

Social & Retail Alcohol Access Survey for Adults

We are collecting information through this survey as part of the Tennessee SPF-SIG Project, which is a project to prevent substance use and reduce substance abuse related problems in our communities. Your participation in this survey is voluntary and you are free to end your participation in this survey at any time. You are also free to not answer any questions that make you feel uncomfortable. Your responses will remain completely anonymous and your responses will never be associated with any information that could possibly identify you. As such, there are no foreseeable risks for participation in this survey. Only summary data will be used by the researchers, and no individuals or their responses will be identified. The survey only takes about 5-10 minutes to complete.

If you have any questions about this survey, please feel free to contact Pramod Dwivedi (pdwivedi@pire.org) or Melissa Harris (mharris@pire.org). If you have any questions about your rights as a research participant, you may also call Elysia Oudemans, PIRE's Manager of Research Integrity Compliance, at (866) 747-3674, ext 2757. Thank you in advance for your time.

If you choose to participate, please go to the next page to begin the survey.

Note: This survey is for people 21 years old or older. If you are under 21, please complete the youth survey.

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1. What is your age?

- 21-22
- 23-25
- 26-30
- 31-40
- 41-50
- 51-60
- 61-70
- 71 and over

2. Gender (please check the appropriate box)

- Male Female

3. Are you Hispanic or Latino?

- Yes No

4. What do you consider yourself to be?

- White
- Black or African American
- American Indian
- Asian American
- Alaska Native
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- Other _____

5. What County do you live in? (Choose one)

- Blount Davidson Hamblen Houston Madison Putnam Sumner Weakley
 Bradley Fentress Hamilton Humphreys Maury Roane Tipton
 Cocke Franklin Hardeman Jackson McNairy Rutherford Trousdale
 Coffee Gibson Haywood Johnson Polk Scott Washington

6. What is your zip code?

7. Please check all boxes that best describe you.

- I do not have a child/children in my household.
- I am a parent or guardian of a child/children 11 years of age or younger in my household.
- I am a parent or guardian of a child/children between the ages of 12 to 17 in my household.

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- I am a parent or guardian or provider of a child/children between the ages of 18 to 20 in my household.
- I am a parent or guardian of a child/children between the ages of 21 to 24 in my household.
- I am a parent or guardian of a child/children between the ages of 25 and older in my household.

The rest of this survey asks for your perceptions about the availability of alcohol for underage youth in our community. When we refer to "underage youth," we are talking about people under 20 years of age or younger. And, when we refer to "adults," we are talking about people 21 years of age or older. Additionally, when we refer to "community" we mean the people within your entire county, including your neighborhood, town and city. Please answer these questions to the best of your ability. Remember, this survey is anonymous.

8. In my opinion, alcohol use by youth under 21 in my COUNTY is...

- A Serious problem
- Somewhat of a problem
- A Slight problem
- Not a problem

9. Do you know or have first-hand knowledge of parents in this COUNTY who knowingly allow youth under 21 to drink alcohol in their homes?

- Yes
- No
- I do not know

10. If yes, how do you know? (e.g. witnessed this happening).

11. If you have a child (or children) under the age of 21, did he or she drink more than a few sips of alcohol in the past 30 days?

- Yes
- No
- Do not know
- Does Not Apply, I do not have children

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12. Where do most youth under 21 who drink alcohol in your county usually get it? (Please provide up to three answers.)

- They take it from a store without paying for it
- They get a stranger to buy it for them
- A friend 21 or older buys it for them
- It is given to them at a party or gathering
- A family member buys it for them
- They take it from parents or adults without telling them
- They buy it from a store
- They get it from a brother or sister 21 or older
- I do not know

13. Where do youth under 21 in this County usually DRINK THE ALCOHOL they get? (Please provide up to 2 answers)

- In their own home or a friends home
- Youth parties
- In a car
- Public parks or other public areas
- At school during the day
- At a school related event(dance, sports event, other)
- I do not know

14. In your opinion, is it okay for parents to knowingly allow youth under 21 to drink more than a few sips of alcohol?

- Yes No

15. I would support new and/or stiffer penalties in my COUNTY for the following...(check all that apply)

- Parents or adults who buy alcohol for youth under 21
- Parents or adults who knowingly allow youth under 21 to drink in their home
- Parents who unknowingly provide alcohol to youth under 21 or a place to drink alcohol in their homes (e.g. youth under 21 who drink alcohol in a private residence when the parents are absent)
- Underage friends that provide alcohol to youth under 21
- Strangers who buy alcohol for youth under 21
- Bars and restaurants that sell to youth under 21
- Grocery stores, mini-markets, gas stations, liquor stores or other local stores that sell to youth under 21

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16. What percentage of underage youth in your community do you think drink alcohol?

- Less than 10%
- 10-19%
- 20-29%
- 30-39%
- 40-49%
- 50-59%
- 60-69%
- 70-79%
- 80-89%
- 90 % or more

17. Select all the possible solution(s) that law enforcement could implement to effectively reduce underage drinking in your County. (Check all that apply)

- Allow police/sheriff to bill for responding to calls for home parties (cost of service)
- Law enforcement to carry out routine sobriety roadblocks or check points
- Punish adult suppliers of alcohol at teen parties
- Law enforcement to carry out ongoing compliance checks to see if retailers are following the laws regarding the sale of alcohol to youth under 21
- Law enforcement to carry out operations to reduce the likelihood of youth getting alcohol from strangers or adults at a store that sells alcohol
- I don't think any of these would be effective

18. Select all the possible solution(s) that local policy makers/law makers could implement to effectively reduce underage drinking in your County.(Check all that apply)

- Tag beer kegs with ID of buyer.
- Mandatory training in Responsible Beverage Service for clerks who sell alcohol.
- Limiting the number of stores that sell alcohol in the area.
- Limiting or banning "happy hours" or other alcohol focused promotions.
- Ban participants in community events and festivals from bringing alcohol into the events.
- Require local stores to install and use state drivers license scanners for easy detection of false identification.
- I don't think any of these would be effective.

19. Select all the possible solution(s) that community organizers could implement to effectively reduce underage drinking in your County. (Check all that apply)

- Educate and work with local store owners to help decrease theft of alcohol by youth under 21.
- Restrict youth's ability to get alcohol at community events.
- Limit alcohol sponsoring at community events and festivals.
- Breathalyzers at school events to check for underage drinking.
- A public awareness campaign.
- I don't think any of these would be effective.

You have completed the survey. Thank you so much for your participation and valuable feedback.