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This community survey was sponsored by SERAC and was administered in February 2020. The survey was administered online using the SurveyMonkey.com website and software. It was open to any adult residing in 41 communities in Southeastern Connecticut served by SERAC. Responses were voluntary and anonymous. All information is reported only in summary form. Individual survey respondents did not receive an incentive for participation. The Local Prevention Council in the community with the highest participation rate (as a percentage of population as reported on the CERC Town Profile) was awarded \$1000.

The questions in this survey are based on questions included in a survey instrument used by SERAC to determine attitudes, perceptions and behaviors of youth with regard to substance use and mental health. The youth survey was derived from the Connecticut Governor's Prevention Initiative for Youth (GPIY) survey which was designed to ascertain prevalence, attitudes and behaviors related to mental health and the use of substances (tobacco, alcohol, and illicit drugs).

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METHODS

The survey instrument used to collect the data for this report was based on the SERAC Standard Youth Survey which has been administered to youth throughout Connecticut. Some questions derived from the Quantitative Services Parent Survey [1] were used with permission.

This is the first time that the SERAC Community Survey has included towns in Northeastern Connecticut. It was administered online using the SurveyMonkey.com website. Efforts were made to encourage participation of community members throughout the region. A total of 1151 responses were collected from residents of 40 of 41 communities in the region. Responses from 227 respondents were excluded for the following reasons: 1) failure to answer questions other than the demographic questions (184), 2) reported age <18 (5), or 4) no town reported or town of residence not in the target region (38). The rates in this report are based on the responses from the remaining 924 respondents who represent 38 of the 41 communities in the target region.

The data have been weighted to correct for imbalances in sample sizes from the various communities. Weights were calculated as follows:

$$\frac{\text{Community population (as a percent of the regional population)}}{\text{Community responses (as a percent of regional responses)}}$$

For example, if a community represents 0.6% of the regional population and had 0.11% of regional responses, the weight for each of the responses from that community would be 5.56 (0.6%/0.11%).

All statistical and tabulation computations were carried out using SPSS® version 24. Data checking and formatting operations were done using Microsoft Excel. The final report was produced using Microsoft Word. All software is licensed to SERAC.

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RESULTS

A total of 1151 responses were collected. Responses from a total of 227 respondents (20% of the sample size) were excluded for failure to answer any questions other than the demographic questions, reporting age less than 18 or reporting no town or a town of residence outside of the SERAC region. The responses from the remaining 924 respondents, representing 38 of the 41 communities in the targeted region are summarized in this report (Table 1). Most respondents (83%) were female (Table 2). About three quarters (76%) were between the ages of 36 and 65. Nearly all (95%) were White. About 40% of all respondents reported having children of school age enrolled in public or private school or home-schooled (Table 3). About 30% of parents reported that their oldest child was in Elementary School (Pre-K to grade 6), 19% reported their oldest child was in Middle School (grades 7, 8) and 51% reported that their oldest child was in High School (grades 9-12, Table 4).

Respondents who reported being parents were instructed to answer subsequent questions with regard to their oldest child enrolled in Grade 12 or below in 2019-2020. Non-parents were asked to consider the average youth in grade 10 when responding.

Overall, about 37% of parents reported that their oldest child spends ***no time after school without an adult present***. The rates range from 81% among elementary aged children to 16% among high school aged children (Table 6). Overall, about 7% of parents reported that their oldest child spends ***more than 4 hours after school without an adult present***. *This question was not asked of non-parents.*

Overall, most parents (81%) reported that it is ***definitely true*** when their oldest child is away from home they know where they are and who they are with (Table 7). *This question was not asked of non-parents.*

Nearly 90% of all parents reported that it is ***definitely true*** that their family has clear rules discouraging their oldest child from smoking cigarettes/using tobacco (88%), using electronic cigarettes (89%), or using prescription drugs without a prescription (89%, Table 8). Slightly fewer parents reported that it is ***definitely true*** that their family has clear rules discouraging their oldest child from drinking alcoholic beverages (84%) or using marijuana (85%). Only about 66% of all parents reported that it is ***definitely true*** that their family has clear rules discouraging their oldest child from gambling. *This question was not asked of non-parents.*

Respondents were asked how easy they thought it would be for youth get various substances if they wanted to (Table 9). Among parents, illicit drugs (66% ***very hard***) and a gun (73% ***very hard***) were perceived as the hardest to get while alcohol (28% ***very hard***) was perceived as the easiest to get. Compared to parents, non-parents perceive that all things are more easily accessible to youth (***% very hard for all items <15%***).

