10	55.6	6	42.9	8	50.0	24	50.0	131	37.3
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	380 16	44.0 16.0	206 15	29.0 16.9	229 3	29.2 2.6	815 34	34.6 11.2	223 5	56.3 27.8	37 5	44.6 35.7	52 2	45.6 12.5	312 12	52.6 25.0	1127 46	38.2 13.1
	SEMIOUS I MOBLEM	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	30	30.0	36	40.4	59	51.8	125	41.3	3	16.7	1	7.1	4	25.0	8	16.7	133	37.9
		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
	Did not answer	1	1.0	1	1.1	2	1.8	4	1.3	-	-	1	7.1	-	-	1	2.1	5	1.4
		10	1.2	7	1.0	11	1.4	28	1.2	3	.8	1	1.2	-	-	4	.7	32	1.1
	Total	100	100	89	100	114	100	303	100	18	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	351 2050	100
	NOT A PROBLEM	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
	NOT A PROBLEM	3	3.0	9	10.1	14	12.3	26	8.6	-	-	1	7.1	3	18.8	4	8.3	30	8.5
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	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	44	44.0	27	30.3	36	31.6	107	35.3	10	55.6	8	57.1	8	50.0	26	54.2	133	37.9 38.2
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	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	
	SERIOUS PROBLEIVI	20	20.0	12	13.5	3	2.6	35	11.6	5	27.8	3	21.4	-	-	8	16.7	43	12.3
<b>YOUTH</b> use	DON'T KNOW	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
<b>footh</b> use	DON I KNOW	29	29.0	38	42.7	60	52.6	127	41.9	3	16.7	2	14.3	5	31.2	10	20.8	137	39.0
	Did not answer	284 4	32.9 4.0	326	45.9 3.4	374	47.8	984	41.7	52	13.1	15	18.1	35	30.7	102	17.2	1086	36.8 2.3
	Dia not answer			3		1	.9	8	2.6 2.8	-	2.0	1	1.2	-		-	- 1 F	8	
	Total	18	2.1	20	2.8	29	3.7	67		8	2.0	1	1.2	10	100	9	1.5	76	2.6
	rotar	100 863	100 100	89	100 100	114 783	100	303 2357	100 100	18 396	100 100	14	100 100	16	100	48 593	100	351 2950	100 100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	235/	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 III Community Members* appeared to be less aware of such abuse among both *adults* and *youth* where at least forty percent reported they did not know the extent of the problem. On the other hand, both *Statewide* and *Region III Key Informants* perceived the *adult* abuse of over-the-counter drugs as a *minor to moderate* problem with 52.6 percent and

50 percent respectively. With respect to *youth* abuse, 53.6 percent of *Statewide Key Informants* and 54.2 percent of *Region III Key Informants* gauged the problem as *minor to moderate*.

Table 2.1.8: <b>Pe</b>	rception of PRESCRIPT	ION	DRU	G (abu	se of) U	ise in	you	r com	mun	ity									
				сомі	МUNIТ	Y ME	MBER:	S			OVERALL								
<ul><li>Region III</li><li>Statewide</li></ul>		Url	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	Frontier		Community Member <b>TOTAL</b>		ban	Rural		Frontier		Key Informant TOTAL		то:	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	NOT A PROBLEM	5 66	5.0 7.6	9 126	10.1 17.7	18 137	15.8 17.5	32 329	10.6 14.0	- 6	- 1.5	1 8	7.1 9.6	- 9	- 7.9	1 23	2.1 3.9	33 352	9.4 11.9
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	46 389	46.0 45.1	23 210	25.8 29.5	33 252	28.9 32.2	102 851	33.7 36.1	7 201	38.9 50.8	6 38	<b>42.9</b> <b>45.8</b>	6 51	37.5 44.7	19 290	39.6 48.9	121 1141	34.5 38.7
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	22 136	22.0 15.8	17 47	19.1 6.6	7 36	6.1 4.6	46 219	15.2 9.3	9 142	50.0 35.9	6 19	<b>42.9</b> 22.9	4 17	25.0 14.9	19 178	39.6 30.0	65 397	18.5 13.5
<b>ADULT</b> use	DON'T KNOW	27 266	27.0 30.8	40 324	44.9 45.6	54 346	47.4 44.2	121 936	39.9 39.7	<b>2</b> 46	11.1 11.6	1 18	7.1 21.7	6 37	37.5 32.5	9 101	18.8 17.0	130 1037	37.0 35.2
	Did not answer	- 6	- .7	- 4	- .6	2 12	1.8 1.5	2 22	. <b>7</b> .9	- 1	- .3	-	-	-	-	- 1	.2	2 23	.6 .8
	Total	100 863	100 100	89 711	100 100	114 783	100 100	303 2357	100 100	18 396	100 100	14 83	100 100	16 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	351 2950	100 100
	NOT A PROBLEM	5 75	5.0 8.7	7 131	7.9 18.4	20 156	17.5 19.9	32 362	10.6 15.4	-	3.8	2 15	14.3 18.1	3	18.8	5	10.4 7.9	<b>37</b> 409	10.5 13.9
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	43	43.0	24	27.0	24	21.1	91	30.0	15 11	61.1	6	42.9	17 7	14.9 43.8	47 24	50.0	115	32.8
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	371 14	43.0 14.0	170 14	23.9 15.7	186 6	23.8 5.3	727 34	30.8 11.2	228 3	57.6 16.7	44	53.0 28.6	49 -	43.0	321 7	54.1 14.6	1048 41	35.5 11.7
		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
YOUTH use	DON'T KNOW	34 304	34.0 35.2	42 351	<b>47.2</b> <b>49.4</b>	63 379	55.3 48.4	139 1034	45.9 43.9	4 75	22.2 18.9	2 17	14.3 20.5	6 42	37.5 36.8	12 134	25.0 22.6	151 1168	43.0 39.6
	Did not answer	4	4.0	2	2.2	1	.9	7	2.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	-	7	2.0
	Total	17 100	2.0 100	21 89	3.0 100	33 114	4.2 100	71 303	3.0 100	7 18	1.8 100	14	2.4 100	16	100	9 <b>48</b>	1.5 100	351	2.7 100
	Total	100 863	100 100	89 711	100 100	114 783	100 100	303 2357	100 100	18 396	100 100	14 83	100 100	16 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	351 2950	1 1

Similarly, when asked to gauge prescription drug abuse in their community, both *Statewide* and *Region III Community Members* appeared to be less aware of such abuse among both *adults* and *youth* where at least one-third (39.7%-45.9%) reported they *don't know* the extent of the problem. On the other hand, both *Statewide* and *Region III Key Informants* perceived the *adult* abuse of prescription drugs as a *minor to moderate problem* with 48.9

percent and 39.6 percent respectively. With respect to *youth* abuse, 54.1 percent of *Statewide Key Informants* and 50 percent of *Region III Key Informants* gauged the problem as *minor to moderate*.

Table 2.1.9: <b>Per</b>	ception of HALLUCINO	GEN	(LSD, S	hroom	s, PCP, e	etc.) US	se in	your	comr	muni	ity								
·				сомі	MUNIT	Y MEI	MBERS	S				KE	Y INFO	RMA	NTS			OVE	RΔII
<ul><li>Region III</li><li>Statewide</li></ul>		Url	oan	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier		nunity er <b>TOTAL</b>	Ur	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	ormant <b>TAL</b>	то	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	NOT A PROBLEM	10 117	10.0 13.6	14 162	15.7 22.8	27 213	23.7 27.2	51 492	16.8 20.9	- 40	10.1	4 28	28.6 33.7	7 34	43.8 29.8	11 102	22.9 17.2	62 594	17.7 20.1
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	30 280	30.0 32.4	15 111	16.9 15.6	12 112	10.5 14.3	57 503	18.8 21.3	11 223	61.1 56.3	7 34	50.0 41.0	3	18.8 26.3	21 287	43.8 48.4	78 790	22.2 26.8
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	3 30	3.0	2 11	2.2 1.5	- 9	- 1.1	5 50	1.7	- 13	3.3	-	-	1 2	6.2 1.8	1 15	2.1 2.5	6 65	1.7 2.2
<b>ADULT</b> use	DON'T KNOW	56 429	56.0 49.7	58 418	65.2 58.8	73 437	64.0 55.8	187 1284	61.7 54.5	7 120	38.9 30.3	3 21	21.4 25.3	5 47	31.2 41.2	15 188	31.2 31.7	202 1472	57.5 49.9
	Did not answer	1 7	1.0	- 9	1.3	2 12	1.8	3 28	1.0 1.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	.9 1.0
	Total	100	100	89	100	114	1.5 100	303	100	18	100	14	100	1 16	.9 <b>100</b>	1 48	100	351 2050	100
	NOT A PROBLEM	863 6	6.0	711 14	100 15.7	783 24	100 21.1	2357	100 14.5	396	100	<i>83</i>	100 35.7	114 9	100 56.2	593 14	100 29.2	2950 58	100 16.5
	NOTATROBLEM	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	34	34.0	15	16.9	14	12.3	63	20.8	12	66.7	6	42.9	1	6.2	19	39.6	82	23.4
		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	4	4.0	2	2.2	1	.9	7	2.3	-	-	-	-	1	6.2	1	2.1	8	2.3
VOLITU	DOM'T WALCOM	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
YOUTH use	DON'T KNOW	52 418	52.0 48.4	56 419	62.9 58.9	74 436	64.9 55.7	182 1273	60.1 54.0	6 112	33.3 28.3	3 21	21.4 25.3	5 45	31.2 39.5	14 178	29.2 30.0	196 1451	55.8 49.2
	Did not answer	4	4.0	2	2.2	1	.9	7	2.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	2.0
		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	100	100	<i>89</i>	100	114	100	303	100	18	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	351	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 III Community Members* appeared to be the least aware of such use across all drugs covered in this section. That is, more than half (range 54.0% to 61.7%) reported they *don't know* the extent of the problem. On the other hand, both *Statewide* and *Region III Key Informants* perceived the *adult* use of hallucinogens as a *minor to moderate* 

problem with 48.4 percent and 43.8 percent respectively. With respect to *youth* use, 48.6 percent of *Statewide Key Informants* and 39.6 percent of *Region III Key Informants* gauged the problem as *minor to moderate*.

