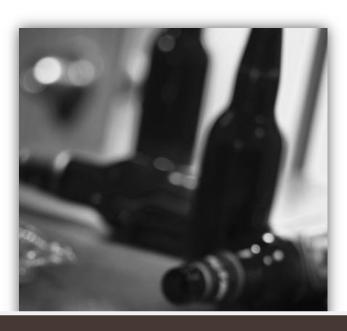
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The following is a summary of the key findings relative to *Region VI* respondents.

Adult Use of Alcohol [see Table 2.1.1]

• Similar to the statewide results, when participants were asked to rank the seriousness of *adult* use of alcohol, 68.2 percent of the *Community Members* perceived this to be a *minor to moderate* problem in their community, while 19 percent felt it was *serious*. Likewise, 68.8 percent of *Key Informants* considered *adult* alcohol use as a *minor to moderate* problem, whereas 31.3 percent believed this to be a *serious* problem.

Youth Use of Alcohol [see Table 2.1.1]

• When asked about youth alcohol use, 35.8 percent of *Community Members* felt that *youth* alcohol use was a *serious* problem and 49.6 percent felt this was a *minor to moderate* problem in their community. With *Key Informants*, the majority (58.3%) felt that *youth* alcohol use was a *serious* problem and 41.7 percent believed this was a *minor to moderate* problem in their community.

Adult Use of Methamphetamine [see Table 2.1.6]

• Although 36.9% of *Community Members* perceived *adult* use of methamphetamine as a *minor to moderate* problem, one-third (32.5%) indicated that they *don't know* the extent of the problem. Of *Key Informants*, 47.9 percent of respondents indicated *adult* use of methamphetamine to be a *minor to moderate* problem, and 37.5 percent felt this was a *serious* problem.

Youth Use of Methamphetamine [see Table 2.1.6]

• Of *Community Members*, 37.6 percent felt *youth* use of methamphetamine was a *minor to moderate* problem and 33.9 percent specified they *don't know*. Among *Key Informants*, 45.8 percent perceived methamphetamine use by *youth* as a *minor to moderate* problem and 20.8 percent *don't know* the extent of the problem.

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

• Of the *Community Members*, 56.6 percent believed that the contribution of drug/alcohol use to crashes/injuries was a *minor to moderate* problem and 21.2 percent said it was a *serious* problem. Among *Key Informants*, 54.2 percent specified this was a *minor to moderate* problem and 43.8 percent felt this was a *serious* problem within their community.

Community Acceptance of Underage Drinking [see Table 3.1]

• The *Community Members* generally *disagree-strongly disagree* (70.8%) that there was community acceptance of underage drinking. Perceptions of the *Key Informants* were slightly different, in that 60.4 percent *disagree-strongly disagree* that underage drinking is accepted in the community and 39.6 percent *agree-strongly agree* with this statement.

Support for Increasing Taxes on Alcohol [see Table 4.1]

• Of *Community Members*, 61.3 percent of *agree-strongly agree* in support of increasing alcohol taxes, while 36.5 percent of the *disagree-strongly disagree*. Similarly, *Key Informants* supported increasing alcohol taxes, in that 62.5 percent *agree-strongly agree* while 37.5 percent *disagree-strongly disagree*.

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

• Of *Community Members*, 65.7 percent indicated that *yes* they would be in support of this type of law. *Key Informants* were more supportive of this as 75 percent responded that *yes* in support of a law prohibiting giving alcohol to "your own" children.

Support for 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 *Key Informants*, 54.2 to 60.4 percent indicated that *yes* they would support banning this form of advertising.

Youth Accessibility to Alcohol [see Table 5.1]

- When *Community Members* were asked "How difficult is it for youth to get an older person to buy alcohol for them," 47.4 percent believed that it is *slightly/somewhat* difficult, while 39.1 percent indicated it was *not at all* difficult. Among *Key Informants*, 50 percent responded that this was *slightly/somewhat* difficult and 47.9 percent of respondents indicated that it was *not at all* difficult.
- When *Community Members* were asked the following, "How difficult is it for youth to sneak alcohol from their home or a friend's home," 43.4 percent believed this was *not at all* difficult and 44.2 percent indicated this was *slightly/somewhat* difficult. Of the *Key Informant* population, 75 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]

- Of *Community Members*, 42.7 percent perceived adults/youth access to **marijuana** as *slightly/somewhat* difficult while 34.3 percent responded it was *not at all* difficult to obtain. Similarly, *Key Informants*, 54.2 percent responded this was only *slightly/somewhat* difficult for adults/youth to obtain while 39.6 percent perceived access to **marijuana** as *not at all* difficult.
- Of *Community Members*, 23.5 percent perceived access to **methamphetamine** as *not* at all difficult to access and 45.6 percent believed that access was *slightly/somewhat* difficult. Fifty-six percent of *Key Informants* indicated that access to **methamphetamine** was *slightly/somewhat* difficult while 29.2 percent believed that accessing methamphetamine was *not* at all difficult.

Presence of Community Action Plan [see Table 6.2]

• Among *Community Members*, the majority (59.1%) *did not know* if their community had an action plan in place for dealing with issues surrounding substance abuse. Of *Key Informants*, 33.3 percent indicated that *yes* there was a plan in place while 35.4 percent *did not know*.

Sources of Information Regarding Crime [see Table 6.3]

• **Community Members** indicated that the most common media sources accessed for information regarding crime were "Television" (39.1%), and "Newspapers" (25.5%). Similarly, the most common media sources for **Key Informants** were "Television" (47.9%) and "Newspapers" (29.2%).

Introduction

The Rural Crime and Justice Center (RCJC) at Minot State University, in conjunction with North Dakota's Department of Human Services, implemented a Community Readiness Survey to gauge perceptions of alcohol and other drug use in North Dakota communities. This was made possible through funding provided by North Dakota's Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services. The Community Readiness Survey assessed the perceptions of Youth Alcohol and Other Drug Use by surveying community members living in North Dakota. The sample represents eight regions in North Dakota and within each region frontier, rural, and urban communities are represented based on population density. This report will focus on the data collected from *Region VI* 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 youth 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 VI* (Jamestown 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 VI* results indicate that 33.8 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 VI* was lower at 12.7 percent.

Marijuana & Other Drug Use

The percentage of students who specified ever having used marijuana was 7.8 percent *Statewide*. *Region VI* results showed that 3.1 percent of students indicated having used marijuana at least once in their lifetime. The *Statewide* percent 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 VI* indicated 8.9 percent. Students who responded as ever having used methamphetamines – also called speed, crystal, crank or ice, was 1.7 percent *Statewide*; *Region VI* results indicate that 1.2 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 VI* (Jamestown Area) results specified that 76.3 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). Likewise, *Region VI* results illustrated that 32.8% 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 VI* indicated that 45.6 percent preferred to consume a specific type of alcohol.

Marijuana & Other Drug Use

According to the *Statewide* results, 30.1 percent of students indicated having used "marijuana one or more times during their life"; *Region VI* results indicated that 18.7 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 VI* produced lower numbers in that 3 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 VI* were slightly lower, at 10.6 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 VI* rate of use was lower at 2.9 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 VI** percentages were slightly lower at 17.7 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 the 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, location (i.e., city and county), 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 *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, concern for the availability of sufficient prevention programs, the most effective method for achieving drug free youth, through educating youth, parents, or community members, the presence of leaders within the community willing to address these issues, where to seek assistance within

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

Sample Population

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

Overall Sample Sizes

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

Community Members Participant Selection (N=14400)

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

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

Sample Size for Community Members

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

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

Key Informant Group Participant Selection (N=1725)

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

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

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

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

Of the 14,400 Community Members sampled statewide, 1,800 individuals were selected to represent *Region VI* by Urban, Rural, and Frontier population densities. Southeast North Dakota Telephone Directory was the directory used for sampling and 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 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 VI Participants

Three hundred and twenty-two individuals from *Region VI* participated in the survey. Of the 1,800 Community Members sampled within this region, 274 individuals completed and returned the survey. This resulted in a response rate of 15.2 percent within this region. Among Key Informants, the total number of respondents in this group was 48, which accounts 14.9 percent of the total (N=322) within this region. The following is a breakdown of representation by profession within Region VI: *School Counselors* (N=8, 2.5%); *Family Medicine-Physicians* (N=5, 1.6%); *Social Services* (N=22, 6.8%); *Treatment Providers* (N=6, 1.9%); *LE-Police* (N=5, 1.6%); *LE-Sheriff* (N=1, .3%); and *Prevention Coordinators* (N=1, .3%).

Sample Composition by Respondent Geographic Location (Region VI, N=322)

FRONTIER (N=125, 38.8%)

- Counties: Dickey, Foster, Griggs, Lamoure, Logan, McIntosh, Wells
- **Towns/Cities:** Ashley*, Binford, Carrington*, Cooperstown, Dickey, Ellendale, Fessenden*, Forbes, Fredonia, Fullerton, Gackle*, Glenfield*, Hannaford, Harvey*, Heimdal, Hurdsfield, Kulm, Lamoure*, Lehr, Marion, Napoleon*, Oakes*, Sykeston, Wellsburg*, Wishek*

RURAL (N=81, 25.2%)

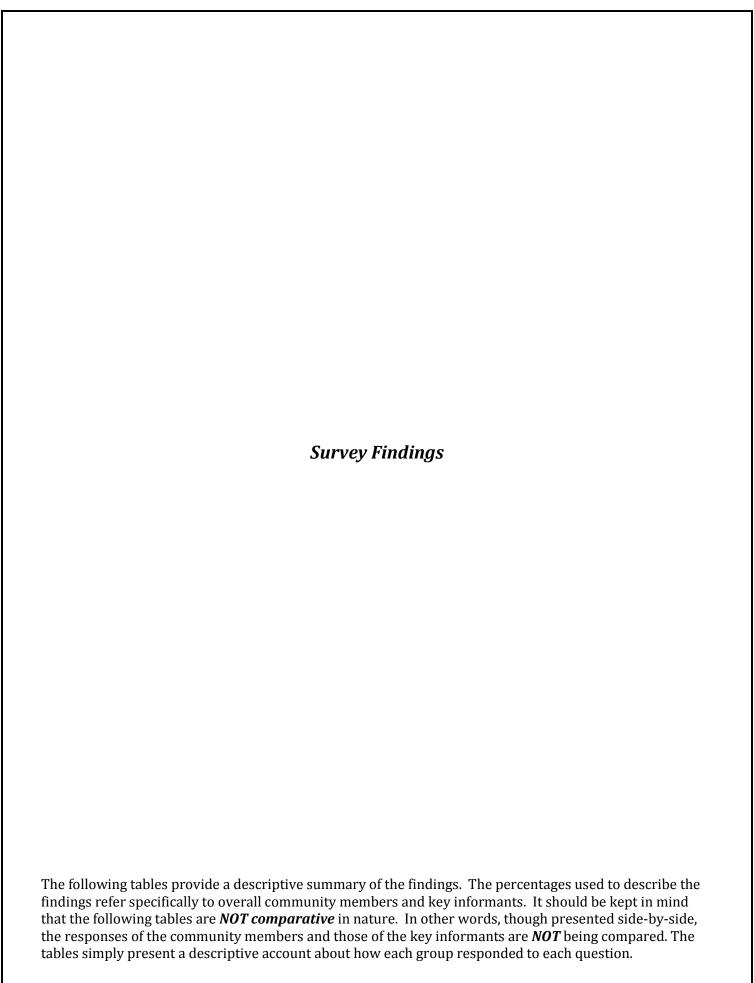
- **Counties:** Barnes, Stutsman
- Towns/Cities: Cleveland, Courtenay, Dazey, Eldridge, Fingal, Kathryn, Kensal, Leal, Litchville, Medina*, Millarton, Montpelier, Nome, Oriska*, Pillsbury, Pingree, Rogers, Sibley, Spiritwood, Streeter, Wimbledon, Ypsilanti

URBAN (N=116, 36.0%)

- Counties: Barnes, Stutsman
- Towns/Cities: Jamestown*, Valley City*

*denotes Key Informant town/city of residence

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



Section 1: Demographics

This section of the survey focused on demographic questions, including age, sex, race/ethnicity, employment status, 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?																		
				соми	MUNIT	Y MEN	ИBERS	5				KE	Y INFO	RMA	NTS			OVE	RALL
Region VIStatewide		Url	ban	Ru	ıral	Fror	ntier	Sub T	OTAL	Uri	ban	Ru	ıral	Fro	ntier	Sub 1	TOTAL	TO	ΓAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	18-20 years	1 6	1.1 .7	3	.4	1 3	1.0 .4	2 12	.7 .5		1 1	-	-	-	- -	-	-	2 12	. <u>6</u> .4
	21-24 years	- 15	- 1.7	- 9	- 1.3	2 9	2.0 1.1	2 33	. 7 1.4	- 2	- .5	-	-	1 3	4.2 2.6	1 5	2.1 .8	3 38	.9 1.3
	25-44 years	18 203	19.1 23.5	22 173	27.8 24.3	24 151	23.8 19.3	64 527	23.4 22.4	9 170	40.9 42.9	- 30	36.1	13 41	54.2 36.0	22 241	45.8 40.6	86 768	26.7 26.0
	45-64 years	47 412	50.0 47.7	31 322	39.2 45.3	37 347	36.6 44.3	115 1081	42.0 45.9	13 210	59.1 53.0	2 50	100 60.2	10 65	41.7 57.0	25 325	52.1 54.8	140 1406	43.5 47.7
	65 + years	27 215	28.7 24.9	25 197	31.6 27.7	34 259	33.7 33.1	86 671	31.4 28.5	- 12	3.0	3	- 3.6	- 5	- 4.4	- 20	3.4	86 691	26.7 23.4
	Did not answer	1 12	1.1 1.4	1 7	1.3 1.0	3 14	3.0 1.8	5 33	1.8 1.4	- 2	- .5	-	-	-	-	- 2	- .3	5 35	1.6 1.2
	Total	94 863	100 100	79 711	100 100	101 783	100 100	274 2357	100 100	22 396	100 100	2 83	100 100	24 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	322 2950	100 100

Viewing the overall age distribution for *Statewide* respondents (47.7%) and *Region VI* (43.5%), it is apparent that nearly half of the sample fall within the 45-64 age range. Furthermore, the *Region VI* overall total for 65 plus category was overrepresented at 26.7 percent when compared to the U.S. Census 2006 estimates reporting that persons 65 years and over account for 14.6 percent of North Dakota's population.

Table 1.2: SEX																			
				сом	MUNIT	ΓΥΙ	/IEMBER	S				KE	Y INFO	DRMA	NTS			OVE	RALL
Region VIIStatewide		Uri	ban	Ru	ıral	F	rontier	Comm Member	,	Ur	ban	Ru	ıral	Fro	ntier	,	ormant TAL	тот	AL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	Male	36 342	38.3 39.6	27 234	34.2 32.9	3 2	36.6 36.8	100 864	36.5 36.7	8 94	36.4 23.7	- 21	- 25.3	8 42	33.3 36.8	16 157	33.3 26.5	116 1021	36.0 34.6
	Female	57 506	60.6 58.6	50 466	63.3 65.5	6 4	60.4 60.8	168 1448	61.3 61.4	14 298	63.6 75.3	2 62	100 74.7	16 72	66.7 63.2	32 432	66.7 72.8	200 1880	62.1 63.7
	Did not answer	1 15	1.1 1.7	2 11	2.5 1.5	3 1	3.0 2.4	6 45	2.2 1.9	- 4	1.0	-	-	-	-	- 4	- .7	6 49	1.9 1.7
	Total	94 863	100 100	79 711	100 100	1 7	100 100	274 2357	100 100	22 396	100 100	2 83	100 100	24 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	322 2950	100 100

According to the U.S. Census Bureau 2006 estimates, females constitute 49.8 percent of the population in North Dakota. *Statewide*, over sixty percent (61.4% *Community Members* and 72.8% *Key Informants*) of the survey population were *female*. Within *Region VI*, 62.1 percent (61.3% of *Community Members* and 66.7% of *Key Informants*) were *female*.

