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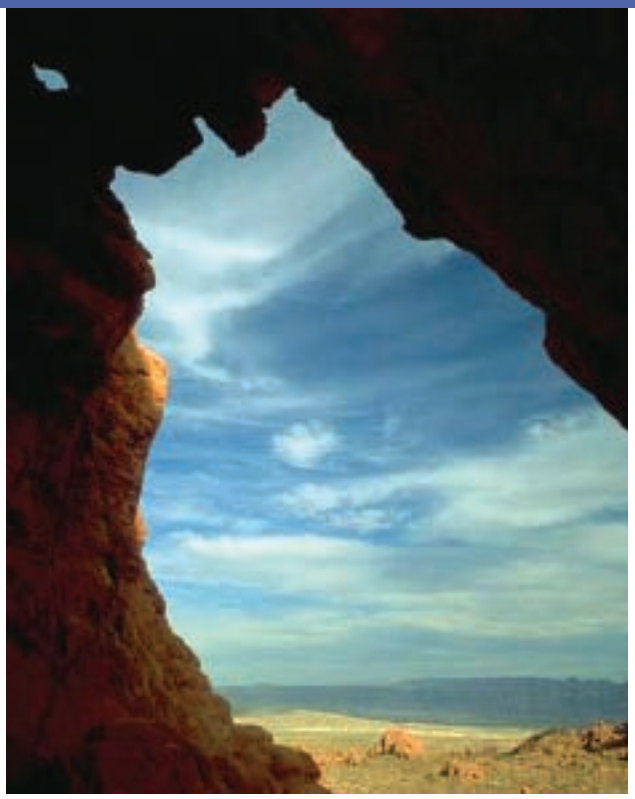

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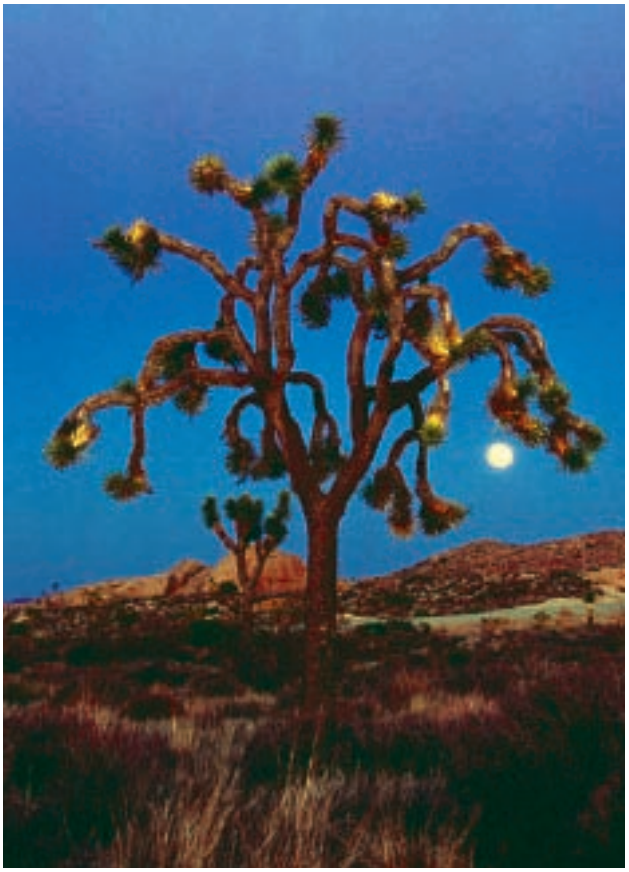

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INTRODUCTION

This is a publication of the "Nevada Data Project". The project was implemented by the Nevada Statewide Coalition Partnership with funding from the Nevada State Incentive Grant (SIG), a Cooperative Agreement grant from the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP), a division of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The funding is administered by Nevada's Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency (SAPTA), an agency of the Nevada Mental Health and Developmental Services Division. Join Together Northern Nevada (JTNN), a substance abuse prevention coalition located in Reno and serving Washoe County, served as the coordinator and fiscal agent for the project. JTNN contracted with Coop Consulting, Inc., a research and evaluation firm, to lead the design and implementation of the project. An ad hoc Data and Evaluation Committee, made up of members of the Partnership and state staff from SAPTA, provided guidance in all aspects of the project.

The goal of the project was to collect comprehensive data for more effective prevention planning by Nevada's communities. To accomplish this goal, two primary data collection strategies were devised. One strategy was designed to obtain statistically reliable data about community and state-level substance abuse and related problems – a statewide random telephone survey with a sample sufficiently large enough to represent each of the state's coalitions was initiated to gather these data (384 was the targeted number of completed interviews from each geographic region). The second strategy was designed to obtain data from multiple sectors of the community that can serve as a local baseline measure of perceptions and norms about the severity of high risk and underage drinking and their consequences, and which can provide specific local information that can be used to target specific interventions – a local convenience survey was developed and implemented by the state's coalitions, collected from community sectors chosen by the coalitions (to obtain a sufficiently large enough sample in each area, each coalition agreed to collect 350 completed surveys). In both survey processes, the coalition target numbers were exceeded in most cases.

Archival data about key indicators are also important to community level planning. Large amounts of data are collected and compiled by state agencies that can be very useful. Data that have been published previously as part of Nevada's 2005 substance abuse Needs Assessment have been updated where possible and included in this project so as to provide the most comprehensive picture of the available data possible. Data include substance use indicators, along with data on some of the major consequences of use, and data reflecting common risk and protective factors associated with substance abuse behaviors. Treatment admission data may also prove useful for planning and are included in the state level report.

INTRODUCTION (CONTINUED)

TELEPHONE SURVEY

The statewide telephone survey was designed to solicit information about a range of substance abuse behaviors, beliefs and opinions, risks, and related resiliency items. The items in the survey were, to the extent possible, chosen from existing, validated, national surveys.

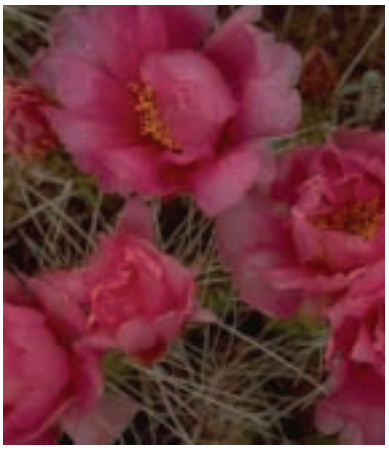
As the resulting survey instrument and implementation protocol are similar to those required for the nationally implemented Behavior Risk Factor Surveillance Survey (BRFSS), a Request for Proposal solicited bids from national survey firms with demonstrated experience implementing the BRFSS and similar rigorous survey protocols. JTNN selected and contracted with the Burlington, Vermont office of Macro International Inc. (Macro) to perform the survey's data collection. The statewide telephone survey was implemented from April through July of 2007. Data collection was conducted via telephone surveys with randomly selected adults in randomly selected, telephone-equipped Nevada households.

The telephone survey sample of numbers was drawn from the total non-institutionalized Nevadan adult population (ages 18 and older) residing in telephone-equipped dwellings. This population excluded adults: (1) in penal, mental, or other institutions; (2) living in other group quarters such as dormitories, barracks, convents, or boarding houses; (3) contacted at their second home during a stay of less than 30 days; (4) living in a home without a telephone; and (5) who do not speak English well enough to be interviewed, except for Spanish-speaking respondents, who were then interviewed by Spanish-speaking interviewers. The resulting sample provided for a proportional-to-adult population, stratified, statewide random sample of telephone-equipped Nevada households. At the conclusion of the survey period, 4,678 telephone interviews were completed.

The survey's sample design specified a list-assisted, random digit dial (RDD) sample of Nevada's telephone-equipped households. The list-assisted RDD procedure assures that households with telephone numbers assigned since the publication of current directories, as well as those with deliberately unlisted numbers, are sampled in their correct proportions. List-assisted state RDD samples are generated by first preparing, and then maintaining, an up-to-date list of all current operating telephone exchanges (three-digit prefixes) in Nevada's area codes. These telephone exchanges, when combined with all four-digit numbers from 0000 to 9999, constitute the set of all possible working Nevada telephone numbers, both residential and non-residential.

This set of all possible telephone numbers is then arranged in ascending order by exchange and suffix, and divided into blocks of 100 numbers each. Cross-reference directories are utilized to determine which of these blocks contain at least one listed residential number (a.k.a. one-plus blocks). The one-plus blocks are then matched to a database of listed phone numbers to identify whether the phone number is listed or unlisted. A random sample of telephone numbers is drawn from the one-plus blocks, sampling listed numbers relative to unlisted numbers at a 1.5:1 ratio. This procedure assures that all new and unlisted numbers are sampled in their correct proportions.

TELEPHONE SURVEY (CONTINUED)



The JTNN Needs Assessment main study included a stratified sample design. This design specified ten geographic strata that encompassed the entire state (these ten geographic areas represent the coverage areas of the state's substance abuse prevention coalitions), plus one strata that comprised a Hispanic surname oversample. Each geographic area was made up of one or more Nevada counties.

Macro purchased a random sample of telephone numbers from Genesys, a national vendor that provides lists of precisely generated telephone numbers, as required by the JTNN contract. These records were pre-screened for non-working and business numbers and configured in batches of 50. An initial sample load of 16,830 records was released on April 23; 16,800 additional records were released on May 9, and 15,150 more on May 16.

Data collection began April 19th, 2007 and ended on July 26th, 2007. The sample design called for a minimum total of 4,220 completed interviews. The target for each strata (each coalition geographic area) was 384 completes. In all, 4,648 interviews were collected. Completes by strata are detailed in the appendix. A computer-assisted telephone interviewing (CATI) approach was implemented for data collection. The telephone survey was fielded from Macro's Plattsburgh, New York CATI Research Center, as well as their sister company, Opinion Research Corporation's, Tucson, Arizona, and Reno, Nevada CATI Research Centers. The telephone survey followed a 15-attempt protocol, in which 15 attempts were made until a final disposition was obtained.

Experienced, supervised personnel conducted the JTNN Needs Assessment interviews using Computers for Marketing Corporation's (CfMC) CATI software package. To maximize response rates, Macro concentrated calls in the respondent's time zone between 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. Monday through Friday; and between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. A portion of calls was conducted between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, in order to complete interviews with respondents who were only at home during the day. The average interview length was 18.8 minutes. Screening to randomly select a respondent in the household took approximately 1.5 minutes.

CONVENIENCE SURVEY

Brief convenience surveys can be useful tools in collecting local data that give very specific information for targeted assessment and planning purposes. To that end, adult, youth, and a Native American convenience survey instruments were developed. These were implemented from March through June 2007 by every community coalition. A total of 8,924 surveys were collected, on paper, from every community in Nevada. These surveys were completed through a broad range of strategies, including one-on-one interview sessions, door-to-door collection strategies, in front of key business locations in communities where a broad range of the population could reasonably be expected to frequent, e-mail strategies, community and focus group collection strategies, and other creative, grass roots approaches. The very large return rate is a reflection of the success of community coalitions in devising these collection strategies.

The goal of these convenience surveys was to collect information about local norms and perceptions of use, ease of access, severity of community behaviors, severity of underage binge drinking and related problems, and similar issues. This data can help local communities determine where and how to focus their efforts when they complete community action plans in the future.

The survey was distributed and collected by each community coalition. Completed surveys were submitted to Coop Consulting for data entry and analysis. JTNN managed the submission and tracking process for this project element.

ABOUT THIS PUBLICATION

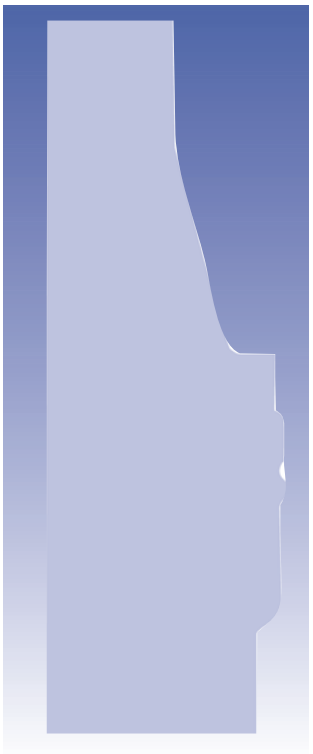
This publication consists of three major components: the results of a statewide telephone survey implemented by a national telephone research company, the results of convenience surveys implemented by all of the state's substance abuse prevention coalitions, and archival data provided by the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency (SAPTA). A fourth component, treatment admission data, is included in the state level report.