Table 2.2.1: <b>Co</b>	ntribution of drug and	alco	hol u	se to	CRA	SHES	or I	NJUR	IES (su	ıch as a	utomo	bile, hu	nting, b	oating,	snowm	obiling			
				сомі	MUNIT	Y MEI	MBERS	5				KE	Y INFO	RMA	NTS			OVE	2011
<ul><li>Region III</li><li>Statewide</li></ul>		Uri	ban	Ru	ıral	Fror	ntier		nunity r <b>TOTAL</b>	Uri	ban	Rı	ıral	Froi	ntier	Key Inf	ormant TAL	OVEF TOT	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	NOT A PROBLEM	2	2.0	4	4.5	12	10.5	18	5.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	<b>5.1</b>
		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	52	52.0	33	37.1	59	51.8	144	47.5	6	33.3	3	21.4	10	62.5	19	39.6	<b>163</b>	46.4
		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	39	39.0	47	52.8	28	24.6	114	37.6	12	66.7	11	78.6	6	37.5	29	60.4	143	40.7
		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	7	7.0	4	4.5	13	11.4	24	7.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24	6.8
		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	-	-	1	1.1	2	1.8	3	1.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	.9
		3	.3	5	.7	6	.8	14	.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	.5
	Total	100	100	89	100	114	100	303	100	18	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	351	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% felt this was a *serious* problem in their community.

**Region III** responses align with those of the statewide participants. For instance, 46.4 percent of the overall regional respondents indicated that the contribution of drug/alcohol use to crashes/injuries was a *minor to moderate* problem and 40.7 percent indicated this was *serious* problem.

In sum, 87.1 percent of the *Region III* respondents perceived the use of drugs and/or alcohol as a contributing factor to crashes or injuries.

Table 2.2.2: Contribution of drug and alcohol use to CRIME

				сом	MUNI	ГҮ МЕ	MBER	S				KEY	' INFOI	RMAN	TS			OVE	RΔII
<ul><li>Region III</li><li>Statewide</li></ul>		Uri	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier		nunity er <b>TOTAL</b>	Urb	oan	Rı	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	ormant TAL		TAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	NOT A PROBLEM	2	2.0	5	5.6	8	7.0	15	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	4.3
		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	38	38.0	33	37.1	56	49.1	127	41.9	4	22.2	4	28.6	10	62.5	18	37.5	145	41.3
		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	52	52.0	43	48.3	29	25.4	124	40.9	14	77.8	9	64.3	4	25.0	27	56.2	151	43.0
		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	8	8.0	7	7.9	19	16.7	34	11.2	-	-	1	7.1	2	12.5	3	6.2	<i>37</i>	10.5
		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	-	-	1	1.1	2	1.8	3	1.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	.9
		8	.9	8	1.1	4	.5	20	.8	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.2	21	.7
	Total	100	100	<b>89</b>	100	114	100	303	100	18	100	14	100	<b>16</b>	100	48	100	<b>351</b>	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 III*, 41.3 percent overall believed that the contribution of drug/alcohol use to crime was a *minor to moderate* problem and 43 percent indicated this was *serious* problem.

In sum, 84.3 percent of the *Region III* 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).

				COM	MUNIT	Y MEI	MBERS	5				KE	Y INFO	DRMA	NTS				
<ul><li>Region III</li><li>Statewide</li></ul>		Ur	ban	Rı	ıral	Froi	ntier		nunity r <b>TOTAL</b>	Uri	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	ormant TAL		RALL TAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	DISAGREE	95	95.0	86	96.6	110	96.5	291	96.0	18	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	339	96.6
		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
It is okay for youth to drink at	AGREE	5	5.0	2	2.2	3	2.6	10	3.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	2.8
parties as long as they don't get		31	3.6	29	4.1	30	3.8	90	3.8	10	2.5	-	-	2	1.8	12	3.8	102	3.5
drunk.	Did not answer	-	-	1	1.1	1	.9	2	.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	.6
arunk.		2	.2	2	.3	3	.4	7	.3	2	.5	-	-	-	-	2	.3	9	.3
	Total	100	100	89	100	114	100	303	100	18	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	351	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
	DISAGREE	94	94.0	87	97.8	109	95.6	290	95.7	18	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	338	96.3
		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
Youth should be able to drink as	AGREE	6	6.0	1	1.1	3	2.6	10	3.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	2.8
long as they don't drive		32	3.7	28	3.9	44	5.6	104	4.4	10	2.5	-	-	3	2.6	13	2.2	117	4.0
afterwards.	Did not answer	-	-	1	1.1	2	1.8	3	1.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	.9
arterwarus.		2	.2	3	.4	4	.5	9	.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	.3
	Total	100	100	89	100	114	100	303	100	18	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	351	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
	DISAGREE	98	98.0	87	97.8	111	97.4	296	97.7	18	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	344	98.0
		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
th to allow for words he area!	AGREE	1	1.0	1	1.1	1	.9	3	1.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	. <b>9</b>
It is okay for youth to smoke	D':1	19	2.2	7	1.0	12	1.5	38	1.6	1	.3	-	-	1	.9	2	.3	40	1.4
cigarettes.	Did not answer	1	1.0	1	1.1	2	1.8	4	1.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	1.1
	T	3	.3	5	.7	5	.6	13	.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	.4
	Total	100	100	89	100	114	100	303	100	18	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	351	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? COMMUNITY MEMBERS **KEY INFORMANTS OVERALL** Community Region III **Key Informant** TOTAL Urhan Rural Frontier Member TOTAL Urhan Rural Frontier TOTAL Statewide Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % % % 17 94.4 44 332 94.6 94 94.0 85 95.5 109 95.6 288 95.0 13 92.9 14 87.5 91.7 DISAGREE 93.2 797 92.4 663 734 93.7 2194 93.1 369 93.2 81 97.6 109 95.6 559 94.3 2753 93.3 6.0 3 3.4 4 3.5 13 4.3 1 5.6 1 7.1 2 12.5 4 8.3 17 4.8 Youth who experiment with **AGREE** 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 alcohol or other drugs almost 1.1 1 .9 2 .7 .6 Did not answer always grow out of it. .5 3 .4 5 .6 12 .5 1 .3 .2 13 .4 1 100 100 89 100 114 100 303 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 351 100 Total 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 593 100 2950 100 100 114 94.4 92.0 92.0 84 101 88.6 277 91.4 17 94.4 14 100 15 93.8 46 95.8 323 DISAGREE 763 88.4 89.2 699 89.3 2096 88.9 377 95.2 78 94.0 108 94.7 563 94.9 2659 90.1 634 8.0 4.5 8.8 7.3 5.6 6.2 4.2 6.8 8 4 10 22 1 1 2 24 It is okay for parents to offer their **AGREE** 95 11.0 72 10.1 77 9.8 244 10.4 18 4.5 5 6.0 5.3 29 4.9 273 9.3 youth alcoholic beverages in their 1.1 3 1.3 1 2.6 4 1.1 Did not answer home. 5 .6 5 .7 7 .9 17 .7 .3 18 .6 1 1 .2 100 100 114 100 303 100 14 351 100 100 89 18 100 100 16 100 48 100 Total 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100 99.0 87 97.8 112 98.2 298 98.3 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 346 98.6 DISAGREE 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 1.0 .9 2 .7 .6 1 2 It is okay for parents to offer **AGREE** 8 .9 .8 1.3 .3 6 16 2.0 30 1 1 .2 31 1.1 alcoholic beverages in their home .9 3 .9 2.2 1 1.0 Did not answer to youth (other than their own). .6 3 8 8 .3 .1 4 .4 .3 100 100 89 100 114 100 303 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 351 100 Total 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100 56 62.9 77 67.5 201 66.3 10 55.6 4 4 25.0 18 37.5 219 62.4 68.0 28.6 DISAGREE 1613 635 73.6 452 63.6 526 67.2 68.4 228 57.6 34 41.0 45 39.5 307 51.8 1920 65.1 32.0 37.1 31.6 101 33.3 44.4 10 71.4 12 75.0 30 62.5 131 37.3 32 33 36 8 **AGREE** In my community, drinking among 223 25.8 35.0 252 32.2 724 30.7 167 42.2 49 59.0 68 59.6 47.9 1008 249 284 34.2 teenagers is acceptable. .9 .3 .3 1 Did not answer 5 .6 10 1.4 5 .6 20 .8 1 .3 1 .9 2 .3 22 .7 100 100 89 100 114 100 303 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 351 100 Total 2950 100 863 100 711 100 783 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 100

				COM	MUNIT	Y MEI	MBER!	S				KE	Y INFO	RMA	NTS			0)/=	
<ul><li>Region III</li><li>Statewide</li></ul>		Uri	ban	Rι	ıral	Froi	ntier		nunity r <b>TOTAL</b>	Ur	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	formant TAL		RALL TAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	DISAGREE	97 845	97.0 97.9	89 701	100 98.6	110 757	96.5 96.7	296 2303	97.7 97.7	18 390	100 98.5	13 80	92.9 96.4	16 110	100 96.5	47 580	97.9 97.8	343 2883	97.7 97.7
Driving under the influence of	AGREE	3 13	3.0 1.5	- 10	- 1.4	1 21	.9 2.7	4 44	1.3 1.9	- 5	- 1.3	1 2	7.1 2.4	3	- 2.6	1 10	2.1 1.7	5 54	1.4 1.8
drugs and/or alcohol is okay.	Did not answer	- 5	- .6	-	-	3 5	2.6 .6	3 10	1.0 .4	- 1	- .3	- 1	- 1.2	1	- .9	- 3	- .5	3 13	.9 .4
	Total	100 863	100 100	89 711	100 100	114 783	100 100	303 2357	100 100	18 396	100 100	14 83	100 100	16 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	351 2950	100 100
	DISAGREE	97 848	97.0 98.3	88 705	98.9 99.2	112 765	98.2 97.7	297 2318	98.0 98.3	18 393	100 99.2	14 82	100 98.8	16 113	100 99.1	48 588	100 99.2	<b>345</b> 2906	98.3 98.5
It is okay to ride in a motor vehicle	AGREE	3 14	3.0 1.6	1 6	1.1 .8	1 16	. <mark>9</mark> 2.0	5 36	1.7 1.5	3	- .8	- 1	- 1.2	1	- .9	- 5	- .8	5 41	1.4 1.4
with someone under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol.	Did not answer	- 1	- .1	-	-	1 2	. <mark>9</mark> .3	1 3	.3 .1	-		-	-	-	-	-		1 3	.3 .1
	Total	100 863	100 100	89 711	100 100	114 783	100 100	303 2357	100 100	18 396	100 100	14 83	100 100	16 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	351 2950	100 100