Parents were asked whether they thought their oldest child had engaged in certain behaviors in the past 30 days (Table 10). About one in 10 parents thought that their oldest child had used alcohol (10%) or energy drinks (9%) in the past 30 days. Fewer parents thought that their oldest child had used electronic cigarettes (6%) or marijuana (4%) in the past 30 days. Still fewer

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parents (2%) thought that their oldest child was considered a bully. Fewer than 5 parents (n<5) thought that their oldest child had used cigarettes, used an energy drink containing alcohol, used a prescription drug not prescribed to them or gambled for money in the past 30 days. No parents (0%) thought that their oldest child had used non-cigarette tobacco products, used inhalants, or used illicit drugs like cocaine, methamphetamine or heroin in the past 30 days. *This question was not asked of non-parents*

Respondents were asked about their perception of sources of alcohol among youth who drink (Table 11). The most commonly reported sources among parents were **parents without permission** (74%), **friends** (72%) and **siblings** (69%). While the most commonly reported sources among non-parents were the same as those among parents, the percentage of non-parents who thought youth had gotten alcohol from those sources tended to be much higher [**parents without permission** (99%), **friends** (99%) and **siblings** (98%)].

Respondents were asked about the behaviors of the adults in their household (Table 12). In general, similar percentages of parents and non-parents report that an adult in their household smokes cigarettes (about 10%), uses alcohol (75-80%) and gambles (about 30%). However, the percentage of non-parents who report that an adult in their household uses electronic cigarettes (8%) tends to be higher than the percentage among parents (2%). Among parents, the percentage of households in which an adult gambles or uses alcohol or electronic cigarettes tends to be relatively constant regardless of the age or grade of the oldest child. However, the percentage of households in which an adult smokes cigarettes tends to decline from 24% among households in which the oldest child is in elementary school to 3% among households in which the oldest child is in high school.

Respondents were asked about their perception about the potential for harm to youth who use various substances (Table 13). Compared to parents, non-parents tend to be more likely to report that there is **great harm** associated with use of most substances (cigarettes, electronic cigarettes, alcohol or prescription drugs not prescribed to them) by youth. However, similar percentages of parents (56%) and non-parents (49%) feel that there is **great risk** associated with use of marijuana by youth.

Respondents were asked how they felt about youth use of various substances or engaging in gambling (Table 14). In general, the percentage of parents who think it is **very wrong** for youth to engage in the various behaviors tends to be higher than the percentage of non-parents who think it is **very wrong**. Overall, the largest percentage of adults think it would be **very wrong** for youth to use prescription drugs not prescribed to them (93% of parents, 84% of non-parents). The smallest percentage of adults think it would be **very wrong** for youth to gamble (76% of parents, 55% of non-parents).

Respondents were asked if they thought youth should be allowed to drink so they can learn to drink responsibly (Table 15). Although most adults do not agree with this statement, the percentage of parents who feel it is **definitely not true** (88%) tends to be higher than the percentage of non-parents (79%). About 2% of parents and 1% of non-parents report that they are **unsure**.

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Respondents were asked if they had provided alcohol to youth in the past year (Table 16). Nearly all parents and nonparents (99%) reported that there had NOT been a party at their house in the past year at which alcohol was consumed by youth in the past year. No adults (0%) reported having purchased alcohol for someone under the age of 21 in the past year.

Respondents were asked whether alcohol, prescription medications and guns were secured in their homes (Table 17). Parents and non-parents appear most likely to report securing guns in their homes and least likely to report securing prescription medications in their homes.

Respondents were asked how confident they were in their ability to access mental health services or and substance abuse treatment services (Table 18). Overall, adults appear more confident in their ability to access mental health services (about 70-80% **very confident**) than in knowing what to do if a child was abusing substances (55% very confident).