DEMOGRAPHICS

County: Eureka

Population Estimate[1] • Eureka		
	Number	**Percent**
Age 0-18	447	29.2
Age 19-44	495	32.4
Age 45-64	397	25.9
Age 65+	190	12.4
Total	**1,530**	**100**

Race Ethnicity Estimate[1] • Eureka		
	Number	**Percent**
Native American/Alaskan	24	1.5
Asian/Pacific Islander	13	0.9
Black/African American	6	0.4
Latino/Hispanic	146	9.6
White	1,341	87.6
Total	**1,530**	**100**



ARCHIVAL DATA

County: Eureka

Community Domain

Availability of Drugs [2]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000	Number	Per 1,000
Youth Accessible Tobacco Outlets	3	6.7	1,974	2.7
Liquor Licenses	11	7.2	3,419	1.3

Transition & Mobility[3]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Owner occupied housing	491	73.7	457,248	60.9
Renter occupied housing	175	26.3	293,918	39.1
Ten Year Percent Change [1] (1997-2007)	- 233	- 13.2% Growth	947,733	53.1% Growth

Low Neighborhood Attachment [4]	County		Nevada	
	Number		Number	
Active Voters	984	90.4%	1,186,656	60.3%
Correctional Facility Inmates	4	4 Per 1,000 adults	4,223	2.4 per 1,000 adults

Extreme Economic Deprivation[5]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Persons Below Poverty Level (2004)	128	9.0	266,984	11.1
Children Below Poverty Level (2003)	49	12.5	91,562	15.8
Unemployment (2006)	28	1.9	54,217	2.1
Food Stamp Recipients (*SFY 07)	16	1.0	118,923	4.4
TANF (*SFY 07)	7	0.5	17,586	0.6
Free/Reduced Lunch (School Year 05-06)	58	25.3	171,118	41.5
Median Household Income (2004)	$42,790		$47,231	
Low Birth Weight (2004)	N/A	N/A	2,799	7.96

ARCHIVAL DATA

County: Eureka

Family Domain

Family History of Problem Behavior and Family Management Problems [6]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 100,000	Number	Per 100,000
Reported Child Abuse/Neglect (2002)	0	0	2,875	5.1
Female/No Husband Present (1999)	33	5.0	83,482	11.1
Non-High School Graduates (2000)	257	23.1	253,374	19.4

Family Conflict [7]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 100,000	Number	Per 100,000
Divorce (2003)	0	0	16,335	9.5
Reported Domestic Violence (2005)	15	980.4	31,237	1,143.8

Parental Attitudes/Involvement [8]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000	Number	Per 1,000
Adult Drug Related Arrests (2005)	4	4.0	10,608	5.8
Adult Alcohol Related Arrests (2005)	12	11.9	15,796	8.6
Adult Property Crime Arrests (2005)	2	2.0	14,990	8.2
Adult Violent Crime Arrests (2005)	14	13.9	19,786	10.8

ARCHIVAL DATA

County: Eureka

School Domain

Commitment to School	County	Nevada
	Percent	Percent
H.S. Dropout Rate (School Year 05-06) [9]	0	5.7
Average Student Attendance (School Year 05-06) [10]	93.9	93.7
Student Graduation Rate (School Year 05-06) [10]	90	64.9

Incidents occurring at school [11] (2005-2006 school year)	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000 Students	Number	Per 1,000 Students
Violent Incidents	0	0	10,052	24.4
Weapon Incidents	0	0	749	1.8
Substance Incidents	6	26.2	1,226	3.0
Habitual Offenders	5	21.8	81	0.2
Truants	1	4.4	1,702	4.1

ARCHIVAL DATA

County: Eureka

Individual/Peer Domain

Problem Behavior [12]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000 youth <18	Number	Per 1,000 youth <18
Youth Suicide (2004)	0	0	11	.02
	Number	Per 1,000 Fem. 15-17	Number	Per 1,000 Fem. 15-17
Teen Birth Rate (2004)	N/A	N/A	3,783	46.59

Juvenile Justice Referrals [13]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000 youth <18	Number	Per 1,000 youth <18
Alcohol Related	12	50.0	2,209	6.7
Drug Related	1	4.2	2,295	7.0
Property Related	4	16.7	8,687	26.3
Weapons Related	0	0	475	1.4

Alcohol & Drug Associated Traffic Crashes [14]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000	Number	Per 1,000
Alcohol/Drug Related Fatalities (2002)	0	0	162	0.07
Alcohol/Drug Related Injury Crashes (2002)	0	0	2,010	0.91
Alcohol/Drug Related Crashes (2002)	4	2.89	4,314	1.96
Alcohol/Drug Related Fatalities (2005)	0	0	159	0.06

Hospital Data for Discharges & Deaths [15]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Drug/Alcohol Related Discharges	N/A	-	5,188	2.3
	Number	Per 1,000	Number	Per 1,000
Drug/Alcohol Related Deaths	0	0	652	28.5

ARCHIVAL DATA

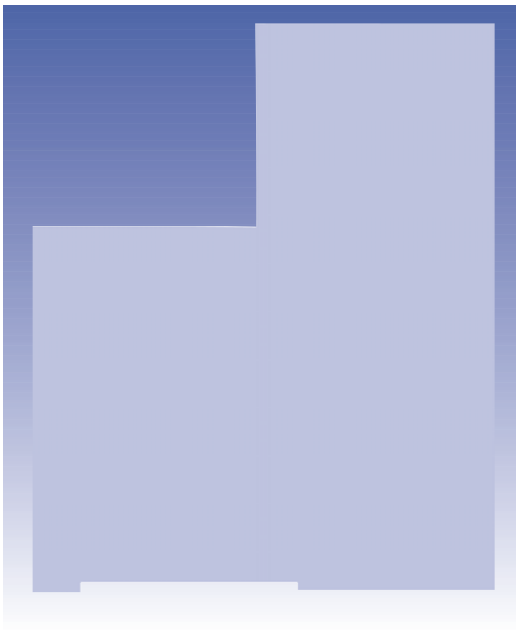
County: Eureka

Individual/Peer Domain (continued)

AIDS, HIV and Sexually Transmitted Disease [16]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 100,000	Number	Per 100,000
AIDS	0	0	253	9.6
HIV	0	0	332	12.6
Chlamydia	N/A	N/A	8,299	316.1
Gonorrhea	0	0	2,766	105.3
Syphilis	0	0	136	5.2

DEMOGRAPHICS

County: Lincoln



Population Estimate[1] • Lincoln		
	Number	**Percent**
Age 0-18	945	24.1
Age 19-44	1,257	32.1
Age 45-64	1,018	26.0
Age 65+	701	17.9
Total	**3,920**	**100**

Race Ethnicity Estimate[1] • Lincoln		
	Number	**Percent**
Native American/Alaskan	82	2.1
Asian/Pacific Islander	23	0.6
Black/African American	10	0.3
Latino/Hispanic	200	5.1
White	3,606	92.0
Total	**3,920**	**100**

ARCHIVAL DATA

County: Lincoln

Community Domain

Availability of Drugs [2]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000	Number	Per 1,000
Youth Accessible Tobacco Outlets	10	10.6	1,974	2.7
Liquor Licenses	15	3.8	3,419	1.3

Transition & Mobility [3]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Owner occupied housing	2,670	99.3	457,248	60.9
Renter occupied housing	2,056	76.5	293,918	39.1
Ten Year Percent Change [1] (1997-2007)	2,157	122.3% Growth	947,733	53.1% Growth

Extreme Economic Deprivation[5]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Persons Below Poverty Level (2004)	454	13.0	266,984	11.1
Children Below Poverty Level (2003)	195	24.1	91,562	15.8
Unemployment (2006)	74	2.0	54,217	2.1
Food Stamp Recipients (*SFY 07)	142	6.6	118,923	4.4
TANF (*SFY 07)	11	0.5	17,586	0.6
Free/Reduced Lunch (School Year 05-06)	482	48.2	171,118	41.5
Median Household Income (2004)	$38,226		$47,231	
Low Birth Weight (2004)	N/A	N/A	2,799	7.96

ARCHIVAL DATA

County: Lincoln

Family Domain

Family History of Problem Behavior and Family Management Problems[6]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 100,000	Number	Per 100,000
Reported Child Abuse/Neglect (2002)	7	8.2	2,875	5.1
Female/No Husband Present (1999)	127	7.9	83,482	11.1
Non-High School Graduates (2000)	451	18.9	253,374	19.4

Family Conflict [7]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 100,000	Number	Per 100,000
Divorce (2003)	9	3.4	16,335	9.5
Reported Domestic Violence (2005)	0	0	31,237	1,143.8

Parental Attitudes/Involvement [8]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000	Number	Per 1,000
Adult Drug Related Arrests (2005)	37	13.5	10,608	5.8
Adult Alcohol Related Arrests (2005)	37	13.5	15,796	8.6
Adult Property Crime Arrests (2005)	10	3.6	14,990	8.2
Adult Violent Crime Arrests (2005)	22	8.0	19,786	10.8

ARCHIVAL DATA

County: Lincoln

School Domain

Commitment to School	County	Nevada
	Percent	Percent
H.S. Dropout Rate (School Year 05-06) [9]	0.3	5.7
Average Student Attendance (School Year 05-06) [10]	95.2	93.7
Student Graduation Rate (School Year 05-06) [10]	83.1	64.9

Incidents occurring at school (2005-2006 school year) [11]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000 Students	Number	Per 1,000 Students
Violent Incidents	5	5.0	10,052	24.4
Weapon Incidents	1	1.0	749	1.8
Substance Incidents	0	0	1,226	3.0
Habitual Offenders	0	0	81	0.2
Truants	3	3.0	1,702	4.1

ARCHIVAL DATA

County: Lincoln

Individual/Peer Domain

Problem Behavior [12]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000 youth <18	Number	Per 1,000 youth <18
Youth Suicide (2004)	0	0	11	.02
	Number	Per 1,000 Fem. 15-17	Number	Per 1,000 Fem. 15-17
Teen Birth Rate (2004)	5	36.47	3,783	46.59

Juvenile Justice Referrals [13]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000 youth <18	Number	Per 1,000 youth <18
Alcohol Related	1	2.0	2,209	6.7
Drug Related	5	9.9	2,295	7.0
Property Related	18	35.7	8,687	26.3
Weapons Related	2	4.0	475	1.4

Alcohol & Drug associated Traffic Crashes [14]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000	Number	Per 1,000
Alcohol/Drug Related Fatalities (2002)	3	0.85	162	0.07
Alcohol/Drug Related Injury Crashes (2002)	0	0	2,010	0.91
Alcohol/Drug Related Crashes (2002)	7	1.97	4,314	1.96
Alcohol/Drug Related Fatalities (2005)	0	0	159	0.06

Hospital Data for Discharges & Deaths [15]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Drug/Alcohol Related Discharges	8	2.0	5,188	2.3
	Number	Per 1,000	Number	Per 1,000
Drug/Alcohol Related Deaths	N/A	-	652	28.5

ARCHIVAL DATA

County: Lincoln

Individual/Peer Domain (continued)

AIDS, HIV and Sexually Transmitted Disease [16]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 100,000	Number	Per 100,000
AIDS	0	0	253	9.6
HIV	0	0	332	12.6
Chlamydia	N/A	N/A	8,299	316.1
Gonorrhea	0	0	2,766	105.3
Syphilis	0	0	136	5.2

DEMOGRAPHICS

County: White Pine

Population Estimate[1] • White Pine		
	Number	**Percent**
Age 0-18	1,932	24.3
Age 19-44	2,457	30.9
Age 45-64	2,138	26.9
Age 65+	1,418	17.8
Total	**7,945**	**100**

Race Ethnicity Estimate[1] • White Pine		
	Number	**Percent**
Native American/Alaskan	406	5.1
Asian/Pacific Islander	111	1.4
Black/African American	47	0.6
Latino/Hispanic	786	9.9
White	6,595	83
Total	**7,945**	**100**

ARCHIVAL DATA

County: White Pine

Community Domain

Availability of Drugs [2]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000	Number	Per 1,000
Youth Accessible Tobacco Outlets	15	7.8	1,974	2.7
Liquor Licenses	25	3.1	3,419	1.3

Transition & Mobility [3]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Owner occupied housing	2,515	76.6	457,248	60.9
Renter occupied housing	767	23.4	293,918	39.1
Ten Year Percent Change [1] (1997-2007)	1,094	12.1% Growth	947,733	53.1% Growth

Low Neighborhood Attachment[4]	County		Nevada	
	Number		Number	
Active Voters	5,164	71.0	1,186,656	60.3%
Correctional Facility Inmates	20	3.5	4,223	2.4 per 1,000 adults

Extreme Economic Deprivation[5]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Persons Below Poverty Level (2004)	959	12.4	266,984	11.1
Children Below Poverty Level (2003)	313	16.9	91,562	15.8
Unemployment (2006)	171	2.1	54,217	2.1
Food Stamp Recipients (*SFY 07)	420	5.3	118,923	4.4
TANF (*SFY 07)	42	0.5	17,586	0.6
Free/Reduced Lunch (School Year 05-06)	313	25.0	171,118	41.5
Median Household Income (2004)	$39,420		$47,231	
Low Birth Weight (2004)	5	7.35	2,799	7.96

ARCHIVAL DATA

County: White Pine

Family Domain

Family History of Problem Behavior and Family Management Problems[6]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 100,000	Number	Per 100,000
Reported Child Abuse/Neglect (2002)	20	10.5	2,875	5.1
Female/No Husband Present (1999)	305	9.3	83,482	11.1
Non-High School Graduates (2000)	1112	21.3	253,374	19.4

Family Conflict [7]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 100,000	Number	Per 100,000
Divorce (2003)	27	4.7	16,335	9.5
Reported Domestic Violence (2005)	39	490.9	31,237	1,143.8

