



Nevada

State Profile and Underage Drinking Facts

State Population: 2,700,551
Population Ages 12–20: 312,000

	Percentage	Number
Ages 12–20		
Past-Month Alcohol Use	23.8	74,000
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use	16.8	53,000
Ages 12–14		
Past-Month Alcohol Use	4.4	5,000
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use	2.1	2,000
Ages 15–17		
Past-Month Alcohol Use	23.9	25,000
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use	15.5	16,000
Ages 18–20		
Past-Month Alcohol Use	44.8	44,000
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use	34.2	34,000
		Number
Alcohol-Attributable Deaths (under 21)		40
Years of Potential Life Lost (under 21)		2,379

	Percentage of All Traffic Fatalities	Number
Traffic Fatalities, 15- to 20-Year-Old Drivers with BAC > 0.01	21.0	9

Laws Addressing Minors in Possession of Alcohol

Underage Possession of Alcohol

Possession is prohibited with the following exception(s):

- Private location OR EITHER
- Parent/guardian OR
- Spouse

Underage Consumption of Alcohol

Consumption is not explicitly prohibited.

Internal Possession by Minors

Internal possession is not explicitly prohibited.

Underage Purchase of Alcohol

Purchase is prohibited and there is NO ALLOWANCE for youth purchase for law enforcement purposes.

False Identification for Obtaining Alcohol

Provision(s) Targeting Minors

- Use of a false ID to obtain alcohol is a criminal offense.
- There is no driver’s license suspension procedure.

Provision(s) Targeting Suppliers

- It is a criminal offense to lend, transfer, or sell a false ID.
- It is a criminal offense to manufacture or distribute a false ID.

Provisions Targeting Retailers

- Licenses for drivers under age 21 are easily distinguishable from those for drivers age 21 and older.
- Specific affirmative defense—the retailer inspected the false ID and came to a reasonable conclusion based on its appearance that it was valid.

Laws Targeting Underage Drinking and Driving

BAC Limits: Youth (Underage Operators of Noncommercial Motor Vehicles)

- BAC limit: 0.02
- BAC level at or above the limit is per se (conclusive) evidence of a violation
- Applies to drivers under age 21

Loss of Driving Privileges for Alcohol Violations by Minors (“Use/Lose Laws”)

Use/lose penalties apply to minors under age 18.

Type(s) of Violation Leading to Driver’s License Suspension, Revocation, or Denial

- Underage purchase
- Underage possession

Authority To Impose Driver’s License Sanction

- Mandatory

Length of Suspension/Revocation

- Minimum: 90 days
- Maximum: 730 days

Graduated Driver’s License***Learner Stage***

- Minimum entry age: 15 years, 6 months
- Minimum learner-stage period: 6 months
- Minimum supervised driving requirement: 50 hours—10 of which must be at night

Intermediate Stage

- Minimum age: 16
- Unsupervised night driving prohibited after 10 p.m.
- No primary enforcement of the night-driving rule
- Passenger restrictions exist: No unrelated passengers under 18
- No primary enforcement of the passenger-restriction rule

License Stage

- Minimum age to lift restrictions: 18—passenger restrictions expire after 6 months; unsupervised night-driving restrictions remain until age 18.

Note: Exception to the driver’s education course requirement for persons under 18: If a driver’s education course is not offered within a 30-mile radius of a person’s residence, the person may instead complete an additional 50 hours of supervised driving.

Laws Targeting Alcohol Suppliers**Furnishing Alcohol to Minors**

Furnishing is prohibited with the following exception(s):

- Parent/guardian

Compliance Check Protocols

No data

Penalty Guidelines for Sales to Minors

No data

Responsible Beverage Service

Mandatory Beverage Service Training for Servers

- Applies to both on-sale and off-sale establishments
- Applies to both new and existing outlets

Note: Applicability of Nevada’s “alcoholic beverage awareness program” to on-sale retailers is limited to establishments located in a jurisdiction that is located (a) in a county whose population is 100,000 or more or (b) in a county whose population is less than 100,000, if the governing body of the jurisdiction has, by the affirmative vote of a majority of its members, agreed to be bound by the provisions of section 9 of the act. Applicability to off-sale retailers is limited to off-sale retail establishments in counties with populations of 700,000 or more.

Minimum Ages for Off-Premises Sellers

- Beer: 16
- Wine: 16
- Spirits: 16

Condition(s) That Must Be Met in order for an Underage Person To Sell Alcoholic Beverages

- Manager/supervisor is present.

Minimum Ages for On-Premises Sellers

- Beer: 21 for both servers and bartenders
- Wine: 21 for both servers and bartenders
- Spirits: 21 for both servers and bartenders

Dram Shop Liability

No statutory liability

Social Host Liability Laws

Statutory liability exists for knowingly furnishing a minor or allowing a minor to consume alcohol on premises that social host controls.

Host Party Laws

No State-imposed liability for hosting underage drinking parties

Direct Sales/Shipments of Alcohol by Producers

Direct sales/shipments from producers to consumers are permitted for beer, wine, and distilled spirits with the following restrictions:

Age Verification Requirements: None

State Approval/Permit Requirements

- Producer/shipper must obtain State permit.