Table 1.3: RACE																		
			сом	MUNI	гү Мі	MBER	S				KE	Y INFO	DRMA	NTS			OVE	RALL
Region VIStatewide	Ur	ban	Rι	ıral	Fro	ontier		nunity r TOTAL	Ur	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	formant TAL	то ⁻	TAL
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Caucasian	92 827	97.9 95.8	77 676	97.5 95.1	94 742	93.1 94.8	263 2245	96.0 95.2	21 382	95.5 96.5	2 72	100 86.7	24 98	100 86.0	47 552	97.9 93.1	310 2797	96.3 94.8
Black or African American	- 2	.2	-	-	- 2	- .3	- 4	- .2	- 2	- .5	-	-	- 1	- .9	3	- .5	- 7	- .2
American Indian or Alaska Native	- 9	1.0	- 22	3.1	1	- 1.5	- 43	1.8	- 6	- 1.5	- 10	12.0	- 13	- 11.4	- 29	- 4.9	- 72	- 2.4
Asian	- 1	<u>-</u> .1	-	-	-	-	- 1	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	- 1	.0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	- 2	<u>-</u> .2	-	-	-	-	- 2	- .1	1 1	4.5 .3	-	-	-	-	1 1	2.1 .2	1 3	.3 .1
Hispanic or Latino	-	-	-	-	- 1	- .1	- 1	- .0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	- 1	- .0
Other	1 2	1.1 .2	1 1	1.3 .1	- 4	- .5	2 7	.7	-	-	-	-	- 1	- .9	- 1	.2	2 8	.6 .3
Did not answer	1 20	1.1	1 12	1.3 1.7	7 2	6.9 2.8	9 54	3.3 2.3	- 5	- 1.3	- 1	- 1.2	- 1	- .9	- 7	1.2	9 61	2.8 2.1
Total	94 863	100 100	79 711	100 100	1 7	100 100	274 2357	100 100	22 396	100 100	2 83	100 100	24 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	322 2950	100 100

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 not surprising that 94.8 percent of the overall *Statewide* sample and 96.3 percent of the *Region VI* sample classify themselves as *Caucasian*.

Table 1.4: EMP	LOYMENT STATUS																		
				сомі	MUNIT	Y MEI	MBERS	S				KE	Y INFO	DRMA	NTS			OVE	RALL
Region VIStatewide		Uri	ban	Ru	ıral	Fror	ntier		nunity er TOTAL	Ur	ban	Rı	ıral	Fro	ntier	,	ormant TAL		TAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	Full Time	48 462	51.1 53.5	33 339	41.8 47.7	53 356	52.5 45.5	134 1157	48.9 49.1	21 355	95.5 89.6	1 71	50.0 85.5	21 99	87.5 86.8	43 525	89.6 88.5	177 1682	55.0 57.0
	Part Time	9	9.6	8	10.1	9	8.9	26	9.5	-	-	1	50.0	-	-	1	2.1	27	8.4
		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	4	4.3	7	8.9	-	-	11	4.0	-	-	-	-	2	8.3	2	4.2	13	4.0
		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	31	33.0	28	35.4	35	34.7	94	34.3	1	4.5	-	-	-	-	1	2.1	95	29.5
		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	2.1	3	3.8	4	4.0	9	3.3	-	-	-	-	1	4.2	1	2.1	10	3.1
		15	1.7	14	2.0	19	2.4	48	2.0	3	.8	-	-	1	.9	4	.7	52	1.8
	Total	94	100	<i>79</i>	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Fifty-seven percent of the *Statewide* sample and 55 percent of the *Region VI* sample reported *full-time* employment, while 26.7 percent of the *Statewide* sample and 29.5 percent of the *Region VI* sample were *not employed*.

Table 1.5: CURRENT OCCUPATION (if not working, check category of last employment) **COMMUNITY MEMBERS KEY INFORMANTS OVERALL** Region VI Community Key Informant TOTAL Urban Urban Rural Frontier Rural Frontier Statewide Member TOTAL TOTAL Ν % Ν % Ν % % Ν % Ν % % Ν % Ν % Ν 7.4 15 19.0 22 44 16.1 4.2 2.1 14.0 21.8 1 45 Agriculture 13.7 4.5 116 16.3 168 21.5 323 .9 .2 324 11.0 Construction/Mining 7 2.6 7 2.2 2.1 5.1 1 1.0 35 4.1 38 5.3 27 3.4 100 4.2 100 3.4 6 Manufacturing 6.4 6 7.6 12 4.4 12 3.7 28 3.2 29 4.1 24 81 3.4 81 2.7 3.1 Transportation/Utilities 3 2 5.3 3.8 2.0 10 3.6 10 3.1 4.6 21 3.0 21 2.7 82 3.5 82 2.8 Wholesale 1 1.1 2 2.0 3 1.1 3 .9 13 1.5 4 .5 20 20 .7 3 .4 .8 5 5.3 4.0 20 7.3 20 6.2 Retail 11 13.9 77 8.9 9.0 42 183 7.8 183 6.2 64 5.4 Finance/Real Estate 2 2.1 5 5.0 2.6 2.2 .3 3.1 17 2.4 25 3.2 69 2.9 .2 70 2.4 **Business and Repair Services** 4.3 3.8 2 2.0 3.3 2.8 30 3.5 28 3.9 18 2.3 76 3.2 76 2.6 **Professional** 24 25.5 10 12.7 23 22.8 57 20.8 13 59.1 50.0 12 50.0 26 54.2 83 25.8 245 28.4 139 19.5 172 22.0 556 23.6 246 62.1 44 53.0 48 42.1 338 57.0 894 30.3 Government 7.4 3 3.8 10 9.9 20 7.3 6 27.3 6 25.0 12 25.0 32 9.9 10.0 77 9.8 9.0 17.4 22.8 107 18.0 318 10.8 48 6.8 211 69 12 14.5 26 Leisure and Hospitality 3.2 10.1 4 4.0 15 5.5 15 4.7 36 4.2 43 6.0 47 6.0 126 5.3 2 .5 2 128 4.3 .3 **Education** 17 18.1 8 10.1 12 11.9 37 13.5 3 13.6 50.0 16.7 8 16.7 45 14.0 1 4 132 101 14.2 79 10.1 71 17.9 30.7 21.9 442 15.0 15.3 312 13.2 24 28.9 35 130 Other (selected but did not specify) 7.4 5 6.3 5 5.0 17 6.2 17 5.3 35 4.1 27 3.8 41 5.2 103 4.4 4 1.0 1.2 3 2.6 8 1.3 111 3.8 Student 1 1.0 1 .4 1 .3 .3 2 .3 .2 5 .2 1 .1 2 5 **Entrepreneur/Self-Employed** 2 2.0 .7 .6 .2 .6 2 .3 .3 .3 Clergy 1 1.0 .4 .3 .1 1 .1 3 .4 5 .2 5 .2 4.3 3 3.8 5 5.0 12 4.4 4.2 2.1 13 4.0 Did not answer 1 36 4.2 30 4.2 31 4.0 97 4.1 3 .8 2 2.4 .9 1.0 103 3.5 322 100 **Total** 94 100 79 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100

At the *Statewide* level, *Professional* (23.6%), *Agriculture* (13.7%), and *Education* (13.2%) were among the most frequent categories of employment selected by *Community Members*, while *Key Informants* categorized their employment as *Professional* (57.0%), and *Education* (21.9%). Within *Region VI*, *Professional* (20.8%), *Agriculture* (16.1%), and *Education* (13.5%) were among the most frequent categories of employment selected by *Community Members*, while *Key Informants* categorized their employment as *Professional* (54.2%), *Government* (25%), and *Education* (16.7%).

Table 1.6: CON	IMUNITY VOLUNTEERI	NG-C	Churc	h															
				сомі	MUNIT	Y MEI	MBERS	5				KE	Y INFO	DRMA	NTS			OVEF	RALL
Region VIStatewide		Url	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier	Comm Member	,	Uri	ban	Rι	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	ormant TAL	тот	AL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	Volunteer	46 384	48.9 44.5	36 377	45.6 53.0	52 422	51.5 53.9	134 1183	48.9 50.2	8 153	36.4 38.6	2 43	100 51.8	14 60	58.3 52.6	24 256	50.0 43.2	158 1439	49.1 48.8
	Do not volunteer	48 466	51.1 54.0	42 327	53.2 46.0	48 353	47.5 45.1	138 1146	50.4 48.6	14 241	63.6 60.9	- 40	- 48.2	10 54	41.7 47.4	24 335	50.0 56.5	162 1481	50.3 50.2
	Did not answer	- 13	- 1.5	1 7	1.3 1.0	1 8	1.0 1.0	2 28	. 7 1.2	- 2	- .5	-	-	-	- 1	- 2	- .3	2 30	.6 1.0
	Total	94 863	100 100	79 711	100 100	101 783	100 100	274 2357	100 100	22 396	100 100	2 83	100 100	24 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	322 2950	100 100

Table 1.7: COM	MUNITY VOLUNTEERI	NG-0	Civic																
				сомі	MUNIT	Y MEI	MBERS	5				KE	Y INFO	DRMA	NTS			OVEF	RALL
Region VIStatewide		Uri	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier	Sub T	OTAL	Ur	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier	Sub T	OTAL	тот	AL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	Volunteer	38 257	40.4 29.8	25 243	31.6 34.2	48 334	47.5 42.7	111 834	40.5 35.4	4 146	18.2 36.9	1 39	50.0 47.0	10 43	41.7 37.7	15 228	31.3 38.4	126 1062	39.1 36.0
	Do not volunteer	56 593	59.6 68.7	53 461	67.1 64.8	52 441	51.5 56.3	161 1495	58.8 63.4	18 248	81.8 62.6	1 44	50.0 53.0	14 71	58.3 62.3	33 363	68.8 61.2	194 1858	60.2 63.0
	Did not answer	- 13	- 1.5	1 7	1.3 1.0	1 8	1.0 1.0	2 28	.7 1.2	- 2	- .5	-	-	-		- 2	- .3	2 30	.6 1.0
	Total	94 863	100 100	79 711	100 100	101 783	100 100	274 2357	100 100	22 396	100 100	2 83	100 100	24 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	322 2950	100 100

Volunteering is often considered to be a primary activity for promoting both social and personal change. Overall, 48.8 percent of *Statewide* and 49.1 percent *Region VI* respondents reported engaging in some type of *church-related volunteer* activity. 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.

Regarding *civic-related* volunteering activity, 63 percent of *Statewide* respondents and 60.2 percent of *Region VI* respondents indicated they *do not volunteer* as often for *civic-related* community activities. Of the forty percent that indicated they do volunteer for *civic-related* community activities, respondents indicated that most voluntary service took place in social, political, and cultural contexts.

Table 1.8: NU	IMBER of CHILDREN in YO	UR I	НОМ	E															
				сом	МUNIТ	Y MEI	MBERS	6				KE	Y INFO	RMA	NTS			OVER	RALL
Region VIStatewide		Uri	ban	Rı	ıral	Froi	ntier	Comm Member		Ur	ban	Ru	ral	Froi	ntier	,	ormant TAL	тот	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	None (including children NOT living at home)	65 540	69.1 62.6	48 443	60.8 62.3	58 524	57.4 66.9	171 1507	62.4 63.9	12 202	54.5 51.0	2 39	100 47.0	7 46	29.2 40.4	21 287	43.8 48.4	192 1794	59.6 60.8
	1-2	20	21.3	16	20.3	28	27.7	64	23.4	10	45.5	-	-	7	29.2	17	35.4	81	25.2
		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+	8	8.5	14	17.7	13	12.9	35	12.8	-	-	-	-	9	37.5	9	18.8	44	13.7
		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	1.3	2	2.0	4	1.5	-	-	-	-	1	4.2	1	2.1	5	1.6
		9	1.0	6	.8	10	1.3	25	1.1	-	-	1	1.2	2	1.8	3	.5	28	.9
	Total	94	100	79	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Considering both the *Statewide* and *Region VI* respondents, roughly sixty percent of the *Community Members* and the *Key Informants* reported having *no children (including children NOT living at home)* while one-quarter (28.4% *Statewide* and 25.2% *Region VI*) 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.

				COM	JUNIT	Y MEI	MBERS	5				KE	Y INFO	RMAI	NTS			OVF	RALL
Region VIStatewide		Uri	ban	Ru	ral	Fror	ntier	Comn Membe	nunity r TOTAL	Uri	ban	Rı	ıral	Fror	ntier		ormant TAL		TAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	NOT A PROBLEM	1	1.1	8	10.1	5	5.0	14	5.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	4.3
		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	64	68.1	54	68.4	69	68.3	187	68.2	13	59.1	-	-	20	83.3	33	68.8	220	<i>68.3</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	24	25.5	7	8.9	21	20.8	52	19.0	9	40.9	2	100	4	16.7	15	31.2	<i>67</i>	20.8
ADIUT		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
ADULT use	DON'T KNOW	4	4.3	7	8.9	6	5.9	17	6.2	-	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	17	5.3
		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	3	3.8	-	-	4	1.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	1.2
		6	.7	8	1.1	14	1.8	28	1.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28	.9
	Total	94	100	79	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	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	СОНС	OL us	e in y	our	comr	nunit	ty											
				сомг	ииии	Y ME	MBERS	S				KE	Y INFO	ORMA	NTS			OVE	RALL
Region VIStatewide		Ur	ban	Ru	ral	Froi	ntier		nunity r TOTAL	Uri	ban	Rı	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	ormant TAL		TAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	NOT A PROBLEM	-	-	5	6.3	3	3.0	8	2.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	2.5
		13	1.5	39	5.5	23	2.9	75	3.2	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.2	76	2.6
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	40	42.6	39	49.4	57	56.4	136	49.6	7	31.8	-	-	13	54.2	20	41.7	156	48.4
		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	50.0	21	26.6	30	29.7	98	35.8	15	68.2	2	100	11	45.8	28	58.3	126	39.1
		448	51.9	259	36.4	266	34.0	973	41.3	256	64.6	52	62.7	61	53.5	369	62.2	1342	45.5
YOUTH use	DON'T KNOW	6	6.4	9	11.4	6	5.9	21	7.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	6.5
		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	1	1.1	5	6.3	5	5.0	11	4.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	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	94	100	<i>79</i>	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Statewide, 63.7 percent of respondents indicated that *adult* use of alcohol is a *minor to moderate* problem in their community, while 26.5 percent felt this was a *serious* problem. With **Region VI**, 68.3 percent of respondents indicated this to be a *minor to moderate* problem in their community, 20.8 percent perceived *adult* use of alcohol as a *serious* problem in the community.

At the *Statewide* and *regional level*, 87.5% of respondents overall perceived *youth* use of alcohol as problematic to some degree. That is, according to *Statewide* perception, respondents considered *youth* alcohol use to be a *minor-moderate* problem (43.3%) or a *serious* problem (45.5%). Similarly, *youth* use of alcohol in *Region VI* was perceived as a *minor-moderate* problem (48.4%) or *serious* problem (39.1%) by respondents.

				СОМ	MUNIT	Y MEI	MBERS	6				KE	Y INFO	RMA	NTS			OVE	RALL
Region VI Statewide		Ur	ban	Rı	ıral	Froi	ntier		nunity r TOTAL	Uri	ban	Rı	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	formant TAL		TAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	NOT A PROBLEM	8	8.5	8	10.1	8	7.9	24	8.8	-	-	-	-	1	4.2	1	2.1	25	7.8
		59	6.8	43	6.0	62	7.9	164	7.0	10	2.5	3	3.6	8	7.0	21	3.5	185	6.3
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	60	63.8	54	68.4	67	66.3	181	66.1	13	59.1	1	50.0	21	87.5	35	72.9	216	67.1
	65516116 55651514	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	21 220	22.3	9	11.4	18	17.8	48	17.5	9	40.9	1	50.0	2	8.3 19.3	12	25.0	60	18.6
ADULT use	DON'T KNOW	5	25.5 5.3	132	18.6 7.6	127 7	16.2 6.9	479 18	20.3	138	34.8	26	31.3	22	19.3	186	31.4	665 18	22.5 5.6
	John I Milest	37	4.3	53	7.5	37	4.7	127	5.4	8	2.0	3	3.6	1	.9	12	2.0	139	4.7
	Did not answer	-	-	2	2.5	1	1.0	3	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	.9
		5	.6	10	1.4	12	1.5	27	1.1	3	.8	-	-	-	-	3	.5	30	1.0
	Total	94	100	<i>79</i>	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100.0
	NOT A PROBLEM	1	1.1	9	11.4	3	3.0	13	4.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	4.0
		24	2.8	44	6.2	27	3.4	95	4.0	2	.5	1	1.2	4	3.5	7	1.2	102	3.5
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	54	57.4	41	51.9	63	62.4	158	57.7	12	54.5	1	50.0	18	75.0	31	64.6	189	58.7
		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	33	35.1	13	16.5	19	18.8	65	23.7	10	45.5	1	50.0	6	25.0	17	35.4	82	25.5
		319	37.0	166	23.3	165	21.1	650	27.6	163	41.2	30	36.1	30	26.3	223	37.6	873	29.6
YOUTH use	DON'T KNOW	5	5.3	10	12.7	12	11.9	27	9.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27	8.4
		47	5.4	78	11.0	83	10.6	208	8.8	6	1.5	2	2.4	4	3.5	12	2.0	220	7.5
	Did not answer	1	1.1	6	7.6	4	4.0	11	4.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	3.4
		25	2.9	26	3.7	34	4.3	85	3.6	5	1.3	2	2.4	-	-	7	1.2	92	3.1
	Total	94	100	<i>79</i>	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100.0

The *Statewide* perceptions for both *Community Members* and *Key Informants* are very similar regarding the nature of tobacco use by adults and youth. Overall, 65.5 percent of *Statewide* respondents perceived *adult* use of tobacco as a *minor to moderate* problem while 56.4 percent perceived *youth* use of tobacco as a *minor to moderate* problem.