Parental Attitudes/Involvement [8]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000	Number	Per 1,000
Adult Drug Related Arrests (2005)	9	1.6	10,608	5.8
Adult Alcohol Related Arrests (2005)	49	8.6	15,796	8.6
Adult Property Crime Arrests (2005)	22	3.9	14,990	8.2
Adult Violent Crime Arrests (2005)	39	6.9	19,786	10.8

ARCHIVAL DATA

County: White Pine

School Domain

Commitment to School	County	Nevada
	Percent	Percent
H.S. Dropout Rate (School Year 05-06) [9]	2.4	5.7
Average Student Attendance (School Year 05-06) [10]	92.9	93.7
Student Graduation Rate (School Year 05-06) [10]	72.7	64.9

Incidents occurring at school (2005-2006 school year) [11]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000 Students	Number	Per 1,000 Students
Violent Incidents	29	23.3	10,052	24.4
Weapon Incidents	1	0.8	749	1.8
Substance Incidents	4	3.2	1,226	3.0
Habitual Offenders	5	4.0	81	0.2
Truants	15	12.0	1,702	4.1

ARCHIVAL DATA

County: White Pine

Individual/Peer Domain

Problem Behavior [12]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000 youth <18	Number	Per 1,000 youth <18
Youth Suicide (2004)	0	0	11	.02
	Number	Per 1,000 Fem. 15-17	Number	Per 1,000 Fem. 15-17
Teen Birth Rate (2004)	9	31.7	3,783	46.59

Juvenile Justice Referrals [13]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000 youth <18	Number	Per 1,000 youth <18
Alcohol Related	33	29.8	2,209	6.7
Drug Related	13	11.7	2,295	7.0
Property Related	27	24.3	8,687	26.3
Weapons Related	1	0.9	475	1.4

Alcohol & Drug associated Traffic Crashes [14]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000	Number	Per 1,000
Alcohol/Drug Related Fatalities (2002)	0	0	162	0.07
Alcohol/Drug Related Injury Crashes (2002)	0	0	2,010	0.91
Alcohol/Drug Related Crashes (2002)	20	2.62	4,314	1.96
Alcohol/Drug Related Fatalities (2005)	5	0.62	159	0.06

Hospital Data for Discharges & Deaths [15]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Drug/Alcohol Related Discharges	16	1.8	5,188	2.3
	Number	Per 1,000	Number	Per 1,000
Drug/Alcohol Related Deaths	N/A	-	652	28.5

ARCHIVAL DATA

County: White Pine

Individual/Peer Domain (continued)

AIDS, HIV and Sexually Transmitted Disease [16]	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 100,000	Number	Per 100,000
AIDS	0	0	253	9.6
HIV	N/A	--	332	12.6
Chlamydia	17	213.2	8,299	316.1
Gonorrhea	N/A	--	2,766	105.3
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NEVADA STATEWIDE TELEPHONE SURVEY: DATA FROM EUREKA, LINCOLN, AND WHITE PINE COUNTIES, SERVED BY EASTERN NEVADA COMMUNITIES COALITION

The design of the Nevada statewide telephone survey consisted of a random sample of adults aged 18 and above from each of ten geographic regions of the state, plus a sample of Hispanic adults from Clark County. These ten regions are the coverage area of the state's substance abuse prevention coalitions, and together constitute all of Nevada. These regions range in size from one county to three counties. The multi-county coalition areas of the state reflect contiguous groupings of counties with small populations. The breakdown of these regions is reflected in the table below. An additional sample was purchased of Hispanic surname households in Clark County in order to provide data for use by the Hispanic community coalition in that county.

Nevada Coalition	County/-ies in coverage area
BEST Community Coalition	Clark County (shared sample with Goshen)
Churchill Community Coalition	Churchill County
Community Council on Youth	Carson City
Eastern Nevada Community Coalition	Eureka, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties
Frontier Community Coalition	Humboldt, Lander, and Pershing Counties
Goshen Community Development Coalition	Clark County (shared sample with BEST)
Healthy Communities Coalition	Lyon, Storey, and Mineral Counties
Join Together Northern Nevada	Washoe County
Luz Community Development Coalition	Clark County – Hispanic community (standalone sample)
Nye Community Coalition	Esmeralda and Nye Counties
Partners Allied for Community Excellence	Elko County
Partnership of Community Resources	Douglas County
Statewide Native American Coalition	Twenty-seven tribal communities across state and urban area Native Americans (all Native telephone survey participants are included in counties above; not a separate sample)

The survey protocol was designed with a targeted number of 384 participants from all of the areas described above. In many areas of the state, the final sample of completed telephone interviews exceeded this target number. Individual county random samples of adults from every county were not possible due to the very small populations of some of the state's counties. For this reason the breakdown of coalition coverage areas was used to gather a sufficient total sample for this survey. A total of 4,648 completed telephone interviews was obtained. This report concentrates on respondents contacted in Eureka, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties, which are served by Eastern Nevada Communities Coalition.

The table below provides a breakdown of respondents (completed interviews) by county of residence.

COUNTY	NUMBER	PERCENT
CLARK	5	1.2
EUREKA	45	10.5
LANDER	1	.2
LINCOLN	157	36.5
LYON	1	.2
MINERAL	1	.2
NYE	8	1.9
WHITE PINE	204	47.4
Total	422	98.1
Missing	8	1.9
Total with Missing	430	100.0

Zip Codes

Zip Codes	Number	Percent
89001	29	6.7
89008	47	10.9
89015	2	.5
89017	5	1.2
89027	1	.2
89042	41	9.5
89043	33	7.7
89060	1	.2
89301	130	30.2
89311	11	2.6
89312	1	.2
89314	7	1.6
89315	16	3.7
89316	30	7.0
89317	11	2.6
89318	33	7.7
89319	6	1.4
89820	1	.2
89821	15	3.5
Total	420	97.7
Missing	10	2.3
Total with Missing	430	100.0

Following reporting convention, percentage calculations are rounded and in some cases in this report will not sum to 100%.

DEMOGRAPHICS

The demographic information that follows reflects survey data on all respondents' age, marital status, employment status, income, education level, and race. Answers are shown in the tables below.

The total random telephone survey sample included respondents who ranged in age from 18 to 90 years. The average age of the sample was 52.75 years.

Gender

	Number	Percent
Female	247	57.4
Male	183	42.6
Total	430	100.0

Marital Status

Status	Number	Percent
Married	262	60.9
Divorced	58	13.5
Widowed	48	11.2
Separated	6	1.4
Never Married	44	10.2
A Member of an Unmarried Couple	12	2.8
Total	430	100.0

DEMOGRAPHICS CONTINUED

Employment Status

Status	Number	Percent
Employed for Wages	183	42.6
Self-Employed	38	8.8
Out of Work for More than a Year	5	1.2
Out of Work for Less than a Year	10	2.3
A Homemaker	43	10.0
A Student	5	1.2
Unable to Work	22	5.1
Total	306	71.2
Missing	124	28.8
Total	430	100.0

Income

Amount	Number	Percent
Less than $10,000	17	4.0
$10,000 to less than $15,000	13	3.0
$15,000 to less than $25,000	29	6.7
$20,000 to less than $25,000	39	9.1
$25,000 to less than $35,000	45	10.5
$35,000 to less than $50,000	78	18.1
$75,000 or more	76	17.7
Total	297	69.1
Missing	133	30.9
Total with Missing	430	100.0

Education

Completed	Number	Percent
Grades 1 through 8 (elementary)	7	1.6
Grades 9 through 11 (some high school)	24	5.6
Grade 12 or GED (high school)	152	35.3
1 to 3 years of college	141	32.8
College graduate	105	24.4
Total	429	99.8
Missing	1	.2
Total with Missing	430	100.0

DEMOGRAPHICS CONTINUED

Race

Race	Number	Percent
White	394	91.6
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1	.2
American Indian	19	4.4
Alaskan Native	1	.2
Total	415	96.5
Missing	15	3.5
Total with Missing	430	100.0

Hispanic / Latino Status

	Number	Percent
Yes	26	6.0
No	400	93.0
Total	426	99.1
Missing	4	.9
Total with Missing	430	100.0

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Number of Children Under the Age of 18 in Your Household

Number of Children	Number	Percent
None	301	70.0
One	46	10.7
Two	42	9.8
Three	19	4.4
Four	11	2.6
Five	5	1.2
Six	4	.9
Total	428	99.5
Missing	2	.5
Total with Missing	430	100.0

A total of 127 respondents, or 29%, reported having one or more children in their household under the age of 18 years.

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES CONTINUED

Are you the Parent or Guardian of these Children?

	Number	Percent
Yes	117	27.2
No	11	2.6
Total	128	29.8
Missing	302	70.2
Total with Missing	430	100.0

A total of 117, or 92%, of those reporting having children under the age of 18 in their household are also the parents or guardians of those children.

Respondents who had young children were asked how many hours their children were in daycare or childcare programs.

Hours per week children in daycare

Number of hours per week	Number	Percent
0	49	11.4
1-10	12	2.8
11-20	7	1.6
21-30	2	.5
31-40	2	.5
41+	1	.2
Total	73	17.0
Missing	357	83.0
Total with Missing	430	100.0

Hours per week children in after-school

Number of hours per week	Number	Percent
0	78	18.1
1-5	17	4.0
6-10	4	.9
11-15	1	.2
16-20	2	.5
Total	102	23.7
Missing	328	76.3
Total with Missing	430	100.0

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Respondents were asked how many hours per week and per month they spent volunteering in their community. One way to look at the strength of various communities is to see how much time people spend volunteering. Community involvement, hours spent outside work and home in a volunteer capacity are factors in understanding community strengths. In the tables below, 135 respondents, or just over 31%, report volunteering each week in their community, and 152, or 35%, report participating in community service activities.

Hours per week spent volunteering

Number of hours per week	Number	Percent
0	288	67.0
1-2	55	12.8
3-4	28	6.5
5+	52	12.1
Total	423	98.4
Missing	7	1.6
Total with Missing	430	100.0

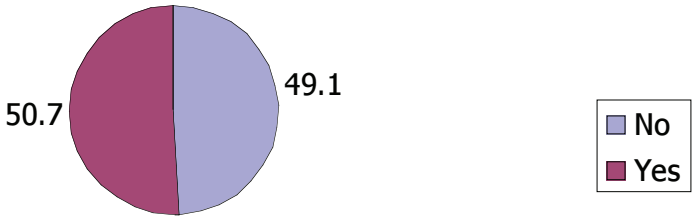
Hours spent in community service activities per month

Number of hours per month	Number	Percent
0	273	63.5
1-3	49	11.4
4-6	36	8.4
7-10	19	4.4
11-15	17	4.0
16+	31	7.2
Total	425	98.8
Missing	5	1.2
Total with Missing	430	100.0

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT CONTINUED

Positive adult presence, outside the family, can be very important for youth, often leading to less risky behaviors and creating adolescent resiliency. Respondents were asked if they had a mentoring or nurturing relationship with youth other than their own children in the community.

Have mentoring relationship with Community Youth



Research suggests that family time spent in non-television related activities-- such as games, reading, sports, discussions, exercise, craft projects, school activities, hobbies, etc.—is beneficial to child mental and physical health outcomes. These types of activities are also important in building positive family relationships that support healthy youth development. Questions were asked to reflect what types of activities parents were involved in with their children and facility/frequency of discussion on drugs, including alcohol. The data below, which are frequently about family behaviors, should be understood within the context of the 117 adults, reported above, who are the parent or guardian of one or more children in their household.

Times family had dinner together without TV on

Number of times in the past week	Number	Percent
0	25	5.8
1-2	11	2.6
3-4	26	6.0
5-7	51	11.9
Total	113	26.3
Missing	317	73.7
Total with Missing	430	100.0

Of the 117 adults who reported being a parent or guardian of children in the household, 88, or 75%, report having dinner together without the TV on at least once during the past week.

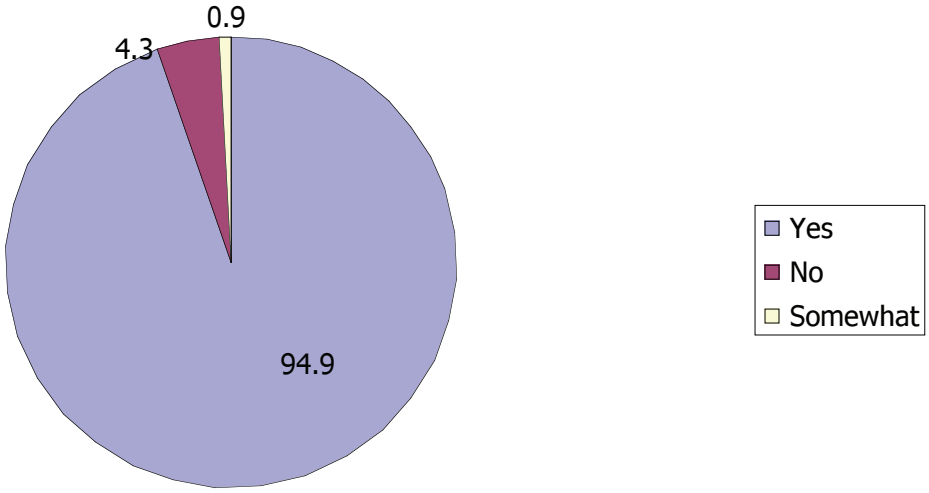
COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT CONTINUED

Number of times you attended religious or spiritual services with your children in the past three months?

