

All Together Upper Valley Region



2015-2017

Annual Community Survey Trends

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RESULTS

Description of Respondents

Table 1: All Together Community Surveys Completed			
	2015	2016	2017
Total Count of Completed Surveys	614	637	487

Table 2: All Together Community Survey Completion Rates, by Sub Region			
Completed Surveys by Community	2015 n(%)	2016 n(%)	2017 n (%)
Hanover	56 (10.6%)	122 (19.3%)	93 (19.1%)
Hartford	136 (25.7%)	157 (24.8%)	76 (15.6%)
Lebanon	165 (31.2%)	218 (34.4%)	197 (40.5%)
Mascoma Valley	47 (8.9%)	56 (8.8%)	53 (10.9%)
Rivendell	37 (7.0%)	27 (4.3%)	45 (9.2%)
Other	88 (16.6%)	53 (8.4%)	23 (8.4%)
Completed Surveys by State			
Vermont	--	155 (28.0%)	158 (32.4%)
New Hampshire	--	399 (72.0%)	322 (66.1%)

Table 3: Description of Survey Respondents			
	2015 %(n)	2016 %(n)	2017 %(n)
Member of All Together and/or Upper Valley Substance Misuse Prevention Partnership, including the related community groups			
Yes	7.2% (38)	7.7% (48)	9.2% (44)
No	--	90.4% (576)	90.8% (432)
Gender Distribution			
Female	74.9%(394)	74.9% (477)	74.1% (361)
Male	23.4%(123)	22.8% (145)	24.4% (119)
I prefer not to say	1.7%(9)	2.4% (15)	1.4% (7)
Primary Language Spoke at Home			
English	99.0%(520)	98.4% (615)	98.7% (468)
Spanish	0.6%(3)	0.6% (4)	0.0% (0)
Other	0.4%(2)	1.0% (6)	1.3% (6)
Race & Ethnicity			
American Indian or Alaskan Native	1.7%(9)	1.3% (8)	2.5% (12)
Asian	0.8%(4)	2.0% (13)	2.1% (10)
Black or African American	0.5%(3)	0.3% (2)	0.8% (4)
Black or African Native	0.5%(3)	0.0%	0.0% (0)
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.7%(4)	0.3% (2)	0.0% (0)
White	98.1%(508)	93.1% (593)	90.3% (440)
Prefer not to say	--	2.0% (13)	3.9% (19)
Age			

Table 3: Description of Survey Respondents			
	2015 %(n)	2016 %(n)	2017 %(n)
18-25	6.1%(32)	2.8% (18)	3.1% (15)
26-35	15.8%(83)	16.3% (104)	15.8% (77)
36-50	40.5%(213)	40.2% (256)	39.6% (193)
Over 50	37.6%(198)	40.7% (259)	41.5% (202)
How long have you resided in the Upper Valley?			
Less than 1 year	2.3%(12)	2.4% (15)	1.7% (8)
1-2 years	4.5%(23)	4.5% (28)	4.0% (19)
3-10 years	18.6%(96)	19.9% (124)	21.0% (100)
More than 10 years	74.6%(385)	73.2% (456)	73.3% (349)
Are you a parent or guardian?			
Yes	80.8%(425)	80.1% (456)	76.8% (321)
No	19.2%(101)	19.9% (113)	23.2% (97)
Do you have children in the following age ranges?*			
No children	18.5%(98)	17.7% (113)	19.9% (97)
0-5 years of age	13.2%(70)	14.0% (89)	14.0% (68)
6-11 years of age	24.6%(130)	25.4% (162)	24.2% (118)
12-14 years of age	18.0%(95)	16.2% (103)	15.6% (76)
15-18 years of age	22.3%(118)	17.0% (108)	16.6% (81)
Over 18 years of age	38.6%(204)	31.2% (199)	29.6% (144)
<i>*NOTE: Distribution values may not equal 100% due to multiple possible answers or rounding.</i>			

Awareness of Coalition Activities

Table 4: Awareness of Coalition			
The percentage of respondents that indicated they have heard and know a lot or have heard and know a fair amount about the following coalition activities.	2015* %(n)	2016* %(n)	2017* % (n)
Heard of ALL Together including: Circle Up!; Hartford Community Coalition; Twin State Safe Meds; Lebanon Partners United for Safety & Health; Mascoma Valley Prevention Network	13.0% (80)	13.8% (84)	15.2% (69)
* The percent and number of those who said I have heard and know a lot or I have heard and know a fair amount about it.			