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Table 1: Participation by Reported Community of Residence (respondents included in the analysis)

Community*	% of respondents	Weight
Bozrah	0.11%	5.56
Brooklyn	3.14%	0.60
Canterbury	0.22%	5.43
Chaplin	0.22%	2.44
Colchester	1.41%	2.61
Columbia	0.11%	11.60
Coventry	0.32%	8.77
East Lyme	2.06%	2.13
Eastford	0.32%	1.23
Griswold	2.16%	1.26
Groton	2.81%	3.26
Hampton	0.11%	3.94
Killingly	7.90%	0.50
Lebanon	1.19%	1.41
Ledyard	3.25%	1.06
Lisbon	0.32%	3.06
Lyme	2.92%	0.19
Mansfield	1.41%	4.32
Montville	1.52%	2.96
New London	0.65%	9.74
North Stonington	0.22%	5.60
Norwich	1.41%	6.59
Old Lyme	13.10%	0.13
Plainfield	1.30%	2.72
Pomfret	0.87%	1.12
Preston	0.32%	3.33
Putnam	0.76%	2.90
Salem	0.22%	4.39
Scotland	0.22%	1.83
Sprague	0.22%	3.16
Sterling	0.22%	4.05
Stonington	8.12%	0.52
Thompson	0.54%	4.00
Voluntown	20.35%	0.03
Waterford	0.87%	5.16
Willington	0.32%	4.26
Windham	1.84%	3.14
Woodstock	16.99%	0.11

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Table 2: Demographics of Survey Respondents (unweighted)

	Parent	Non-parent	All
Gender			
Female	84.5%	81.4%	82.8%
Male	15.5%	18.4%	17.0%
Age			
18 to 25 years	n<5	5.1%	2.8%
26 to 35 years	8.1%	7.1%	7.6%
36 to 45 years	43.2%	5.5%	23.1%
46 to 55 years	38.7%	22.9%	30.3%
56 to 65 years	8.8%	34.5%	22.5%
Over 65 years	n<5	24.9%	13.7%
Race and Ethnicity			
White/Caucasian	94%	96%	95%
Black/African American	1%	1%	1%
Asian/Pacific Islander	<1%	1%	<1%
Native American	<1%	2%	1%
Hispanic/Latino	3%	1%	2%
Other	1%	1%	1%

Table 3: Individuals Reporting School Age Children

Do you have any children of school age enrolled in public or private school or home-schooled?	Response	Percent
	Yes	39.8%
	No	60.2%
	Total	100%

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Table 4: Grade of Oldest Child (Parents only)

Category	Grade	Percent	Category Percent
Elementary (Pre-K to 6)	Pre-K	3.10%	30.80%
	K	2.01%	
	1	0.64%	
	2	6.37%	
	3	2.69%	
	4	2.27%	
	5	6.10%	
	6	7.62%	
Middle School (7,8)	7	8.97%	18.69%
	8	9.72%	
High School (9-12)	9	9.26%	50.51%
	10	17.83%	
	11	14.85%	
	12	8.58%	
Total		100%	100.00%

Table 5: Gender of Oldest Child

What is the gender of your oldest child?		Percent
	Female	43.2%
	Male	56.0%
	Other	0.90%
	Total	100%

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Table 6: Unsupervised Time (Parents Only)

Question	Response	Parents (oldest child)			
		Elementary	Middle School	High School	Total
On a regular weekday, how many hours does your oldest child usually spend after school without an adult present?	None	80.9%	37.2%	16.0%	36.6%
	Less than 1 hour	n<5	33.3%	26.6%	22.4%
	1 to 2 hours	10.5%	24.4%	44.7%	31.4%
	Up to 4 hours	n<5	n<5	5.7%	3.0%
	More than 4 hours	n<5	5.0%	6.9%	6.6%

Table 7: Parental Monitoring (Parents only)

Question	Response	Parents (oldest child)			
		Elementary	Middle School	High School	Total
When my child is away from home, I know where he/she is and who he/she is with.	Definitely NOT True	n<5	n<5	n<5	n<5
	Mostly NOT True	0.0%	0.0%	3.7%	1.9%
	Mostly True	2.1%	12.5%	25.7%	16.8%
	Definitely True	97.8%	87.4%	69.7%	80.9%