Within *Region VI*, 66.1 percent of the *Community Members* and 72.9 percent of *Key Informants* designate tobacco use among *adults* as a *minor to moderate* problem. Regarding tobacco use among *youth*, 57.7 percent of *Community Members* and 64.6 percent of *Key Informants* suggest this to be a *minor to moderate* problem.

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Region VI Statewide		Uri	ban	Ru	ıral	Fror	ntier		nunity r TOTAL	Uri	ban	Rı	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	ormant TAL		TAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	NOT A PROBLEM	7	7.4	16	20.3	22	21.8	45	16.4	-	-	-	-	3	12.5	3	6.3	48	14.
		58	6.7	97	13.6	110	14.0	265	11.2	8	2.0	3	3.6	10	8.8	21	3.5	286	9.
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	43	45.7	30	38.0	36	35.6	109	39.8	14	63.6	2	100	12	50.0	28	58.3	137	42.
		413	47.9	270	38.0	302	38.6	985	41.8	257	64.9	52	62.7	74	64.9	383	64.6	1368	46.
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	12	12.8	4	5.1	10	9.9	26	9.5	5	22.7	-	-	5	20.8	10	20.8	36	11.
ADULT use	DON'T KNOW	124 31	14.4 33.0	65 27	9.1 34.2	75 31	9.6 30.7	264 89	11.2 32.5	78 2	19.7 9.1	17	20.5	15 4	13.2 16.7	110 6	18.5 12.5	374 95	12. 29.
	DON'T KNOW	257	29.8	265	37.3	279	35.6	801	34.0	51	12.9	10	12.0	4 15	13.2	76	12.8	877	29.
	Did not answer	1	1.1	2	2.5	2	2.0	5	1.8	1	4.5	-	-	-	-	1	2.1	6	1.
		11	1.3	14	2.0	17	2.2	42	1.8	2	.5	1	1.2	-	-	3	.5	45	1
	Total	94	100	79	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	10
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
	NOT A PROBLEM	-	-	12	15.2	14	13.9	26	9.5	-	-	-	-	2	8.3	2	4.2	28	8.
		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
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	43	45.7	32	40.5	40	39.6	115	42.0	11	50.0	2	100	12	50.0	25	52.1	140	43.
		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.
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	21	22.3	4	5.1	13	12.9	38	13.9	9	40.9	-	_	6	25.0	15	31.3	53	16.
		230	26.7	107	15.0	108	13.8	445	18.9	148	37.4	24	28.9	20	17.5	192	32.4	637	21.
YOUTH use	DON'T KNOW	28	29.8	27	34.2	32	31.7	87	31.8	1	4.5	-	_	4	16.7	5	10.4	92	28.
		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.
	Did not answer	2	2.1	4	5.1	2	2.0	8	2.9	1	4.5	-	-	-	-	1	2.1	9	2.
		28	3.2	29	4.1	39	5.0	96	4.1	6	1.5	3	3.6	-	-	9	1.5	105	3.
	Total	94	100	79	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	10
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Approximately fifty-five percent of the *Statewide Community Members* view the use of marijuana by *adults* as either a *minor to moderate* or a *serious* problem (41.8% and 11.2% respectively). Over eighty percent (64.6% and 18.5%) of the *Key Informants* take a similar view. Regarding *youth* use of marijuana, 39.6 percent of *Statewide Community Members* perceived this as a *minor to moderate* problem while 18.9 percent felt it was a *serious* problem. On the other hand, 53.8 percent of *Statewide Key Informants* perceived marijuana use by *youth* as a *minor to moderate* problem while nearly one-third (32.4%) viewed it as more of a *serious* problem.

Survey participants residing in *Region VI* show little variation from statewide percentages. Nearly forty percent (39.8%) of the *Community Members* and 58.3 percent of the *Key Informants* considered marijuana use by *adults* as a *minor to moderate* problem. Marijuana use by *youth* was designated a *minor to moderate* problem by 42 percent of the *Community Members* and 52.1 percent of the *Key Informants*.

It is worth noting that nearly thirty percent of *Region VI* respondents indicated they *don't know* the extent of marijuana use by *adults* (29.5%) or use by *youth* (28.6%).

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Region VI Statewide		Uri	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier		nunity r TOTAL	Ur	ban	Rι	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	ormant TAL		TAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	NOT A PROBLEM	13	13.8	28	35.4	34	33.7	75	27.4	2	9.1	1	50.0	6	25.0	9	18.8	84	26
		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
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	31	33.0	10	12.7	17	16.8	58	21.2	13	59.1	1	50.0	6	25.0	20	41.7	78	24
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	290 2	33.6 2.1	133	18.7	123 2	15.7 2.0	546 4	23.2 1.5	205	51.8	34	41.0	39	34.2	278	46.9	824 4	2; 1
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	35	4.1	11	1.5	13	1.7	59	2.5	12	3.0	1	1.2	_	_	13	2.2	72	2
ADULT use	DON'T KNOW	45	47.9	38	48.1	47	46.5	130	47.4	7	31.8	-	-	11	45.8	18	37.5	148	4
		373	43.2	365	51.3	399	51.0	1137	48.2	101	25.5	15	18.1	38	33.3	154	26.0	1291	4
	Did not answer	3	3.2	3	3.8	1	1.0	7	2.6	-	-	-	-	1	4.2	1	2.1	8	2
		14	1.6	15	2.1	18	2.3	47	2.0	3	.8	2	2.4	1	.9	6	1.0	53	1
	Total	94	100	79	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	1
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	10
	NOT A PROBLEM	6	6.4	24	30.4	22	21.8	52	19.0	-	-	1	50.0	3	12.5	4	8.3	56	1
		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	1.
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	34	36.2	14	17.7	27	26.7	75	27.4	16	72.7	1	50.0	11	45.8	28	58.3	103	3.
		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
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	6	6.4	2	2.5	3	3.0	11	4.0	1	4.5	-	-	1	4.2	2	4.2	13	4
		121	14.0	28	3.9	39	5.0	188	8.0	76	19.2	4	4.8	12	10.5	92	15.5	280	9
YOUTH use	DON'T KNOW	42	44.7	35	44.3	45	44.6	122	44.5	5	22.7	-	-	8	33.3	13	27.1	135	4
		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	3
	Did not answer	6	6.4	4	5.1	4	4.0	14	5.1	-	-	-	-	1	4.2	1	2.1	15	4
		28	3.2	23	3.2	40	5.1	91	3.9	6	1.5	2	2.4	2	1.8	10	1.7	101	3
	Total	94	100	79	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	1
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	10

Both *Statewide* and *Region VI* respondents appear to have less knowledge on the presence and use of inhalants in their community. With *adult* use, 43.8 percent of *Statewide* respondents and 46 percent of *Region VI* respondents indicated *don't know* when asked to indicate how problematic inhalant use by *adults* was in their community. Similarly when looking at *youth* use of inhalants, 39.6 percent of *Statewide* respondents and 41.9 percent of *Region VI* respondents indicated they *don't know* the extent of inhalant use among *youth*.

Table 2.1.5: Pe	rception of COCAINE u	se in	you	com	nmun	ity													
- P i M				сомі	MUNIT	Y MEI	MBERS	5				KE	Y INFO	DRMA	NTS			OVE	RALL
Region VIStatewide		Url	oan	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier		nunity er TOTAL	Ur	ban	Rı	ıral	Fro	ntier		ormant TAL	то	TAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	NOT A PROBLEM	9	9.6	22	27.8	31	30.7	62	22.6	-	-	-	-	6	25.0	6	12.5	68	21.1
		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	31	33.0	13	16.5	17	16.8	61	22.3	15	68.2	2	100	8	33.3	25	52.1	86	26.7
	CERIOUS PROPIERA	317	36.7	148	20.8	151	19.3	616	26.1	237	59.8	43	51.8	42	36.8	322	54.3	938	31.8
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	5	5.3	1	1.3	4	4.0	10	3.6	3	13.6	-	-	-	- 2.6	3	6.2	13	4.0
ADULT use	DON'T KNOW	59 47	6.8 50.0	25 42	3.5 53.2	26 49	3.3 48.5	110 138	4.7 50.4	48 4	12.1 18.2	5	6.0	3 10	2.6 41.7	56 14	9.4	166 152	5.6 47.2
	DON I KNOW	376	43.6	390	54.9	385	49.2	1151	48.8	96	24.2	17	20.5	38	33.3	151	25.5	1302	44.1
	Did not answer	2	2.1	1	1.3	-	-	3	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	.9
		15	1.7	13	1.8	18	2.3	46	2.0	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.2	47	1.6
	Total	94	100	79	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100.0
	NOT A PROBLEM	9	9.6	20	25.3	27	26.7	56	20.4	-	-	-	-	7	29.2	7	14.6	63	19.6
		87	10.1	135	19.0	184	23.5	406	17.2	25	6.3	24	28.9	34	29.8	83	14.0	489	16.6
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	33	35.1	12	15.2	19	18.8	64	23.4	17	77.3	2	100	8	33.3	27	56.2	91	28.3
		303	35.1	138	19.4	134	17.1	575	24.4	228	57.6	36	43.4	40	35.1	304	51.3	879	29.8
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	3	3.2	2	2.5	4	4.0	9	3.3	1	4.5	-	-	-	-	1	2.1	10	3.1
		66	7.6	26	3.7	27	3.4	119	5.0	34	8.6	4	4.8	4	3.5	42	7.1	161	5.5
YOUTH use	DON'T KNOW	46	48.9	41	51.9	48	47.5	135	49.3	4	18.2	-	_	9	37.5	13	27.1	148	46.0
		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	3.2	4	5.1	3	3.0	10	3.6	_		-		-		_	-	10	3.1
		26	3.0	24	3.4	39	5.0	89	3.8	6	1.5	1	1.2	_	_	7	1.2	96	3.3
	Total	94	100	79	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100
	7014.	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100.0

Similar to perceptions of inhalant use, both *Statewide* and *Region VI Community Member* respondents appear to be less aware of the presence and use of cocaine in their community. With *adult* use, 48.8 percent of *Statewide Community Members* and 50.4 percent of *Region VI 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 49.3 percent of **Region VI** Community Members indicated don't know when asked about youth use of cocaine. Notably, both **Statewide** and **Region VI** Key Informants rating of cocaine use was very different from Community Members in that between 51.3 and 56.2 percent perceived adult and youth inhalant use as a minor to moderate problem.

Table 2.1.6: Per	ception of METHAMP	HETA	MIN	E use	in yo	our c	omm	unity	/										
- Danies VII				сомі	МUNIТ	Y MEI	MBERS	5				KE	Y INFO	DRMA	NTS	_		OVE	RALL
Region VIStatewide		Uri	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier		nunity er TOTAL	Ur	ban	Ru	ıral	Fro	ntier	,	ormant TAL	то	TAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	NOT A PROBLEM	5	5.3	15	19.0	20	19.8	40	14.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40	12.4
		42	4.9	84	11.8	113	14.4	239	10.1	5	1.3	3	3.6	9	7.9	17	2.9	256	8.7
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	43	45.7	26	32.9	32	31.7	101	36.9	8	36.4	1	50.0	14	58.3	23	47.9	124	38.5
		315	36.5	222	31.2	238	30.4	775	32.9	164	41.4	52	62.7	60	52.6	276	46.5	1051	35.6
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	24	25.5	8	10.1	11	10.9	43	15.7	13	59.1	1	50.0	4	16.7	18	37.5	61	18.9
ADULT use	DON'T KNOW	304	35.2	145	20.4	126	16.1	575	24.4	205	51.8	23	27.7	26	22.8	254	42.8	829	28.1
	DON I KNOW	22 193	23.4 22.4	29 250	36.7 35.2	38 289	37.6 36.9	89 732	32.5 31.1	1 22	4.5 5.6	5	6.0	6 18	25.0 15.8	7 45	14.6 7.6	96 777	29.8 26.3
	Did not answer	193	22.4	1	1.3	209	50.9	1	.4	-	5.0	5	0.0	10	13.6	45	7.0	1	.3
	Dia not answer	9	1.0	10	1.4	17	2.2	36	1.5		_	_	_	1	.9	1	.2	37	1.3
	Total	94	100	79	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100.0
	NOT A PROBLEM	-	-	14	17.7	11	10.9	25	9.1	-	-	-	-	4	16.7	4	8.3	29	9.0
		23	2.7	81	11.4	89	11.4	193	8.2	6	1.5	6	7.2	24	21.1	36	6.1	229	7.8
	MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM	47	50.0	19	24.1	37	36.6	103	37.6	10	45.5	2	100	10	41.7	22	45.8	125	38.8
		323	37.4	221	31.1	234	29.9	778	33.0	196	49.5	53	63.9	49	43.0	298	50.3	1076	36.5
	SERIOUS PROBLEM	21	22.3	10	12.7	9	8.9	40	14.6	11	50.0	_	_	1	4.2	12	25.0	52	16.1
		293	34.0	131	18.4	114	14.6	538	22.8	145	36.6	11	13.3	13	11.4	169	28.5	707	24.0
YOUTH use	DON'T KNOW	23	24.5	31	39.2	39	38.6	93	33.9	1	4.5	_	_	9	37.5	10	20.8	103	32.0
100111 030		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	3.2	5	6.3	5	5.0	13	4.7	43	10.5	14	14.5		23.7	- 02	13.0	13	4.0
	Dia not unswer	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																		
	Total	94 863	100 100	79 711	100 100	101 783	100 100	274 2357	100 100	22 396	100 100	2 83	100 100	24 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	322 2950	100 100.0
		803	100	/11	100	/83	100	233/	100	390	100	83	100	114	100	<i>533</i>	100	2930	100.0

Regarding the use of methamphetamines by *adults*, 32.9 percent of *Statewide Community Members* reported this to be a *minor to moderate* problem, 24.4 percent felt this was a *serious* problem, and 31.1 percent indicated that they *don't know* the extent of the problem. According to *Key*

Informants, 46.5 percent believed that methamphetamine use by *adults* was a *minor to moderate* problem, and 42.8 percent indicated this to be a *serious* problem. Only 7.6 percent reported that they *don't know* the extent of the problem.

Turning to the use of methamphetamines by *youth*, 33 percent of the *Statewide Community Members* believed that this was a *minor to moderate* problem, 22.8 percent reported this to be a *serious* problem, and 32.5 percent *don't know* the extent of the problem within their community. Of the *Statewide Key Informants*, 50.3 percent believed that methamphetamine use by youth was a *minor to moderate* problem, 28.5 percent indicated this was a *serious* problem, and 13.8 percent *don't know* the scope of the problem.

Region VI responses from *Community Members* indicate that 36.9 percent felt *adult* use of methamphetamine was a *minor to moderate* problem, 15.7 percent indicated this to be a *serious* problem, and 32.5 percent specified that they *don't know* the extent of the problem. The *Key Informant* population's perception differed from *Community Members* in that the majority (47.9%) indicated this to be a *minor to moderate* problem, 37.5 percent perceived adult methamphetamine use as a *serious* problem.

Region VI responses were very similar when comparing youth to adult use of methamphetamine. Of the *Community Member* participants, 37.6 percent felt *youth* use of methamphetamine was a *minor to moderate* problem, 14.6 percent perceived this as a *serious* problem, and 33.9 specified they *don't know* the extent of the problem. Of the *Key Informants* 45.8 percent perceived methamphetamine use by *youth* as a *minor to moderate problem*, 25 percent as a *serious* problem and 20.8 percent indicated they *don't know* the extent of *youth* use.

