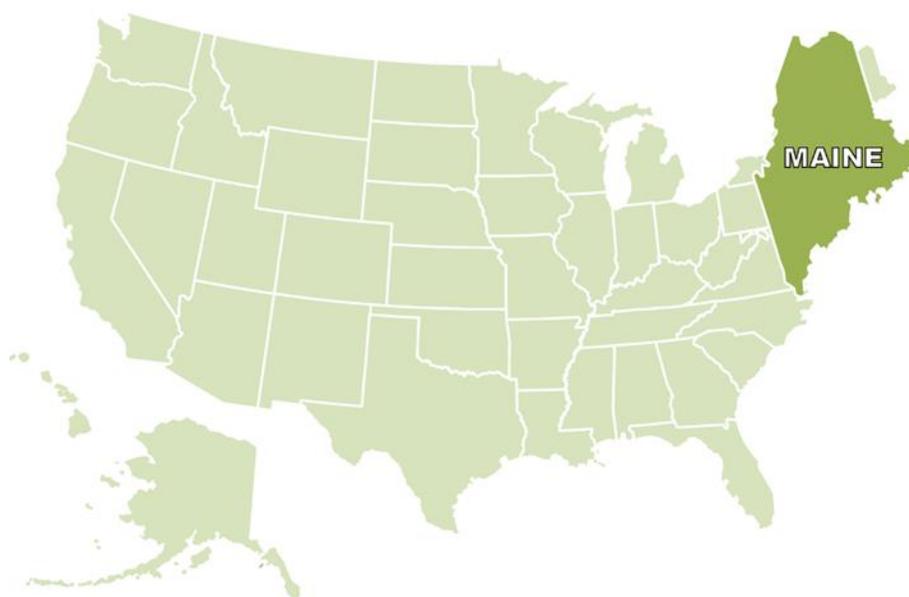


State Report

Maine

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Maine

State Population: 1,330,089

Population Ages 12–20: 147,000

	Percentage	Number
Ages 12–20		
Past-Month Alcohol Use	24.7	36,000
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use	15.1	22,000
Ages 12–14		
Past-Month Alcohol Use	2.8	1,000
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use	1.2	1,000
Ages 15–17		
Past-Month Alcohol Use	19.7	9,000
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use	11.4	5,000
Ages 18–20		
Past-Month Alcohol Use	49.5	26,000
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use	31.2	16,000
Alcohol-Attributable Deaths (under 21)		13
Years of Potential Life Lost (under 21)		808
	Percentage of All Traffic Fatalities	Number
Traffic Fatalities, 15- to 20-Year-Old Drivers with BAC > 0.01	22	4

Laws Addressing Minors in Possession of Alcohol

Underage Possession	
Is underage possession of alcoholic beverages prohibited?	Yes
Are there exceptions based on family relationships?	
• Is possession allowed if parent or guardian is present or consents?	Yes, in specified locations – See below
• Is possession allowed if spouse is present or consents?	No
Is there an exception based on location?	Yes, in private residence if parent/guardian is present or consents

Underage Consumption	
Is underage consumption of alcoholic beverages prohibited?	Yes
Are there exceptions based on family relationships?	
• Is consumption allowed if the parent or guardian is present or consents?	Yes, in specified locations – See below
• Is consumption allowed if the spouse is present or consents?	No
Is there an exception based on location?	Yes, in private residence if parent/guardian is present or consents

Underage Internal Possession	
Is underage internal possession of alcoholic beverages prohibited?	No law
Are there exceptions based on family relationships?	
• Is internal possession allowed if the parent or guardian is present or consents?	N/A
• Is internal possession allowed if the spouse is present or consents?	N/A
Is there an exception based on location?	N/A

Underage Purchase and Attempted Purchase	
Is the purchase of alcoholic beverages prohibited?	Yes
May youth purchase for law enforcement purposes?	No

False Identification for Obtaining Alcohol	
Provisions Targeting Minors	
Is the use of false identification (ID) prohibited?	Yes
Does the use of a false ID result in minor's driver's license suspension?	Yes, through a judicial process
Provisions Targeting Suppliers	
Is the lending or transferring or selling of a false ID prohibited?	Yes
Is the production of a false ID in the context of underage alcohol sales specifically prohibited?	No
Retailer Support Provisions	
Is there an incentive for the retailer to use electronic scanners for information digitally encoded on valid IDs?	No
Are state driver's licenses for persons under 21 easily distinguishable from licenses for persons 21 and over?	Yes