Reporting Requirements

- Producer must record/report purchaser’s name.
- Common carrier must record/report purchaser’s name.

Shipping Label Statement Requirements

- Contains alcohol—applies to internet orders

Keg Registration

Registration is not required.

Alcohol Pricing Policies

Home Delivery

- Beer: No law
- Wine: No law
- Spirits: No law

Note: Regulated by county and city governments

Alcohol Tax

Beer (5 percent alcohol)

- Specific excise tax: \$0.16 per gallon

Wine (12 percent alcohol)

- Specific excise tax: \$0.70 per gallon

Spirits (40 percent alcohol)

- Specific excise tax: \$3.60 per gallon

An additional excise tax of \$1.50 per gallon may be imposed on all liquor containing an alcohol content of more than 22 percent ABV, but only if the Federal gallonage tax imposed by 26 U.S.C. § 5001 is reduced to \$9 per gallon. This additional tax is not collected on any liquor for which a Federal gallonage tax of \$10.50 per gallon has been paid (Nev. Rev. Stat. § 369.333).

Drink Specials

No law

Wholesale Pricing

Pricing restrictions exist.

Beer (5 percent alcohol)

- Retailer credit: Restricted—41 days maximum

Wine (12 percent alcohol)

- Retailer credit: Restricted—41 days maximum

Spirits (40 percent alcohol)

- Retailer credit: Restricted—41 days maximum

Nevada State Survey Responses

State Agency Information	
<i>Agency with primary responsibility for enforcing underage drinking laws:</i> The Juvenile Justice Programs Office	
<i>Methods by which local and State enforcement agencies coordinate their efforts to enforce laws prohibiting underage drinking:</i> Nevada does not have a statewide alcohol beverage control agency. The Enforcing Underage Drinking Laws (EUDL) funds received by the NV Juvenile Justice Programs Office are subgranted to local law enforcement agencies to conduct approved operations to control and reduce underage drinking and alcohol accessibility.	
Enforcement Strategies	
<i>State law enforcement agencies use:</i>	
Cops in Shops	No
Shoulder Tap Operations	No
Party Patrol Operations or Programs	No
Underage Alcohol-Related Fatality Investigations	Yes
<i>Local law enforcement agencies use:</i>	
Cops in Shops	No
Shoulder Tap Operations	Yes
Party Patrol Operations or Programs	Yes
Underage Alcohol-Related Fatality Investigations	No
<i>State has a program to investigate and enforce direct sales/shipment laws</i>	
Primary State agency responsible for enforcing laws addressing direct sales/shipments of alcohol to minors	Not applicable
Such laws are also enforced by local law enforcement agencies	Yes
Enforcement Statistics	
<i>State collects data on the number of minors found in possession</i>	
Number of minors found in possession by State law enforcement agencies	Data not collected
Number pertains to the 12 months ending	Data not collected
Data include arrests/citations issued by local law enforcement agencies	Data not collected
<i>State conducts underage compliance checks/decoy operations² to determine if alcohol retailers are complying with laws prohibiting sales to minors</i>	
Data are collected on these activities	Not applicable
Number of licensees checked for compliance by State agencies	Not applicable
Number of licensees that failed State compliance checks	Not applicable
Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	Not applicable
<i>Local agencies conduct underage compliance checks/decoy operations to determine if alcohol retailers are complying with laws prohibiting sales to minors</i>	
Data are collected on these activities	Yes
Number of licensees checked for compliance by local agencies	3,975
Number of licensees that failed local compliance checks	791
Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	12/31/2010
Sanctions	
<i>State collects data on fines imposed on retail establishments that furnish minors</i>	
Number of fines imposed by the State ³	Data not collected
Total amount in fines across all licensees	Data not collected
Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	Data not collected
<i>State collects data on license suspensions imposed on retail establishments specifically for furnishing minors</i>	
Number of suspensions imposed by the State ⁴	Data not collected
Total days of suspensions across all licensees	Data not collected
Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	Data not collected

<i>State collects data on license revocations imposed on retail establishments specifically for furnishing minors</i>	No
Number of license revocations imposed ⁵	Data not collected
Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	Data not collected
Additional Clarification	
The State Juvenile Justice Programs Office collects data for EUDL and submits detailed data reports to the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP). Data submitted are limited to the information provided by the local law enforcement agencies as a condition of funding. The Data Collection and Technical Assistance Tool (DCTAT) system contains all information available, and copies of those reports submitted can be provided to interested parties by the State of Nevada or by OJJDP.	

¹ Or having consumed or purchased per State statutes

² Underage compliance checks/decoy operations to determine whether alcohol retailers are complying with laws prohibiting sales to minors

³ Does not include fines imposed by local agencies

⁴ Does not include suspensions imposed by local agencies

⁵ Does not include revocations imposed by local agencies

Underage Drinking Prevention Programs Operated or Funded by the State: Programs SPECIFIC TO Underage Drinking	
<i>Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association (NIAA) Alcohol Policy</i>	
Number of youth served	No data
Number of parents served	No data
Number of caregivers served	No data
Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	No data
Program has been evaluated	Yes
Evaluation report is available	Yes
URL for evaluation report	Kathy Bartosz, 775-841-4730
URL for more program information	No data
Program description: NIAA has adopted the first statewide drug and alcohol use policy required of all participating high schools. Student athletes and their parents must adhere to and sign off on a graduated sanctions policy enforcing zero tolerance for alcohol, tobacco, and drug use. A first offense results in a 2-week suspension from competitive play and participation in an approved education program; a second offense results in a 3-month suspension and substance use evaluation; and a third offense results in expulsion from high school sports for the remainder of the student's high school career.	