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Table 8: Family Rules – My family has clear rules discouraging my oldest child from doing the following (Parents Only)

Question	Response	Parents (oldest child)			
		Elementary	Middle School	High School	Total
Smoking cigarettes or using tobacco	Definitely NOT True	n<5	n<5	n<5	3.5%
	Mostly NOT True	n<5	n<5	n<5	n<5
	Mostly True	3.4%	4.0%	9.1%	6.4%
	Definitely True	91.5%	86.4%	86.7%	87.7%
Using electronic cigarettes	Definitely NOT True	n<5	0.0%	n<5	3.1%
	Mostly NOT True	n<5	n<5	n<5	n<5
	Mostly True	3.4%	3.9%	8.8%	6.3%
	Definitely True	91.5%	90.4%	86.8%	88.8%
Drinking alcoholic beverages	Definitely NOT True	n<5	0.0%	n<5	1.4%
	Mostly NOT True	n<5	0.0%	n<5	n<5
	Mostly True	3.2%	5.2%	21.1%	12.8%
	Definitely True	91.8%	94.8%	74.7%	84.0%
Using marijuana	Definitely NOT True	n<5	0.0%	n<5	1.6%
	Mostly NOT True	n<5	0.0%	0.0%	n<5
	Mostly True	4.6%	3.8%	13.6%	8.9%
	Definitely True	78.9%	96.2%	82.3%	85.1%
Using prescription drugs not prescribed to them	Definitely NOT True	n<5	0.0%	n<5	5.8%
	Mostly NOT True	n<5	n<5	n<5	0.5%
	Mostly True	n<5	6.7%	6.5%	5.1%
	Definitely True	83.3%	93.0%	88.7%	88.6%
Gambling	Definitely NOT True	16.1%	9.2%	9.9%	11.2%
	Mostly NOT True	n<5	7.7%	6.1%	5.3%
	Mostly True	10.4%	20.4%	20.1%	17.9%
	Definitely True	72.3%	62.7%	63.9%	65.6%

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Table 9: Ease of Access – If your oldest child wanted to, how EASY would it be for them to get:

Question	Response	Parents (oldest child)				Non-Parents
		Elementary	Middle School	High School	Total	10 th grade
Alcoholic beverages	Very Easy	n<5	26.9%	25.8%	20.2%	47.0%
	Sort of Easy	22.7%	24.5%	36.2%	30.0%	42.2%
	Sort of Hard	14.5%	32.0%	19.9%	21.8%	10.3%
	Very Hard	62.4%	16.6%	18.1%	28.0%	0.5%
Electronic Cigarettes	Very Easy	0.0%	5.8%	27.7%	15.5%	60.0%
	Sort of Easy	n<5	23.8%	31.4%	22.2%	35.5%
	Sort of Hard	8.4%	24.4%	19.7%	18.3%	3.9%
	Very Hard	91.4%	46.0%	21.2%	44.0%	0.7%
Cigarettes	Very Easy	n<5	2.9%	13.0%	7.5%	52.8%
	Sort of Easy	n<5	24.2%	31.0%	22.2%	38.5%
	Sort of Hard	6.9%	21.1%	21.1%	17.8%	8.1%
	Very Hard	91.7%	51.8%	34.9%	52.6%	0.6%
Marijuana	Very Easy	0.0%	n<5	19.9%	10.1%	50.6%
	Sort of Easy	n<5	20.8%	28.0%	19.6%	40.6%
	Sort of Hard	4.4%	26.4%	21.7%	18.9%	8.2%
	Very Hard	95.5%	52.1%	30.4%	51.4%	0.6%
Prescription drugs without a prescription	Very Easy	0.0%	7.0%	5.3%	4.5%	24.0%
	Sort of Easy	0.0%	9.7%	21.5%	13.4%	52.2%
	Sort of Hard	16.8%	23.2%	37.7%	29.0%	20.9%
	Very Hard	83.2%	60.1%	35.5%	53.0%	2.8%
Illicit drugs	Very Easy	0.0%	n<5	1.2%	0.7%	18.4%
	Sort of Easy	0.0%	14.8%	11.9%	9.9%	33.0%
	Sort of Hard	4.1%	16.7%	36.4%	23.7%	37.7%
	Very Hard	95.9%	68.2%	50.5%	65.7%	10.9%
A gun	Very Easy	n<5	0.0%	0.8%	0.7%	12.1%
	Sort of Easy	0.0%	16.6%	8.5%	8.7%	30.3%
	Sort of Hard	8.0%	10.9%	26.8%	18.2%	42.9%
	Very Hard	90.7%	72.6%	64.0%	72.5%	14.8%