Social Norms

Table 5. Social Norms			
The extent to which respondents agree or strongly agree with the following statements.	2015* %(n)	2016* %(n)	2017* % (n)
It is OK for youth under the age of 18 to use alcohol at parties if they don't drive.	5.4%(33)	3.3% (20)	5.9% (27)
It is OK for adults to provide alcohol to young people under the age of 18 .	3.8%(23)	3.5% (21)	5.0% (23)
It is OK for an older brother or sister to provide alcohol to a younger sibling under the age of 18 .	3.6%(22)	2.3% (14)	3.7% (17)
Occasional use of alcohol is OK for young people under 18 if it doesn't interfere with schoolwork or other responsibilities.	11.3%(69)	9.1% (55)	11.5% (53)
Occasional use of alcohol is OK for young people under 21 if it doesn't interfere with schoolwork or other responsibilities.	28.9%(177)	32.7% (197)	33.8% (155)
Occasional use of marijuana is OK for people under 18 if it doesn't interfere with schoolwork or other responsibilities.	8.8%(54)	7.6% (46)	9.3% (43)
Occasional use of marijuana is OK for people under 21 if it doesn't interfere with schoolwork or other responsibilities.	21.2%(130)	23.3% (140)	27.6% (127)
* The percent and number of those who Strongly Agree or Agree.			

Perceptions of Use

Table 6. Perceptions of Use			
The extent to which respondents agree or strongly agree with the following statements.	2015* %(n)	2016* %(n)	2017* % (n)
I am concerned about alcohol use in the community.	76.3%(435)	75.3% (434)	69.6% (304)
I am concerned about marijuana use in the community.	69.1%(393)	65.0% (374)	55.5% (242)
I am concerned about prescription drug use in the community.	90.7%(516)	91.5% (527)	90.6% (397)
I am concerned about heroin use in the community.	--	94.3% (545)	94.5% (414)
Alcohol is widely used in the community by people under 18 years of age.	72.7%(383)	65.4% (354)	64.0% (263)
Alcohol is widely used in the community by people under 21 years of age.	87.1%(461)	82.0 % (447)	80.7% (334)
Alcohol is widely used in the community by people 21 years of age and older.	93.6%(516)	92.1% (514)	92.4% (387)
Marijuana is widely used in the community by people under 18 years of age.	75.0%(391)	68.9% (366)	64.8% (265)
Marijuana is widely used in the community by people 18 years of age and older.	85.2%(449)	81.3% (440)	78.7% (326)
Prescription drugs are widely abused in the community by people under 18 years of age.	64.5%(329)	59.6% (318)	53.3% (215)
Prescription drugs are widely abused in the community by people 18 years of age and older.	78.1%(407)	72.9% (392)	74.9% (305)
Heroin is widely used in the community by people under 18 years of age.	--	52.8% (282)	44.2% (179)
Heroin is widely used in the community by people 18 years of age and older.	--	69.1% (371)	63.8% (261)
<i>*The percent and number of those who Strongly Agree or Agree.</i>			

Perception of Risk

Table 7. Perception of Risk			
The percentage of respondents that indicated there was moderate or great risk of harming themselves physically or in other ways if they do the following.	2015* %(n)	2016* %(n)	2017* % (n)
Take five or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage in a row once or twice each weekend.	89.3%(510)	88.5% (506)	86.7% (365)
Smoke marijuana occasionally.	42.1%(239)	38.3% (218)	32.1% (135)
Smoke marijuana regularly.	74.3%(423)	71.8% (410)	67.0% (282)
Use heroin occasionally.	--	98.8% (564)	99.3% (415)
Use heroin regularly.	--	99.3% (567)	99.3% (418)
Take prescription drugs without a doctor's prescription.	96.7%(552)	97.0% (554)	97.4% (410)
Take prescription drugs other than as prescribed.	96.8%(553)	96.1% (547)	97.6% (411)
<i>* The percent and number of those who reported Great Risk or Moderate Risk.</i>			

Risk and Protective Factors

Table 8: Communication			
During the past 3 months, how many times do you recall hearing, reading, or watching an advertisement or messages about the prevention or harm of underage drinking or binge drinking?	2015 %(n)	2016 %(n)	2017 % (n)
None/ Don't recall advertisements	42.6%(240)	39.7%(180)	39.6% (125)
At least 1 time	--	60.3% (273)	60.4% (191)
1-3 times	38.3%(216)	--	--
4 or more times	19.1%(108)	--	--
Did any of the advertisements or messages about the prevention or harm of underage drinking or binge drinking lead you to have a conversation with your child or other youth about the harm and risks of underage or binge drinking?			