Table 2.1.7: Perception of OVER-the-COUNTER DRUG (abuse of cough medicines, Dramamine, ,diet pills, sleeping pills, etc.) use in your community COMMUNITY MEMBERS **KEY INFORMANTS OVERALL** Region VI Community **Key Informant** TOTAL Urban Frontier Urban Frontier Rural Rural Statewide Member TOTAL TOTAL Ν % Ν % % Ν % Ν % Ν % % Ν % Ν % Ν **NOT A PROBLEM** 21 26.6 12.5 18.9 11 11.7 25 24.8 57 20.8 4.5 3 4 8.3 61 1 18.0 383 77 8.9 128 139 17.8 344 14.6 13 3.3 12 14.5 14 12.3 39 6.6 13.0 MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM 35 37.2 16 20.3 25 27.7 10 45.5 1 50.0 10 41.7 43.8 97 30.1 24.8 76 21 380 44.0 206 29.0 229 29.2 815 34.6 223 56.3 37 44.6 52 45.6 312 52.6 1127 38.2 **SERIOUS PROBLEM** 9 9.6 1.3 5 5.0 15 5.5 7 31.8 1 50.0 1 4.2 9 18.8 24 7.5 23.2 109 12.6 45 6.3 40 5.1 194 8.2 92 16 19.3 12 10.5 120 20.2 314 10.6 **ADULT** use DON'T KNOW 38 40.4 40 50.6 45 44.6 44.9 18.2 10 41.7 29.2 137 42.5 123 4 14 287 33.3 325 45.7 364 46.5 976 41.4 65 16.4 36 31.6 19.9 1094 37.1 17 20.5 118 Did not answer 1 1.1 1 1.3 1 1.0 3 1.1 3 .9 10 1.2 7 1.0 11 1.4 28 1.2 3 .8 1 1.2 4 .7 32 1.1 Total 22 100 322 94 100 *79* 100 101 100 274 100 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 114 100 593 100 2950 100 100 **NOT A PROBLEM** 19 24.1 4.2 15.5 7.4 22 21.8 48 17.5 2 8.3 2 50 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 34 36.2 15 19.0 26 25.7 75 27.4 12 54.5 2 100 45.8 25 52.1 100 31.1 11 379 29.1 221 42 1126 43.9 207 222 28.4 808 34.3 55.8 50.6 55 48.2 318 53.6 38.2 SERIOUS PROBLEM 12 12.8 1 1.3 4 4.0 17 6.2 7 31.8 4.2 8 16.7 25 7.8 1 134 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 **YOUTH** use DON'T KNOW 40 42.6 39 49.4 47 46.5 126 46.0 3 13.6 10 41.7 13 27.1 139 43.2 284 1086 32.9 326 45.9 374 47.8 984 41.7 52 13.1 15 18.1 35 30.7 102 17.2 36.8 Did not answer 5 1.1 6.3 2 2.0 2.9 2.5 18 2.1 20 2.8 29 3.7 67 2.8 8 2.0 1 1.2 9 1.5 76 2.6 Total 100 100 94 100 79 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 322 100 100 2357 100 396 100 100 2950 100 863 711 783 100 83 114 100 593 100

When asked to gauge over-the-counter drug abuse in their community, both *Statewide* and *Region VI Community Members* appeared to be less aware of such abuse among both *adults* and *youth*; at least forty percent reported they *don't know* the extent of the problem. On the other hand, both *Statewide* and *Region VI Key Informants* perceived the *adult* abuse of over-the-counter drugs as a *minor to moderate* problem with 52.6 percent and 43.8 percent respectively. With respect to *youth* abuse, 53.6 percent of *Statewide Key Informants* and 52.1 percent of *Region VI Key Informants* gauged the problem as *minor to moderate*.

Table 2.1.8: Perception of PRESCRIPTION DRUG (abuse of) use in your community **COMMUNITY MEMBERS KEY INFORMANTS OVERALL** Region VI Community **Key Informant** TOTAL Urban Rural Frontier Urban Frontier Rural Statewide Member TOTAL TOTAL % Ν % % Ν % Ν % Ν % % Ν % Ν % Ν **NOT A PROBLEM** 23 12.5 18.9 10 10.6 29.1 25 24.8 58 21.2 3 3 6.2 61 17.7 1.5 66 7.6 126 137 17.5 329 14.0 6 8 9.6 7.9 23 3.9 352 11.9 MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM 35 37.2 12 15.2 26.6 10 45.5 1 50.0 13 54.2 50.0 30.1 26 25.7 73 24 97 389 45.1 210 29.5 252 32.2 851 36.1 201 50.8 38 45.8 51 44.7 290 48.9 1141 38.7 **SERIOUS PROBLEM** 12 12.8 3.8 4.0 19 6.9 9 40.9 1 50.0 10 20.8 29 9.0 136 15.8 47 6.6 36 4.6 219 9.3 142 35.9 19 22.9 17 14.9 178 30.0 397 13.5 **ADULT** use DON'T KNOW 45.5 33.3 22.9 133 36 38.3 40 50.6 46 122 44.5 3 13.6 11 41.3 32.5 1037 266 30.8 324 45.6 346 44.2 936 39.7 46 11.6 18 21.7 37 101 17.0 35.2 Did not answer 1.1 1.3 .7 2 .6 6 .7 4 .6 12 22 .9 1 .3 1 .2 23 .8 1.5 Total 94 100 79 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 322 100 711 783 2357 396 100 2950 100.0 863 100 100 100 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 **NOT A PROBLEM** 23 29.1 27.7 4.5 5 20.8 12.5 20.5 9.6 28 60 21.9 1 6 66 15 75 8.7 131 18.4 156 19.9 362 15.4 3.8 15 18.1 17 14.9 47 7.9 409 13.9 MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM 33 17.7 21.8 25.2 12 54.5 2 100 37.5 47.9 92 28.6 35.1 14 22 69 23 371 43.0 23.9 23.8 727 30.8 228 57.6 44 53.0 43.0 54.1 1048 35.5 170 186 49 321 **SERIOUS PROBLEM** 9 6 12.5 9.6 3.0 12 4.4 27.3 18 5.6 96 29 163 6.9 71 17.9 13.8 245 8.3 11.1 38 5.3 3.7 5 6.0 5.3 82 **YOUTH** use DON'T KNOW 42 48.1 45 44.6 125 45.6 3 13.6 10 41.7 27.1 138 42.9 44.7 13 304 35.2 351 49.4 379 48.4 1034 43.9 75 18.9 17 20.5 42 36.8 134 22.6 1168 39.6 Did not answer 1.1 5.1 3 3.0 2.9 2.5 17 71 80 2.7 2.0 21 3.0 33 4.2 3.0 7 1.8 2 2.4 9 1.5 Total 94 100 79 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 100 322 100 100 100 100 2950 100.0 863 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 83 114 100 593 100

Similarly, when asked to gauge prescription drug abuse in their community, both *Statewide* and *Region VI Community Members* appeared to be less aware of such abuse among both *adults* and *youth*; at least one-third (range 39.7% to 45.6%) reported they *don't know* the extent of the problem. On the other hand, both *Statewide* and *Region VI Key Informants* perceived the *adult* abuse of prescription drugs as a *minor to moderate* problem with 48.9 percent and 50 percent respectively. With respect to *youth* abuse, 54.1 percent of *Statewide Key Informants* and 47.9 percent of *Region VI Key Informants* gauged the problem as *minor to moderate*.

Table 2.1.9: Perception of HALLUCINOGEN (LSD, Shrooms, PCP, etc.) use in your community **COMMUNITY MEMBERS KEY INFORMANTS OVERALL** Region VI Community **Key Informant** TOTAL Rural Frontier Urban Frontier Urban Rural Statewide Member TOTAL TOTAL Ν % Ν % % Ν % Ν % Ν % % Ν % Ν % Ν **NOT A PROBLEM** 28 35.4 27.4 26.4 15 16.0 32 31.7 75 10 41.7 10 20.8 85 162 22.8 117 13.6 213 27.2 492 20.9 40 10.1 28 33.7 34 29.8 102 17.2 594 20.1 MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM 24 25.5 7 17.2 13 59.1 2 12.5 37.5 **65** 20.2 8.9 16 15.8 47 100 3 18 280 15.6 503 21.3 223 56.3 34 41.0 30 26.3 287 48.4 790 26.8 32.4 111 112 14.3 **SERIOUS PROBLEM** 1 1.1 1 1.0 2 .7 1 4.5 1 2.1 3 .9 30 3.5 11 1.5 9 1.1 50 2.1 13 3.3 2 1.8 15 2.5 65 2.2 -**ADULT** use DON'T KNOW 53 50.5 39.6 166 56.4 43 54.4 51 147 53.6 36.4 11 45.8 19 51.6 429 58.8 55.8 30.3 1472 49.7 418 437 1284 54.5 120 21 25.3 47 41.2 188 31.7 49.9 Did not answer 1 1.1 1.3 1.0 3 1.1 3 .9 1 7 .8 9 1.3 12 1.5 28 1.2 .9 1 .2 29 1.0 Total 94 100 79 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 322 100 711 783 2357 100 396 100 2950 863 100 100 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 100 **NOT A PROBLEM** 5.3 24 30.4 27.7 10 20.8 20.8 28 57 20.8 41.7 10 67 33 80 9.3 142 20.0 179 22.9 401 17.0 8.3 26 31.3 39 34.2 98 16.5 499 16.9 MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM 30 8 10.1 17.8 20.4 13 59.1 2 100 3 12.5 37.5 74 31.9 18 56 18 23.0 298 34.5 15.9 15.6 533 22.6 228 57.6 33 39.8 27 23.7 48.6 821 27.8 113 122 288 **SERIOUS PROBLEM** 3 3.2 1.0 1.5 1 4.5 2.1 1.6 49 5.7 80 3.4 18 4.5 2 3.7 102 3.5 15 2.1 16 2.0 2.4 1.8 22 **YOUTH** use DON'T KNOW 55 58.5 43 54.4 50.5 149 54.4 36.4 11 45.8 19 39.6 168 52.2 51 418 48.4 419 58.9 436 55.7 1273 54.0 112 28.3 21 25.3 45 39.5 178 30.0 1451 49.2 Did not answer 1.1 5.1 3 3.0 2.9 2.5 18 2.1 3.1 7 22 30 3.8 70 3.0 5 1.3 1 1.2 1 .9 1.2 77 2.6 Total 94 100 79 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 100 24 100 100 322 100 100 100 100 100 863 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 83 114 100 593 100 2950

When asked about the use of hallucinogens in their community, both *Statewide* and *Region VI Community Members* appeared to be the least aware of such use among both *adults* and *youth* where at just over half (range 53.6% to 54.5%) reported they *don't know* the extent of the problem. On the other hand, both *Statewide* and *Region VI Key Informants* perceived the *adult* use of hallucinogens as a *minor to moderate problem* with 48.4 percent and 37.5 percent respectively. With respect to *youth* use, 48.6 percent of *Statewide Key Informants* and 37.5 percent of *Region VI Key Informants* gauged the problem as *minor to moderate*.

Table 2.2.1: Contribution of drug and alcohol use to CRASHES or INJURIES (such as automobile, hunting, boating, snowmobiling) **COMMUNITY MEMBERS KEY INFORMANTS OVERALL** Region VI TOTAL Community **Key Informant** Urban Frontier Urban Rural Frontier Rural Member TOTAL TOTAL Statewide Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % N % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν % **NOT A PROBLEM** 2.1 16.5 14 13.9 10.6 29 9.0 2 13 29 22 2.5 55 7.7 141 2 .5 2 145 64 8.2 6.0 1.8 4 .7 4.9 MINOR TO MODERATE PROBLEM 52 55.3 42 53.2 61 60.4 155 56.6 36.4 18 26 54.2 181 8 75.0 56.2 401 46.5 352 49.5 422 53.9 1175 49.9 128 32.3 40 48.2 61 53.5 229 38.6 1404 47.6 **SERIOUS PROBLEM** 13 59.1 2 32 34.0 11 13.9 15 14.9 58 21.2 100 25.0 21 43.8 79 24.5 382 44.3 229 32.2 207 26.4 818 34.7 256 64.6 49.4 49 43.0 346 58.3 1164 39.5 DON'T KNOW 8 8.5 10 12.7 11 10.9 29 10.6 1 4.5 1 2.1 *30* 9.3 223 55 6.4 70 9.8 209 8.9 10 2.5 2.4 2.4 84 10.7 2 2 1.8 14 7.6 Did not answer 3 3.8 1.1 3 .9 3 .3 5 .7 .8 14 .6 14 .5 6 Total 94 100 100 274 100 100 100 24 322 100 79 101 100 22 2 100 48 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 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, 49.9 percent of the *Statewide Community Members* indicated that this was a *minor to moderate* problem, while 34.7 percent felt this was a *serious* problem within their community. Approximately thirty-eight percent of the *Key Informants* indicated this to be a *minor to moderate* problem, while 58.3 percent considered this to be a *serious* problem.

Region VI responses align with those of the statewide participants. For example, 56.6 percent of the *Community Members* believed that the contribution of drug/alcohol use to crashes/injuries was a *minor to moderate* problem and 21.2 percent indicated this was *serious* problem. Among *Key Informants*, 54.2 percent felt this was a *minor to moderate* problem within their community and 43.8 percent specified this was a *serious* problem.

In sum, 77.8 percent of *Community Members* and 98 percent of *Key Informants* in *Region VI* perceived the use of drugs and/or alcohol as a contributing factor to crashes or injuries to *some* degree.

Table 2.2.2: Co	ntribution of drug and	alco	hol u	ise to	CRII	MES													
- Parion VII				сомі	MUNIT	Y MEI	VIBERS	5				KE	Y INFO	DRMA	NTS			OVE	RALL
Region VIStatewide		Uri	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier	Comn Membe	nunity r TOTAL	Ur	ban	Rι	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	ormant TAL	TO ⁻	TAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	NOT A PROBLEM	2	2.1	21	26.6	13	12.9	36	13.1	-		-	-	1	4.2	1	2.1	37	11.5
		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	45	47.9	24	30.4	55	54.5	124	45.3	6	27.3	-	-	13	54.2	19	39.6	143	44.4
		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	37	39.4	12	15.2	15	14.9	64	23.4	15	68.2	2	100	9	37.5	26	54.2	90	28.0
		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	10	10.6	18	22.8	18	17.8	46	16.8	1	4.5	-	-	1	4.2	2	4.2	48	14.9
		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	-	-	4	5.1	-	-	4	1.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	1.2
		8	.9	8	1.1	4	.5	20	.8	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.2	21	.7
	Total	94	100	79	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	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, 43.8 percent of the *Statewide Community Members* indicated that this was a *minor to moderate* problem, while 35.7 percent felt this was a *serious* problem within their community. Approximately thirty-two percent of *Key Informants* indicated this to be a *minor to moderate* problem, while the majority (61.7%) considered this to be a *serious* problem.

In terms of *Region VI Community Members*, 45.3 percent believed that the contribution of drug/alcohol use to crime was a *minor to moderate* problem and 23.4 percent indicated this was *serious* problem. Among the *Key Informants*, 54.2 percent felt this was a *serious* problem within their community and 39.6 percent specified this was a *minor to moderate* problem.

In sum, 68.7 percent of *Community Members* and 93.8 percent of *Key Informants* in *Region VI* perceived drugs and or alcohol as a contributing factor to crime to some degree.