Number of times in past 3 months	Number	Percent
0	50	11.6
1-3	11	2.6
4-6	10	2.3
7-10	9	2.1
11+	37	8.6
Total	117	27.2
Missing	313	72.8
Total with Missing	430	100.0

Respondents were asked if they felt they had the knowledge to talk to their children about alcohol and drugs, and how often those conversations occurred.

Do You have the knowledge to talk to your children about drugs?



How many times have you talked to your children about drug and alcohol issues during the past three months?

Number of times in past 3 months	Number	Percent
0	22	5.1
1-2	21	4.9
3-5	22	5.1
6-8	11	2.6
9+	27	6.3
Child is too young for this topic	12	2.8
Total	115	26.7
Missing	315	73.3
Total with Missing	430	100.0

PERCEPTION OF RISK

Perception of risk addresses the likelihood that a respondent believes there will be a negative consequence of a particular activity. This can provide various ways for communities to consider planning for community level change. The sections below show respondents' perception of risk related to alcohol use, access, and drinking and driving.

Perceived Risk of Underage Drinking and Underage Drinking and Driving

Research suggests that the degree of perceived risk of specific, immediate consequences of (in this case underage drinking and drinking and driving) can determine the likelihood of that behavior.

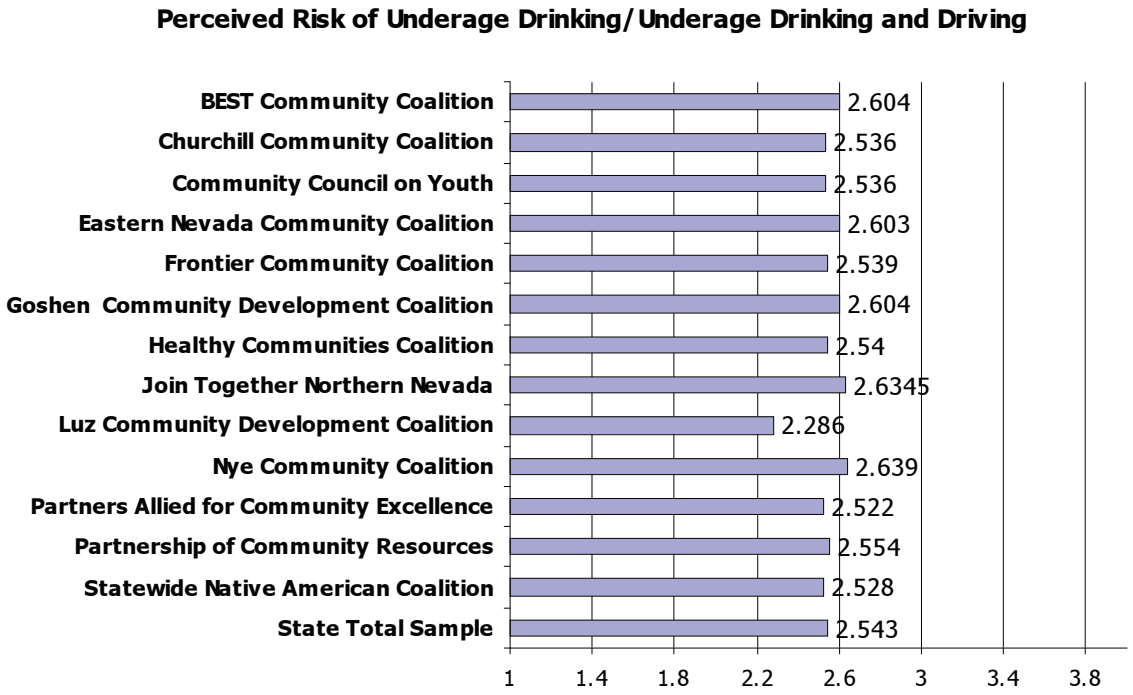
The items related on the graph below look at:

- how likely the respondents thought it was that someone underage who was drinking would be caught by the police;
- how likely someone under 21 who was drinking and driving would be to lose their license;
- how likely it was that nothing would happen to someone under 21 who was caught drinking and driving (this item was reverse-coded to match response direction of the two questions above).

Items in the survey were combined to create a scale that measures perceived risk with regard to underage drinking and underage drinking and driving. Each of the items was scored on a scale that ranged from 1 = very likely to 4 = very unlikely (the ratings were added and divided by 4 to create a scale score between 1 and 4).

The following graphs provide the average ratings for each of the coalition areas in the state. The Luz Coalition is representative of Clark County Hispanics and the Statewide Native American Coalition includes Nevada Native Americans from all the Tribes in the state.

PERCEPTION OF RISK CONTINUED



The average score of 2.54 indicates that respondents think there is little perception of risk that underage youth will suffer any consequences for drinking alcohol or for drinking and driving. A scale score of 2.5 is a neutral score, the midpoint between very likely and very unlikely.

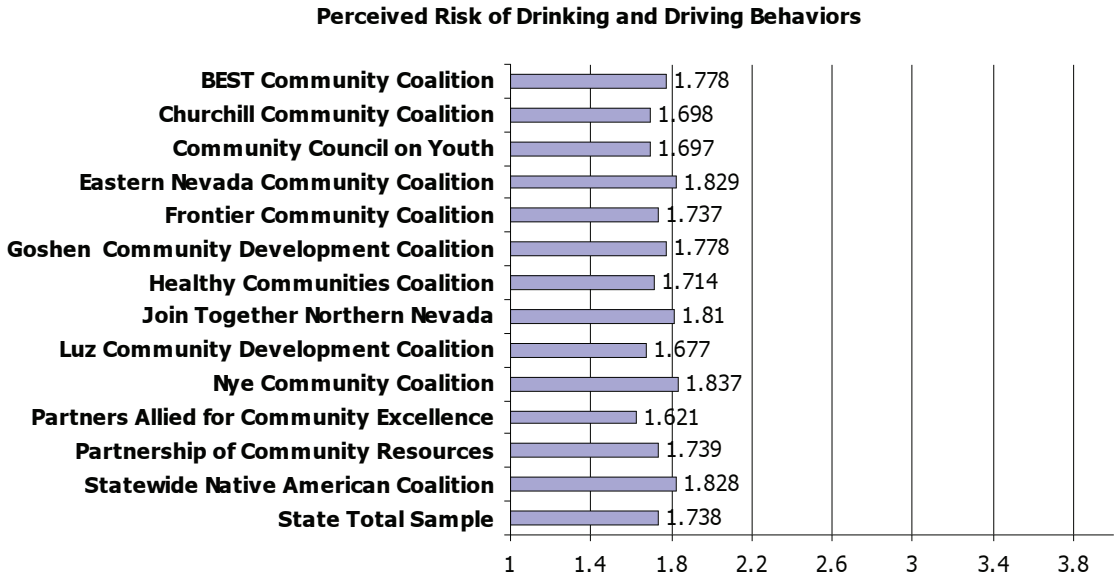
Perceived Risk of Drinking and Driving Behaviors

Motor vehicle-related injuries are a leading cause of death in Nevada; this includes minors affected by alcohol-related accidents. The information below deals with perceptions of risk involved in drinking and driving, and the likelihood of being impacted if driving under the influence (DUI).
Perception of drinking and driving risks are measured in the section below through the following survey items:

- likelihood of being stopped by the police when driving with more than the legal blood alcohol limit;
- likelihood of being convicted if you were stopped and charged with DUI;
- likelihood of being arrested if stopped by the police for DUI.

Ratings were summed as for the previous scale and average score for the sample identified in the following graph and compared to other coalition areas in the state.

PERCEPTION OF RISK CONTINUED



The average state score of 1.738 indicates that respondents think it is somewhat likely that people will suffer consequences of drinking and driving.

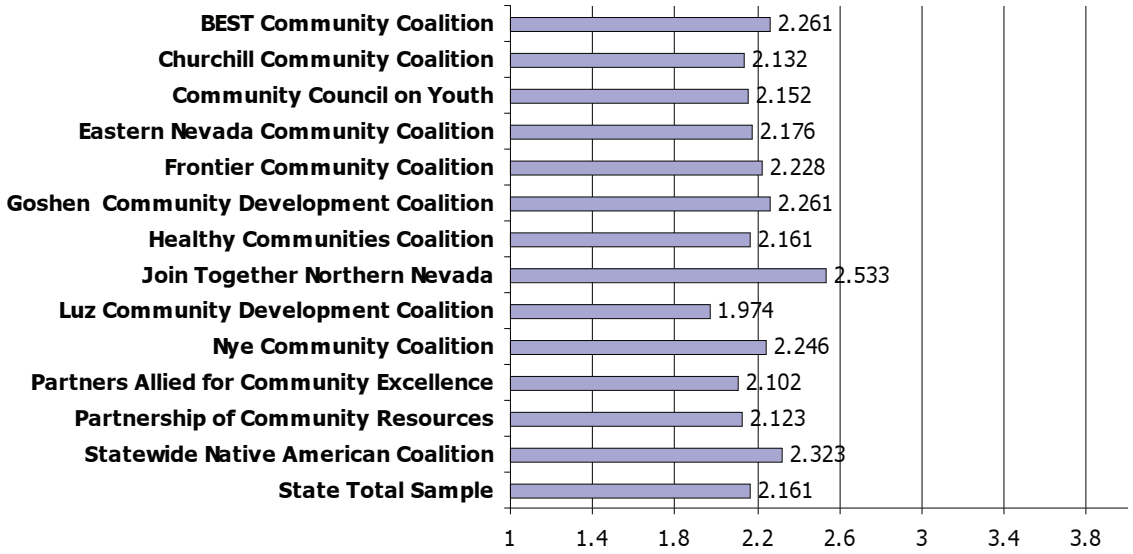
PERCEPTION OF RISK CONTINUED

Perceived Risk of Providing Alcohol to Minors and Intoxicated Patrons

An important aspect of alcohol use is how minors and intoxicated persons obtain alcohol, where it is purchased, and consequences of selling to underage persons. The graph reflects the perceived risk of selling alcohol to a minor or an intoxicated person. A risk scale for illegally providing alcohol was constructed from two survey items:

- the likelihood of being arrested for selling alcohol to an intoxicated person;
- the likelihood of being given a citation and fined for giving or selling alcohol to someone under 21 years of age.

Perceived Risk of Providing/Selling Alcohol to Minors or Intoxicated Persons



The average state score of 2.16 indicates that respondents think it is only somewhat likely that people will suffer consequences of selling alcohol to minors and intoxicated persons (1 = very likely, 4 = very unlikely).

PERCEPTION OF RISK CONTINUED

Respondents also were asked about the consequences of selling to someone less than 21 years of age.

Consequences for selling alcohol to minors

Possibility	Number	Percent
They would be fined	192	44.7
Lose their license to sell	107	24.9
They would go to jail	55	12.8
Nothing would happen	51	11.9
Total	405	94.2
Missing	25	5.8
Total with Missing	430	100.0

How frequent and present are police sobriety checkpoints? The awareness of enforcement activity is one of the key predictors of perception of risk. Information below reflects how many times respondents had been through a sobriety checkpoint in the past year, which can serve as one measure of awareness of the level of enforcement activity.

Number of times through a sobriety checkpoint in the past year?

Times in the past year	Number	Percent
0	407	94.7
1	11	2.6
2	5	1.2
3	2	.5
8	2	.5
10	1	.2
Total	428	99.5
Missing	2	.5
Total with Missing	430	100.0

Responses ranged from 0 to 10 with the majority of responses 0. The average number of times for the entire sample was .12 (almost 0) indicating that sobriety checkpoints are very infrequent.

Perception of Harm to Self

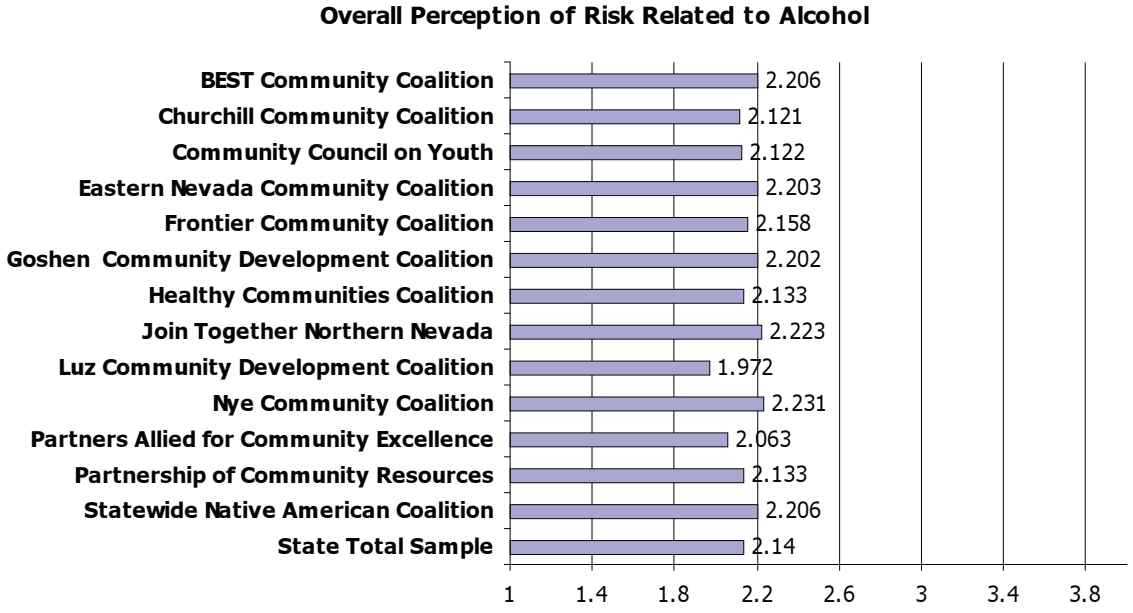
Another question focused on the risk of harming themselves physically and in other ways when they have 5 or more drinks of alcohol once or twice a week. Binge and heavy drinking is associated with multiple poor health outcomes, including addiction, disability due to injury, early death, and physical and mental health problems. The average rating for harm to self was 3.32 indicating that respondents thought 5 or more drinks at one sitting once or twice a week is a great risk.