May retailers seize apparently false IDs without fear of prosecution even if the ID is ultimately deemed valid?	Yes
Does an affirmative defense exist for the retailer?	No
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is it a specific affirmative defense (retailer reasonably believed ID was valid after examining it)? 	N/A
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is it a general affirmative defense (retailer reasonably believed purchaser was over 21)? 	N/A
Does the retailer have the right to sue the minor for use of a false ID?	No
May a retailer detain a minor who used a false ID?	No
<i>Note:</i> In Maine, Provisions Targeting Suppliers apply to acts prohibited for minors. The more general laws addressing adults are not included here as they are not, for purposes of this report, specific to lending, transfer, sale, or production of false ID for a minor's obtaining alcoholic beverages.	

Laws Targeting Underage Drinking and Driving

Youth Blood Alcohol Concentration Limits (Underage Operators of Noncommercial Motor Vehicles)	
What is the maximum blood alcohol concentration (BAC) limit for an underage driver of a motor vehicle?	0
Does a BAC level in excess of limit automatically establish a violation (per se violation)?	Yes
What is the minimum age to which the limit applies?	0
What is the maximum age to which the limit applies?	21

Loss of Driving Privileges for Alcohol Violations by Minors ("Use/Lose" Laws)	
Is there a "use/lose" law that suspends or revokes a minor's driving privileges for alcohol violations?	No
What types of violation lead to license suspension or revocation?	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Purchase of alcohol 	N/A
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Possession of alcohol 	N/A
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consumption of alcohol 	N/A
The law applies to people under what age?	N/A
Is suspension or revocation mandatory or discretionary?	N/A
What is the length of suspension/revocation?	
Minimum number of days	N/A
Maximum number of days	N/A

Graduated Driver's Licenses	
Learner Stage	
What is the minimum age for permit to drive with parents, guardians or other adults (other than instructors)?	15
What is the minimum number of months driver must hold learner permit before advancing to intermediate stage?	6
What is the minimum number of hours of driving with parents, guardians, or adults before advancing to intermediate stage?	70 (10 of which must be at night)
Intermediate Stage	
What is the minimum age for driving without adult supervision?	16
For night driving, when does adult supervision requirement begin?	12 am

Can law enforcement stop a driver for night-driving violation as a primary offense?	Yes – Officer may stop driver for night-driving violation
Are there restrictions on passengers?	Yes – Immediate family members only, unless accompanied by licensed driver who is at least 20
Can law enforcement stop driver for violation of passenger restrictions as a primary offense?	Yes – Officer may stop driver for passenger restrictions violation
License Stage	
What is the minimum age for full license privileges and lifting of restrictions?	16 years, 9 months

Laws Targeting Alcohol Suppliers

Furnishing Alcohol to Minors	
Is furnishing of alcoholic beverages to minors prohibited?	Yes
Are there exceptions based on family relationships?	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is furnishing allowed if the parent or guardian supplies the alcohol? 	Yes in specified locations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is furnishing allowed if the spouse supplies the alcohol? 	No
Is there an exception based on location?	Yes, in any private residence if parent/guardian supplies alcohol
Affirmative Defense for Sellers and Licensees	
Does law require seller/licensee to be exonerated of furnishing to a minor if the minor has not been charged?	No

Compliance Check Protocols	
Does the state have a written protocol for when an underage decoy is used in compliance checks?	Yes
What is the minimum age a decoy may be to participate in a compliance check?	18
What is the maximum age a decoy may be to participate in a compliance check?	20
What are the decoy's appearance requirements?	Dressed in a manner consistent with age. No sunglasses or baseball caps. Male: No facial hair. Female: Little or no makeup.
Does decoy carry ID during compliance check?	Prohibited
May decoy verbally exaggerate his or her actual age?	Prohibited
Is decoy training mandated, recommended, prohibited, or not specified?	Not specified

Penalty Guidelines for Sales to Minors	
Are there written guidelines for penalties imposed on retailers for furnishing to a minor?	Yes
What is the time period for defining second, third, and subsequent offenses?	Not specified

What is the penalty for the first offense?	Age 16, \$1,500 fine and/or 14-day suspension; age 17, \$1,200 fine and/or 7-day suspension; age 18, \$750 fine; age 19, \$600 fine; age 20, \$450 fine
What is the penalty for the second offense?	Not specified
What is the penalty for the third offense?	Not specified
What is the penalty for the fourth offense?	Not specified