Underage Drinking Prevention Programs Operated or Funded by the State: Programs RELATED TO Underage Drinking	
None	
URL for more program information	Not applicable
Program description: Not applicable	

Additional Information Related to Underage Drinking Prevention Programs	
<i>State collaborates with federally recognized Tribal governments in the prevention of underage drinking</i>	Yes
Program description: The Statewide Partnership of Native Americans involves local Tribal entities in the training of law enforcement personnel to curtail the availability of alcohol on Tribal lands.	
<i>State has programs to measure and/or reduce youth exposure to alcohol advertising and marketing</i>	No
Program description: Not applicable.	

<i>State has adopted or developed best practice standards for underage drinking prevention programs</i>	Yes
<p>Best practice standards description: The Underage Drinking Enforcement and Training Center (UDETTC) contracts with OJJDP to provide States receiving EUDL funds with technical assistance. Nevada works with UDETTC to establish training standards for law enforcement for EUDL operations. As a result, six courses have received Peace Officer Standardized Training certification and are offered for free to local law enforcement agencies. Training must be completed by any officers involved in EUDL operations, including compliance checks, third-party purchaser operations, juvenile party dispersal, special events control, fake identification checks, and underage drinking and driving prevention and intervention.</p>	
Additional Clarification	
No data	

State Interagency Collaboration	
<i>A State-level interagency governmental body/committee exists to coordinate or address underage drinking prevention activities</i>	Yes
<p><i>Committee contact information:</i> Name: Kathy Bartosz Email: bartosz4@sbcglobal.net Address: 1711 N. Roop St., Carson City, NV 89706 Phone: (775) 841-4730</p>	
<p><i>Agencies/organizations represented on the committee:</i> Churchill Community Coalition Frontier Community Coalition Healthy Communities Coalition Join Together of Northern Nevada Luz Coalition Nye Communities Coalition PACE Coalition Partnership of Carson City Partnership of Community Resources Statewide Native American Coalition</p>	
<i>A Web site or other public source exists to describe committee activities</i>	Yes
URL or other means of access	Linda Lang, Statewide EUDL Task Force facilitator for quarterly meeting minutes: dlhlang@pyramid.net

Underage Drinking Reports	
<i>State has prepared a plan for preventing underage drinking in the last 3 years</i>	No
Prepared by	Not applicable
Plan can be accessed via	Not applicable
<i>State has prepared a report on preventing underage drinking in the last 3 years</i>	Yes
Prepared by:	NV Juvenile Justice Programs Office
Report can be accessed via	EUDL Coordinator Kathy Bartosz, 775-841-4730
Additional Clarification	
<p>The Statewide Partnership of Prevention Coalitions in Nevada serves as the statewide EUDL Task Force, as they include representatives from multiple community sectors in their coalitions. This allows for contributions from a wide variety of participants in the development of EUDL operation plans for the State. The EUDL granting agency, OJJDP, requires an annual plan for EUDL funds and operations. A final report is submitted in July of each year summarizing the outcomes for the grant period.</p>	

State Expenditures for the Prevention of Underage Drinking	
<i>Compliance checks/decoy operations in retail outlets:</i>	
Estimate of State funds expended	Data unavailable
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	Data unavailable
<i>Checkpoints and saturation patrols:</i>	
Estimate of State funds expended	Data unavailable
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	Data unavailable
<i>Community-based programs to prevent underage drinking:</i>	
Estimate of State funds expended	Data unavailable
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	Data unavailable
<i>K-12 school-based programs to prevent underage drinking:</i>	
Estimate of State funds expended	Data unavailable
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	Data unavailable
<i>Programs targeted to institutes of higher learning:</i>	
Estimate of State funds expended	Data unavailable
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	Data unavailable
<i>Programs that target youth in the juvenile justice system:</i>	
Estimate of State funds expended	Data unavailable
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	Data unavailable
<i>Programs that target youth in the child welfare system:</i>	
Estimate of State funds expended	Data unavailable
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	Data unavailable
<i>Other programs:</i>	
Programs or strategies included	No data
Estimate of State funds expended	No data
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	No data
Funds Dedicated to Underage Drinking	
<i>State derives funds dedicated to underage drinking from the following revenue streams:</i>	
Taxes	No
Fines	Yes
Fees	No
Other	No data
<i>Description of funding streams and how they are used:</i> The Department of Taxation collects fines for businesses not complying with the mandatory server training law. Half of the fines collected go into a fund for the EUDL program. This is the first year fines have been collected, so the amount at this point is unknown, but is estimated to be close to \$50,000.00.	
Additional Clarification	
No data	