

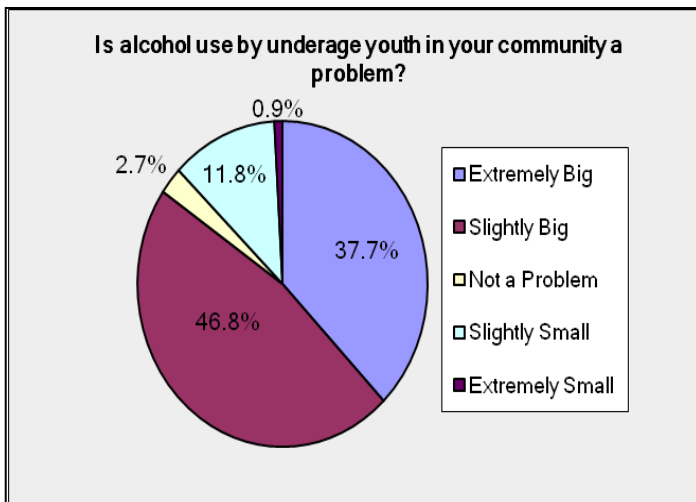


Steuben Task Force on Underage Drinking

Steuben County Task Force on Underage Drinking 2012 Adult Perception Survey Update - 11/13/12

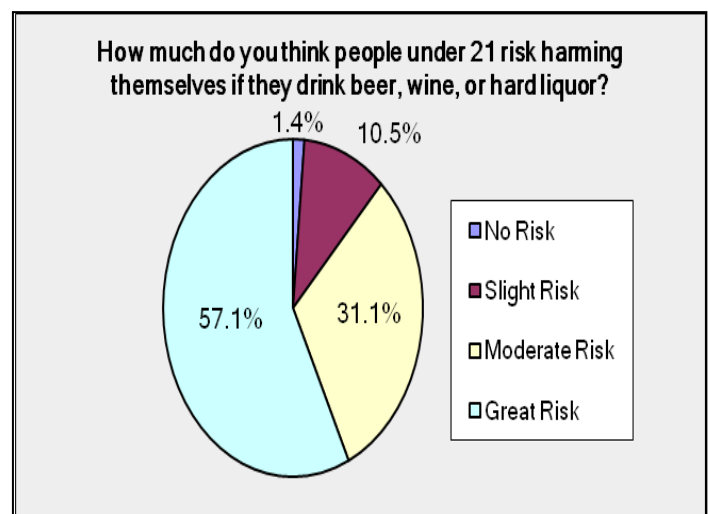
Do you have a child in: (check all that apply)		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Elementary School (K-5)	17.9%	40
Middle School (6-8)	12.1%	27
High School (9-12)	17.4%	39
Out of School	52.7%	118
No Children	17.9%	40

Zip Code/Town	Response Percent	Response Count
14810 - Bath	24.5%	56
14843 - Hornell	15.7%	36
14830 - Corning	15.3%	35
14801 - Addison	6.1%	14
14840 - Hammondsport	5.2%	12
14809 - Avoca	5.2%	12
14821 - Campbell	4.4%	10
14572 - Wayland	2.6%	6
14823 - Canisteo	2.6%	6



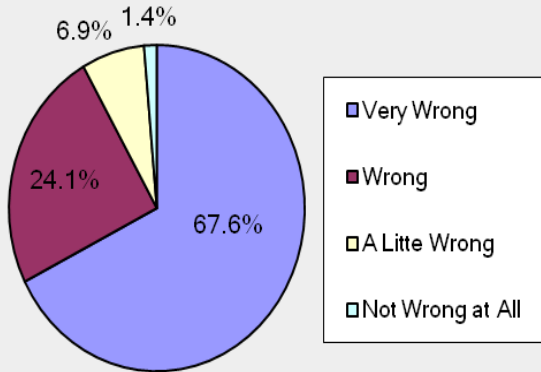
Do you know parents/adults who host parties, in your community, where alcohol is available or provided to youth under the age of 21?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes, Definitely	18.1%	40
Yes, Probably	32.1%	71
Unsure	27.1%	60
No, Probably Not	15.8%	35
No, Definitely Not	6.8%	15