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 III 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 (96.6% disagree-strongly disagree)
- Youth should be able to drink as long as they don't drive afterwards (96.3% disagree-strongly disagree)
- It is okay for youth to smoke cigarettes (98.0% *disagree-strongly disagree*)
- Youth who experiment with alcohol or other drugs almost always grow out of it (94.6% disagree-strongly disagree)
- It is okay for parents to offer their youth alcoholic beverages in their home (92.0% disagree-strongly disagree)
- It is okay for parents to offer alcoholic beverages in their home to youth other than their own (98.6% *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 drugs (98.3% disagree-strongly disagree)

On the other hand, when asked whether drinking among teenagers is acceptable within their community, 62.4percent of respondents overall *disagree-strongly disagree* while 37.3 *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.

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Table 4.1: <b>To what extent</b>	do you AGI	REE o	or DIS	AGR	EE w	ith tl	ne fo	llowii	ng sta	atem	ents	?							
a Bartan III				сом	MUNIT	ГҮ МЕ	MBER	S				KE	Y INFO	RMA	NTS			OVE	RALL
<ul><li>Region III</li><li>Statewide</li></ul>		Url	ban	Rı	ıral	Fro	ntier		nunity er <b>TOTAL</b>	Ur	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	ormant <b>TAL</b>	то <sup>-</sup>	TAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	DISAGREE	20	20.0	10	11.2	9	7.9	39	12.9	3	16.7	2	14.3	2	12.5	7	14.6	46	13.1
	210/101122	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
Law enforcement should be	AGREE	79	79.0	79	88.8	104	91.2	262	86.5	15	83.3	12	85.7	13	81.2	40	83.3	302	86.0
spending more time enforcing the		675	78.2 1.0	592	83.3	683	87.2 .9	1950	82.7 .7	303	76.5	72	86.7	101	88.6 6.2	476	80.3 2.1	2426 3	82.2 .9
minimum drinking age.	Did not answer	11	1.3	5	- .7	4	. <del>9</del> .5	20	.8	3	.8		_	2	1.8	5	.8	25	.8
		100	100	<b>89</b>	100	114	100	303	100	18	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	351	100
	Total	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
	DISAGREE	10	10.0	11	12.4	7	6.1	28	9.2	5	27.8	1	7.1	3	18.8	9	18.8	<i>37</i>	10.5
	DISAGREE	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
Schools need to be more active in	AGREE	90	90.0	78	87.6	106	93.0	274	90.4	13	72.2	13	92.9	13	81.2	39	81.2	313	89. <b>2</b>
dealing with alcohol, tobacco, and	AGNEE	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
other drug problems.	Did not answer	-	-	-	-	1	.9	1	.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	.3
other drug problems.		4	.5	8	1.1	5	.6	17	.7	3	.8	-	-	1	.9	4	.7	21	.7
	Total	100 863	100 100	89 711	100 100	114 783	100 100	303 2357	100 100	18 396	100 100	14 83	100 100	16 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	351 2950	100 100

Table 4.1 Cont'd: To what extent do you AGREE or DISAGREE with the following statements? COMMUNITY MEMBERS KEY INFORMANTS **OVERALL** Region III TOTAL Community **Key Informant** Urban Frontier Urban Rural Frontier Rural Statewide Member TOTAL TOTAL Ν Ν Ν % % % % Ν % % Ν % % Ν Ν 20 6.6 16.7 6.2 10.4 25 7.1 7.0 7 7.9 6 5.3 3 1 7.1 1 5 DISAGREE 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 93 93.9 15 93.8 87.5 93.0 82 92.1 107 282 93.1 15 83.3 12 85.7 42 324 92.3 **AGREE** It is possible to reduce alcohol and 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 drug problems through prevention. .9 1 .3 1 7.1 1 2.1 2 .6 Did not answer 4 .5 6 .8 12 1.5 22 .9 1 1.2 1 .2 23 .8 303 100 100 16 100 351 100 100 89 100 114 100 18 14 100 100 48 100 Total 863 100 100 2950 100 711 783 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 100 5.0 7 7.9 5 4.4 17 5.6 2 11.1 1 6.2 3 6.2 20 5.7 DISAGREE 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 Alcohol and other drug prevention 95 95.0 82 92.1 108 94.7 285 94.1 16 88.9 12 85.7 15 93.8 43 89.6 328 93.4 **AGREE** programs are a good investment 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 .9 .3 2 .9 1 14.3 2 4.2 3 because they save lives and Did not answer .8 1.0 12 1.5 26 1.1 3 3 .5 29 7 3.6 1.0 money. 100 100 89 100 114 100 303 100 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 351 100 18 Total 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100 10 10.0 12 13.5 8 7.0 30 9.9 2 11.1 12.5 4 8.3 34 9.7 DISAGREE 104 98 11.4 14.6 100 12.8 302 12.8 18 4.5 7 8.4 9 7.9 34 5.7 336 11.4 The community has the 76 85.4 105 92.1 89.1 88.9 13 14 87.5 89.6 313 89.2 89 89.0 270 16 92.9 43 **AGREE** responsibility to set up prevention 759 87.9 594 83.5 85.7 2024 85.9 376 94.9 75 90.4 105 92.1 556 93.8 2580 87.5 671 programs to help people avoid 1.0 1 1.1 1 .9 3 1.0 1 7.1 1 2.1 1.1 Did not answer 6 .7 1.8 31 1.3 2 .5 1 1.2 3 .5 1.2 13 12 1.5 34 alcohol and other drug problems. 100 303 100 48 100 351 100 100 89 114 100 100 18 14 100 16 100 100 Total 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100 12 15.1 17 17.0 13.5 11 9.6 40 13.2 6 33.3 2 14.3 5 31.2 13 27.1 *53* DISAGREE 19.1 84 21.2 16 19.3 27 527 165 115 16.2 120 15.3 400 17.0 23.7 127 21.4 17.9 Public service announcements are 83 83.0 75 84.3 102 89.5 260 85.8 12 66.7 10 71.4 11 68.8 68.8 293 83.5 33 **AGREE** a good way to change attitudes 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 about alcohol, tobacco, & other 2 2.2 .9 1.0 2 14.3 2 4.2 1.4 Did not answer .3 13 1.8 8 1.0 24 1.0 3 .8 2 2.4 5 .8 29 1.0 drugs. 100 100 89 100 114 100 303 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 351 100 Total 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? COMMUNITY MEMBERS KEY INFORMANTS **OVERALL** Region III **TOTAL** Community **Key Informant** Frontier Urban Rural Frontier Urban Rural Statewide Member TOTAL TOTAL Ν % % % Ν % Ν % % Ν % % Ν Ν 33.7 46 118 38.9 50.0 5 35.7 5 31.2 39.6 137 42 42.0 30 40.4 9 19 39.0 DISAGREE 370 42.9 290 40.8 325 41.5 985 26 39 34.2 35.4 1195 40.5 41.8 145 36.6 31.3 210 58 65.2 57.9 9 50.0 8 68.8 58.3 210 58.0 66 182 60.1 57.1 11 28 59.8 **AGREE** Taxes on alcohol should be 485 56.2 58.2 446 57.0 1345 57.1 248 62.6 56 67.5 73 64.0 377 63.6 1722 414 58.4 1.1 1.8 3 1.0 1 7.1 2.1 4 1.1 increased. Did not answer 8 .9 7 1.0 12 1.5 27 1.1 3 .8 1 1.2 2 1.8 6 1.0 33 1.1 351 100 100 89 100 114 100 303 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 100 Total 2950 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 100 33.0 25 28.1 36 31.6 94 31.0 8 44.4 5 35.7 31.2 18 37.5 112 31.9 DISAGREE 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 67 67.0 63 70.8 76 66.7 206 68.0 10 55.6 8 57.1 11 68.8 29 60.4 235 67.0 **AGREE** Taxes on tobacco should be 65.7 274 59 72 1951 566 65.6 467 513 65.5 1546 65.6 69.2 71.1 63.2 405 68.3 66.1 1.1 2 1 2.1 increased. 1.8 1.0 7.1 1.1 Did not answer .8 8 1.1 15 3 .8 2 6 1.0 1.9 30 1.3 1 1.2 1.8 36 1.2 100 89 100 114 100 303 100 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 351 100 100 18 Total 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100 11 11.0 32 36.0 39 34.2 82 27.1 4 22.2 8 57.1 43.8 19 39.6 101 28.8 DISAGREE 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 6 56.2 88 88.0 55 61.8 71 62.3 214 70.6 14 77.8 42.9 29 60.4 243 69.2 **AGREE** Drinking and driving laws are 777 90.0 71.9 68.3 1823 77.3 359 90.7 54 77 67.5 82.6 2313 78.4 511 535 65.1 490 enforced in my local community. 2 2.2 4 3.5 2.3 1.0 7 2.0 Did not answer 7 .8 .8 12 1.7 19 2.4 38 1.6 3 3 2.6 6 1.0 44 1.5 100 351 100 89 114 100 303 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 100 Total 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100 27 27.0 27 30.3 34 29.8 88 29.0 3 16.7 2 14.3 4 25.0 9 18.8 97 27.6 DISAGREE 35.6 949 282 32.7 253 261 33.3 796 33.8 102 25.8 17 20.5 34 29.8 153 25.8 32.2 69.7 69.3 14 77.8 12 75.0 251 72 72.0 62 79 213 70.3 85.7 12 38 79.2 71.5 **AGREE** There should be a law prohibiting 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 giving alcohol to your children 1.0 .9 .7 5.6 2.1 .9 Did not answer .9 8 1.1 13 1.7 29 1.2 4 1.0 1.8 6 1.0 35 1.2 100 100 303 100 100 351 100 89 100 114 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 Total 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 III* respondents were asked to indicate the extent to which they either agree or disagree with increasing alcohol taxes, 59.8 percent of respondents overall *agree-strongly agree*.