Yes	34.2%(100)	33.6% (150)	32.3% (102)
No	65.8%(192)	35.7% (159)	38.0% (120)
Did not see/recall any	--	30.7% (137)	29.7% (94)

Table 9: Perceptions of Youth Access & Monitoring of Use			
	2015* %(n)	2016* %(n)	2017* %(n)
During the past 12 months, have you talked with your kids about the dangers of tobacco, alcohol, or other drug use?	67.6%(353)	74.9% (337)	75.6% (238)
Does your household have clear rules around alcohol use?	83.1%(423)	83.2% (366)	83.4% (261)
Does your household have clear rules around marijuana use?	83.0%(420)	80.4% (353)	79.5% (248)
Do adults in your household make clear to youth the kind of consequences that will happen if youth violate household alcohol, marijuana, and other drug rules?	76.8%(378)	75.9% (330)	76.2% (234)
<i>* The percent and number of those who reported yes.</i>			

Table 10: Respondent Management of Alcohol in Home			
If alcohol is kept in the home, the respondent...	2015* %(n)	2016* %(n)	2017* %(n)
Does not keep alcohol in the home	20.4%(108)	14.0% (89)	12.3% (60)
Keeps alcohol locked or in a place where others cannot get it	9.8%(52)	6.8% (43)	8.4% (41)
Keeps track of it to make sure no one has taken any	34.7%(184)	23.7% (151)	24.8% (121)
Instructs children not to take any	31.3%(166)	23.2% (148)	24.2% (118)
Doesn't do anything special	27.2%(144)	19.8% (126)	15.6% (76)
<i>* The percent and number of those who reported yes.</i>			

Table 11: : Respondent Management of Prescription Drugs in Home			
If prescription drugs are kept in the home, the respondent...	2015* %(n)	2016* %(n)	2017* % (n)
Does not keep prescription drugs in the home	20.9%(111)	17.0% (108)	14.0% (68)
Keeps track of them to make sure no one has taken any	48.3%(257)	33.4% (213)	31.8% (155)
Keeps them locked in a safe place	16.5%(88)	12.7% (81)	12.1% (59)
Disposes of them when they are no longer needed	39.5%(210)	27.2% (173)	25.9% (126)
Instructs children not to take any	27.4%(146)	22.8%(145)	22.8% (111)
Doesn't do anything special	13.2%(70)	7.8% (50)	8.2% (40)
<i>* The percent and number of those who reported yes.</i>			

Table 12: Parent Limits on Underage Drinking			
How much do you think typical parents of youth under the age of 18 in your community limit underage drinking?	2015* %(n)	2016* %(n)	2017* % (n)
No drinking except for a few sips at family or religious gatherings	37.4%(185)	39.5% (166)	40.6% (117)
Some drinking with parents if only family is present	27.5% (136)	31.9% (134)	30.9% (89)
Some drinking with friends if parent is present	18.0% (89)	16.2% (68)	15.3% (44)
Drinking without parent if not driving or getting drunk	10.9% (54)	9.8% (41)	10.1% (29)
No limits on drinking	6.3% (31)	2.6%(11)	3.1%(9)
<i>* The percent and number of those who reported yes.</i>			

Community Action

Table 13. Community Action			
The percentage of respondents that indicated that it was likely or very likely that people in your community take certain actions.	2015* %(n)	2016* %(n)	2017* % (n)
If someone in your community gave alcohol to a person under the age of 18, how likely is it that he or she would be arrested by the police?	38.5% (198)	28.1% (153)	32.3% (129)
If someone under the age of 18 drank some beer, wine, or hard liquor in your community, how likely is it that he or she would be arrested by the police?	29.0% (148)	23.4% (127)	24.3% (97)

** The percent and number of those who reported very likely or likely.*

Table 13: Youth in the Community			
	2015 %(n)	2016 %(n)	2017 % (n)
Agree/Strongly Agree that youth are made to feel valued in our community.	--	53.8% (304)	52.2% (218)
Very/Somewhat likely to talk to their children when they notice the child feeling sad, hopeless, angry, or anxious	--	97.5% (434)	97.8% (306)

Table 14: State Laws			
	2015* %(n)	2016* %(n)	2017* % (n)
Do you know parents or other adults in your community who host parties where alcohol is available or served to young people under the age of 18?	24.2% (129)	22.1% (98)	22.1% (69)
Were you aware before today that it is against the law in New Hampshire and Vermont to host a party where alcohol is being consumed by minors even if you do not provide the alcohol?	90.1% (483)	90.8% (512)	88.0% (365)

** The percent and number of those who reported yes.*