PERCEPTION OF RISK CONTINUED

Risk	Number	Percent
No Risk	11	2.6
Slight Risk	57	13.3
Moderate Risk	138	32.1
Great Risk	213	49.5
Total	419	97.4
Missing	11	2.6
Total with Missing	430	100.0

Overall Perception of Risk

How does a community perceive risk? What is the perceived impact of alcohol use on a community? The graph below includes all risk items discussed above. It is a global measure of a community's perception of the risks associated with getting caught drinking if underage, drinking and driving, selling alcohol to minors and intoxicated patrons and harm to self from binge drinking.



The state average of 2.14 indicates that respondents felt it was only somewhat likely that people experience consequences from underage drinking, getting caught drinking if underage, drinking and driving, selling alcohol to minors and intoxicated patrons and harm to self from binge drinking (the midpoint risk measure on this scale is 2.5; risk is very likely = 1, risk is very unlikely = 4).

NORMS

Norms provide the context for behavior choices. Respondents were asked whether they agreed or disagreed that parents should not let their children or their children's friends who are under 18 years of age drink alcohol at home. Respondents used a five point rating from strongly agree to strongly disagree.

Strongly agree	284	66.0
Agree	59	13.7
Neither Agree Nor Disagree	29	6.7
Disagree	29	6.7
Strongly Disagree	23	5.3
Total	424	98.6
Missing	6	1.4
Total with Missing	430	100.0

PRICING

Do pricing strategies increase retail sales? The table below shows whether respondents agree that they are more likely to buy alcohol from a store that advertises discount pricing on alcohol.

Rating	Number	Percent
I don't buy alcohol.	117	27.2
Strongly agree	42	9.8
Agree	58	13.5
Neither agree nor disagree	72	16.7
Disagree	71	16.5
Strongly disagree	67	15.6
Total	427	99.3
Missing	3	.7
Total with Missing	430	100.0

PROMOTION

How prominent is advertising for alcohol at public events? The information below reflects how often respondents see alcohol advertising at sporting and other events they might attend.

Rating	Number	Percent
I don't attend these events.	41	9.5
A lot	144	33.5
Sometimes	146	34.0
Never	86	20.0
Total	417	97.0
Missing	13	3.0
Total with Missing	430	100.0

ENFORCEMENT OF ALCOHOL LAWS

What is the perception of enforcement of alcohol laws in Nevada? Should sobriety checkpoints be a regular part of police activity? Respondents were asked if they agree that police should conduct regular sobriety checkpoints to detect drinking and driving. The table below details their responses.

Rating	Number	Percent
Strongly agree	241	56.0
Agree	117	27.2
Neither agree nor disagree	28	6.5
Disagree	24	5.6
Strongly disagree	14	3.3
Total	424	98.6
Missing	6	1.4
Total with Missing	430	100.0

ENFORCEMENT OF ALCOHOL LAWS CONTINUED

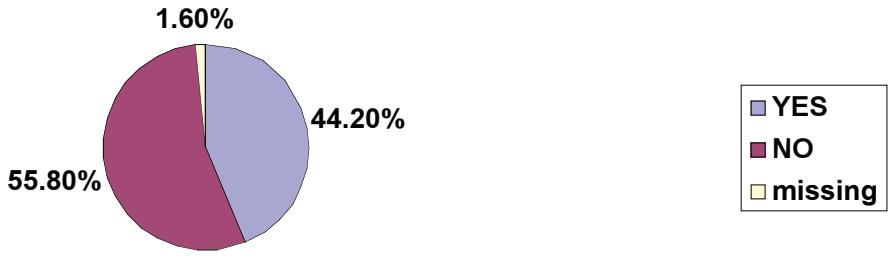
Are enforcement practices sufficient? The table below details respondent perception as to whether Nevada's enforcement of drinking and driving laws was appropriate, ranking from "too strict" to "not strict enough".

Rating	Number	Percent
Too strict	10	2.3
Not strict enough	124	28.8
Just about right	156	36.3
Total	290	67.4
Missing	140	32.6
Total with Missing	430	100.0

How prominent are police efforts in the community in dealing with drinking and driving?

The graphs below show whether respondents have heard or seen anything about police setting up sobriety checkpoints or other enforcement efforts to catch drivers who were driving while under the influence of alcohol, and whether the respondent has been arrested for DUI in the past year.

Heard anything about alcohol law enforcment activities?

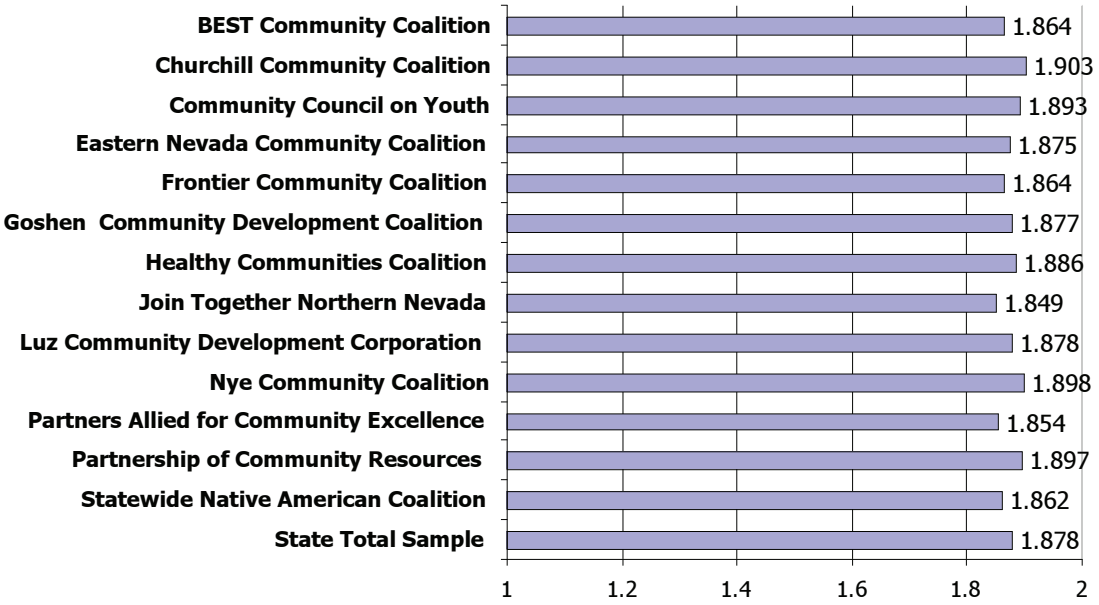


Have you been arrested for DWI in the past year?

RETAIL ACCESS BY INTOXICATED PATRONS

Two items measured retail access issues related to sales to patrons already intoxicated. One question asked if the respondent had seen other people served alcohol when they were already intoxicated during the past 30 days and the other question asked if during the past 30 days the respondent had been served alcohol when they had already had too much to drink. These items were combined into a scale with 1 = yes and 2 = no. Lower scores (closer to 1) indicate that the respondents did not see or experience alcohol control measures through beverage servers or sales people, but instead observed alcohol being made readily available to intoxicated persons.

Retail Access by Intoxicated Adults



ACCESS TO ALCOHOL FOR MINORS

Three items asked about access to alcohol by minors. The first question asked respondents (N=6 minors in the sample) how easy it is for them to get alcohol.

Difficulty	Number	Percent without Missing
Very difficult	1	16.7
Somewhat difficult	1	16.7
Somewhat easy	2	33.3
Very easy	2	33.3
Total	6	100.0
Missing	424	
Total with Missing	430	

This was followed by a question that asked the minors who responded how they got their alcohol.

Where	Number	Percent without Missing
I did not drink alcohol during the past 30 days	4	57.1
I got it from a friend or acquaintance of my parents	1	14.3
Other	2	28.6
Total	7	100.0
Missing	423	
Total with Missing	430	

Was your ID checked during alcohol purchases in the past 30 days?

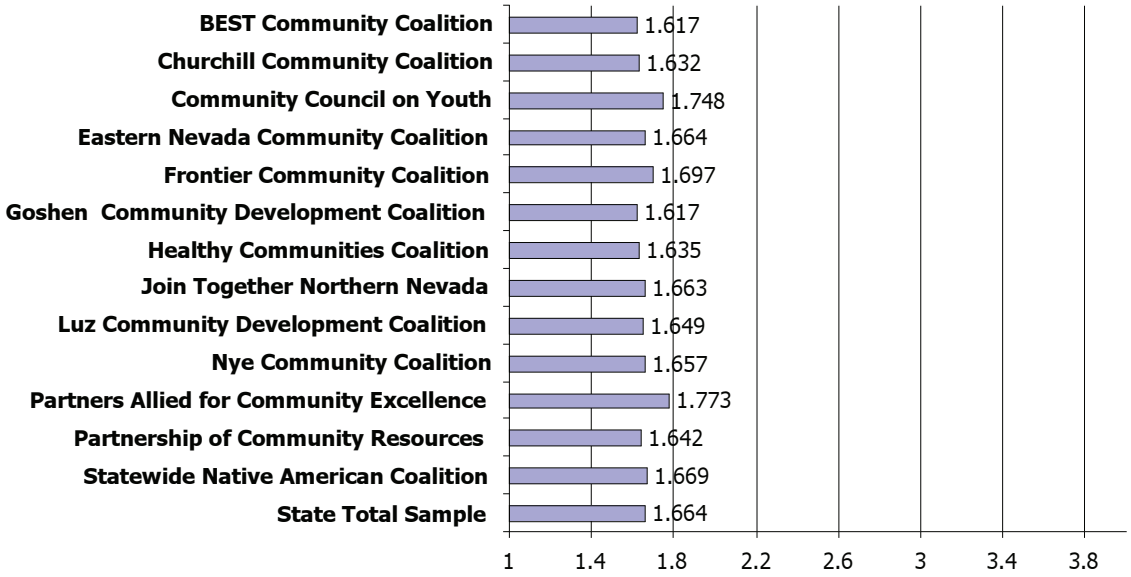
SUPPORT FOR ALCOHOL POLICY

Five questions at the end of the interview measured respondents' attitudes (strongly favor to strongly oppose) regarding specific legislative and policy controls for alcohol. These questions included:

- Should advertisements for alcoholic beverages within our communities be restricted to making drinking less appealing to kids?
- Alcohol companies often sponsor special events so that they can advertise and sell alcohol there. How strongly would you favor or oppose a recommendation to community planners that they refuse sponsorship by alcohol companies for events attended by teens?
- Increasing efforts to reduce underage drinking will cost money. In order to raise the money, how strongly do you favor or oppose an increase of 5 cents per drink in the tax on beer, wine, and liquor sold to pay for programs for prevention of underage drinking and to increase alcohol prevention and treatment programs?
- Would you favor or oppose laws in Nevada that make it easier for adults to be held liable if they alcohol to a teenager and then someone gets hurt?
- Would you favor or oppose laws or ordinances in your community that penalize adults for hosting underage drinking parties?

These items were combined into an attitude about alcohol policy scale based on respondent ratings with 1 = strongly favor and 4 = strongly oppose.