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Table 10: Perceived Recent Use by Oldest Child – In the past 30 days, do you think your oldest child did the following? (Parents only)

Question	Parents			
	Elementary	Middle School	High School	Total
Used cigarettes	0.0%	0.0%	n<5	n<5
Used other tobacco products	0.0%	0.0%	n<5	0.0%
Used electronic cigarettes	0.0%	0.0%	11.6%	5.8%
Drank alcoholic beverages	0.0%	0.0%	20.6%	10.4%
Used inhalants	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Used an energy drink	0.0%	n<5	17.7%	9.3%
Used an energy containing alcohol	0.0%	0.0%	n<5	n<5
Used marijuana	0.0%	0.0%	8.4%	4.3%
Used other drugs like cocaine, methamphetamine or heroin	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Used prescription drugs not prescribed to them	0.0%	0.0%	n<5	n<5
Gambled for money	0.0%	0.0%	n<5	n<5
Are considered bullies	n<5	n<5	n<5	2.1%

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Table 11: Alcohol Sources – How often do you think youth who drink get their alcoholic beverages from the following sources?

Question	Response	Parents (oldest child)				Non-Parents
		Elementary	Middle School	High School	Total	10 th grade
Their parents with permission	Ever	9.5%	30.2%	77.1%	48.9%	89.4%
Their parents without permission	Ever	23.6%	89.1%	89.2%	73.9%	99.4%
Friends	Ever	22.4%	82.9%	88.8%	71.8%	99.7%
A sister or brother	Ever	16.9%	82.1%	84.6%	68.6%	98.0%
Other people buy it for them	Ever	9.0%	60.9%	80.5%	58.6%	97.1%
A party with an adult's permission	Ever	8.6%	37.9%	79.3%	51.9%	94.0%
A store (they buy it themselves)	Ever	n<5	8.8%	35.0%	20.8%	61.6%
A restaurant	Ever	n<5	6.4%	23.7%	14.5%	43.0%

Table 12: Adult Behaviors –Do any adults who live in your household engage in the following behaviors?

Question	Parents (oldest child)				Non-Parents
	Elementary	Middle School	High School	Total	10 th grade
Smoke cigarettes	24.2%	7.4%	3.1%	9.1%	10.9%
Electronic cigarettes	3.7%	n<5	2.7%	2.3%	8.1%
Use alcohol	81.4%	87.5%	82.7%	83.7%	75.6%
Gamble	35.3%	25.4%	25.5%	27.7%	31.7%

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Table 13: Perceived Harm – How much do you think youth risk harming themselves if they do the following?