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 ME	MBER:	5				KE	Y INFO	DRMA	NTS			OVE	RALL
Region VIStatewide		Uri	ban	Rı	ıral	Froi	ntier		nunity er TOTAL	Uri	ban	Rι	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	ormant TAL		TAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	DISAGREE	93	98.9	75	94.9	93	92.1	261	95.3	22	100	2	100	23	95.8	47	97.9	308	95.7
		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	1	1.1	4	5.1	8	7.9	13	4.7	-	-	-	-	-	4.2	1	2.1	14	4.3
parties as long as they don't get	0:44	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	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-
	Total	2 94	.2 100	2 79	.3 100	3 101	.4 100	274	.3 100	2 22	.5 100	2	100	24	100	2 48	.3 100	322	.3 100.
	Total	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100.
	DISAGREE	92	97.9	73	92.4	93	92.1	258	94.2	22	100	2	100	23	95.8	47	97.9	305	94.
		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
Vath abald ba abla ta duial. aa	AGREE	2	2.1	4	5.1	8	7.9	14	5.1	-	-	-	-	1	4.2	1	2.1	15	4.7
Youth should be able to drink as		32	3.7	28	3.9	44	5.6	104	4.4	10	2.5	-	-	3	2.6	13	2.2	117	4.0
long as they don't drive	Did not answer	-	-	2	2.5	-	-	2	.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	.6
afterwards.		2	.2	3	.4	4	.5	9	.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	.3
	Total	94	100	<i>79</i>	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100.
		863	100	711	100	<i>783</i>	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100.
	DISAGREE	92	97.9	76	96.2	99	98.0	267	97.4	22	100	2	100	23	95.8	47	97.9	314	97.5
		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.
	AGREE	1	1.1	2	2.5	2	2.0	5	1.8	-	-	-	-	1	4.2	1	2.1	6	1.9
It is okay for youth to smoke	D'd and and	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	1.1	1	1.3	-	-	2	.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	.6
	Total	3 94	.3 100	5 79	.7 100	5 101	.6 100	13 274	.6 100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	13 322	.4 100

Table 3.1 Cont'd: To what extent do you AGREE or DISAGREE with the following statements? **COMMUNITY MEMBERS KEY INFORMANTS OVERALL** Region VI Key Informant Community Urban Rural Frontier Urban Rural Frontier TOTAL Member TOTAL TOTAL Statewide Ν Ν % N Ν % % % Ν % Ν % % Ν % DISAGREE 88 93.6 73 92.4 95 94.1 256 93.4 21 95.5 2 100 22 91.7 45 93.8 *301* 93.5 797 92.4 93.7 93.1 93.2 97.6 109 2753 93.3 663 93.2 734 2194 369 81 95.6 559 94.3 AGREE 6 6.4 6 7.6 5 5.0 17 6.2 4.5 2 8.3 6.2 20 6.2 1 3 Youth who experiment with 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 Did not answer 1 1.0 1 .4 1 .3 always grow out of it. .5 3 5 .6 12 .5 .3 1 .2 13 .4 .4 1 Total 94 100 *79* 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 322 100.0 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100.0 DISAGREE 93.6 72 91.1 92 91.1 252 92.0 21 95.5 2 100 23 95.8 46 95.8 298 92.5 763 88.4 634 89.2 699 89.3 2096 88.9 377 95.2 78 94.0 108 94.7 563 94.9 2659 90.1 **AGREE** 8.9 6.4 7 8.9 9 22 8.0 1 4.5 1 4.2 2 4.2 24 7.5 It is okay for parents to offer their 4.9 95 11.0 72 10.1 77 9.8 244 10.4 18 4.5 5 6.0 6 5.3 29 273 9.3 youth alcoholic beverages in their Did not answer home. .6 5 7 .9 17 .7 .3 1 .2 18 .6 1 Total 94 79 101 100 274 100 100 100 322 100.0 100 100 22 2 24 100 48 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100.0 DISAGREE 93 98.9 78 98.7 96 95.0 267 97.4 22 100 100 24 100 48 100 315 97.8 99.0 701 2319 395 99.7 114 99.8 2911 98.6 764 97.6 98.4 83 100 100 592 98.7 AGREE 1 1.3 5 5.0 6 6 1.9 1.1 2.2 It is okay for parents to offer .9 6 .8 2.0 30 1.3 .3 .2 31 16 1 1 1.1 alcoholic beverages in their home Did not answer .4 .3 1 to youth (other than their own). .1 4 .6 3 8 .3 8 .3 .4 Total 94 100 **79** 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 100 24 100 48 100 322 100.0 2 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100.0 DISAGREE 71 75.5 51 64.6 72 71.3 194 70.8 15 68.2 1 50.0 13 54.2 29 60.4 223 69.3 635 73.6 452 63.6 526 67.2 1613 68.4 228 57.6 34 41.0 45 39.5 307 51.8 1920 65.1 **AGREE** 22 23.4 26 32.9 29 28.7 77 28.1 7 31.8 1 50.0 11 45.8 19 39.6 96 29.8 In my community, drinking among 223 25.8 249 35.0 252 32.2 724 30.7 167 42.2 49 59.0 68 59.6 284 47.9 1008 34.2 Did not answer 3 teenagers is acceptable. 1.1 2 2.5 1.1 3 .9 10 20 .8 .7 .6 1.4 5 .6 1 .3 1 .9 2 .3 22 Total 94 100 79 100 101 100 274 100 100 100 100 48 100 322 100.0 22 2 24 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100.0

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Region VIStatewide		Uri	ban	Rι	ıral	Froi	ntier		nunity r TOTAL	Uri	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	ormant TAL		TAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	DISAGREE	92	97.9	75	94.9	98	97.0	265	96.7	22	100	2	100	22	91.7	46	95.8	311	96.6
	AGREE	845	97.9 2.1	701 4	98.6 5.1	757 3	96.7 3.0	2303	97.7 3.3	390	98.5	80	96.4	110	96.5 4.2	580	97.8 2.1	2883 10	97.7 3.1
Driving under the influence of	AGREE	13	1.5	10	1.4	21	2.7	44	1.9	5	1.3	2	2.4	3	2.6	10	1.7	54	1.8
drugs and/or alcohol is okay.	Did not answer	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4.2	1	2.1	1	.3
,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		5	.6	-	-	5	.6	10	.4	1	.3	1	1.2	1	.9	3	.5	13	.4
	Total	94	100	79	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100.0
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100.0
	DISAGREE	92	97.9	78	98.7	99	98.0	269	98.2	22	100	2	100	23	95.8	47	97.9	316	98.1
	AGREE	848	98.3 2.1	705	99.2 1.3	765	97.7 2.0	2318	98.3 1.8	393	99.2	82	98.8	113	99.1 4.2	588	99.2 2.1	2906 6	98.5 1.9
It is okay to ride in a motor vehicle	AGREE	14	1.6	6	.8	16	2.0	36	1.5	3	.8	1	1.2	1	.9	5	.8	41	1.4
with someone under the influence	Did not answer	-	-	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
of drugs and/or alcohol.		1	.1	-	-	2	.3	3	.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	.1
	Total	94	100	79	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100.0
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100.0

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 VI 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 (95.7% disagree-strongly disagree)
- Youth should be able to drink as long as they don't drive afterwards (94.7% disagree-strongly disagree)
- It is okay for youth to smoke cigarettes (97.5% *disagree-strongly disagree*)
- Youth who experiment with alcohol or other drugs almost always grow out of it (93.5% disagree-strongly disagree)
- It is okay for parents to offer their youth alcoholic beverages in their home (92.5% disagree-strongly disagree)
- It is okay for parents to offer alcoholic beverages in their home to youth other than their own (97.8% *disagree-strongly disagree*)
- Driving under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol is okay (96.6% disagree-strongly disagree)
- It is okay to ride in a motor vehicle with someone under the influence of drugs and/or drugs (98.1% disagree-strongly disagree)

On the other hand, when asked whether drinking among teenagers is acceptable within their community, 69.3 percent of respondents overall *disagree-strongly disagree* while 29.8 *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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Law enforcement should be spending more time enforcing the minimum drinking age. DISAGREE 16 17.0 13 16.5 9 8.9 38 13.9 2 9.1 - - 2 8.3 4 8.3 42 18.9 499 499	■ Pagion VI				сом	MUNIT	ΓΥ ΜΕΙ	MBERS	5				KE	Y INFO	ORMA	NTS			OVE	RALL
Law enforcement should be spending more time enforcing the minimum drinking age. DISAGREE 16 17.0 13 16.5 9 8.9 38 13.9 2 9.1 - - 2 8.3 4 8.3 42 18.9 499 499			Uri	ban	Rι	ıral	Froi	ntier		,	Uri	ban	Rι	ral	Froi	ntier	-,		то	TAL
Law enforcement should be spending more time enforcing the minimum drinking age. AGREE 76 80.9 65 82.3 92 91.1 233 85.0 20 90.9 2 100 22 91.7 44 91.7 277 88.9 89.9 89.1 233 85.0 20 90.9 2 100 22 91.7 44 91.7 277 89.9 99.			N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Law enforcement should be spending more time enforcing the minimum drinking age. Did not answer Columbia Columbia		DISAGREE					_				_	_	-	-	2	7.7	•			13.0
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other drug problems. A			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
Total 94 100 79 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 322 1		Did not answer	1		1		1		_		-	-	-	-	1		1		4	1.2
	other drug problems.		4	-	_		_				-		-		1	-	•	**		.7
863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 1		Total											2							100.0 100.0

Table 4.1 Cont'd: To what extent do you AGREE or DISAGREE with the following statements? COMMUNITY MEMBERS **KEY INFORMANTS OVERALL** Region VI Key Informant TOTAL Community Urban Rural Frontier Urban Rural Frontier Statewide Member TOTAL TOTAL Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν Ν % Ν % N % Ν % Ν % % DISAGREE 6.4 5 6.3 5.9 17 6.2 50.0 4.2 2 4.2 19 5.9 6 6 1 1 73 8.5 53 7.5 50 176 7.5 25 6.3 6 7.2 3 2.6 5.7 210 6.4 34 7.1 **AGREE** 87 92.6 73 92.4 93 92.1 253 92.3 22 100 1 50.0 23 95.8 46 95.8 299 92.9 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 Did not answer 1.1 1 1.3 2 1.5 drug problems through prevention. 1 2.0 1.2 .5 6 .8 12 22 .9 1.2 23 .8 1.5 1 1 .2 Total 94 100 *79* 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 322 100.0 100 863 711 783 100 2357 396 83 593 2950 100.0 100 100 100 100 100 114 100 DISAGREE 3 3.2 3 3.8 4.0 10 3.6 2 9.1 2 4.2 12 3.7 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 **AGREE** 2 89 94.7 74 93.7 94 93.1 257 93.8 20 90.9 100 24 100 46 95.8 303 94.1 programs are a good investment 798 92.5 93.1 93.0 93.2 97.4 2748 93.2 662 731 93.4 2191 369 77 92.8 111 557 93.9 Did not answer 2 2.1 2 2.5 3 3.0 2.6 2.2 because they save lives and 7 .8 7 1.0 12 1.5 26 1.1 3 3.6 3 .5 29 1.0 money. Total 94 100 79 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 322 100.0 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100.0 DISAGREE 8 8.5 13 10 1 1 32 16.5 9.9 31 11.3 4.2 2.1 9.9 98 104 12.8 302 12.8 18 7 9 7.9 5.7 336 11.4 14.6 100 4.5 8.4 34 11.4 The community has the **AGREE** 85 90.4 79.7 86.1 235 85.8 21 95.5 2 100 23 95.8 46 95.8 281 87.3 63 87 responsibility to set up prevention 759 87.9 594 83.5 671 85.7 2024 85.9 376 94.9 75 90.4 105 92.1 556 93.8 2580 87.5 programs to help people avoid Did not answer 1.1 3 3.8 4 4.0 2.9 4.5 2.1 2.8 6 .7 13 1.8 12 1.5 31 1.3 2 .5 1 1.2 3 .5 34 1.2 alcohol and other drug problems. Total 94 100 79 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 322 100.0 100 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 83 100 114 593 100 2950 100.0 DISAGREE 17 18.1 13 16.5 18 17.8 48 17.5 2 9.1 33.3 10 20.8 58 18.0 165 19.1 115 16.2 120 15.3 400 17.0 84 21.2 16 19.3 27 23.7 127 21.4 527 17.9 Public service announcements are **AGREE** 76 80.9 63 79.7 82 81.2 221 80.7 19 86.4 2 100 16 66.7 37 77.1 258 80.1 a good way to change attitudes 80.5 583 82.0 655 82.0 309 78.0 87 76.3 2394 695 83.7 1933 65 78.3 461 77.7 81.2 Did not answer 1.1 3 3.8 1 1.0 5 1.8 1 4.5 1 2.1 1.9 about alcohol, tobacco, & other 1 3 .3 13 1.8 8 1.0 24 1.0 3 .8 2 2.4 5 .8 29 1.0 drugs. Total 94 100 79 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 322 100.0 100 100 783 2357 100 100 2950 100.0 863 711 100 396 83 100 114 100 593 100

Table 4.1 Cont'd: To what	extent do y	ou A	AGRE	E or I	DISA	GREE	with	the	follov	ving	state	emer	nts?						
■ Region VI				сомі	MUNIT	тү ме	MBER	S				KE	Y INFO	DRMA	NTS			OVE	RALL
Statewide		Ur	ban	Rι	ıral	Fro	ntier		munity er TOTAL	Ur	ban	Rι	ıral	Fro	ntier	,	formant TAL	TO	TAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	DISAGREE	31	33.0	30	38.0	39	38.6	100	36.5	7	31.8	-	-	11	45.8	18	37.5	118	36.6
		370	42.9	290	40.8	325	41.5	985	41.8	145	36.6	26	31.3	39	34.2	210	35.4	1195	40.5
Towns on also believed dis-	AGREE	62	66.0	48	60.8	58	57.4	168	61.3	15	68.2	2	100	13	54.2	30	62.5	198	61.5
Taxes on alcohol should be	Did not snowed	485	56.2	414	58.2	446	57.0	1345	57.1	248	62.6	56	67.5	73	64.0	377	63.6	1722	58.4
increased.	Did not answer	1 8	1.1 .9	1 7	1.3 1.0	4 12	4.0 1.5	6 27	2.2 1.1	3	.8	1	1.2	2	1.8	6	1.0	6 33	1.9 1.1
	Total	94	.9 100	79	1.0 100	101	1.5 100	274	1.1	22	.8 100	2	1.2 100	24	1.8	48	1.0 100	322	100.0
	70147	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100.0
	DISAGREE	22	23.4	27	34.2	27	26.7	76	27.7	5	22.7	_	_	12	50.0	17	35.4	93	28.9
		290	33.6	236	33.2	255	32.6	781	33.1	119	30.1	23	27.7	40	35.1	182	30.7	963	32.6
	AGREE	71	75.5	51	64.6	67	66.3	189	69.0	16	72.7	2	100	12	50.0	30	62.5	219	68.0
Taxes on tobacco should be		566	65.6	467	65.7	513	65.5	1546	65.6	274	69.2	59	71.1	72	63.2	405	68.3	1951	66.1
increased.	Did not answer	1	1.1	1	1.3	7	6.9	9	3.3	1	4.5	-	-	-	-	1	2.1	10	3.1
		7	.8	8	1.1	15	1.9	30	1.3	3	.8	1	1.2	2	1.8	6	1.0	36	1.2
	Total	94	100	79	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100.0
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100.0
	DISAGREE	8	8.5	16	20.3	32	31.7	56	20.4	4	18.2	1	50.0	7	29.2	12	25.0	<i>68</i>	21.1
		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
Building and debits a large	AGREE	85	90.4	63	79.7	67	66.3	215	78.5	17	77.3	1	50.0	16	66.7	34	70.8	249	77.3
Drinking and driving laws are	Did not answer	777	90.0	511	71.9	535	68.3	1823	77.3	359	90.7	54	65.1	77	67.5	490	82.6	2313	78.4
enforced in my local community.	Did not answer	1 7	1.1 .8	12	- 1.7	2 19	2.0 2.4	3 38	1.1 1.6	1 3	4.5 .8	-	-	1 3	4.2 2.6	2 6	4.2 1.0	5 44	1.6 1.5
	Total	94	100	79	100	101	100	274	1.0 100	22	.o 100	2	100	24	100	48	1.0 100	322	100.0
	70001	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100.0
	DISAGREE	27	28.7	33	41.8	32	31.7	92	33.6	7	31.8	_	_	6	25.0	13	27.1	105	32.6
		282	32.7	253	35.6	261	33.3	796	33.8	102	25.8	17	20.5	34	29.8	153	25.8	949	32.2
	AGREE	66	70.2	44	55.7	69	68.3	179	65.3	15	68.2	2	100	18	75.0	35	72.9	214	66.5
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	Did not answer	1	1.1	2	2.5	-	-	3	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	. 9
		8	.9	8	1.1	13	1.7	29	1.2	4	1.0	-	-	2	1.8	6	1.0	35	1.2
	Total	94	100	79	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100.0
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100.0

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. However, when *Region VI* respondents were asked to indicate the extent to which

they either *agree* or *disagree* with increasing alcohol taxes, 36.6 percent overall *disagree-strongly disagree*, while 61.5 percent *agree-strongly agree* in support of increasing alcohol taxes; no differences were noted between *Community Members* and *Key Informants*. When asked to indicate the extent to which they either agree or disagree with increasing taxes on tobacco, 27.7 percent of *Region VI Community Members disagree-strongly disagree*, while 69 percent *agree-strongly agree*. Similarly, 35.4 percent of *Key Informants disagree-strongly disagree* and 62.5 percent *agree-strongly agree* in support of increasing tobacco taxes. Overall, *Region VI Community Member* and *Key Informant* responses to increasing alcohol and tobacco taxes were similar to those found at the *Statewide* level. Finally, when asked whether there should be a law prohibiting giving alcohol to your own children, 66.5 percent of *Region VI* respondents overall were in support of such as law while 32.6 percent were not.