Responsible Beverage Service (RBS)	
Is there a state law pertaining to beverage service training?	Yes – Voluntary
If training is mandatory, who must participate?	N/A
If training is voluntary, which of the following incentives are offered?	
• Defense in dram shop liability lawsuits	Yes
• Discounts in dram shop liability insurance, license fees, or other	No
• Mitigation of fines or other administrative penalties for sales to minors or intoxicated persons	No
• Protection against license revocation for sales to minors or sales to intoxicated persons	No
Does the RBS law apply to on-premises establishments (such as bars and restaurants) or off-premises establishments (such as liquor stores)?	Unspecified
Does the RBS law apply to new or existing licensees?	Unspecified

Minimum Age for Sellers of Alcohol – Off-Premises (i.e., Liquor Stores)	
What is the minimum age requirement for off-premises retail establishments?	
Beer	17
Wine	17
Spirits	17
Does a manager or supervisor have to be present?	Yes

Minimum Age for Alcohol Servers and Bartenders – On-Premises (i.e., Restaurants and Bars)	
What is the minimum age requirement for servers in on-premises establishments?	
Beer	17
Wine	17
Spirits	17
What is the minimum age requirement for bartenders in on-premises establishments?	
Beer	17
Wine	17
Spirits	17
Does a manager or supervisor have to be present?	Yes

Alcohol Outlet Siting Near Schools and Universities	
Colleges and Universities	
Is there a distance requirement for off-premises outlets (i.e., liquor stores)?	No
Is there a distance requirement for on-premises outlets (i.e., restaurants and bars)?	No
To which alcohol products does requirement apply?	N/A

Primary and Secondary Schools	
Is there a distance requirement for off-premises outlets (i.e., liquor stores)?	No
Is there a distance requirement for on-premises outlets (i.e., restaurants and bars)	Yes, within 300 feet
To which alcohol products does requirement apply?	Beer, wine, spirits
<i>Note:</i> Exception is downtown location	

Dram Shop Liability	
Does a statute create dram shop liability?	Yes
Does the statute limit damages that may be recovered?	Yes (\$350,000 limit for all claims per occurrence; medical care and treatment costs excluded from limit)
Does the statute limit who may be sued?	No
Does the statute limit elements or standards of proof?	No
Does common law dram shop liability exist?	No
<i>Note:</i> Maine law includes a responsible beverage service defense.	

Social Host Liability	
Does a statute create social host liability?	Yes
Does the statute limit damages that may be recovered?	Yes (\$350,000 limit for all claims per occurrence; medical care and treatment costs excluded from limit)
Does the statute limit who may be sued?	No
Does the statute limit elements or standards of proof?	No
Does common law social host liability exist?	No

Prohibitions Against Hosting Underage Drinking Parties	
Does a statute prohibit hosting underage drinking parties?	Yes
Is the statute specific to underage parties, or a general prohibition against permitting underage drinking on the property?	General
What action by underage guest triggers a violation?	Possession/Consumption
Property type covered by the law?	Residential/Outdoor/Other
What level of knowledge by the host is required?	Knowledge: Host must have actual knowledge of party
Does host's preventive action protect him/her from being held liable?	No
Are there any exceptions for underage guests?	Yes – Family members

Retailer Interstate Shipments of Alcohol	
Are out-of-state retailers prohibited from sending interstate shipments to in-state consumers?	
Beer	Yes
Wine	Yes
Spirits	Yes

Direct Shipments/Sales	
May alcohol producers ship directly to consumers?	Yes
What alcohol types may be shipped?	Wine

Must purchaser make mandatory trip to producer before delivery is authorized?	No
Age verification requirements	
Must the producer/shipper verify purchaser's age before sale?	No
Must the common carrier (deliverer) verify age of recipients?	Yes
State approval/permit requirements	
Must the producer/manufacture obtain state license or permit?	Yes
Must the common carrier (deliverer) be approved by a state agency?	Yes
Recording/reporting requirements	
Must the producer/manufacture record/report purchaser's name?	Yes
Must the common carrier (deliverer) record/report recipient's name?	No
Shipping label requirements	
Must the label state "Package contains alcohol"?	Yes
Must the label state "Recipient must be 21 years old"?	Yes