When *Region III* respondents were asked to indicate the extent to which they either agree or disagree with increasing taxes on tobacco, 67 percent *agree-strongly agree*. Overall, *Region III* responses to increasing alcohol and tobacco taxes paralleled those found at the *Statewide* level.

Table 4.2: <b>Do you support</b>	the followi	ng?																	
Region III				Cor	nmunit	y Men	bers						Key Inf	orman	ts	_		OVE	RALL
Statewide		Uri	ban	Rı	ıral	Froi	ntier		nunity er <b>TOTAL</b>	Ur	ban	Rı	ıral	Fro	ntier	,	formant TAL	TO <sup>-</sup>	TAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	YES	93	93.0	83	93.3	104	91.2	280	92.4	15	83.3	14	100	16	100	45	93.8	325	92.6
		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	7	7.0	6	6.7	9	7.9	22	7.3	3	16.7	-	-	-	-	3	6.2	25	7.1
		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
Minimum legal drinking age of 21	Did not answer	-	-	-	-	1	.9	1	.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	.3
	<b>-</b>	-	-	6	.8	5	.6	11	.5	2	.5	-	-	-	-	2	.3	13	.4
	Total	100	100	89	100	114	100	303	100	18	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	351	100
	YES	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
	TES	99 840	99.0 97.3	85 686	95.5 96.5	111 753	97.4 96.2	295 2279	97.4 96.7	18 388	100 98.0	14 81	100 97.6	16 111	100 97.4	48 580	100 97.8	343 2859	97.7 96.9
	NO	1	1.0	4	4.5	755 2	1.8	7	2.3	300	96.0	01	97.0	111	97.4	360	97.0	7	2.0
		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
Penalties for adults who provide	Did not answer	-	_	-	-	1	.9	1	.3	-	-	-		_	-	_	_	1	.3
alcohol to youth		1	.1	4	.6	4	.5	9	.4	1	.3	-	_	-	-	1	.2	10	.3
	Total	100	100	89	100	114	100	303	100	18	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	351	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
	YES	96	96.0	86	96.6	111	97.4	293	96.7	18	100	13	92.9	16	100	47	97.9	340	96.9
		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	4	4.0	3	3.4	-	-	7	2.3	-	-	1	7.1	-	-	1	2.1	8	2.3
Compliance checks		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
(used to identify alcohol establishments that	Did not answer	-	-	-	-	3	2.6	3	1.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	<b>.9</b>
sell alcohol to underage youth)		2	.2	3	.4	6	.8	11	.5	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.2	12	.4
	Total	100	100	89	100	114	100	303	100	18	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	351	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Table 4.2 Cont'd: <b>Do you s</b>	upport the	follo	wing	?															
				Cor	nmunit	y Men	nbers						Key Inf	orman	ts			OVE	RALL
<ul><li>Region III</li><li>Statewide</li></ul>		Uri	ban	Rι	ıral	Froi	ntier		nunity er <b>TOTAL</b>	Ur	ban	Rι	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	ormant	TO1	ΓAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	YES	76	76.0	64	71.9	81	71.1	221	72.9	15	83.3	13	92.9	12	75.0	40	83.3	<b>261</b>	74.4
		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	24	24.0	23	25.8	31	27.2	78	25.7	3	16.7	1	7.1	4	25.0	8	16.7	86	24.5
Laws prohibiting giving alcohol to	Did not many	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
your own children	Did not answer	-	1.0	2	2.2	2	1.8	4	1.3	-	1.2	-	-	-	1.0	-	-	4	1.1
•	Total	9 <b>100</b>	1.0 100	16 <b>89</b>	2.3 <b>100</b>	9 <b>114</b>	1.1 100	34 <b>303</b>	1.4 <b>100</b>	5 <b>18</b>	1.3 100	14	100	2 16	1.8 100	7 <b>48</b>	1.2 100	41 351	1.4 100
	iotui	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	10 114	100	<del>40</del> 593	100	2950	100
	YES	91	91.0	76	85.4	98	86.0	265	87.5	15	83.3	13	92.9	16	100	44	91.7	309	88.0
	,	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	9	9.0	13	14.6	15	13.2	37	12.2	3	16.7	1	7.1	-	-	4	8.3	41	11.7
DUI checkpoint		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
(used by law enforcement to deter or detect	Did not answer	-	-	-	-	1	.9	1	.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	.3
a drunk driver through the use of roadblocks or sobriety checkpoints)		3	.3	6	.8	8	1.0	17	.7	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.2	18	.6
or sources effectively	Total	100	100	89	100	114	100	303	100	18	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	351	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 III Community Member* respondents, 72.9 percent indicated that *yes* they would be in support of this type of law. *Key Informant* respondents appeared to be more supportive in their responses, in that 83.3 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? COMMUNITY MEMBERS KEY INFORMANTS **OVERALL** Region III TOTAL Community **Key Informant** Urban Rural Frontier Urban Rural Frontier Statewide Member TOTAL TOTAL N Ν Ν % N % % % % % Ν % Ν % Ν Ν YES 61 61.0 62 69.7 83 72.8 206 68.0 50.0 11 78.6 9 56.2 29 60.4 235 67.0 9 539 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 38 38.0 29.2 29 30.7 44.4 3 21.4 43.8 37.5 111 26 25.4 93 18 31.6 309 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 Liquor advertisements on TV Did not answer 1.0 1.1 2 1.8 1.3 1 5.6 2.1 5 1.4 15 1.7 6 .8 9 1.1 30 1.3 3 .8 3 2.6 6 1.0 36 1.2 Total 100 100 14 100 351 100 89 100 114 100 303 100 18 100 16 100 48 100 2950 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 100 YES 56 56.0 61 68.5 78 68.4 195 64.4 8 44.4 11 78.6 9 56.2 28 58.3 223 63.5 519 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 43 43.0 27 30.3 34 29.8 104 34.3 9 50.0 3 21.4 7 43.8 19 39.6 123 35.0 1021 330 38.2 244 34.3 267 34.1 841 35.7 128 32.3 19 22.9 33 28.9 180 30.4 34.6 Beer & wine advertisements on TV Did not answer 1.1 2 1.8 1.3 1 5.6 1 2.1 1.0 1.4 1.3 10 1.3 3 7 1.2 40 14 1.6 9 33 1.4 .8 4 3.5 1.4 Total 100 100 100 114 100 303 100 100 14 16 100 48 100 351 100 89 18 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100 YES 59 59.0 60 67.4 78 68.4 197 65.0 8 44.4 11 78.6 56.2 28 58.3 225 64.1 526 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 50.0 3 39.6 121 34.5 40.0 28 31.5 34 29.8 102 33.7 21.4 43.8 19 323 37.4 35.2 34.0 839 33.1 20 33 28.9 31.0 1023 34.7 250 266 35.6 131 24.1 184 Billboard alcohol advertisements Did not answer 1.0 1.1 2 1.8 4 1.3 1 5.6 2.1 5 1 1.4 7 1.2 14 1.6 8 1.1 12 1.5 34 1.4 3 .8 4 3.5 41 1.4 Total 351 100 100 89 100 114 100 303 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 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% and 66.1%) of the *Statewide* responses respondents support bans on television and billboards as forms of alcohol advertisements while one-third (range 32.7% to 34.7%) would not support such bans. Results from *Region III* respondents were also very similar regarding all three questions related to alcohol advertising. Over sixty-three percent (range 63.5% to 67.0%) 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? **COMMUNITY MEMBERS** KEY INFORMANTS **OVERALL** Region III TOTAL Community **Key Informant** Urban Rural Frontier Urban Rural Frontier Statewide Member TOTAL TOTAL Ν Ν % N % % % % Ν % % Ν % Ν Ν YES 93 93.0 84 94.4 105 92.1 282 93.1 17 94.4 13 92.9 16 100 46 95.8 328 93.4 821 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 6.0 5 5.6 5.6 4.2 21 6 8 7.0 19 6.3 1 1 7.1 2 6.0 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 **Party** Did not answer 1.0 1 .9 2 .7 2 .6 .5 3 .4 11 1.4 18 .8 3 2.6 3 .5 21 .7 Total 100 *303* 100 14 351 100 89 100 114 100 100 18 100 16 100 48 100 100 100 2357 100 2950 100 863 100 711 783 100 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 YES 94 94.0 85 95.5 107 93.9 286 94.4 18 100 13 92.9 16 100 47 97.9 333 94.9 820 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 5 5.0 4 4.5 6 5.3 15 5.0 1 7.1 1 2.1 16 4.6 37 33 4.0 .8 2 .9 4.3 24 3.4 4.2 94 3 2.4 1 6 1.0 100 3.4 Wedding Dance/Reception Did not answer .9 2 .7 1.0 .6 6 .8 8 1.0 2 2 22 .7 .7 6 20 .8 1.8 .3 Total 100 100 89 100 114 100 303 100 100 14 16 100 48 100 351 100 18 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100 YES 94 94.0 85 95.5 107 93.9 286 94.4 18 100 13 92.9 16 100 47 97.9 333 94.9 825 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 2.1 4.6 5.0 4.5 6 5.3 15 5.0 1 7.1 1 16 .8 34 3.9 1.7 18 2.3 2.7 3 1.2 .9 .8 69 2.3 12 64 1 1 5 **Sporting Event** Did not answer 1.0 1 .9 2 .7 2 .6 10 22 .7 4 .5 6 .8 1.3 20 .8 2 1.8 2 .3 Total 351 100 100 100 89 100 114 100 303 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 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 III* 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 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 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 resp	ond accordingly	to t	he fo	llow	ing q	uesti	ons i	regar	ding a	acce	ss in	your	com	muni	ity.				
Region III				сомі	MUNIT	Y MEI	MBERS	5				KE	Y INFO	RMA	NTS			OVE	RALL
Statewide		Uri	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier		nunity r <b>TOTAL</b>	Ur	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	ormant <b>TAL</b>	тот	
	Level of Difficulty	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	NOT AT ALL	11 55	11.0 6.4	12 65	13.5 9.1	8 74	7.0 9.5	31 194	10.2 8.2	2 28	11.1 7.1	5 13	35.7 15.7	<b>3</b> 9	18.8 7.9	10 50	20.8 8.4	41 244	11.7 8.3
How difficult is it for youth	SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT	54 442	54.0 51.2	42 297	47.2 41.8	<mark>52</mark> 342	<b>45.6 43.7</b>	148 1081	48.8 45.9	9 229	50.0 57.8	5 41	35.7 49.4	10 64	62.5 56.1	24 334	50.0 56.3	172 1415	49.0 48.0
to buy beer, wine, or hard liquor at stores	QUITE/EXTREMELY	32 343	32.0 39.7	34 326	<b>38.2</b> 45.9	47 337	<b>41.2 43.0</b>	113 1006	<b>37.3</b> 42.7	<b>7</b> 134	38.9 33.8	4 29	28.6 34.9	3 38	18.8 33.3	14 201	29.2 33.9	127 1207	36.2 40.9
themselves?	Did not answer	3 23	3.0 2.7	1 23	1.1 3.2	<b>7</b> 30	6.1 3.8	11 76	3.6 3.2	- 5	- 1.3	-	-	- 3	- 2.6	- 8	- 1.3	11 84	3.1 2.8
	Total	100 863	100 100	89 711	100 100	114 783	100 100	303 2357	100 100	18 396	100 100	14 83	100 100	16 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	351 2950	100 100
	NOT AT ALL	45 332	45.0 38.5	46 290	<b>51.7</b> 40.8	45 324	39.5 41.4	136 946	44.9 40.1	13 190	<b>72.2</b> 48.0	11 44	78.6 53.0	10 66	<b>62.5</b> 57.9	34 300	70.8 50.6	170 1246	48.4 42.2
How difficult is it for youth	SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT	49 439	<b>49.0</b> 50.9	41 351	46.1 49.4	53 359	46.5 45.8	143 1149	<b>47.2</b> 48.7	5 185	<b>27.8</b> 46.7	3 38	21.4 45.8	6 43	37.5 37.7	14 266	29.2 44.9	157 1415	44.7 48.0
to get an older person to	QUITE/EXTREMELY	2 65	2.0 7.5	1 48	1.1 6.8	10 66	8.8 8.4	13 179	<b>4.3</b> 7.6	- 14	- 3.5	- 1	- 1.2	- 2	1.8	- 17	- 2.9	13 196	3.7 6.6
buy alcohol for them?	Did not answer	4 27	4.0 3.1	1 22	1.1 3.1	6 34	5.3 4.3	11 83	3.6 3.5	- 7	- 1.8	-	-	- 3	- 2.6	10	1.7	11 93	3.1 3.2
	Total	100 863	100 100	89 711	100 100	114 783	100 100	303 2357	100 100	18 396	100 100	14 83	100 100	16 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	351 2950	100 100