Question	Response	Parents (oldest child)				Non-Parents
		Elementary	Middle School	High School	Total	10 th grade
Smoke cigarettes (1+ packs/day)	No Risk	32.8%	16.1%	12.6%	18.2%	2.3%
	Slight Risk	n<5	27.4%	11.7%	13.3%	8.7%
	Moderate Risk	3.4%	6.4%	12.7%	8.9%	11.6%
	Great Risk	57.4%	42.7%	57.7%	53.7%	75.7%
	I don't know	5.6%	7.3%	5.2%	5.9%	1.7%
Electronic cigarettes	No Risk	32.7%	16.1%	9.5%	16.6%	0.7%
	Slight Risk	n<5	14.1%	6.5%	7.1%	5.9%
	Moderate Risk	n<5	11.5%	11.8%	9.6%	19.0%
	Great Risk	56.8%	50.9%	67.9%	60.9%	72.2%
	I don't know	6.8%	7.5%	4.3%	5.7%	2.3%
Drink alcohol (5+ 1- 2x/wk)	No Risk	32.1%	16.8%	14.0%	18.9%	n<5
	Slight Risk	n<5	23.5%	8.0%	10.6%	6.7%
	Moderate Risk	n<5	8.4%	13.9%	9.6%	13.1%
	Great Risk	58.1%	44.1%	63.0%	56.9%	79.1%
	I don't know	6.2%	7.3%	1.2%	3.9%	0.9%
Drink alcohol (1-2 daily)	No Risk	32.8%	10.4%	15.4%	18.1%	0.3%
	Slight Risk	n<5	33.2%	7.8%	12.7%	10.2%
	Moderate Risk	n<5	4.5%	17.5%	10.4%	13.2%
	Great Risk	58.3%	44.2%	56.9%	53.9%	75.5%
	I don't know	6.8%	7.8%	2.5%	4.9%	0.8%
Use marijuana (1-2x/wk)	No Risk	32.8%	16.2%	12.2%	18.0%	0.9%
	Slight Risk	n<5	15.7%	13.3%	11.0%	12.8%
	Moderate Risk	n<5	4.8%	17.2%	10.3%	35.4%
	Great Risk	58.1%	55.6%	54.6%	55.7%	49.2%
	I don't know	6.8%	7.8%	2.6%	4.9%	1.7%
Use prescription drugs not prescribed to them	No Risk	32.9%	16.0%	13.8%	18.8%	0.2%
	Slight Risk	n<5	22.0%	13.9%	12.9%	5.4%
	Moderate Risk	n<5	8.8%	7.8%	6.6%	8.9%
	Great Risk	58.1%	45.5%	61.0%	56.3%	84.7%
	I don't know	6.8%	7.6%	3.5%	5.3%	0.8%

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Table 14: Disapproval of Youth Use – How wrong do you think it is for youth to do the following?

Question	Response	Parents (oldest child)				Non-Parents
		Elementary	Middle School	High School	Total	10 th grade
Smoke tobacco	Not at all wrong	n<5	0.0%	0.0%	n<5	n<5
	A little bit wrong	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%	0.2%	5.3%
	Wrong	n<5	n<5	27.9%	15.7%	31.7%
	Very wrong	95.7%	94.2%	71.8%	83.2%	62.5%
Use electronic cigarettes	Not at all wrong	n<5	0.0%	n<5	n<5	1.0%
	A little bit wrong	0.0%	0.0%	2.8%	1.4%	3.7%
	Wrong	n<5	n<5	21.8%	11.9%	29.5%
	Very wrong	95.7%	97.3%	75.3%	85.8%	65.8%
Drink alcohol (1-2 daily)	Not at all wrong	n<5	0.0%	n<5	n<5	n<5
	A little bit wrong	0.0%	0.0%	n<5	n<5	1.8%
	Wrong	n<5	0.0%	15.9%	8.7%	20.3%
	Very wrong	93.2%	100.0%	84.0%	90.4%	77.8%
Smoke marijuana	Not at all wrong	n<5	0.0%	n<5	n<5	0.6%
	A little bit wrong	0.0%	0.0%	2.4%	1.2%	5.3%
	Wrong	n<5	n<5	24.0%	13.8%	33.0%
	Very wrong	95.6%	94.1%	73.6%	84.1%	61.0%
Use prescription drugs not prescribed to them	Not at all wrong	n<5	0.0%	0.0%	n<5	n<5
	A little bit wrong	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	n<5
	Wrong	n<5	0.0%	12.1%	6.2%	15.4%
	Very wrong	95.7%	100.0%	87.9%	92.9%	84.0%
Gamble	Not at all wrong	n<5	n<5	n<5	n<5	1.0%
	A little bit wrong	n<5	n<5	6.9%	4.5%	7.8%
	Wrong	6.9%	7.8%	28.1%	17.9%	36.7%
	Very wrong	86.6%	88.6%	64.9%	76.2%	54.5%

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Table 15: I think that youth should be allowed to drink, so they learn how to drink responsibly.