Which of the following best describes your attitude about alcohol use by underage youth (under 21)?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Should not use ever	12.9%	28
Should not use until they are 21	51.2%	111
Should be allowed to use before they are 21 with adult supervision	10.6%	23
Should be taught to use responsibly before they are 21	24.9%	54
Should be allowed to use before they are 21	0.5%	1



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How wrong do you feel it would be for school age youth (21 or younger) to drink beer, wine, or liquor regularly?



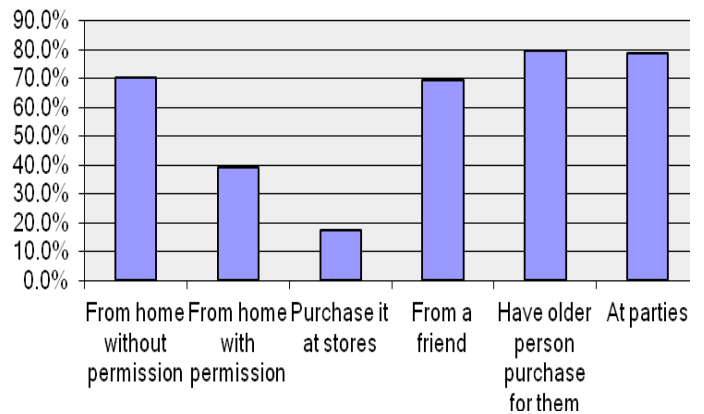
If a young person under 21 in your community wanted to get alcohol, how easy would it be for them?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Difficult	4.2%	9
Not too Difficult	55.1%	118
Easy	40.7%	87

Other Comments - What influences a young person's decision to drink or not?

- Churches, clubs, sports
- Peer pressure - perceived or real; work place environment
- Family history/family experience
- A predisposition to addictive behaviors
- Curiosity
- All of the above
- Parties
- The total acceptance of alcohol in our community. It is even a hobby for many (making beer and wine)!
- The face that it is against the law
- Stores, e.g. "Hot Topic"
- Younger people are influenced by drugs and alcohol if they have an older teenage friend they look up to and want to look cool for them
- Desire to fit in

Where do you think most young people in your community get alcohol? (check all that apply)



What influences a young person's decision to drink or not? (check all that apply)

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
The parent	57.7%	123
Friends	95.3%	203
Alcohol advertising	30.0%	64
Other adults' drinking	42.7%	91
Social media (facebook, internet, youtube)	67.6%	144

Other Comments - Where do you think young people in your community get alcohol?

- I'm out of the loop - don't really know
- My daughter has told me at least 2 occasions about children in her school having marijuana or pain pills... I believe these were gotten from home.
- Up at the Cabin, near Addison, lots of parties
- All of the above
- Steal

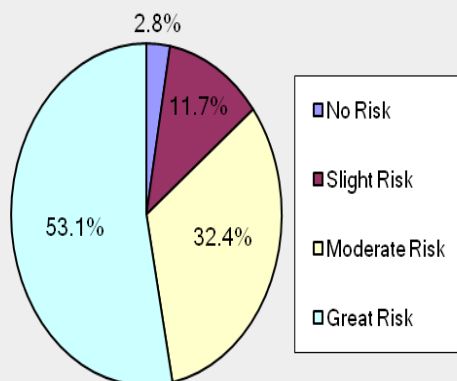
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What of the following messages would you want to share with youth (under 21)? (check one)		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
It is never okay for them to drink	76.2%	144
It is okay for them to drink if they are with their parent	13.8%	26
It is okay for them to drink if they are with an adult	2.1%	4
It is okay for them to drink if they don't drive	4.8%	9
It is okay for them to drink if they are careful	3.2%	6

Other Comments - What of the following messages would you want to share with youth (under 21)?