Table 4.2: Do you suppor	t the follow	/ing?																	
E Degion VI				СОМ	MUNI	ГҮ МЕ	MBERS	5				KE	Y INF	ORMA	NTS			OVEI	RALL
Region VIStatewide		Uri	ban	Ru	ıral	Fro	ntier	Comm Member		Uri	ban	R	ural	Froi	ntier		formant OTAL	тот	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	YES	84	89.4	72	91.1	90	89.1	246	89.8	20	90.9	2	100	22	91.7	44	91.7	290	90.1
		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	10	10.6	5	6.3	11	10.9	26	9.5	2	9.1	-	-	2	8.3	4	8.3	30	9.3
Minimum legal drinking age of 21	5:1	102	11.8	76	10.7	78	10.0	256	10.9	30	7.6	3	3.6	6	5.3	39	6.6	295	10.0
	Did not answer	-	-	2	2.5	-	-	2	.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	.6
	Total	94	100	6 79	.8 100	5 101	.6 100	11 274	.5 100	2 22	.5 100	-	100	- 24	100	2 48	.3 100	13 322	.4 100
	Total	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	2 83	100	24 114	100	593	100	2950	100
	YES	91	96.8	74	93.7	97	96.0	262	95.6	22	100	2	100	23	95.8	47	97.9	309	96.0
		840	97.3	686	96.5	753	96.2	2279	96.7	388	98.0	81	97.6	111	97.4	580	97.8	2859	96.9
	NO	3	3.2	3	3.8	4	4.0	10	3.6	-	-	-	-	1	4.2	1	2.1	11	3.4
Damakiaa fan adulka uuka musuida		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	-	-	2	2.5	-	-	2	.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	.6
alcohol to youth		1	.1	4	.6	4	.5	9	.4	1	.3	-	-	-	-	1	.2	10	.3
	Total	94	100	<i>79</i>	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
	YES	89	94.7	76	96.2	98	97.0	263	96.0	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	311	96.6
		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
Compliance checks	NO	5	5.3	3	3.8	3	3.0	11	4.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	3.4
(used to identify alcohol establishments	Did not answer	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
that sell alcohol to underage youth)	Dia not unswer	2	.2	3	.4	6	.8	11	- .5	1	.3		-	_	-	1	.2	12	.4
	Total	94	.2 100	79	100	101	.8 100	274	.5 100	22	.3 100	2	100	24	100	48	.2 100	322	100
	. Stur	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Table 4.2 Cont'd: Do you	support the	foll	owin	g?															
■ Region VI				сомі	MUNI	гү ме	MBERS	5				KE	Y INF	ORMA	NTS			OVE	RALL
Region VIStatewide		Url	ban	Ru	ıral	Fro	ntier	Comm Member	,	Ur	ban	R	ural	Fro	ntier	,	formant OTAL	тот	ΓAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	YES	68	72.3	44	55.7	68	67.3	180	65.7	15	68.2	2	100	19	79.2	36	75.0	216	67.1
	NO	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	26 262	27.7 30.4	32 236	40.5 33.2	32 251	31.7 32.1	90 749	32.8 31.8	96	31.8 24.2	15	18.1	5 30	20.8 26.3	12 141	25.0 23.8	102 890	31.7 30.2
Laws prohibiting giving alcohol to	Did not answer	-	-	3	3.8	1	1.0	4	1.5	-	-	-	-	-	20.3	-	23.0	4	1.2
your own children		9	1.0	16	2.3	9	1.1	34	1.4	5	1.3	-	-	2	1.8	7	1.2	41	1.4
'	Total	94	100	79	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
	YES	83	88.3	68	86.1	93	92.1	244	89.1	20	90.9	2	100	20	83.3	42	87.5	286	88.8
		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
DUI checkpoint	NO	11	11.7	9	11.4	7	6.9	27	9.9	2	9.1	-	-	4	16.7	6	12.5	33	10.2
(used by law enforcement to deter or	Did not answer	118	13.7	78	11.0 2.5	101	12.9 1.0	297	12.6 1.1	38	9.6	3	3.6	9	7.9	50	8.4	347 3	11.8 .9
detect a drunk driver through the use of roadblocks or sobriety checkpoints)	Dia not unswer	3	.3	6	.8	8	1.0	3 17	1.1 .7	1	.3	_	-	-		1	.2	3 18	. 9 .6
rodubletts of souriety effectipolitis)	Total	94	.5 100	79	.0 100	101	100	274	100	22	.3 100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Overall, both *Statewide* and *Region VI* respondents supported a "Minimum legal drinking age of 21," "Penalties for adults who provide alcohol to youth," "Compliance checks," and the use of "DUI checkpoints". However, there was somewhat of a discrepancy in terms of support for "Laws prohibiting giving alcohol to your own children". While 68.4 percent of the *Statewide* respondents supported this law, 30.2 percent were not in favor of this type of law. Within *Region VI*, 65.7 percent of *Community Member* respondents indicated that *yes* they would be in support of this type of law and 32.8 percent indicated that *no*, they would not. *Key Informant* responses displayed more support for such a law in that 75 percent responded that *yes* they would be in support of a law prohibiting giving alcohol to your own children and 25 percent of respondents specified that *no*, they would not support this notion.

Table 4.3: Do you support	BANS on th	ne fo	llowi	ng?															
■ Region VI				сом	МИМІТ	Y MEI	MBERS	S				KE	Y INFO	RMA	NTS			OVE	RALL
■ Statewide		Uri	ban	Rι	ıral	Froi	ntier		nunity er TOTAL	Ur	ban	Rι	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	formant TAL	TO [*]	TAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	YES	69	73.4	53	67.1	68	67.3	190	69.3	12	54.5	2	100	15	62.5	29	60.4	219	68.0
	NO	539 24	62.5 25.5	472 26	66.4 32.9	525 33	67.0 32.7	1536 83	65.2 30.3	269 10	67.9 45.5	64	77.1	80 9	70.2 37.5	413 19	69.6 39.6	1949 102	66.1 31.7
	NO	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	1.1	-	-	-	-	1	.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	.3
		15	1.7	6	.8	9	1.1	30	1.3	3	.8	-	-	3	2.6	6	1.0	36	1.2
	Total	94	100	79	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
	YES	64	68.1	49	62.0	63	62.4	176	64.2	12	54.5	2	100	13	54.2	27	56.2	203	63.0
	NO	519 30	60.1 31.9	458 29	64.4 36.7	506 38	64.6 37.6	1483 97	62.9 35.4	265 10	66.9 45.5	64	77.1	77 10	67.5 41.7	406 20	68.5 41.7	1889 117	64.0 36.3
		330	38.2	244	34.3	267	34.1	841	35.7	128	32.3	19	22.9	33	28.9	180	30.4	1021	34.6
Beer & wine advertisements on TV	Did not answer	-	-	1	1.3	-	-	1	.4	-	-	-	-	1	4.2	1	2.1	2	.6
		14	1.6	9	1.3	10	1.3	33	1.4	3	.8	-	-	4	3.5	7	1.2	40	1.4
	Total	94	100	79	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100
	VEC	863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
	YES	64 526	68.1 61.0	51 453	64.6 63.7	65 505	64.4 64.5	180 1484	65.7 63.0	11 262	50.0 66.2	2 63	100 75.9	13 77	54.2 67.5	26 402	54.2 67.8	206 1886	64.0 63.9
	NO	30	31.9	27	34.2	36	35.6	93	33.9	11	50.0	-	-	10	41.7	21	43.8	114	35.4
Dillhaand alash alash advantiasy		323	37.4	250	35.2	266	34.0	839	35.6	131	33.1	20	24.1	33	28.9	184	31.0	1023	34.7
Billboard alcohol advertisements	Did not answer	-	-	1	1.3	-	-	1	.4	-	-	-	-	1	4.2	1	2.1	2	.6
		14	1.6	8	1.1	12	1.5	34	1.4	3	.8	-	-	4	3.5	7	1.2	41	1.4
	Total	94 863	100 100	79 711	100 100	101 783	100 100	274 2357	100 100	22 396	100 100	2 83	100 100	24 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	322 2950	100 100
		803	100	/11	100	/83	100	235/	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 (range 63.9% to 66.1%) of the *Statewide* respondents overall support bans on television and billboard forms of alcohol advertisements while one-third (32.7% to 34.6%) would not support such bans.

Results from *Region VI* respondents were also very similar regarding all three questions related to alcohol advertising. Over sixty-four percent (64.2% to 69.3%) of the *Community Member* respondents were in support of banning alcohol advertisements on either television or billboards and about one-third (30.3% to 35.4%) were not in support of banning this type of advertising. *Key Informants* were less supportive of banning alcohol

advertisements in that between 54.2 and 60.4 percent indicated that *yes* they would support banning this form of advertising and 39.6 to 43.8 percent responded that *no*, they would not be in support of banning alcohol advertising.

Table 4.4: Would you attend any of the following events if they were alcohol-free? COMMUNITY MEMBERS **KEY INFORMANTS OVERALL** Region VI **Key Informant** TOTAL Community Statewide Urban Rural Frontier Urban Rural Frontier Member TOTAL TOTAL N Ν % % % % % % YES 92 97.9 77 97.5 94 93.1 263 96.0 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 311 96.6 821 96.1 95.1 98.0 97.6 2820 95.1 683 737 94.1 2241 388 82 98.8 109 95.6 579 95.6 NO 2 2.1 2 2.5 6 5.9 10 3.6 10 3.1 38 4.2 8 2.0 4.4 25 3.5 35 4.5 98 1.2 2 1.8 1.9 109 3.7 1 11 **Party** Did not answer 1.0 .4 .3 .5 3 .4 11 1.4 18 .8 3 2.6 3 .5 21 .7 Total 94 100 79 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 322 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100 YES 97.9 76 96.2 93.1 262 95.6 21 95.5 100 23 95.8 95.8 95.7 820 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 2 2.1 2 2.5 6 5.9 10 3.6 4.5 1 4.2 2 4.2 12 3.7 37 4.3 24 3.4 33 4.2 4.0 3 .8 2 2.4 1 .9 6 1.0 100 3.4 Wedding Dance/Reception Did not answer 1 1.3 1 1.0 2 .7 .6 2 6 .7 6 .8 8 1.0 20 .8 2 1.8 2 .3 22 .7 Total 100 79 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 100 24 100 48 100 322 100 711 2357 396 2950 100 863 100 100 783 100 100 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 YES 98.7 98.0 97.8 98.1 91 96.8 78 99 268 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 316 825 97.5 96.4 99.2 111 95.6 693 755 96.4 2273 393 82 98.8 97.4 586 98.8 2859 96.9 NO 3 3.2 1 1.3 1 1.0 1.8 1.6 2.7 .8 1.2 .9 34 3.9 12 1.7 18 2.3 3 1 5 .8 69 2.3 64 1 **Sporting Event** Did not answer 1 1.0 .4 .3 .5 6 .8 10 1.3 20 .8 2 2 .3 22 .7 1.8 Total 94 100 *79* 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 322 100 100 711 100 783 100 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 as indicated by an overwhelming majority of both the *Statewide* and *Region VI* respondents.

Section 5: Access to Alcohol and Other Drugs

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

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

Table 5.1: Please resp	ond accordingly	to t	he fo	llow	ing q	uesti	ons r	egar	ding a	acces	ss in	your	com	muni	ity.				
				сомі	MUNIT	Y MEI	MBERS	5				KE	Y INFO	ORMA	NTS			OVE	RALL
Region VIStatewide		Uri	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier		nunity r TOTAL	Uri	ban	Rı	ıral	Fro	ntier	,	ormant TAL	то	TAL
	Level of Difficulty	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	NOT AT ALL	5	5.3	6	7.6	12	11.9	23	8.4	-	1	1	50.0	-	-	1	2.1	24	7.5
		55	6.4	65	9.1	74	9.5	194	8.2	28	7.1	13	15.7	9	7.9	50	8.4	244	8.3
How difficult is it for youth	SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT	45 442	47.9 51.2	30 297	38.0 41.8	50 342	49.5 43.7	125 1081	45.6 45.9	13 229	59.1 57.8	1 41	50.0 49.4	12 64	50.0 56.1	26 334	54.2 56.3	151 1415	46.9 48.0
to buy beer, wine, or hard	QUITE/EXTREMELY	442	44.7	38	48.1	342	33.7	114	41.6	9	40.9	41	49.4	12	50.1	21	43.8	135	41.9
liquor at stores	~~~~	343	39.7	326	45.9	337	43.0	1006	42.7	134	33.8	29	34.9	38	33.3	201	33.9	1207	40.9
themselves?	Did not answer	2	2.1	5	6.3	5	5.0	12	4.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	3.7
themselves.		23	2.7	23	3.2	30	3.8	76	3.2	5	1.3	-	-	3	2.6	8	1.3	84	2.8
	Total	94	100	79	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
	NOT AT ALL	33 332	35.1	29	36.7	45	44.6	107	39.1	11 190	50.0	1	50.0	11	45.8	23	47.9	130	40.4
	SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT	50	38.5 53.2	290 36	40.8 45.6	324 44	41.4 43.6	946 130	40.1 47.4	190	48.0 45.5	44	53.0 50.0	66 13	57.9 54.2	300 24	50.6 50.0	1246 154	42.2 47.8
How difficult is it for youth	02.02.,002	439	50.9	351	49.4	359	45.8	1149	48.7	185	46.7	38	45.8	43	37.7	266	44.9	1415	48.0
•	QUITE/EXTREMELY	9	9.6	9	11.4	6	5.9	24	8.8	1	4.5	-	-	-	-	1	2.1	25	7.8
to get an older person to		65	7.5	48	6.8	66	8.4	179	7.6	14	3.5	1	1.2	2	1.8	17	2.9	196	6.6
buy alcohol for them?	Did not answer	2	2.1	5	6.3	6	5.9	13	4.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	4.0
		27	3.1	22	3.1	34	4.3	83	3.5	7	1.8	-	-	3	2.6	10	1.7	93	3.2
	Total	94 863	100 100	79 711	100 100	101 783	100 100	274 2357	100 100	22 396	100 100	2 83	100 100	24 114	100 100	48 593	100 100	322 2950	100 100

Table 5.1 Cont'd: Please respond accordingly to the following questions regarding access in your community. **KEY INFORMANTS** COMMUNITY MEMBERS **OVERALL** Region VI Community **Key Informant TOTAL** Urban Frontier Urban Frontier Rural Rural Statewide Member TOTAL TOTAL **Level of Difficulty** % Ν % Ν % Ν % % Ν % Ν % % % Ν Ν **NOT AT ALL** 2.5 50.0 2.8 1 1.1 2 5 5.0 8 2.9 1 1 2.1 9 22 3 2.5 16 2.3 25 3.2 63 2.7 4 1.0 3.6 3 2.6 10 1.7 73 2.5 SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT 40 42.6 26 32.9 39 38.6 105 38.3 9 40.9 50.0 14 58.3 50.0 129 40.1 1 24 388 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 51 54.3 47 59.5 51 50.5 149 54.4 13 59.1 37.5 22 45.8 171 53.1 to order a drink at a bar? 428 49.6 396 55.7 455 58.1 1279 54.3 187 47.2 39 47.0 39.5 271 45.7 1550 52.5 Did not answer 2.1 5.1 6 5.9 12 4.4 4.2 1 2.1 13 4.0 25 6 1.5 3.5 91 2.9 24 3.4 32 4.1 81 3.4 4 10 1.7 3.1 Total 94 100 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 100 24 100 48 100 322 100 79 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100 NOT AT ALL 45 47.9 28 35.4 119 43.4 72.7 18 75.0 36 75.0 155 48.1 46 45.5 16 2 100 504 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 40 42.6 41 51.9 40 39.6 121 44.2 6 27.3 25.0 25.0 133 41.3 12 298 34.5 322 45.3 936 39.7 120 30.3 21 25.3 33 28.9 29.3 1110 316 40.4 174 37.6 How difficult is it for youth **OUITE/EXTREMELY** 8.5 8 4 5.1 7 6.9 19 6.9 19 5.9 to sneak alcohol from their 35 4.1 35 4.9 45 5.7 115 4.9 2 .5 1.2 3 .5 118 4.0 1 home or a friend's home? Did not answer 1 1.1 5.5 6 7.6 8 7.9 15 15 4.7 26 3.0 26 3.7 35 4.5 87 3.7 5 1.3 3 2.6 8 1.3 95 3.2 Total 94 100 79 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 322 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 114 100 593 100 2950 100 100 NOT AT ALL 3.2 6 7.6 18 17.8 27 9.9 3 13.6 2 100 2 8.3 14.6 10.6 3 77 8.9 81 11.4 95 12.1 253 10.7 34 8.6 9 10.8 17 14.9 60 10.1 313 10.6 SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT 59 62.8 42 53.2 51 50.5 152 55.5 16 72.7 18 75.0 34 70.8 186 57.8 _ 279 533 61.8 407 57.2 449 57.3 1389 58.9 70.5 56 67.5 77 67.5 412 69.5 1801 61.1 How difficult is it for youth QUITE/EXTREMELY 30 31.9 31.6 3 12.5 12.5 25 26 25.7 81 29.6 13.6 3 6 87 27.0 to get their parents to give 220 25.5 195 27.4 206 26.3 621 26.3 75 18.9 20.5 15 13.2 107 18.0 728 17 24.7 them alcohol? Did not answer 2 7.6 5.9 4.2 2.1 15 2.1 6 6 14 5.1 1 1 4.7 33 3.8 28 3.9 33 4.2 94 4.0 8 2.0 1 1.2 5 4.4 14 2.4 108 3.7 Total 94 100 100 100 100 24 100 100 100 79 101 100 274 22 100 48 322 100 783 2357 100 396 100 100 2950 100 863 711 100 100 83 114 100 593 100