Attitudes About Alcohol Policy and Control Measures

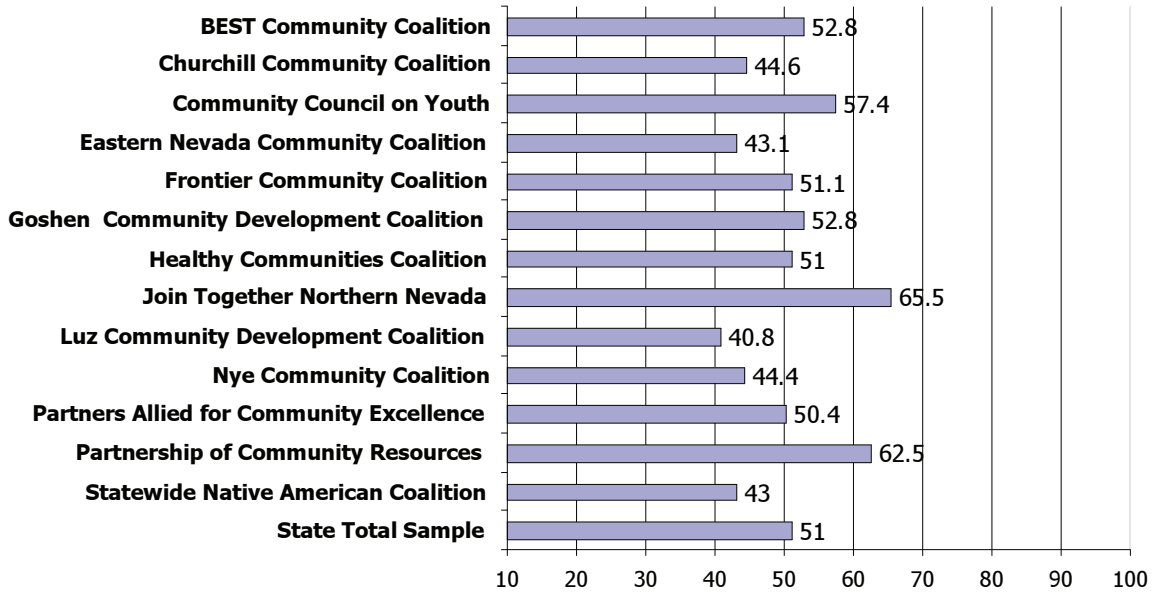


ALCOHOL USE

The average age of first use for alcohol in the statewide telephone sample was 15.8 years. Respondents reported started drinking as early as infancy and as late as 55 years. The question asked respondents to report on age of first use for drinking more "than a sip or two" of alcohol.

Respondents were asked if they had at least one alcoholic drink in the past 30 days. This will provide an indication of norms around drinking and acceptance of alcohol, in general, for particular communities. As is evident in the resulting graph below, that displays the results from all coalition areas, there is a large variance among the regions and populations of the state.

Have you had at least one alcoholic drink in the past 30 days?



Respondents also were asked to report on how many days per week or per month during the past 30 days they had at least one drink of any alcoholic beverage.

Number of days per week	Number	Percent
1	27	45.0
2	16	26.7
3	7	11.7
4	1	1.7
5	2	3.3
6	1	1.7
7	6	10
Total	60	100.0

ALCOHOL USE CONTINUED

Number of days per month	Number	Percent
1	21	24.4
2	25	29.1
3	8	9.3
4	6	7.0
5	5	5.8
7	1	1.2
8	1	1.2
10	4	4.7
12	1	1.2
15	2	2.3
20	2	2.3
25	3	3.5
30	7	8.1
Total	86	100.0

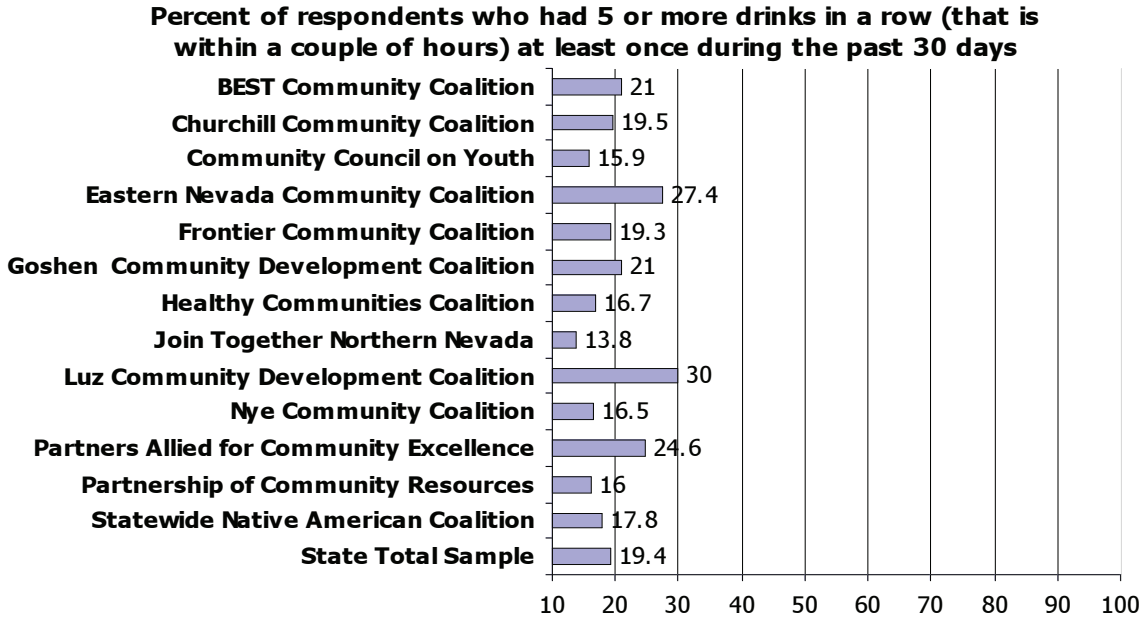
Respondents also were asked how many drinks they have on average when they drank during the past 30 days. For the entire sample the average was 2.33 and the range was from 0 (none) to 50 drinks.

During the past 30 days on the days that you drank, how many drinks did you drink on average?

Number of Drinks	Number	Percent
0	4	.9
1	53	12.3
2	37	8.6
3	15	3.5
4	9	2.1
5	12	2.8
6	6	1.4
8	6	1.4
9	1	.2
12	3	.7
13	1	.2
50	1	.2
Total	148	34.4
Missing	282	65.6
Total with Missing	430	100.0

ALCOHOL USE CONTINUED

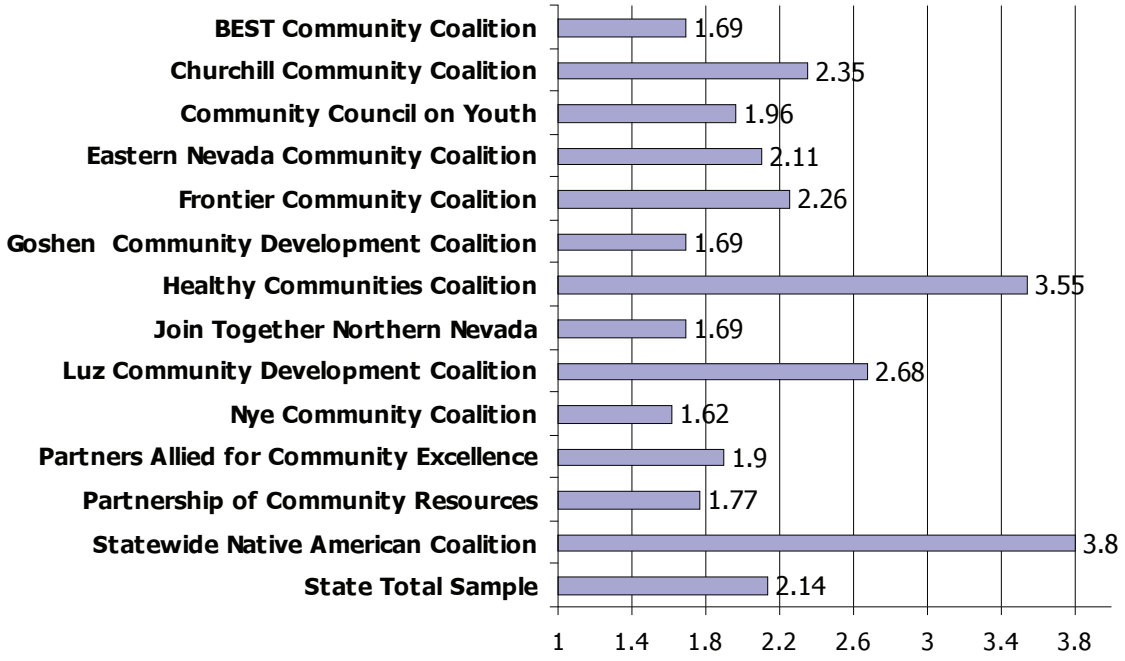
The graph for the next question compares each coalition with the statewide percentage of respondents who said that they had had 5 or more drinks in a row at least once during the past 30 days. This is the traditional measure of binge drinking in a community. The average number of times for the statewide sample was .75 (less than 1) indicating that most respondents (N=2576) denied any drinking occasions during the past 30 days where they drank 5 or more drinks in a row.



The next graph provides a comparison among the state sample and the coalitions of the average number of drinks consumed the last time the respondent drank and drove.

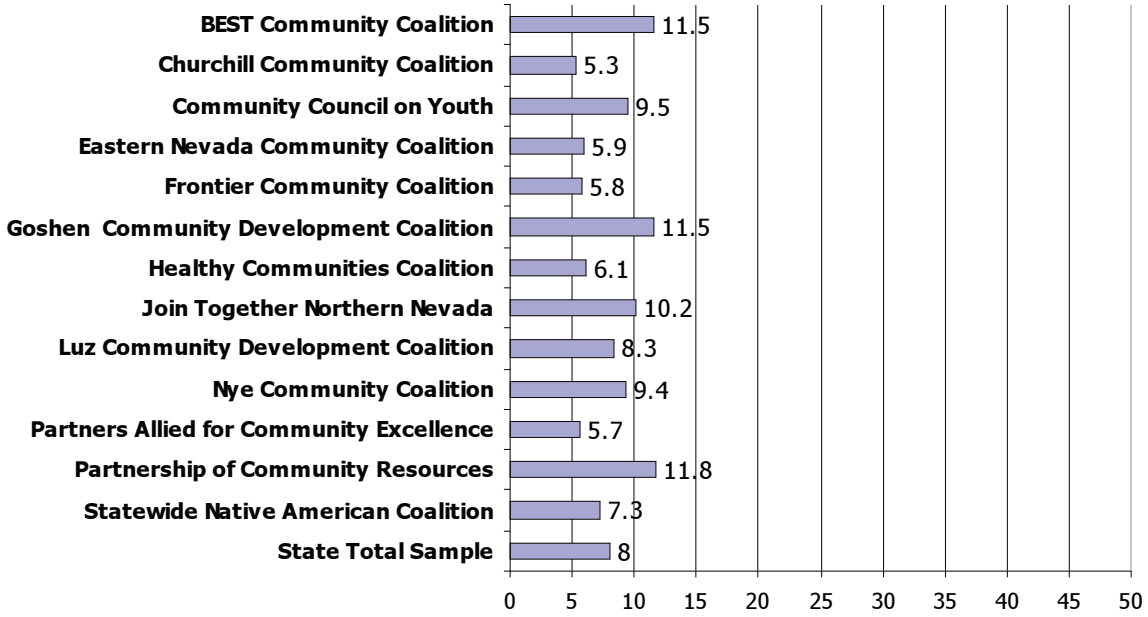
ALCOHOL USE CONTINUED

Average number of drinks you had last time you drank and drove



This next graph compares each coalition area with the statewide sample for the percentage of respondents who said yes to the question about whether they had ridden with someone else who had been drinking during the past 30 days.

Percent Respondents who rode in a car driven by someone who had been drinking--last 30 days



TOBACCO USE

The first question on tobacco use asked respondents whether anyone at home smoked cigarettes.

Tobacco use in the home

The next question asked respondents whether they had smoked 100 cigarettes in their entire lives. One pack contains 20 cigarettes.

Ever smoked 100 cigarettes

The next question asked smokers if they smoked every day, some days, or not at all. The largest portion of respondents never smoked.

	Number	Percent
Every day	71	16.5
Some days	7	1.6
Not at all	125	29.1
Total	203	47.2
Missing	227	52.8
Total with Missing	430	100.0

Finally, respondents were asked how many cigarettes a day they smoked. A total of 902 respondents said they smoked and the minimum number of cigarettes anyone

MARIJUANA LEGALIZATION

How strongly do you favor or oppose the legalization of marijuana?

Rating	Number	Percent
Strongly favor	75	17.4
Somewhat favor	29	6.7
Somewhat oppose	43	10.0
Strongly oppose	271	63.0
Total	418	97.2
Missing	12	2.8
Total with Missing	430	100.0

DRUG USE

Drug Item	State Number	State Percent or Average	Coalition Number	Coalition Percent
Average # Times used Marijuana in the last 12 months	229	.96	14	1.21
Ever used marijuana (percent yes)	1464	33.2	114	26.5
Average # Times used Stimulants in the last 12 months	66	.21	7	.72
Ever used Stimulants (percent yes)	588	12.9	44	10.2
Did your use of stimulants include methamphetamine	329	7.1	31	7.2
How many times in the last 12 months have you used methamphetamines	33	1.70	2	3.1
Average # Times used Cocaine in the last 12 months	45	.07	4	.09
Ever used Cocaine (percent yes)	614	13.4	42	9.8
Average # Times used Hallucinogens in the last 12 months	50	.09	5	.04

DRUG USE CONTINUED

Ever used Hallucinogens (percent yes)	500	10.9	32	7.4
Average # Times used Sedatives in the last 12 months	92	.32	8	.99
Ever used Sedatives (percent yes)	198	4.4	18	4.2
Average # Times used Opiates in the last 12 months	35	.09	4	.23
Ever used Opiates (percent yes)	162	3.5	13	3
Average # Times used Heroin in the last 12 months	58	.83	1	6.0
Ever used Heroin (percent yes)	58	29.4	5	1.2
Average # Times used other prescription drugs in the last 12 months	95	.19	6	.23
Ever used other prescription drugs (percent yes)	134	2.9	14	3.3

NEVADA COMMUNITY CONVENIENCE SURVEY: DATA COLLECTED BY EASTERN NEVADA COMMUNITIES COALITION, SERVING EUREKA, LINCOLN, AND WHITE PINE COUNTIES

The Nevada statewide convenience survey consisted of a sample of individuals selected by coalition members from each of ten geographic regions of the state represented by the state's substance abuse prevention coalitions, and a sample of Native American individuals from the state's many Native American communities. The ten regions constitute the entire geographic area of Nevada. These regions range in size from one county to three counties. The multi-county coalition areas of the state reflect contiguous groupings of counties with small populations.