Table 5.1 Cont'd: Please respond accordingly to the following questions regarding access in your community. **Region III** COMMUNITY MEMBERS KEY INFORMANTS **OVERALL** Statewide Community **Key Informant** TOTAL Urban Rural Frontier Urban Rural Frontier Member TOTAL TOTAL **Level of Difficulty** % Ν % % Ν % % % % % NOT AT ALL 3 3.0 2 2.2 5 4.4 10 3.3 1 5.6 1 2.1 11 3.1 22 16 2.3 25 3.2 63 2.7 1.0 3 10 1.7 73 2.5 2.5 3.6 2.6 SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT 48 48.0 41 46.1 37 32.5 126 41.6 6 33.3 8 57.1 10 62.5 24 50.0 150 42.7 388 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 How difficult is it for youth QUITE/EXTREMELY 46 49.4 46.0 44 66 57.9 156 51.5 11 61.1 42.9 37.5 23 47.9 179 51.0 428 55.7 58.1 1279 54.3 187 47.2 39 47.0 39.5 271 1550 to order a drink at a bar? 49.6 396 455 45 45.7 52.5 Did not answer 3 3.0 2 2.2 6 5.3 11 3.6 11 3.1 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 100 100 100 303 100 18 100 48 100 351 100 100 89 114 14 100 16 100 396 100 83 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100 NOT AT ALL 46 51.7 55 48.2 161 53.1 11 61.1 10 71.4 10 62.5 31 64.6 192 54.7 60 60.0 504 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 28.6 34 34.0 38 42.7 42 36.8 114 37.6 6 33.3 4 6 37.5 16 33.3 130 37.0 45.3 30.3 21 33 174 How difficult is it for youth 298 34.5 322 316 40.4 936 39.7 120 25.3 28.9 29.3 1110 37.6 QUITE/EXTREMELY 4.0 3 3.4 10 8.8 17 5.6 17 4.8 to sneak alcohol from their .5 35 4.9 5.7 115 4.9 2 1 1.2 3 .5 118 4.1 35 45 4.0 home or a friend's home? Did not answer 2 2.0 2 2.2 7 6.1 11 3.6 1 5.6 1 2.1 12 3.4 5 26 3.0 26 3.7 35 4.5 87 3.7 1.3 2.6 1.3 95 3.2 100 100 89 100 114 100 303 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 351 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100 NOT AT ALL 2 4 16 16.0 10 15 13.5 2 11.1 14.3 8 16.7 49 14.0 11.2 13.2 41 25.0 77 11.4 12.1 253 34 8.6 9 10.1 8.9 81 95 10.7 10.8 17 14.9 60 313 10.6 SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT 55 55.0 64.0 55 48.2 167 55.1 13 72.2 12 85.7 11 68.8 36 75.0 203 57.8 57 533 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 How difficult is it for youth QUITE/EXTREMELY 26 26.0 19 21.3 37 32.5 82 27.1 2 11.1 6.2 3 6.2 85 24.2 to get their parents to give 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 them alcohol? Did not answer 3 3 3.4 4.3 5.6 2.1 3.0 7 6.1 13 1 1 14 4.0 33 3.8 28 3.9 33 4.2 94 4.0 8 2.0 1 1.2 4.4 14 2.4 108 3.7 Total 100 100 89 100 114 100 303 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 351 100

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Table 5.1 Cont'd: Please respond accordingly to the following questions regarding access in your community. **Region III COMMUNITY MEMBERS** KEY INFORMANTS **OVERALL** Statewide Key Informant TOTAL Community Urban Rural Frontier Urban Rural Frontier Member TOTAL TOTAL N Ν N **Level of Difficulty** % % % % % % % Ν % Ν % **NOT AT ALL** 18 18.0 25 28.1 16 59 19.5 22.2 6 42.9 37.5 33.3 *75* 21.4 14.0 4 6 16 134 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 62.0 57.3 179 59.1 12 66.7 8 57.1 208 62 51 66 57.9 56.2 29 60.4 59.3 How difficult is it for youth 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 to get other family 15 15.0 10 11.2 25 21.9 50 16.5 1 5.6 1 6.2 2 4.2 **52** 14.8 members to give them 20.5 40 10.1 5 8.6 481 16.5 146 142 18.1 430 18.2 6.0 5.3 51 16.3 alcohol? Did not answer 5.0 3.4 6.1 5.6 1 2.1 16 4.6 3 7 15 5.0 1 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 100 100 100 114 100 303 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 351 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 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.