Table 5.1 Cont'd: Please respond accordingly to the following questions regarding access in your community. COMMUNITY MEMBERS **KEY INFORMANTS OVERALL** Region VI Community **Key Informant** TOTAL Urban Rural Frontier Urban Rural Frontier Member TOTAL Statewide TOTAL **Level of Difficulty** % Ν % % Ν % Ν % % Ν % Ν % Ν % Ν **NOT AT ALL** 13.8 13.9 18.6 22.7 25.0 64 19.9 13 11 27 26.7 51 5 2 100 6 13 27.1 134 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 55 58.5 46 58.2 49.5 151 55.1 16 72.7 15 62.5 64.6 182 56.5 50 31 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 to get other family QUITE/EXTREMELY 24 25.5 21.5 18 21.5 1 4.5 3 6.2 62 19.3 17 17.8 8.3 members to give them 142 16.5 146 20.5 142 18.1 430 18.2 40 10.1 5 6.0 6 5.3 51 8.6 481 16.3 Did not answer alcohol? 2 2.1 5 6.3 6 5.9 13 4.7 4.2 1 2.1 14 4.3 3.5 27 3.8 33 4.2 3.8 7 1.8 1.2 4.4 13 2.2 103 3.5 Total 322 94 100 *79* 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 100 863 100 711 100 783 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100 100

When *Statewide Community Members* were asked "How difficult is it for youth to get an older person to buy alcohol for them," 40.1 percent indicated it was *not at all* difficult, 48.7 percent believed that it is *slightly/somewhat* difficult, and only 7.6 percent believed this be *quite/extremely* difficult. Similarly, 50.6 percent of the *Key Informants* felt this was *not at all* difficult, 44.9 percent responded as *slightly/somewhat* difficult and only 2.9 percent believed this to be *quite/extremely* difficult.

Consistent with the above, 39.1 percent of *Region VI Community Members* believed that getting an older person to buy alcohol for youth is was *not at all* difficult, 47.4 percent indicated it was *slightly/somewhat* difficult, and only 8.8 percent believed this to be *quite/extremely* difficult. Among the *Key Informant* population, 47.9 percent of respondents indicated that it was *not at all* difficult for youth to get an older person to buy alcohol for them and 50 percent responded that this was only *slightly/somewhat* difficult.

When the *Statewide Community Members* were asked "How difficult is it for youth to sneak alcohol from their home or a friend's home," 51.7 percent reported that this was *not at all* difficult, and 39.7 percent perceived this to be *slightly/somewhat* difficult. Regarding the question above, 68.8 percent of the *Statewide Key Informants* specified that this was *not at all* difficult and 29.3 percent thought this was *slightly/somewhat* difficult.

With *Region VI*, when *Community Members* were asked the same question, 43.4 percent believed this was *not at all* difficult and 44.2 percent indicated this was only *slightly/somewhat* difficult. Of the *Key Informant* population, 75 percent specified that it was *not at all* difficult for youth to obtain alcohol in this manner, while 25 percent felt that this was only *slightly/somewhat* difficult.

Table 5.2: How difficult is it for youth or adult to ACCESS the following in your community. COMMUNITY MEMBERS **KEY INFORMANTS OVERALL** Region VI TOTAL Key Informant Community Urban Urban Rural Frontier Rural Frontier TOTAL Statewide Member TOTAL **Level of Difficulty** Ν Ν % % % % N % Ν % Ν % Ν Ν % % NOT AT ALL 34.3 45.5 36 38.3 20 25.3 38 37.6 94 10 2 100 29.2 19 39.6 113 35.1 331 38.4 220 30.9 234 29.9 785 33.3 217 54.8 35 42.2 44 38.6 296 49.9 1081 36.6 SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT 45.6 58.3 54.2 44 46.8 36 37 36.6 117 42.7 12 54.5 14 26 143 44.4 398 46.1 326 45.9 343 43.8 1067 45.3 161 40.7 43 51.8 55 48.2 259 43.7 1326 44.9 QUITE/EXTREMELY 4 4.3 15 19.0 17 16.8 36 13.1 8.3 2 4.2 38 11.8 62 7.2 101 14.2 120 12.0 8 2.0 6.0 7.0 21 3.5 304 10.3 15.3 283 5 Mariiuana Indicated "Do not know" 8 8.5 2 2.5 7 6.9 17 6.2 4.2 1 2.1 18 5.6 1 52 6.7 2.0 172 6.0 41 5.8 66 8.4 159 8 5 4.4 13 2.2 5.8 Did not answer 2 6 2 2.1 7.6 2.0 10 3.6 10 3.1 20 2.3 23 3.2 20 2.6 63 2.7 2 .5 1.8 4 .7 67 2.3 2 Total 94 100 274 100 79 100 101 100 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 322 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100.0 **NOT AT ALL** 49 52.1 36 45.6 40 39.6 125 45.6 18 81.8 2 100 15 62.5 35 72.9 160 49.7 58.6 41.5 48.7 324 81.8 73.5 71 62.3 76.9 506 318 44.7 325 1149 61 456 1605 54.4 SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT 32.7 25.0 25 26.6 24 30.4 33 82 29.9 18.2 20.8 92 28.6 4 10 231 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 8 8.5 11 13.9 16 15.8 35 12.8 2 8.3 2 4.2 37 11.5 48 5.6 81 11.4 113 14.4 242 10.3 5 1.3 4 4.8 6.1 16 2.7 258 8.7 Inhalants Indicated "Do not know" 9.6 2 2.5 9 8.9 20 7.3 1 4.2 1 2.1 21 6.5 (Glue, paint, aerosols, solvents, etc.) 54 6.3 70 7.0 7 1.8 5 2.0 177 41 5.8 8.9 165 4.4 12 6.0 Did not answer 3 3.2 6 7.6 3 3.0 12 4.4 12 3.7 24 2.8 29 4.1 26 3.3 79 3.4 3 2.6 6 1.0 85 2.9 Total 94 100 100 100 79 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 322 100 863 711 783 396 83 100 593 100 2950 100.0 100 100 100 2357 100 100 100 114 **NOT AT ALL** 13 6 13 2 1 2 5 11.5 13.8 7.6 12.9 32 11.7 9.1 50.0 8.3 10.4 37 123 14.3 77 10.8 73 9.3 273 8 9.6 7.9 79 13.3 352 11.6 62 15.7 11.9 SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT 49 52.1 50.6 36.6 20 90.9 50.0 10 41.7 157 48.8 40 37 126 46.0 1 31 64.6 458 53.1 334 47.0 323 41.3 47.3 263 66.4 51 60 52.6 374 63.1 1489 50.5 1115 61.4 QUITE/EXTREMELY 17 18.1 23 29.1 40 39.6 80 29.2 10 41.7 10 20.8 90 28.0 189 21.9 217 30.5 275 35.1 681 28.9 55 13.9 22 26.5 35 30.7 112 18.9 793 26.9 Indicated "Do not know" 11 11.7 2 2.5 9 8.9 22 8.0 20 90.9 1 50.0 2 8.3 4.2 24 7.5 2 Cocaine 62 7.2 45 6.3 79 10.1 186 7.9 11 2.8 1 1.2 7 6.1 19 3.2 205 6.9 Did not answer 4 4.3 8 10.1 2 2.0 14 5.1 14 4.3 31 111 3.6 38 5.3 33 4.2 102 4.3 5 1.3 1 1.2 3 2.6 9 1.5 3.8 322 100 Total 94 100 79 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100.0

Table 5.2 Cont'd: How difficult is it for youth or adult to ACCESS the following in your community. COMMUNITY MEMBERS **KEY INFORMANTS OVERALL** Region VI TOTAL Community **Key Informant** Urban Rural Frontier Urban Rural Frontier Member TOTAL TOTAL Statewide **Level of Difficulty** Ν % Ν % N % N % Ν % % N % Ν % % Ν NOT AT ALL 27.7 14 17.7 24 23.8 23.4 40.9 12.5 14 29.2 78 24.2 26 64 9 2 100 3 252 161 22.6 567 24.1 137 34.6 26 22.8 30.5 748 29.2 154 19.7 18 21.7 181 25.4 SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT 47 50.0 38 48.1 39.6 125 45.6 12 54.5 15 62.5 56.2 152 40 27 47.2 442 51.2 347 48.8 358 45.7 1147 48.7 225 56.8 54 65.1 67 58.8 346 58.3 1493 50.6 QUITE/EXTREMELY 10 10.6 17 21.5 26 25.7 53 19.3 4.5 20.8 12.5 *59* 18.3 90 10.4 125 17.6 172 22.0 387 16.4 24 6.1 10 12.0 14 12.3 48 8.1 435 14.7 Indicated "Do not know" Methamphetamine 9.6 2 2.5 9 8.9 20 7.3 1 4.2 1 2.1 21 6.5 2.0 184 55 6.4 44 6.2 72 9.2 171 7.3 8 5 4.4 13 2.2 _ 6.2 Did not answer 2 2.1 8 10.1 2 2.0 12 4.4 12 3.7 24 2.8 34 4.8 27 3.4 85 3.6 2 .5 1 1.2 2 1.8 5 .8 90 3.1 Total 94 100 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 322 79 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100.0 **NOT AT ALL** 14 14.9 6 7.6 15 14.9 35 12.8 2 9.1 1 50.0 1 4.2 4 8.3 *39* 12.1 136 15.8 79 11.1 70 8.9 285 12.1 59 14.9 6 7.2 9 7.9 74 12.5 359 12.2 SLIGHTLY/SOMEWHAT 52 55.3 36 45.6 36 35.6 124 45.3 16 72.7 1 50.0 11 45.8 28 58.3 152 47.2 463 53.7 328 46.1 309 39.5 1100 46.7 254 64.1 51 61.4 58 50.9 363 61.2 1463 49.6 QUITE/EXTREMELY 13 13.8 27 34.2 38 37.6 78 28.5 4 18.2 10 41.7 14 29.2 92 28.6 170 19.7 222 31.2 288 36.8 680 28.9 67 16.9 24 28.9 37 32.5 128 21.6 808 27.4 Hallucinogens Indicated "Do not know" 25 12.8 2 2.5 9 8.9 23 8.4 2 8.3 2 4.2 7.8 (LSD, Shrooms, PCP, etc.) 64 7.4 46 6.5 80 10.2 190 8.1 12 3.0 1.2 7 6.1 20 3.4 210 1 7.1 Did not answer 3 3.2 8 10.1 3 3.0 14 5.1 14 4.3 5.1 110 30 3.5 36 4.6 102 4.3 1.0 1.2 2.6 1.3 3.7 Total 94 100 100 274 100 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 100 79 101 100 22 322 863 100 711 100 783 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100.0 100

The *Statewide Community Members* perceived marijuana as *not at all* difficult for adults/youth to obtain in their community as indicated by 33.3 percent of respondents, *slightly/somewhat* difficult to access by 45.3 percent, and *quite/extremely* difficult to access by 12 percent. 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.

In terms of *Region VI*, 34.3 percent of *Community Members* perceived access to marijuana as *not at all* difficult for adults/youth to obtain, 42.7 percent felt access was *slightly/somewhat* difficult, and only 13.1 percent perceived this to be *quite/extremely* difficult. Nearly forty percent (39.6%) of

Key Informant respondents perceived access to marijuana as *not at all* difficult for adults/youth to obtain while over half (54.2%) perceived access to marijuana as *slightly/somewhat* difficult.

One quarter (24.1%) of *Statewide Community Member* respondents perceived access to methamphetamine as *not at all* difficult to access, whereas 48.7 percent believed that access was *slightly/somewhat* difficult. Among the *Key Informants*, 30.5 percent believed that methamphetamine was *not at all* difficult to access, over half (58.3%) believed that access was *slightly/somewhat* difficult, and 8.1 percent responded that methamphetamine was *quite/extremely* difficult to access.

Within *Region VI*, 23.4 percent of *Community Member* respondents perceived methamphetamine as *not at all* difficult to access, while 45.6 percent believed that access was *slightly/somewhat* difficult. The majority (56.2%) of *Key Informant* respondents indicated that access to methamphetamine was *slightly/somewhat* difficult, whereas 29.2 percent believed that accessing methamphetamine was *not at all* difficult.

Respondents perceived access to cocaine and hallucinogens in a similar way (i.e., *slightly/somewhat* difficult to access) although one-quarter thought access would be *quite/extremely* difficult. Overall, inhalants were perceived as the most accessible to youth and adults with 54.4 percent of *Statewide* respondents and 49.7 percent of *Region VI* respondents indicating that such products were *not at all* difficult to obtain.