There are a total of thirteen coalitions serving persons in Nevada, with their coverage areas shown in the table below. Each of these coalitions collected surveys for this data project. Each coalition identified populations or neighborhoods and collection strategies that would provide the best community input from individuals for their planning purposes. The Statewide Native American Coalition utilized a slightly altered version of this instrument. Four coalitions also collected data from youth using a survey tailored for that age group. All of those results, as well as the aggregated statewide data, are reported separately.

Nevada Coalition	County/-ies in coverage area
BEST Community Coalition	Clark County
Churchill Community Coalition	Churchill County
Community Council on Youth	Carson City
Eastern Nevada Community Coalition	Eureka, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties
Frontier Community Coalition	Humboldt, Lander, and Pershing Counties
Goshen Community Development Coalition	Clark County
Healthy Communities Coalition	Lyon, Storey, and Mineral Counties
Join Together Northern Nevada	Washoe County
Luz Community Development Coalition	Clark County – Hispanic community
Nye Community Coalition	Esmeralda and Nye Counties
Partners Allied for Community Excellence	Elko County
Partnership of Community Resources	Douglas County
Statewide Native American Coalition	Twenty-seven tribal communities across state and urban area Native Americans

A total of 9,162 surveys was collected utilizing the three survey instruments (community –6,450, Native American – 1,253, and youth – 1,459), exceeding the total target twofold. This report describes the community instruments collected by the Eastern Nevada Communities Coalition, serving Eureka, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties.

DEMOGRAPHICS

Coalition

Coalition	Number	Percent
Eastern Nevada Community Coalition	343	100.0

What County do you live in?

County	Number	Percent
Eureka	126	36.7
Lincoln	125	36.4
White Pine	91	26.5
Total	342	99.7
Missing	1	.3
Total with Missing	343	100.0

Respondents also identified their zip codes.

What is your age?

Age Category	Number	Percent
15-17	40	11.7
18-20	28	8.2
21-24	20	5.8
25-30	36	10.5
31-35	33	9.6
36-40	32	9.3
41-50	62	18.1
51-60	46	13.4
61-70	32	9.3
71+	11	3.2
Total	340	99.1
Missing	3	.9
Total with Missing	343	100.0

Male/Female

Gender	Number	Percent
Male	138	40.2
Female	192	56.0
Total	330	96.2
Missing	13	3.8
Total with Missing	343	100.0

DEMOGRAPHICS CONTINUED

Respondents could mark multiple categories for race. The following tables and narrative describe the racial composition of the sample.

Are you Hispanic or Latino?

	Number	Percent
Yes	39	11.4

Respondents who marked White

	Number	Percent
Yes	292	85.1

Respondents who marked American Indian

	Number	Percent
Yes	17	5.0

Respondents who marked Asian

	Number	Percent
Yes	9	2.6

Respondents who marked Black or African American

	Number	Percent
Yes	2	.6

Respondents who marked Other

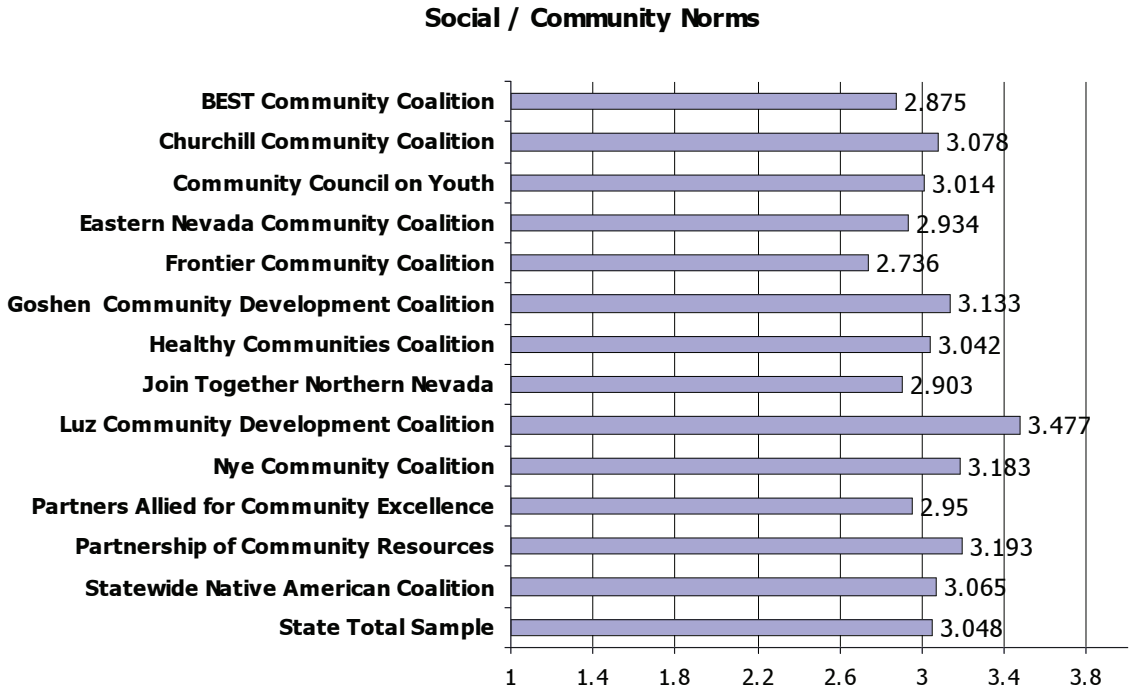
	Number	Percent
Yes	8	2.3

Respondents who marked the other category also could write down their racial background.

NORMS

Respondents were asked how wrong most people in their community think it is to binge drink and how wrong most community people think it is for underage youth (15-20 years) to drink. Both these questions were rated using a scale from "very wrong" = 4 to "not wrong at all" = 1. Higher scores on the scale comprised of these items (average scores were calculated) indicated the group thought it was very wrong. Scores ranged from 1 to 4 after the average score was calculated.

The average score on the scale about drinking norms was 2.93 indicating that the group thinks that it is wrong to binge drink and for underage youth to drink, but it is not considered very wrong.



NORMS CONTINUED

Social Community Norms

Rating	Number	Percent
Not wrong at all	10	2.9
1.50	12	3.5
A little wrong	60	17.5
2.50	47	13.7
Wrong	82	23.9
3.50	55	16.0
Very wrong	72	21.0
Total	338	98.5
Missing	5	1.5
Total with Missing	343	100.0

The next question also was rated using a four-point scale but the scale was rated from "strongly disagree" = 1 to "strongly agree" = 4. The average score on this question for the group was 2.39.

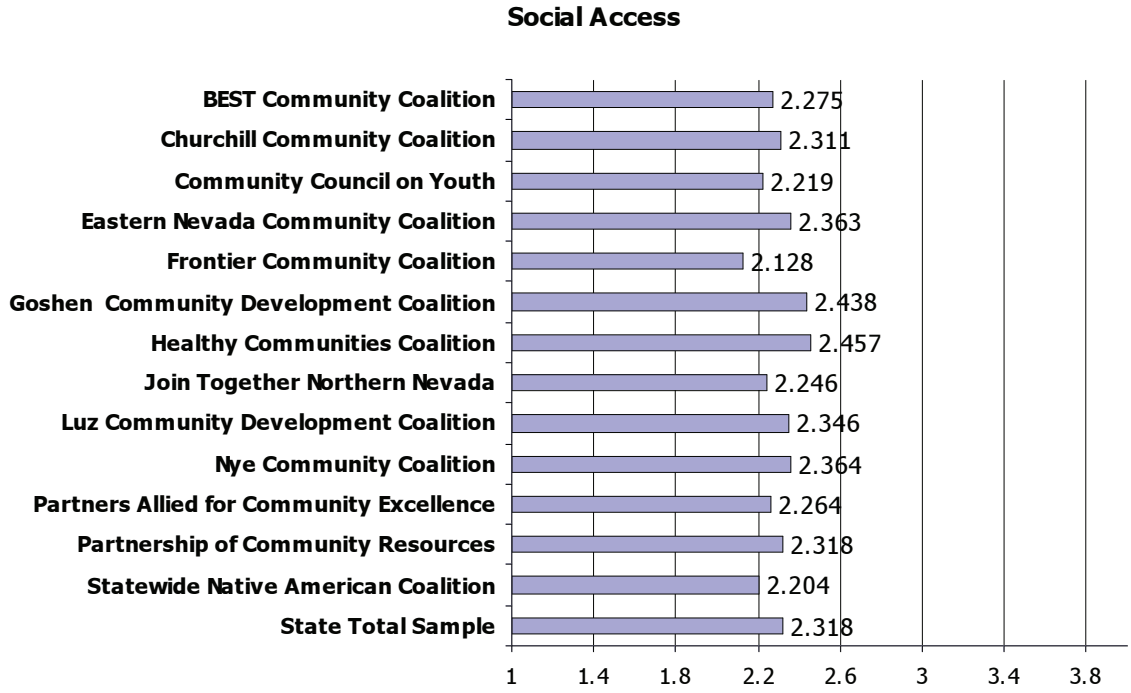
Underage drinking is a rite of passage and not likely to change

Rating	Number	Percent
Strongly Disagree	55	16.0
Disagree	114	33.2
Agree	123	35.9
Strongly Agree	28	8.2
Total	320	93.3
Missing	23	6.7
Total with Missing	343	100.0

SOCIAL ACCESS

Social access included items that asked respondents about how youth acquire alcohol and focused on access from family, parents, strangers, and friends. The first scale is a composite of responses to the question about how easy or difficult it is for youth to alcohol from older siblings, parents, friends, and adults / strangers. Each source was rated separately using the scale 1= "very easy" to 4 = "very difficult". The responses for these ratings were added together and divided by 4 to develop a social access scale with scores that ranged from 1 to 4.

SOCIAL ACCESS CONTINUED



Mean Scale: Social Access

Rating	Number	Percent
1.00 very easy	13	3.8
1.25	13	3.8
1.50	20	5.8
1.75	23	6.7
2.00 easy	53	15.5
2.25	61	17.8
2.50	43	12.5
2.67	1	.3
2.75	30	8.7
3.00 difficult	36	10.5
3.25	12	3.5
3.50	11	3.2
3.75	1	.3
4.00 very difficult	15	4.4
Total	332	96.8
Missing	11	3.2
Total with Missing	343	100.0

SOCIAL ACCESS CONTINUED

How easy or difficult do you think it would be for underage youth to get beer, wine coolers, or liquor from home without their parents knowing it?

Rating	Number	Percent
Very easy	50	14.6
Easy	180	52.5
Difficult	77	22.4
Very difficult	28	8.2
Total	335	97.7
Missing	8	2.3
Total with Missing	343	100.0

How often do you think parents in your community provide alcohol at parties their children host?

Rating	Number	Percent
Never	44	12.8
Sometimes, but not that often	217	63.3
Often	56	16.3
Very often	14	4.1
Total	331	96.5
Missing	12	3.5
Total with Missing	343	100.0

When you think about underage youth, where do you think they usually obtain alcohol?

Item	Number	Percent
Friends	267	77.8
Parents	93	27.1
Strangers	47	13.7
Other Family members	107	31.2

This table should be understood in the context of the entire sample of individuals who completed the survey. This table, and the one that follows under Retail Access, are built from one question that asked about multiple sources of alcohol, some social, some retail. Respondents could choose more than one response, so the responses total to more than 100%. The key observation here is that most respondents believe social sources, especially friends, are the primary source of alcohol for underage youth.

RETAIL ACCESS

When you think about underage youth, where do you think they usually obtain alcohol?

Item	Number	Percent
A liquor store	8	2.3
A bar	19	5.5
A restaurant	2	.6
A grocery store	17	5
A convenience store	42	12.2

Along with the preceding table, this table is constructed from the question that allowed multiple responses about access to alcohol by underage youth, and the responses from the two tables exceed 100%. Based on this question, a few types of retail establishments are considered retail sources of alcohol for youth. However, in the context of the previous table, it is clear that social sources are viewed as the primary source of alcohol for underage youth.

How well does your community monitor the location of alcohol outlets and bars?