Nearly half (48.4%) of *Region III* respondents believed that getting an older person to buy alcohol for youth was *not at all* difficult and 44.7 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 III*, when asked the following, "How difficult is it for youth to sneak alcohol from their home or a friend's home," 54.7 percent of the overall respondents believed this was *not at all* difficult and 37 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. **Region III** COMMUNITY MEMBERS KEY INFORMANTS **OVERALL** Statewide TOTAL Community **Key Informant** Urban Rural Frontier Urban Rural Frontier Member TOTAL TOTAL **Level of Difficulty** % % % % % % Ν % % % NOT AT ALL 46 40 44.9 29 115 38.0 11 61.1 10 144 46.0 25.4 71.4 50.0 29 60.4 41.0 30.9 217 49.9 1081 331 38.4 220 234 29.9 785 33.3 54.8 35 42.2 44 38.6 296 36.6 SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT 45 45.0 34 38.2 47 41.2 126 41.6 33.3 4 28.6 7 43.8 17 35.4 143 40.7 6 398 45.9 46.1 326 343 43.8 1067 45.3 161 40.7 43 51.8 55 48.2 259 43.7 1326 44.9 QUITE/EXTREMELY 9 2.1 2.0 10.1 16 14.0 27 8.9 6.2 8.0 2.0 62 7.2 101 14.2 120 15.3 283 12.0 8 5 6.0 7.0 21 3.5 304 10.3 Mariiuana Indicated "Do not know" 4 4.0 4 4.5 16 14.0 24 7.9 1 5.6 1 2.1 25 7.1 52 6.0 41 5.8 66 8.4 159 6.7 8 2.0 4.4 13 2.2 172 5.8 Did not answer 3 3.0 2 2.2 6 5.3 11 3.6 11 3.1 20 3.2 20 2.7 2 .5 2 67 2.3 2.3 23 2.6 63 1.8 .7 Total 100 303 100 100 100 89 100 114 100 100 18 100 14 16 100 48 351 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100 NOT AT ALL 59 59.0 48 53.9 45 39.5 152 50.2 13 72.2 10 71.4 11 68.8 34 70.8 186 53.0 506 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 30 30.0 27 30.3 32 28.1 89 29.4 22.2 28.6 5 31.2 13 27.1 102 29.1 231 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 6 6.0 8 9.0 12.3 28 9.2 28 14 8.0 48 11.4 242 10.3 5 1.3 4 4.8 2.7 258 8.7 5.6 81 113 14.4 6.1 16 **Inhalants** Indicated "Do not know" 3 3.0 4 4.5 17 14.9 24 7.9 1 5.6 1 2.1 25 7.1 (Glue, paint, aerosols, solvents, etc.) 54 70 7 2.0 177 6.3 41 5.8 8.9 165 7.0 1.8 5 4.4 12 6.0 Did not answer 2 2.0 2.2 6 5.3 10 3.3 10 2.8 24 2.8 29 4.1 26 3.3 79 3.4 3 .8 2.6 6 1.0 85 2.9 Total 100 100 89 100 114 100 303 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 351 100 711 783 2357 100 396 100 83 100 2950 100 863 100 100 100 100 114 100 593 **NOT AT ALL** 15 15.0 14 15.7 9 7.9 38 12.5 11.1 7.1 6.2 8.3 12.0 2 1 123 14.3 77 10.8 73 9.3 273 11.6 62 15.7 8 9.6 7.9 79 13.3 352 11.9 SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT 62.0 48.3 31.6 12 66.7 11 78.6 56.2 66.7 173 49.3 62 43 36 141 46.5 9 32 458 47.0 323 41.3 263 51 60 52.6 374 63.1 1489 50.5 53.1 334 1115 47.3 66.4 61.4 QUITE/EXTREMELY 16 16.0 22 24.7 42 36.8 80 26.4 2 11.1 2 14.3 31.2 9 18.8 89 25.4 30.5 22 189 21.9 217 275 35.1 681 28.9 55 13.9 26.5 35 30.7 112 18.9 793 26.9 Indicated "Do not know" 4.0 5 5.6 19 16.7 28 9.2 11.1 1 6.2 3 6.2 31 8.8 Cocaine 62 7 7.2 45 6.3 79 10.1 186 7.9 11 2.8 1 1.2 6.1 19 3.2 205 6.9 Did not answer 3 3.0 5 5.6 8 7.0 5.3 4.6 16 16 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 100 100 89 100 114 100 303 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 351 100 2357 83 2950 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 100 396 100 100 114 100 593 100

Table 5.2 Cont'd: How difficult is it for youth or adult to ACCESS the following in your community. **Region III** COMMUNITY MEMBERS KEY INFORMANTS **OVERALL** Statewide **Key Informant** TOTAL Community Urban Urban Rural Frontier Rural Frontier Member TOTAL TOTAL **Level of Difficulty** % Ν % % Ν % % % % % % NOT AT ALL 32 32.0 31 34.8 24 21.1 87 28.7 5 27.8 6 42.9 5 31.2 16 33.3 103 29.3 252 29.2 161 22.6 19.7 567 137 34.6 18 26 22.8 30.5 748 154 24.1 21.7 181 25.4 SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT 55 55.0 36 40.4 44 38.6 135 44.6 11 61.1 8 57.1 10 62.5 29 60.4 164 46.7 442 48.8 225 56.8 54 58.8 1493 51.2 347 358 45.7 1147 48.7 65.1 67 346 58.3 50.6 QUITE/EXTREMELY 15.7 5.6 6.2 2 4.2 12.5 7.0 14 21 18.4 42 13.9 1 90 17.6 387 24 6.1 12.0 14 12.3 48 435 10.4 125 172 22.0 16.4 10 8.1 14.7 Methamphetamine Indicated "Do not know" 3 3.0 5 5.6 18 15.8 26 8.6 1 5.6 1 2.1 27 7.7 55 6.4 44 6.2 72 9.2 171 7.3 8 2.0 5 4.4 13 2.2 184 6.2 3 3.4 6.1 13 13 Did not answer 3.0 4.3 3.7 24 34 4.8 27 3.4 85 3.6 2 .5 1 1.2 2 1.8 5 .8 90 2.8 3.1 Total 100 100 303 100 18 100 14 16 48 100 351 100 100 89 100 114 100 100 396 114 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 100 83 100 100 593 100 2950 100 NOT AT ALL 14 14.0 20 22.5 8 7.0 42 13.9 1 5.6 1 7.1 1 6.2 3 6.2 45 12.8 59 6 9 12.5 359 136 15.8 79 11.1 70 8.9 285 12.1 14.9 7.2 7.9 74 12.2 SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT 38.2 72.2 12 6 161 59.0 34 37 32.5 130 42.9 13 85.7 37.5 31 64.6 45.9 46.1 39.5 1100 46.7 254 64.1 51 58 50.9 61.2 1463 49.6 463 53.7 328 309 61.4 363 QUITE/EXTREMELY 19 19.0 27 30.3 42 36.8 88 29.0 2 11.1 1 7.1 8 50.0 11 22.9 99 28.2 170 222 31.2 288 36.8 680 28.9 16.9 24 28.9 37 32.5 128 21.6 808 27.4 19.7 Hallucinogens Indicated "Do not know" 4.0 5 5.6 19 16.7 28 9.2 2 11.1 1 6.2 3 6.2 **31** 8.8 (LSD, Shrooms, PCP, etc.) 64 6.5 80 10.2 190 12 3.0 7 3.4 210 7.4 46 8.1 1 1.2 6.1 20 7.1 Did not answer 4 4.0 3.4 7.0 15 5.0 15 4.3 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 100 100 89 100 114 100 303 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 351 100 100 100 100 783 2357 100 396 100 83 100 100 593 100 2950 863 711 100 114

One-third (33.3%) of the *Statewide Community Member* perceived marijuana as *not at all* difficult for adults/youth to obtain in their community, whereas 45.3 percent felt access was *slightly/somewhat* difficult. Among the *Key Informants*, almost half (49.9%) perceived marijuana was *not at all* difficult for adults/youth to access, while 43.7 percent felt accessing marijuana was *slightly/somewhat* difficult.

Within *Region III*, 38 percent of *Community Member* respondents perceived access to marijuana as *not at all* difficult for adults/youth to obtain while 60.4 percent of *Key Informants* specified that marijuana was *not at all* difficult to access. Overall, 29.3 percent of *Region III* respondents perceived access to methamphetamine as *not at all* difficult for adults/youth to obtain and 46.7 percent believed that access was only *slightly/somewhat* difficult.

Respondents perceived access to cocaine and hallucinogens in a similar way (i.e., <i>slightly/somewhat</i> difficult to access) although one-quarter thought access would be <i>quite/extremely</i> difficult. Overall, inhalants were perceived as the most accessible to youth and adults by 54.4 percent of <i>Statewide</i> respondents and 53 percent of <i>Region III</i> respondents.
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# 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: <b>To what extent</b>	do you AGI	REE (	or DIS	SAGR	EE w	ith th	ne fo	llowi	ng sta	atem	ents	?							
Region III				сом	MUNIT	Y ME	MBER	S				KE	Y INFO	RMA	NTS			OVEI	RΔII
Statewide		Ur	ban	Rı	ıral	Froi	ntier		nunity er <b>TOTAL</b>	Ur	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier	Key Inf	ormant <b>TAL</b>	TO	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	DISAGREE	4	4.0	2	2.2	2	1.8	8	2.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	2.3
		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
Preventing alcohol and other	AGREE	95	95.0	87	97.8	110	96.5	292	96.4	18	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	340	96.9
drug use among youth is	Did not answer	836	96.9 1.0	693	97.5	748	95.5 1.8	2277	96.6 1.0	384	97.0	81	97.6	108	94.7	573	96.6	2850	96.6
important.	Dia not answer	4	.5	3	.4	7	1.8 .9	14	.6	_	-	_		2	1.8	2	.3	16	. <del>9</del> .5
·	Total	100	100	89	100	114	100	303	100	18	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	351	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
	DISAGREE	12	12.0	10	11.2	16	14.0	38	12.5	3	16.7	3	21.4	3	18.8	9	18.8	47	13.4
I am concerned about whether		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	86	86.0	78	87.6	96	84.2	260	85.8	15	83.3	11	78.6	13	81.2	39	81.2	299	<i>85.2</i>
my community has sufficient		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
AOD abuse prevention	Did not answer	2	2.0	1	1.1	2	1.8	5	1.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	1.4
programs.	Tetal	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	100 863	100 100	89 711	100 100	114 783	100 100	303 2357	100 100	18 396	100 100	14 83	100 100	16 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	351 2950	100 100