Section 6: Perception of Community Commitment

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

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

Table 6.1: To what extent	do you AGI	REE c	or DIS	SAGR	EE w	ith th	ne fo	llowi	ng sta	atem	ents	?							
■ Region VI				сомі	MUNIT	ΓΥ ΜΕΙ	MBER	S				KE	Y INFO	PRMA	NTS			OVE	RALL
■ Statewide		Url	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier		nunity r TOTAL	Ur	ban	Rı	ıral	Froi	ntier	Key Inf	ormant TAL	TO	ΓAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	DISAGREE	2	2.1	2	2.5	3	3.0	7	2.6	-	-	-	-	1	4.2	1	2.1	8	2.5
		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	92	97.9	77	97.5	97	96.0	266	97.1	22	100	2	100	23	95.8	47	97.9	313	97.2
drug use among youth is		836	96.9	693	97.5	748	95.5	2277	96.6	384	97.0	81	97.6	108	94.7	573	96.6	2850	96.6
	Did not answer	-	-	-	-	1	1.0	1	.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	.3
important.		4	.5	3	.4	7	.9	14	.6	-	-	-	-	2	1.8	2	.3	16	.5
	Total	94	100	<i>79</i>	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100
	DISAGREE	22	23.4	16	20.3	19	18.8	57	20.8	5	22.7	1	50.0	5	20.8	11	22.9	68	21.1
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	71	75.5	61	77.2	80	79.2	212	77.4	17	77.3	1	50.0	19	79.2	37	77.1	249	77.3
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	1	1.1	2	2.5	2	2.0	5	1.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	1.6
programs.		13	1.5	7	1.0	13	1.7	33	1.4	4	1.0	-	-	2	1.8	6	1.0	39	1.3
-0	Total	94	100	<i>79</i>	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	100
		863	100	711	100	783	100	2357	100	396	100	83	100	114	100	593	100	2950	100

Table 6.1 Cont'd: To what extent do you AGREE or DISAGREE with the following statements? COMMUNITY MEMBERS KEY INFORMANTS **OVERALL** Region VI Kev Informant TOTAL Community Urban Rural Frontier Urban Rural Frontier Statewide Member TOTAL TOTAL % Ν % Ν % % Ν Ν Ν Ν % N % Ν % Ν % % DISAGREE 6.4 3 3.8 6.9 16 5.8 9.1 1 4.2 3 6.2 19 5.9 6 2 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 87 92.6 76 96.2 92 91.1 255 93.1 20 90.9 2 100 23 95.8 45 93.8 300 93.2 Alcohol and drug free youth can 90.8 90.3 784 647 91.0 698 89.1 2129 338 85.4 72 86.7 101 88.6 511 86.2 2640 89.5 best be achieved by educating Did not answer 1 2 2.0 3 1.1 3 .9 1.1 vouth themselves. .7 3 11 1.3 5 10 1.3 26 1.1 .8 1 1.2 1.8 6 1.0 32 1.1 Total 94 100 *79* 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 322 100 863 711 783 100 2357 396 100 83 114 100 593 2950 100 100 100 100 100 100 DISAGREE 7.4 4 5.1 10 9.9 21 7.7 2 9.1 8.3 8.3 25 7.8 10.5 7.5 10.1 9.5 10.1 4 273 91 53 79 223 40 4.8 6 5.3 50 8.4 9.3 AGREE 2 295 87 92.6 74 93.7 90 89.1 251 91.6 20 90.9 100 22 91.7 44 91.7 91.6 Alcohol and drug free youth can 765 88.6 91.4 88.1 2105 89.3 89.9 93.0 2645 89.7 650 690 356 78 94.0 106 540 91.1 best be achieved by educating Did not answer 1 1.3 1 1.0 2 .7 2 .6 parents. 7 .8 8 1.1 14 1.8 29 1.2 1 1.2 2 1.8 3 .5 32 1.1 Total 100 274 322 94 100 79 101 100 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100 DISAGREE 8 8.5 8 10 26 9.5 1 4.5 4 5 31 9.6 10.1 9.9 16.7 10.4 29 10.2 10.3 9.7 237 10.1 7.3 4 10 8.8 7.3 280 9.5 73 76 4.8 43 AGREE 95.5 85 90.4 69 87.3 87 86.1 241 88.0 21 2 100 19 79.2 42 87.5 283 87.9 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 1.1 2.5 4.0 2.6 4.2 2.1 2.5 the community. 8 .9 8 1.1 15 1.9 31 1.3 2 .5 1 1.2 3 2.6 6 1.0 37 1.3 Total 94 100 79 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 322 100 100 863 100 711 100 783 100 2357 396 100 83 100 114 100 593 100 2950 100 DISAGREE 17.0 21 26.6 18 17.8 55 20.1 4.5 8.3 3 6.2 58 18.0 75 8.7 134 18.8 137 17.5 346 14.7 26 6.6 17 20.5 18 15.8 61 10.3 407 13.8 There are leaders in my AGREE 77 81.9 53 67.1 78 77.2 208 75.9 21 95.5 2 100 22 91.7 45 93.8 253 78.6 community who are interested 765 88.6 77.2 92.9 79.5 2457 549 616 78.7 1930 81.9 368 66 93 81.6 527 88.9 83.3 5 Did not answer 1.1 5 6.3 5.0 11 4.0 11 3.4 in reducing access & abuse of 23 2.7 28 3.9 30 3.8 81 3.4 2 .5 3 2.6 5 86 2.9 .8 alcohol and other drugs. Total 94 100 79 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 2 100 24 100 48 100 322 100 100 100 783 2357 100 396 100 83 100 593 2950 100 863 711 100 114 100 100

Table 6.1 Cont'd: To what	extent do y	ou A	GRE	E or I	DISAC	GREE	with	the	follov	wing	state	emer	nts?						
■ Region VI				сомі	MUNIT	Y ME	MBER:	S				KE	Y INFO	DRMA	NTS			OVE	RALL
Statewide		Uri	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier		nunity r TOTAL	Ur	ban	Ru	ıral	Froi	ntier	,	ormant TAL	TO	ΓAL
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	DISAGREE	17	18.1	15	19.0	26	25.7	58	21.2	2	9.1	-	-	3	12.5	5	10.4	63	19.6
I los accordes de la de la la la colo		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	76	80.9	61	77.2	73	72.3	210	76.6	20	90.9	2	100	21	87.5	43	89.6	253	78.6
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	1	1.1	3	3.8	2	2.0	6	2.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	1.9
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	94	100	<i>79</i>	100	101	100	274	100	22	100	2	100	24	100	48	100	322	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 VI* respondents considered alcohol and other drug use prevention among youth as important, a strong majority (96.6% and 97.2% 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 77.3 percent *Region VI* respondents indicated that they were concerned.

Finally, nearly ninety percent (range 87.9% to 93.2%) of the *Statewide* and *Region VI* respondents agreed that alcohol and drug free youth can best be achieved by: 1) educating youth themselves; 2) educating parents; and 3) educating the community. *Region VI* respondent percentages were slightly higher than *Statewide* in their agreement that prevention education should be aimed at youth and parents.

Table 6.2: Our community has an action	on pl	an fo	r dea	aling	with	issue	es sui	roun	ding	subs	stanc	e abı	ıse					
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Don't know	52 481	55.3 55.7	45 440	57.0 61.9	65 495	64.4 63.2	162 1416	59.1 60.1	8 181	36.4 45.7	- 23	- 27.7	9 53	37.5 46.5	17 257	35.4 43.3	179 1673	55.6 56.7
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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 Informant* 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 an action plan in their community.

Among *Region VI Community Members*, the majority (59.1%) *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 35.4 percent *don't know* if there was any community action plan in place.

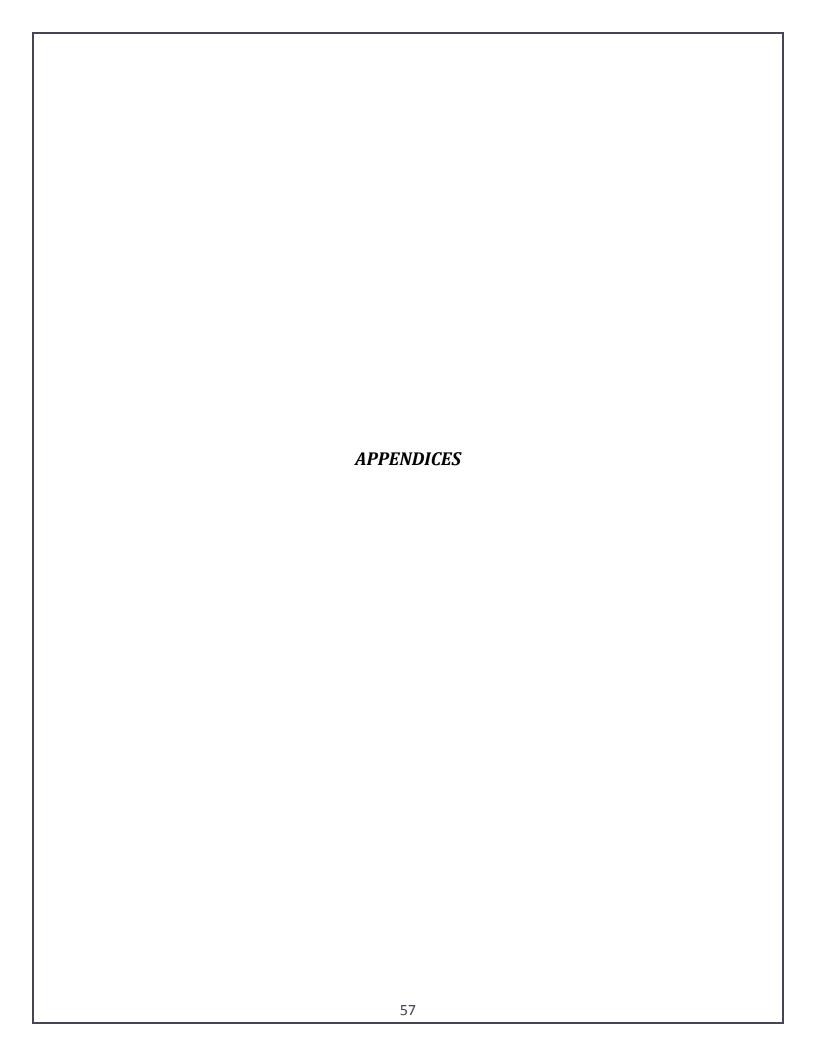
Table 6.3: From which one source do you get most of your news about crime? **COMMUNITY MEMBERS KEY INFORMANTS OVERALL** Region VI **Key Informant** TOTAL Community Rural Frontier Frontier Urban Urban Rural Statewide Member TOTAL TOTAL Ν % Ν % % % Ν % Ν % Ν Ν % Ν % Ν Ν % 35.1 38 48.1 36 45.5 13 54.2 47.9 130 40.4 33 35.6 107 39.1 10 23 **Television** 307 35.6 302 42.5 287 896 38.0 170 42.9 35 42.2 52 45.6 257 43.3 1153 39.1 36.7 **Newspapers** 25.5 32 34.0 13 16.5 25 24.8 8 36.4 1 50.0 20.8 14 29.2 26.1 280 32.4 150 21.1 177 22.6 607 25.8 119 30.1 21 25.3 26 22.8 166 28.0 773 26.2 **Co-workers** 2.1 1.3 3.0 2.2 8.3 4.2 2.5 15 1.7 19 2.7 35 4.5 69 2.9 17 4.3 2.4 6.1 26 4.4 95 3.2 5 5.3 2 2.5 4 11 4.0 1 4.2 1 2.1 12 3.7 **Friends** 4.0 .3 19 2.2 29 4.1 45 5.7 93 3.9 1 4.4 6 1.0 99 3.4 **Neighbors** 2.1 1.3 1.0 1.5 1.2 .5 1.4 10 1.0 .3 .7 .9 10 1.3 24 1.2 1.8 28 13 22.8 3 6 12.5 **59** Other 13.8 22 21.8 53 19.3 13.6 50.0 8.3 18.3 (combination of above to include internet) 568 19.9 146 20.5 151 19.3 469 19.9 61 15.4 19 22.9 19 16.7 99 16.7 19.3 Do not know 1 .4 .3 1.0 .5 2 .3 5 .6 .5 11 .4 11 -Did not answer 7.6 9 22 8.0 4.5 2 4.2 24 7.4 8.9 1 1 4.2 7.5 7.2 53 7.5 73 9.3 188 8.0 27 6.8 5 6.0 3 2.6 35 5.9 223 7.6 Total 94 100 100 100 79 100 101 100 274 100 22 100 100 24 100 48 322 863 100 711 100 100 2357 100 396 100 83 100 114 100 100 2950 100 783 593

The leading sources accessed for information about crime for *Statewide Community Members* was "*Television*" (38.0%) followed by "*Newspapers*" (25.8%). Responses for *Key Informants* were similar to those of the community members: "*Television*" (43.3%) and "*Newspapers*" (28.0%).

Likewise, the most common sources of information regarding crime cited by *Region VI Community Members* and *Key Informants* were "Television" (40.4%) and "Newspapers" (26.1%).

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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
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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.

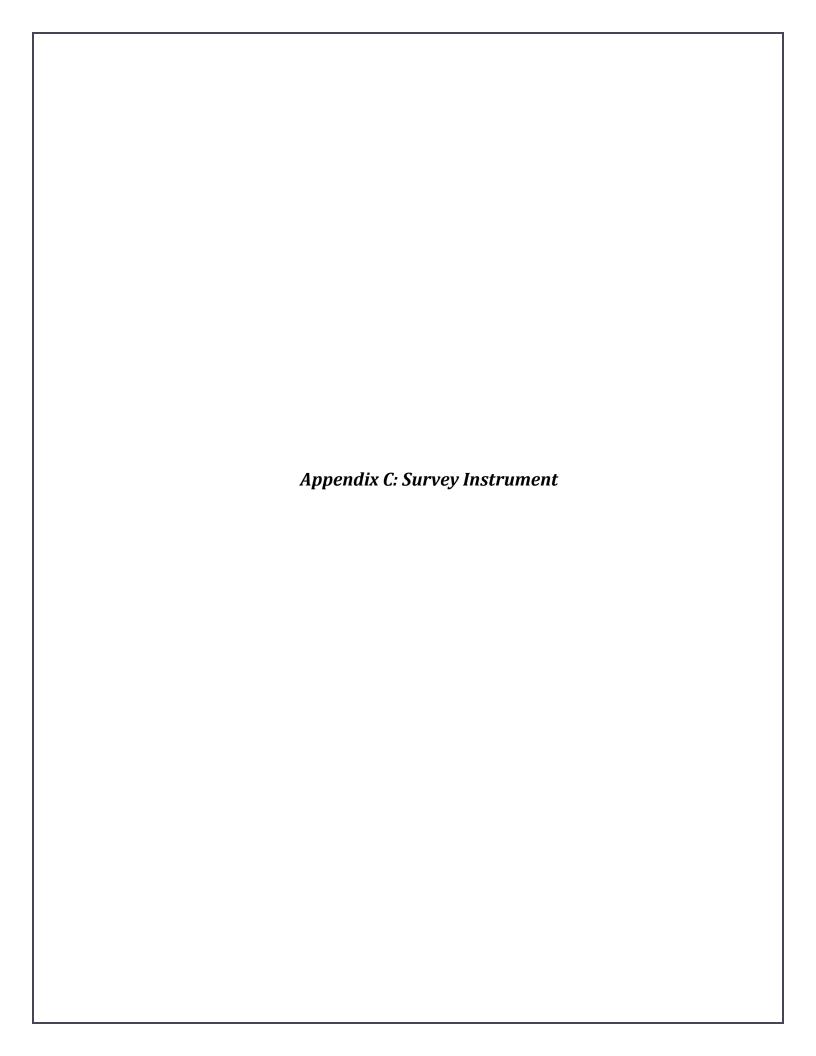
Your support and participation are greatly appreciated. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at 1-800-777-0750, ext. 3441.

Sincerely,

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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.

1.1 What is	s your age?
	□ 18-20
	□ 21-24
	□ 25-44
	□ 45-64
	☐ 65 and Over
1.2 Sex	:
	☐ Male
	☐ Female
1.3 Rac	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 Em	ployment 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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	Manufacturing					
	Transportation/Utilities	•				
	Wholesale	•				
	Retail					
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	Finance and Real Estate					
	Business and Repair Se	rvices				
	Professional					
	Government					
	Leisure and Hospitality					
	Education					
Ц	Other	_				
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	Church					
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.8 City of	Residence:					
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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, aerosols,	, solvents, etc.)				
Adults					
Youth					
Cocaine					
Adults					
Youth					
Methamphetamine					
Adults					
Youth					
Over-the-Counter Drugs (at	ouse of cough med	dicines, Dramamine	, diet pills, sleeping p	oills, etc.)	
Adults					
Youth					
Prescription Drugs (abuse of))				
Adults					
Youth					
Hallucinogens (LSD, Shrooms,	PCP, etc.)				
Adults					
Youth					

	Problem	n Problem	Problem	Know
crashes or injuries (such as automobile, hunting, boating, snowmobiling). Contribution of drug and alcohol use to			-	
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crimes.				
			Agree	Strongly Agree
It is akay for youth to drink at parties as long as they				
Vouth should be able to drink as long as they don't				
It is okay for youth to smoke cigarettes.				
Youth who experiment with alcohol or other drugs almost always grow out of it.				
beverages in their home.				
their home to youth (other than their own children).				
acceptable.				
okay.				
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

the use of roadblocks or sobriety checkpoints.)

	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				
Compliance checks (used to identify alcohol establishment underage youth)	s that sell alcoho	l to		
Laws prohibiting giving alcohol to your own children	n			
DUI checkpoint (used by law enforcement to deter or detec	ct a drunk driver t	hrough		

Do you support BANS on the following?	Yes	No
Liquor advertisements on TV		
Beer and wine advertisements on TV		
Billboard alcohol advertisements		
Would you attend any of the following events if they were alcohol-free?	Yes	N.
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Party		
Party Wedding Dance/Reception		
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Wedding Dance/Reception		
Wedding Dance/Reception		

Section 5: Access to Alcohol and Other Drugs

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

	Not at All Difficult	Slightly Difficult	Somewhat Difficult	Quite Difficult	Extremely Difficult
How difficult is it for youth to buy beer, wine, or hard liquor at stores themselves?					
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 parents to give them alcohol?					
How difficult is it for youth to get other family members to give them alcohol?					

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.				

☐ Yes	5				
□ No					
□ Do	n't Know				
6.3 From which o	ne source do you g	et most of yo	ur news about crim	ne?	
□ Tel	evision		Neighbors		
	wspapers		Other (Please spe	cify:)
	-workers		Do not know		
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