Response	Parents (oldest child)				Non-Parents
	Elementary	Middle School	High School	Total	10 th grade
Definitely NOT True	96.7%	98.6%	77.9%	87.7%	78.8%
Mostly NOT True	n<5	1.3%	12.4%	7.4%	15.3%
Mostly True	0.0%	n<5	4.0%	2.0%	1.4%
Definitely True	0.0%	0.0%	n<5	n<5	3.2%
I don't know	0.0%	0.0%	4.6%	2.3%	1.4%

Table 16: Providing Alcohol to Youth

Question	Response	Parents (oldest child)				Non-Parents
		Elementary	10 th grade	High School	Total	10 th grade
During the past year, has there been a party at your home at which alcohol was consumed by youth ?	Yes	0.0%	0.0%	1.0%	0.5%	0.8%
	No	100.0%	99.9%	98.1%	99.0%	98.7%
	I don't know	0.0%	n<5	0.9%	0.5%	n<5
In the past year, have you purchased alcohol for somebody under the age of 21?	Yes	0.0%	n<5	0.0%	n<5	n<5
	No	100.0%	99.9%	100.0%	99.97%	99.0%
	I don't know	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

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Table 17: Securing Products in Home

Question	Response	Parents				Non-Parents
		Elementary	10 th grade	High School	Total	10 th grade
Alcohol is secured in my home.	Does not apply	26.4%	7.3%	11.6%	13.9%	29.3%
	Definitely NOT True	8.4%	36.9%	41.0%	32.4%	28.2%
	Mostly NOT True	8.7%	17.9%	11.6%	12.6%	7.6%
	Mostly True	16.3%	25.0%	19.1%	20.0%	20.2%
	Definitely True	40.2%	12.9%	16.8%	21.2%*	14.8% [^]
Any prescription drugs are secured in my home.	Does not apply	8.7%	11.9%	13.3%	11.9%	24.0%
	Definitely NOT True	n<5	22.1%	25.0%	18.8%	20.4%
	Mostly NOT True	n<5	14.5%	8.6%	8.3%	10.9%
	Mostly True	26.5%	20.3%	22.1%	22.6%	13.3%
	Definitely True	62.8%	31.2%	31.0%	38.4%**	31.4% ^{^^}
Guns are secured in my home.	Does not apply	75.4%	77.8%	72.9%	74.8%	73.7%
	Definitely NOT True	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.5%
	Mostly NOT True	0.0%	n<5	n<5	n<5	n<5
	Mostly True	n<5	n<5	n<5	0.5%	3.5%
	Definitely True	23.4%	21.6%	26.6%	24.6%***	21.8% ^{^^}

*Corresponds to about 25% when does not apply are removed

**Corresponds to about 44% when does not apply are removed

***Corresponds to about 97% when does not apply are removed

[^]Corresponds to about 21% when does not apply are removed

^{^^}Corresponds to about 41% when does not apply are removed

^{^^}Corresponds to about 83% when does not apply are removed

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Table 18: Confidence in Knowing What to Do

How confident are you that you would know	Response	Parents (oldest child)				Non-Parents
		Elementary	Middle School	High School	Total	10 th grade
how to access mental health services if you needed them for yourself?	Very confident	89.2%	73.5%	77.4%	79.1%	73.7%
	Fairly confident	10.2%	24.9%	17.2%	17.6%	20.4%
	Not too confident	n<5	n<5	3.7%	2.4%	4.0%
	Not at all confident	0.0%	n<5	n<5	n<5	1.9%
how to access mental health services if you needed them for your child?	Very confident	85.1%	69.7%	76.1%	76.5%	Not applicable
	Fairly confident	10.4%	27.6%	16.5%	18.0%	Not applicable
	Not too confident	n<5	2.4%	6.2%	4.6%	Not applicable
	Not at all confident	n<5	n<5	n<5	0.8%	Not applicable
how to access mental health services if you needed them for another family member or friend?	Very confident	84.1%	69.7%	72.5%	74.4%	68.3%
	Fairly confident	12.0%	26.8%	20.8%	20.3%	20.5%
	Not too confident	n<5	3.2%	6.7%	4.4%	7.4%
	Not at all confident	n<5	n<5	n<5	0.8%	3.7%
what to do if you believed your oldest child was abusing a substance or substances?	Very confident	71.6%	52.6%	48.7%	55.0%	Not applicable
	Fairly confident	24.3%	25.4%	41.4%	33.2%	Not applicable
	Not too confident	1.1%	17.4%	9.7%	9.7%	Not applicable
	Not at all confident	n<5	n<5	n<5	2.0%	Not applicable