Table 6.1 Cont'd: To what extent do you AGREE or DISAGREE with the following statements? COMMUNITY MEMBERS KEY INFORMANTS Region III **OVERALL** Statewide TOTAL Community Key Informant Urban Rural Frontier Urban Rural Frontier Member TOTAL TOTAL Ν Ν % N % % % % % % Ν % Ν Ν DISAGREE 7.0 22 7.3 5.6 6.2 2 4.2 24 6.8 8 8.0 6 6.7 8 1 1 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 90 88.9 13 93.8 **319** 90.9 90.0 82 92.1 103 90.4 275 90.8 16 92.9 15 44 91.7 Alcohol and drug free youth can 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 best be achieved by educating Did not answer 2 2.0 1 1.1 2.6 6 2.0 5.6 1 7.1 2 4.2 8 2.3 vouth themselves. 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 100 303 100 100 351 100 100 89 114 100 100 18 14 100 16 100 48 100 711 2357 396 83 2950 863 100 100 783 100 100 100 100 114 100 593 100 100 DISAGREE 9.0 5 5.6 8 7.0 22 7.3 2 11.1 2 14.3 1 6.2 5 10.4 27 7.7 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 89 89.0 83 93.3 104 91.2 276 91.1 16 88.9 11 78.6 15 93.8 42 87.5 318 90.6 Alcohol and drug free youth can 765 88.6 650 91.4 88.1 2105 89.3 356 89.9 78 106 93.0 540 91.1 2645 89.7 690 94.0 best be achieved by educating Did not answer 2.0 1 1.1 1.8 1.7 1 7.1 2.1 1.7 parents. 8 1.1 14 1.8 29 1.2 1 1.2 2 1.8 3 .5 32 .8 1.1 Total 100 100 89 100 114 100 303 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 351 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100 DISAGREE 6.0 6 6.7 7.9 21 6.9 3 16.7 2 14.3 10.4 26 7.4 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** 93 93.0 93.3 90.4 279 92.1 15 83.3 11 78.6 16 100 87.5 321 91.5 83 103 42 Alcohol and drug free youth can 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 best be achieved by educating Did not answer 1.0 2 1.8 3 1.0 1 7.1 2.1 4 1.1 the community. 8 15 1.3 2 .5 1 1.2 3 2.6 6 1.0 37 .9 8 1.1 1.9 31 1.3 Total 100 303 100 100 16 100 48 100 351 100 100 89 100 114 18 14 100 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100 DISAGREE 18 5 8 58 16.5 12 12.0 20.2 20 17.5 50 16.5 1 5.6 35.7 2 12.5 16.7 75 18.8 26 6.6 17 20.5 407 8.7 134 137 17.5 346 14.7 18 15.8 10.3 13.8 There are leaders in my **AGREE** 84 84.0 75.3 78.1 240 79.2 17 94.4 9 64.3 14 87.5 83.3 280 79.8 67 89 40 community who are interested 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 in reducing access & abuse of Did not answer 4.0 4 4.5 4.4 13 4.3 13 3.7 23 2.7 28 3.9 30 3.8 81 3.4 2 .5 3 2.6 5 .8 86 2.9 alcohol and other drugs. Total 100 100 89 100 114 100 303 100 18 100 14 100 16 100 48 100 351 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100

Table 6.1 Cont'd: <b>To what</b>	extent do y	ou A	AGRE	E or I	DISA	GREE	with	the	follov	ving	state	emer	nts?						
Region III				сомі	ииии	Y ME	MBERS	5				KE	Y INFO	RMA	NTS			OVEI	RALL
<ul><li>Statewide</li></ul>		Uri	ban	Ru	ral	Froi	ntier		nunity r <b>TOTAL</b>	Ur	ban	Rı	ıral	Froi	ntier	Key Inf	ormant <b>TAL</b>	тот	ΓAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	DISAGREE	16	16.0	18	20.2	26	22.8	60	19.8	-	-	2	14.3	4	25.0	6	12.5	<i>66</i>	18.8
11		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
I know who to go to if I need	AGREE	82	82.0	67	75.3	84	73.7	233	76.9	18	100	12	85.7	12	75.0	42	87.5	<b>275</b>	<i>78.3</i>
help for myself or family		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
members(s) who are abusing	Did not answer	2	2.0	4	4.5	4	3.5	10	3.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>10</b>	2.8
alcohol and other drugs.		15	1.7	15	2.1	17	2.2	47	2.0	-	-	-	-	2	1.8	2	.3	49	1.7
alconor and other drugs.	Total	100	100	<i>89</i>	100	114	100	303	100	<b>18</b>	100	14	100	16	100	48	100	<b>351</b>	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 III* respondents considered alcohol and other drug use prevention among youth as important, a strong majority (96.6% and 96.9% 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 85.2 percent of *Region III* respondents indicated that they were concerned.

Finally, at least eighty-nine percent of the *Statewide* and *Region III* 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	on pl	an fo	r de	aling	with	issue	es sui	roun	ding	subs	stanc	e abı	use					
Region III			сомі	MUNIT	Y MEI	MBERS	5				KE	Y INFO	RMA	NTS			OVE	RALL
<ul><li>Statewide</li></ul>	Uri	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier	Comr Membe	nunity r <b>TOTAL</b>	Ur	ban	Rı	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	ormant <b>TAL</b>	то <sup>-</sup>	TAL
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Yes	31 321	31.0 37.2	16 93	18.0 13.1	14 108	12.3 13.8	61 522	20.1 22.1	9 170	50.0 42.9	4 20	28.6 24.1	3 23	18.8 20.2	16 213	33.3 35.9	77 735	21.9 24.9
No	7 39	7.0 4.5	26 161	29.2 22.6	25 164	21.9 20.9	58 364	19.1 15.4	2 42	11.1 10.6	6 36	42.9 43.4	6 37	37.5 32.5	14 115	29.2 19.4	<mark>72</mark> 479	20.5 16.2
Don't know	57 481	<b>57.0</b> 55.7	45 440	50.6 61.9	<b>72</b> 495	63.2 63.2	174 1416	<b>57.4</b> 60.1	7 181	38.9 45.7	2 23	14.3 27.7	6 53	<b>37.5</b> 46.5	15 257	31.2 43.3	189 1673	53.8 56.7
Did not answer	5 22	5.0 2.5	2 17	2.2 2.4	3 16	2.6 2.0	10 55	3.3 2.3	- 3	- .8	2	14.3 4.8	1 1	6.2 .9	3 8	6.2 1.3	13 63	3.7 2.1
Total	100 863	100 100	89 711	100 100	114 783	100 100	303 2357	100 100	18 396	100 100	14 83	100 100	16 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	<b>351</b> 2950	100 100

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 the *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 was a substance abuse plan in their community.

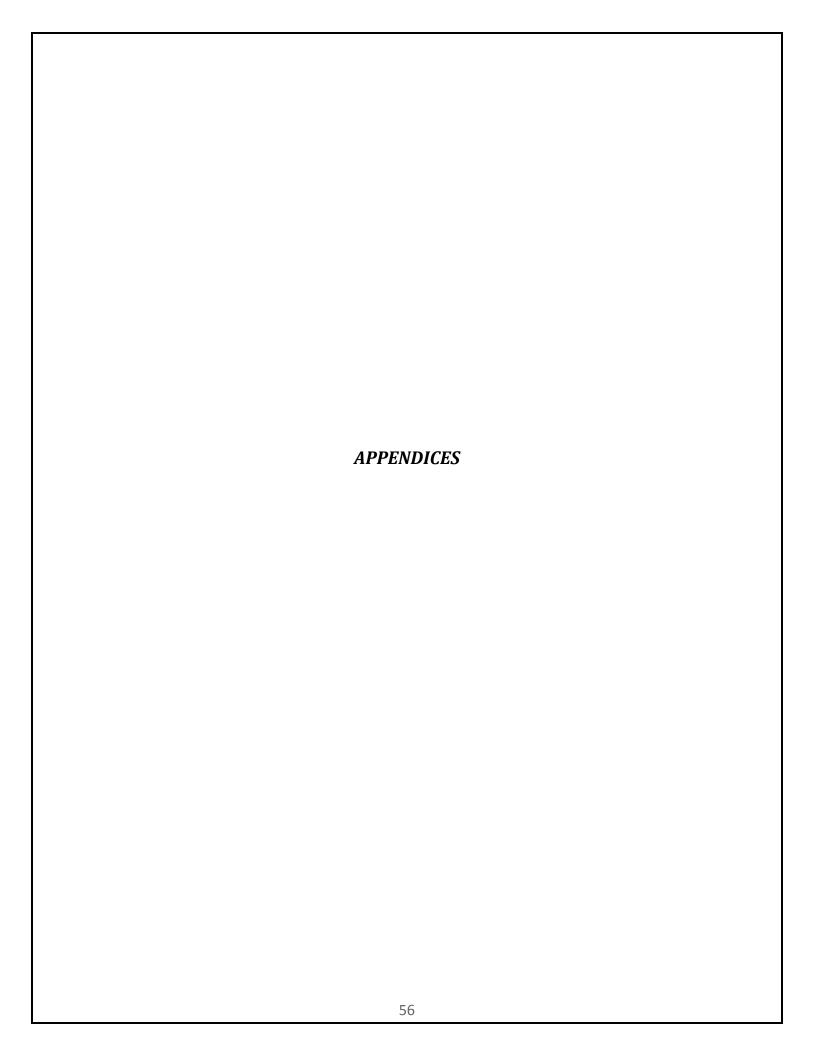
Among *Region III Community Members*, 20.1 percent responded that *yes* they do have a community action plan in place, 19.1 percent specified that *no* there was not a plan in place, and the majority (57.4%) *don't know* if their community had any action plan in place. *Key Informant* respondents appeared to be more informed about the presence of a community action plan where 33.3 percent indicated that *yes* there was a plan in place within their community, 29.2 percent specified that *no* there was not a plan in place and 31.2 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? COMMUNITY MEMBERS KEY INFORMANTS **Region III OVERALL** Statewide Community **Key Informant** TOTAL Rural Frontier Urban Rural Urban Frontier Member TOTAL TOTAL % Ν % % Ν % % % % % % 30 33.7 49 112 11 61.1 5 35.7 9 137 33 33.0 43.0 37.0 56.2 25 52.1 39.0 **Television** 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 32 32.0 18 20.2 17.5 70 23.1 22.2 4 28.6 3 18.8 22.9 **81** 23.1 **Newspapers** 20 11 30.1 280 21.1 22.6 607 25.8 119 21 26 22.8 28.0 773 26.2 32.4 150 177 25.3 166 **Co-workers** 2.0 2 2.2 3.5 2.6 2.3 1.7 19 2.7 35 4.5 69 2.9 17 4.3 2 2.4 6.1 26 4.4 95 3.2 3 2.2 6 1 1 2.1 12 3.4 **Friends** 3.0 2 5.3 11 3.6 6.2 .3 19 2.2 29 4.1 45 5.7 93 3.9 1 5 4.4 6 1.0 99 3.4 2.0 **Neighbors** 4.5 1 .9 1.7 1.0 .5 1.4 10 24 .3 1.2 28 .9 10 1.3 1.0 1.8 .7 19 19.0 24 27.0 21 18.4 64 3 16.7 5 35.7 3 18.8 11 22.9 *75* 21.4 21.1 Other (combination of above to include internet) 172 20.5 19.9 61 15.4 19 99 568 19.3 19.9 146 151 19.3 469 22.9 19 16.7 16.7 Do not know .5 .3 5 .5 2 .6 11 11 .4 Did not answer 10 10.0 9 10.1 13 11.4 32 10.6 32 9.1 7.5 5 7.6 62 7.2 53 73 9.3 188 8.0 27 6.8 6.0 3 2.6 35 5.9 223 Total 18 14 48 100 100 100 100 114 100 303 100 100 100 16 100 100 351 863 100 711 100 783 100 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 III* respondents was *Television* (39.0%) and *Newspapers* was the second most common with 23.1 percent.