Keg Registration	
How is a keg defined (in gallons)?	Equal to or more than 7.75
Prohibitions	
Is it illegal to possess an unregistered or unlabeled keg and if so, what is the penalty?	Yes (maximum fine/jail, \$500)
Is it illegal to destroy the label on a keg, and if so, what is the penalty?	Yes (maximum fine/jail, \$1,000/6 months)
What purchaser information is collected?	
Must the retailer collect the name and address?	Yes
Must the retailer collect the ID number, name and address on license or other government information?	No
Must the retailer collect the address at which keg will be consumed?	No
Must warning information be given to purchaser?	Yes – Passive (requires no action by purchaser)
Is a deposit required?	No
Does law cover disposable kegs?	No

Home Delivery	
Is home delivery of alcohol permitted?	
Beer	No law
Wine	No law
Spirits	No law

High-Proof Grain Alcohol Beverages	
Are there restrictions on the sale of high-proof grain alcohol beverages?	No. However, Maine is a control state, and control states may impose additional restrictions on the sale of products that are not reflected in statute or regulation.
Are restrictions based on Alcohol by Volume (ABV)?	N/A
Are there exceptions to restrictions?	N/A

Laws Affecting Alcohol Pricing

Alcohol Taxes	
Beer	
Control system for beer?	No
Specific excise tax per gallon for 5% alcohol beer	\$0.35
Ad valorem excise tax (for on-premises sales) on total receipts for 5% alcohol beer	
Wholesale tax rate (if applicable)	
Retail tax rate (if applicable)	8%
If retail tax rate applies, is there an exemption from general sales tax?	Yes
• General sales tax rate	5.50%
• Sales tax adjusted retail tax rate (the retail tax minus the general sales tax, where there is an exemption from the general sales tax)	2.50%
Ad valorem excise tax (for off-premises sales) on total receipts for 5% alcohol beer	
Wholesale tax rate (if applicable)	
Retail tax rate (if applicable)	
If retail tax rate applies, is there an exemption from general sales tax?	No
• General sales tax rate	Not relevant
• Sales tax adjusted retail tax rate (the retail tax minus the general sales tax, where there is an exemption from the general sales tax)	Not relevant
Additional taxes for 3.2–6% alcohol beer (if applicable)	
Wine	
Control system for wine?	Yes
Specific excise tax per gallon for 12% alcohol wine	
Ad valorem excise tax (for on-premises sales) on total receipts for 12% alcohol wine	
Wholesale tax rate (if applicable)	
Retail tax rate (if applicable)	
If retail tax rate applies, is there an exemption from general sales tax?	No
• General sales tax rate	Not relevant
• Sales tax adjusted retail tax rate (the retail tax minus the general sales tax, where there is an exemption from the general sales tax)	Not relevant
Ad valorem excise tax (for off-premises sales) on total receipts for 12% alcohol wine	
Wholesale tax rate (if applicable)	
Retail tax rate (if applicable)	
If retail tax rate applies, is there an exemption from general sales tax?	No
• General sales tax rate	Not relevant
• Sales tax adjusted retail tax rate (the retail tax minus the general sales tax, where there is an exemption from the general sales tax)	Not relevant
Additional taxes for 6–14% alcohol wine (if applicable)	
Spirits	
Control system for spirits?	Yes
Specific excise tax per gallon for 40% alcohol spirits	
Ad valorem excise tax (for on-premises sales) on total receipts for 40% alcohol spirits	
Wholesale tax rate (if applicable)	
Retail tax rate (if applicable)	
If retail tax rate applies, is there an exemption from general sales tax?	No

• General sales tax rate	Not relevant
• Sales tax adjusted retail tax rate (the retail tax minus the general sales tax, where there is an exemption from the general sales tax)	Not relevant
Ad valorem excise tax (for off-premises sales) on total receipts for 40% alcohol spirits	
Wholesale tax rate (if applicable)	
Retail tax rate (if applicable)	
If retail tax rate applies, is there an exemption from general sales tax?	No
• General sales tax rate	Not relevant
• Sales tax adjusted retail tax rate (the retail tax minus the general sales tax, where there is an exemption from the general sales tax)	Not relevant
Additional taxes for 15–50% alcohol spirits (if applicable)	

Low-Price, High-Volume Drink Specials	
What types of drink specials are prohibited by on-premises retailers?	
Free beverages	Yes
Multiple servings at one time	No
Multiple servings for same price as single serving	No
Reduced price for a specified day or time (i.e., happy hours)	No
Unlimited beverages for fixed price	Yes
Increased volume without increase in price	No