- It's more important to learn moderation regardless of age.
- It is not okay to drink, but if they do, they should know how to be safe.
- It is okay for them to drink if they are 18 and over and with a parent
- Drinking can be dangerous and have lots of impacts on developing bodies and minds. Drinking is ok in moderation but you should really wait until you're older.
- It is ok for over 21 to drink but they should be educated about how alcohol effects their brain and behavior
- It is illegal for someone under 21 to drink and there will be consequences if you are caught. However if you do choose to drink NEVER EVER drive or get in a car with someone who has been drinking,
- Alcohol will be waiting for you when you turn 21. You don't need it before then. The hype is greater than the reality.
- If you are at war fight for your country and are under the age of 21...I would say it is ok to drink
- Drinking will not fulfill your need to be loved and accepted.
- drinking is only fun for you because it is against the law. If it were available to you, you wouldn't find it so exhilarating.
- If you drink, drink responsibly, never binge, never drive even after one
- It's not ok to drive before you're 21 because alcohol influences the choices you make and you need to understand how alcohol alters your mind and influences your choices. I would bet that a lot of younger people are alcoholics before age 21 because they don't realize alcohol can be an addiction.

How much do you think people under 21 risk harming themselves if they smoke marijuana?



Which of the following best describes your attitude about marijuana use by youth (under 21)?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Should not use ever	84.3%	177
Should not use until they are 21	8.6%	18
Should be allowed to use before they are 21 with adult supervision	1.0%	2
Should be taught to use responsibly before they are 21	5.2%	11
Should be allowed to use before they are 21	1.0%	2

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How much do you think youth under 21 risk harming themselves if they take prescription drugs that are not prescribed for them (ex: Vicodin, Oxycontin, Aderal, etc.)?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
No Risk	0.0%	0
Slight Risk	1.0%	2
Moderate Risk	4.3%	9
Great Risk	94.8%	199

How much do you think youth under 21 risk harming themselves if they use other illegal drugs (ex: bath salts, synthetic marijuana, cocaine, crack, heroin, LSD, etc.)?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
No Risk	0.0%	0
Slight Risk	0.9%	2
Moderate Risk	2.4%	5
Great Risk	96.7%	204

Which of the following best describes your attitude about use of other illegal drugs by youth (under 21)?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Should not use ever	98.1%	206
Should not use until they are 21	0.5%	1
Should be allowed to use before they are 21 with adult supervision	0.0%	0
Should be taught to use responsibly before they are 21	1.4%	3
Should be allowed to use before they are 21	0.0%	0

Do you know where to go for help if you're having concerns with a young person's use of alcohol or drugs?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	78.0%	163
No	22.0%	46

Which of the following is a problem for young people in your community? (check all that apply)

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Alcohol	81.6%	168
Marijuana	79.1%	163
Tobacco	75.7%	156
Prescription Drugs (Vicodin, Oxycontin)	66.5%	137
Chewing/Smokeless Tobacco	60.2%	124
Bath Salts	44.7%	92
Inhalants (glue, paint thinner)	37.4%	77
K2 - Synthetic Marijuana	36.4%	75
Methamphetamines	32.5%	67
All of the Above	31.1%	64
Narcotics (Heroin)	20.9%	43
Hallucinogens (LSD, PCP)	17.5%	36

Other Comments - Which of the following is a problem for young people in your community?

- Do not know, unsure.
- I don't have any way to judge level of usage; the presence of any of the above would not surprise me.
- Mixing medications and or drugs, illegal and legal drugs and alcohol all together without knowing what their using. Unknown amounts they take at any given time. I also believe they snort things that aren't to be used that way and get different highs from medications/drugs. Some legally prescribed medication that should be taken orally and use it in a different way than it's prescribed.
- My daughter is in 8th grade and she comes home at least once a week and tells me about people at school having marijuana or pain killers at school... it makes me really sad to think these young kids are starting that behavior at such a young age.
- I'm not sure of some of the others drugs... not sure what they are.