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# 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



### 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.

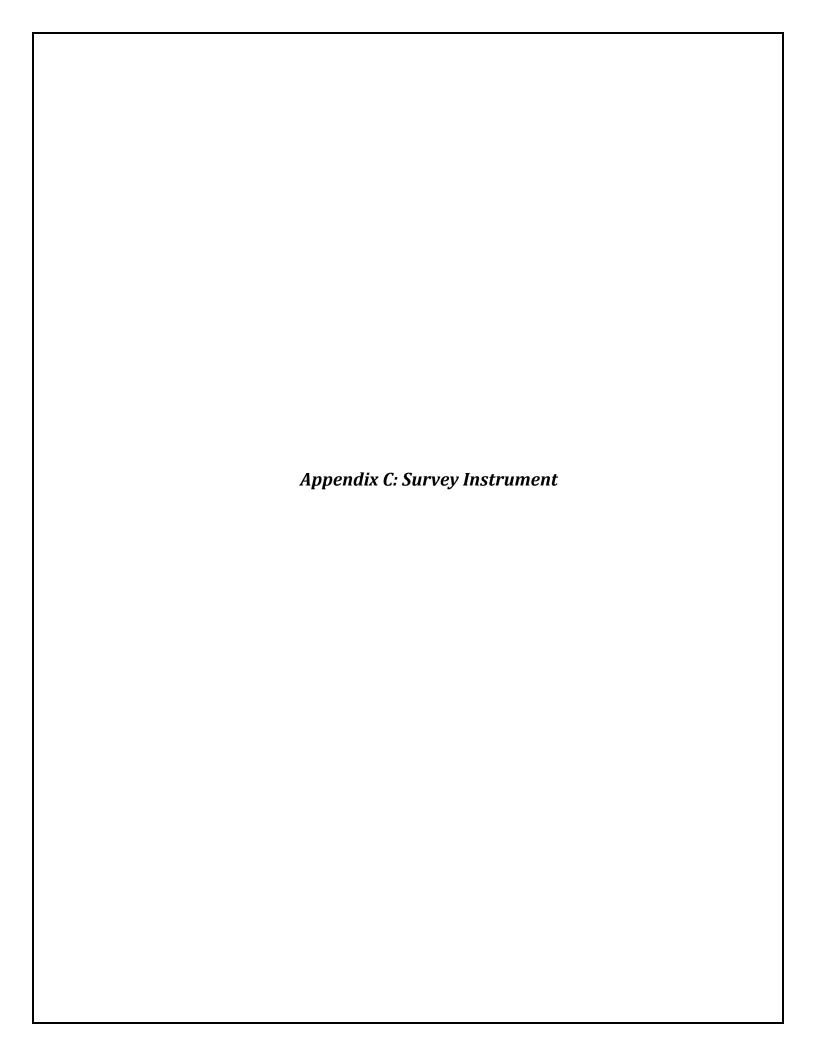
Your support and participation are greatly appreciated. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at 1-800-777-0750, ext. 3441.

Sincerely,

Trista Ortynsky Project Coordinator

Rural Crime and Justice Center

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# 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.

	your age?  □ 18-20 □ 21-24 □ 25-44 □ 45-64 □ 65 and Over
1.2 Sex:	
	□ Male
	☐ Female
1.3 Race	e (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 Emp	oloyment 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)

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# 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					
Youth					
Tobacco					
Adults					
Youth					
Marijuana					
Adults					
Youth					
Inhalants (glue, paint, aero	sols, solvents, etc.)				
Adults					
Youth					
Cocaine					
Adults					
Youth					
Methamphetamine					
Adults					
Youth					
Over-the-Counter Drugs	s (abuse of cough med	dicines, Dramamine	, diet pills, sleeping p	oills, etc.)	
Adults					
Youth					
Prescription Drugs (abus	e of)				
Adults					
Youth					
Hallucinogens (LSD, Shroo	oms, PCP, etc.)				
Adults					
Youth					

	Not a oblem	Minor Problem	Moderate	Serious Problem	Don't Know
Contribution of drug and alcohol use to crashes or injuries (such as automobile, hunting, boating, snowmobiling).					
Contribution of drug and alcohol use to crimes.					
ction 3: Permissiveness of Attitudes	Towa	ard AOI	) Use		
To what extent do you AGREE or DISAGREE with the	St	<i>ving state</i> rongly sagree	ments? Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
It is okay for youth to drink at parties as long as the don't get drunk.					
Youth should be able to drink as long as they don't drive afterwards.					
It is okay for youth to smoke cigarettes.					
Youth who experiment with alcohol or other drugs almost always grow out of it.					
It is okay for parents to offer their youth alcoholic beverages in their home.					
It is okay for parents to offer alcoholic beverages in their home to youth (other than their own children					
In my community, drinking among teenagers is acceptable.					
Driving under the influence of drugs and/or alcoho okay.	l is				
It is okay to ride in a motor vehicle with someone under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol.					

# **Section 4: Community Support for AOD Prevention**

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Law enforcement should be spending more time enforcing the minimum drinking age.				
Schools need to be more active in dealing with alcohol, tobacco, and other drug problems.				
It is possible to reduce alcohol and drug problems through prevention.				
Alcohol and other drug prevention programs are a good investment because they save lives and money.				
The community has the responsibility to set up prevention programs to help people avoid alcohol and other drug problems.				
Public service announcements are a good way to change attitudes about alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use.				
Taxes on alcohol should be increased.				
Taxes on tobacco should be increased.				
Drinking and driving laws are enforced in my local community.				
There should be a law prohibiting giving alcohol to your own children.				
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				
Penalties for adults who provide alcohol to youth				
Penalties for adults who provide alcohol to youth  Compliance checks (used to identify alcohol establishment underage youth)	ts that sell alcoho	Ito		
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Liquor advertisements on TV  Beer and wine advertisements on TV					
Billboard alcohol advertisements					
ould you attend any of the following ev	ents if they w	ere alcoho	ol-free?		
				Yes	No
Party					
Wedding Dance/Reception					
Sporting Event					
	_		ess in your co	ommunity.	
	g questions re	garding acc	Somewhat	Quite	
ection 5: Access to Alcohol and Control of the following the difficult is it for youth to buy beer.	g questions re Not at All Difficult	garding acc Slightly Difficult	Somewhat Difficult	Quite Difficult	Extremel Difficult
	g questions re	garding acc	Somewhat	Quite	
How difficult is it for youth to buy beer, wine, or hard liquor at stores themselves?  How difficult is it for youth to get an older	g questions reg	Slightly Difficult	Somewhat Difficult	Quite Difficult	Difficult
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How difficult is it for youth to buy beer, wine, or hard liquor at stores themselves? How difficult is it for youth to get an older person to buy alcohol for them? How difficult is it for youth to order a drink	g questions reg	Slightly Difficult	Somewhat Difficult	Quite Difficult	Difficult
How difficult is it for youth to buy beer, wine, or hard liquor at stores themselves? How difficult is it for youth to get an older person to buy alcohol for them? How difficult is it for youth to order a drink at a bar?	Not at All Difficult	Slightly Difficult	Somewhat Difficult	Quite Difficult	Difficult
How difficult is it for youth to buy beer, wine, or hard liquor at stores themselves? How difficult is it for youth to get an older person to buy alcohol for them? How difficult is it for youth to order a drink at a bar? How difficult is it for youth to sneak alcohol	Not at All Difficult	Slightly Difficult	Somewhat Difficult	Quite Difficult	Difficult
How difficult is it for youth to buy beer, wine, or hard liquor at stores themselves? How difficult is it for youth to get an older person to buy alcohol for them? How difficult is it for youth to order a drink at a bar? How difficult is it for youth to sneak alcohol from their home or a friend's home? How difficult is it for youth to get their	Not at All Difficult	Slightly Difficult	Somewhat Difficult	Quite Difficult	Difficult
How difficult is it for youth to buy beer, wine, or hard liquor at stores themselves?  How difficult is it for youth to get an older	Not at All Difficult	Slightly Difficult	Somewhat Difficult	Quite Difficult	Difficult

### 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					
Inhalants (glue, paint, aerosols, solvents, etc.)					
Cocaine					
Methamphetamine					
Hallucinogens (LSD, Shrooms, PCP, etc.)					

# **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.				
I am concerned about whether my community has sufficient alcohol and other drug abuse prevention programs.				
Alcohol and drug free youth can best be achieved by educating youth themselves.				
Alcohol and drug free youth can best be achieved by educating parents.				
Alcohol and drug free youth can best be achieved by educating the community.				
There are leaders in my community who are interested in reducing access and abuse of alcohol and other drugs.				
I know who to go to if I need help for myself or family member(s) who are abusing alcohol or other drugs.				

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