Rating	Number	Percent
Not at all well	45	13.1
Not well	70	20.4
Sort of well	128	37.3
Very well	81	23.6
Total	324	94.5
Missing	19	5.5
Total with Missing	343	100.0

Those serving alcohol in my community are properly trained to do so

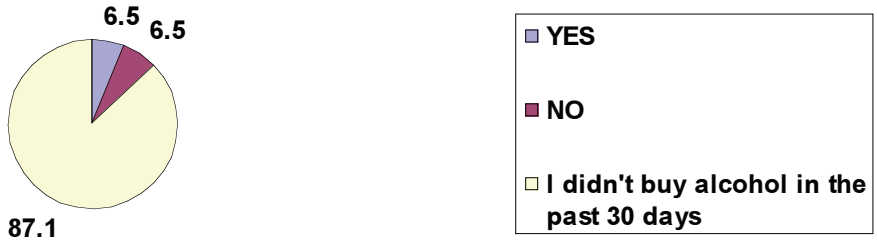
Rating	Number	Percent
Strongly Disagree	26	7.6
Disagree	116	33.8
Agree	154	44.9
Strongly Agree	24	7.0
Total	320	93.3
Missing	23	6.7
Total with Missing	343	100.0

RETAIL ACCESS CONTINUED

The next tables were answered by the portion of the sample that was under 21 years of age (minors).

During the past 30 days, if you bought alcohol at a store such as a grocery store, liquor store, convenience store, or gas station, did the person check your ID?

ID check at retail sales source



During the past 30 days, did anyone ever refuse to sell you alcohol because of your age?

Option	Number	Percent without Missing
I did not try to buy alcohol in the past 30 days	59	17.2
Yes, someone refused to sell me alcohol because of my age	5	1.5
No, my age did not keep me from buying alcohol	6	1.7
Total	70	20.4
Missing	273	79.6
Total with Missing	343	100.0

How many stores do you know of that would sell you alcohol without asking you for ID or proof of age?

Number of stores	Number	Percent without Missing
0	36	56.3
1	7	10.9
2	7	10.9
3	7	10.9
4	1	1.6
5	5	7.8
12	1	1.6
Total	64	100.0
Missing	279	
Total with Missing	343	

PERCEPTION OF RISK

If you were to drink and drive, what do you think would happen to you?

Item	Number	Percent
The police would catch me.	129	37.6
I would get a ticket and pay a fine.	112	32.7
I would go to jail for a night.	91	26.5
Nothing would happen to me.	46	13.4
Anything else?	35	10.2

For anything else, respondents suggested:

- Have to go to AA meetings
- Accident
- Community service
- Die
- DWI
- Embarrassed
- Get my parents in trouble
- Grounded
- Higher insurance
- Hurt somebody else
- Impound car
- Jail
- Lose job
- Lose license
- Mom would kill me
- Probation
- Public humiliation
- Suspend license.

PERCEPTION OF RISK CONTINUED

Respondents were also asked if they agreed that law enforcement does very little to stop underage drinking. This item was scored using the "strongly disagree" = 1 to "strongly agree" = 4 rating.

Law enforcement does very little to stop underage drinking.

Rating	Number	Percent
Strongly Disagree	38	11.1
Disagree	109	31.8
Agree	127	37.0
Strongly Agree	48	14.0
Total	322	93.9
Missing	21	6.1
Total with Missing	343	100.0

PROMOTION

Two items studied promotion. Respondents rated these using four point scales with 1 = "not at all well" or "strongly disagree" and 4 = "very well" or "strongly agree".

How well does your community monitor the location of alcohol advertising?

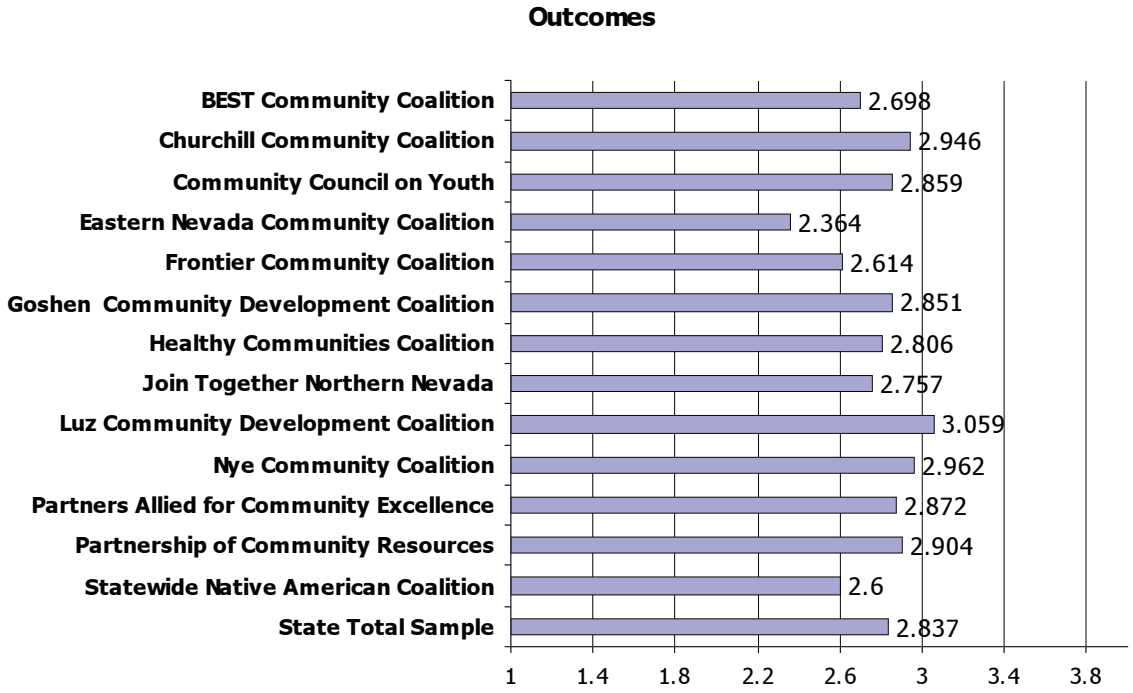
Rating	Number	Percent
Not at all well	53	15.5
Not well	68	19.8
Sort of well	122	35.6
Very well	77	22.4
Total	320	93.3
Missing	23	6.7
Total with Missing	343	100.0

Alcohol advertising should not be allowed at events attended by children such as sporting events or community celebrations.

Rating	Number	Percent
Strongly Disagree	38	11.1
Disagree	53	15.5
Agree	109	31.8
Strongly Agree	123	35.9
Total	323	94.2
Missing	20	5.8
Total with Missing	343	100.0

OUTCOMES

A scale was developed using three questions with the answer ratings that ranged from 1= "not a problem" to 4 = "a serious problem". The three questions asked how serious a problem underage drinking is at unsupervised, informal gatherings in the community; how serious a problem alcohol related motor vehicle crashes are in the community; and how serious a problem drinking and driving is in the community. The average score for the scale was 2.36 indicating the respondents think these problems are slightly more than "somewhat of a problem".



OUTCOMES CONTINUED

Serious Problem scale responses

Rating	Number	Percent
1.00 Not a problem at all	21	6.1
1.33	18	5.2
1.50	1	.3
1.67	31	9.0
2.00 Somewhat of a problem	74	21.6
2.33	55	16.0
2.50	6	1.7
2.67	46	13.4
3.00 Serious problem	34	9.9
3.33	24	7.0
3.67	16	4.7
4.00 Very serious problem	11	3.2
Total	337	98.3
Missing	6	1.7
Total with Missing	343	100.0

The next outcomes question asked respondents to identify the percentage of youth under 21 years of age who drank alcohol during the past 30 days. Percentages ranged from 0 to 100 with approximately 12% of the sample saying 50% and 6.1% of the sample identifying 75%. The average percentage identified by the group overall was 46.64%. Less than 1% of the sample said that 0% (none) of underage youth in the area drank alcohol during the past 30 days.

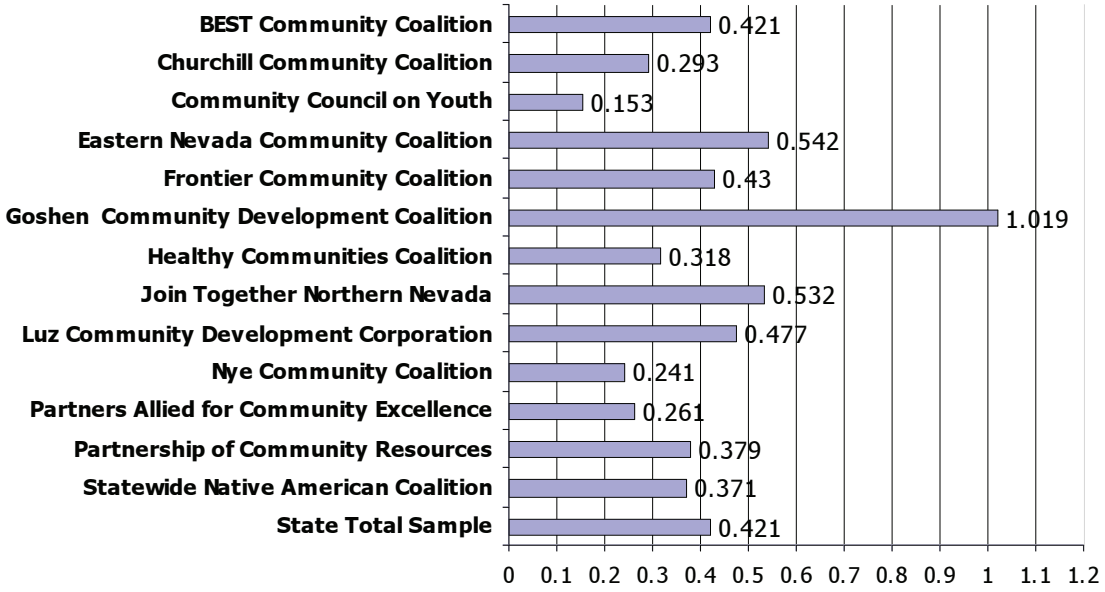
If you drink alcohol, during the past 30 days, on how many days did you have 5 or more drinks of alcohol in a row?

Number of days	Number	Percent	Percent without Missing
0 days	201	58.6	69.1
1 day	25	7.3	8.6
2 days	18	5.2	6.2
3-5 days	14	4.1	4.8
6-9 days	9	2.6	3.1
10-19 days	8	2.3	2.7
20 or more days	16	4.7	5.5
Total	291	84.8	100.0
Missing	52	15.2	
Total with Missing	343	100.0	

The average number of days for this question was less than 1, 0.94. However, 90 or 30% reported binge drinking during the previous thirty days.

OUTCOMES CONTINUED

How many times did you drink and drive in the past 30 days?



Across the state there is a great deal of variability in the responses for this question. For some areas, the average number of times is close to 0 (Community Council on Youth, .153) while for other regions, the average number of times is greater than once a month that respondents said they drank and drove (Goshen, 1.019).

If you drink, during the past 30 days, how many times did you drive a car or other vehicle when you had been drinking alcohol?

Number of times	Number	Percent
0 times	224	65.3
1 time	27	7.9
2 or 3 times	18	5.2
4 or 5 times	7	2.0
6 or more times	19	5.5
Total	295	86.0
Missing	48	14.0
Total with Missing	343	100.0

The average number of times during the past 30 days was .54 (less than 1). Of those who responded affirmatively, 71 or 24% reported that they had driven a car at least once when they had been drinking.

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INTERVIEWING PROTOCOL

Strata	Target	Actual Completes
Washoe	384	**384**
Humboldt, Pershing, Lander	384	**383**
Churchill	384	**545**
Douglas	384	**409**
Carson City	384	**391**
Storey, Lyon, Mineral	384	**477**
Esmerelda, Nye	384	**406**
Elko	384	**405**
Eureka, White Pine, Lincoln	384	**430**
Clark	384	**383**
Hispanic surname sample	384	**435**
Total	4,224	4,648

INTERVIEWS BY LANGUAGE & STRATA

Strata	English	Spanish
Washoe	373	**11**
Humboldt, Pershing, Lander	378	**5**
Churchill	541	**4**
Douglas	405	**4**
Carson City	384	**7**
Storey, Lyon, Mineral	469	**8**
Esmerelda, Nye	405	**1**
Elko	393	**12**
Eureka, White Pine, Lincoln	428	**2**
Clark	350	**33**
Hispanic surname sample	268	**167**
Total	4,394	254

RESPONSE & REFUSAL RATES BY STRATA

Strata	Casro Rate	Cooperation Rate	Refusal Rate	Refusal Conversion Rate
Washoe	33.18%	60.28%	5.22%	**9.45%**
Humboldt, Pershing, Lander	45.15%	68.44%	4.16%	**13.45%**
Churchill	42.85%	68.22%	7.17%	**16.88%**
Douglas	38.53%	67.74%	5.13%	**11.75%**
Carson City	36.55%	60.03%	6.23%	**11.51%**
Storey,Lyon, Mineral	39.76%	64.92%	6.24%	**12.41%**
Esmerelda, Nye	36.98%	62.83%	6.79%	**11.86%**
Elko	40.27%	65.70%	5.29%	**13.86%**
Eureka, White Pine, Lincoln	44.87%	68.45%	5.15%	**14.48%**
Clark	34.07%	61.24%	4.97%	**9.73%**
Hispanic surname sample	17.76%	52.00%	6.41%	**7.28%**
Overall	36.10%	63.29%	5.66%	11.45%