Wholesaler Pricing Restrictions	
Beer	
Are volume discounts to retailers allowed?	No
Must wholesalers establish a minimum markup or maximum discount for each product sold to retailers?	No law
Must wholesalers publicly post and hold (i.e., not reduce) prices for a set period of time?	Post and hold (30 days)
Is wholesaler permitted to extend credit to retailer and if so, what is the maximum time period?	No
Wine	Control System
Are volume discounts to retailers allowed?	N/A
Must wholesalers establish a minimum markup or maximum discount for each product sold to retailers?	N/A
Must wholesalers publicly post and hold (i.e., not reduce) prices for a set period of time?	N/A
Is wholesaler permitted to extend credit to retailer and if so, what is the maximum time period?	N/A

Spirits	Control System
Are volume discounts to retailers allowed?	N/A
Must wholesalers establish a minimum markup or maximum discount for each product sold to retailers?	N/A
Must wholesalers publicly post and hold (i.e., not reduce) prices for a set period of time?	N/A
Is wholesaler permitted to extend credit to retailer and if so, what is the maximum time period?	N/A

Maine State Survey Responses

State Agency Information

Agency with primary responsibility for enforcing underage drinking laws:

No one state agency has primary responsibility. The Maine Department of Public Safety's State Police, as well as county and local law enforcement agencies, are responsible for civil and criminal law violations (i.e., illegal possession, illegal transportation, social host, furnishing). The Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations' Liquor Licensing Division enforces administrative violations at liquor licensees (sales/service).

Enforcement Strategies

State law enforcement agencies use:

Cops in Shops	No
Shoulder Tap Operations	No
Party Patrol Operations or Programs	Yes
Underage Alcohol-Related Fatality Investigations	Yes

Local law enforcement agencies use:

Cops in Shops	No
Shoulder Tap Operations	Yes
Party Patrol Operations or Programs	Yes
Underage Alcohol-Related Fatality Investigations	Yes

State has a program to investigate and enforce direct sales/shipment laws

No

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

Not applicable

Enforcement Statistics

State collects data on the number of minors found in possession

Yes

Number of minors found in possession by state law enforcement agencies

Data not readily accessible

Number pertains to the 12 months ending

Not applicable

Data include arrests/citations issued by local law enforcement agencies

Not applicable

State conducts underage compliance checks/decoy operations² to determine if alcohol retailers are complying with laws prohibiting sales to minors

Yes

Data are collected on these activities

Yes

Number of retail licensees in state³

4,000

Number of licensees checked for compliance by state agencies

800

(including random checks)

Number of licensees that failed state compliance checks

75

Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending

9/30/2014

Compliance checks/decoy operations conducted at on-sale, off-sale, or both retail establishments

Off-sale establishments only

*State conducts **random** underage compliance checks/decoy operations*

Yes

Number of licensees subject to **random** state compliance checks/decoy operations

800

Number of licensees that failed **random** state compliance checks

75

Local agencies conduct underage compliance checks/decoy operations to determine if alcohol retailers are complying with laws prohibiting sales to minors

Yes

Data are collected on these activities

Yes

Number of licensees checked for compliance by local agencies

1,469

Number of licensees that failed local compliance checks

145

Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending

12/31/2014

Sanctions

State collects data on fines imposed on retail establishments that furnish minors

Yes

Number of fines imposed by the state⁴

No data

Total amount in fines across all licensees	No data
Smallest fine imposed	No data
Largest fine imposed	No data
Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	No data
<i>State collects data on license suspensions imposed on retail establishments specifically for furnishing minors</i>	
	Yes
Number of suspensions imposed by the state ⁵	No data
Total days of suspensions across all licensees	No data
Shortest period of suspension imposed (in days)	No data
Longest period of suspension imposed (in days)	No data
Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	No data
<i>State collects data on license revocations imposed on retail establishments specifically for furnishing minors</i>	
	Yes
Number of license revocations imposed ⁶	No data
Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	No data

Additional Clarification

No data

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 Excluding special licenses such as temporary, seasonal, and common carrier licenses.

⁴ Does not include fines imposed by local agencies.

⁵ Does not include suspensions imposed by local agencies.

⁶ Does not include revocations imposed by local agencies.

Underage Drinking Prevention Programs Operated or Funded by the State

Maine's Enforcing the Underage Drinking Laws Program

Program serves specific or general population	General population
Number of youth served	Not applicable
Number of parents served	Not applicable
Number of caregivers served	Not applicable
Program has been evaluated	Yes
Evaluation report is available	Yes
URL for evaluation report: http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/samhs/osa/prevention/lawenforcement/EUDL%20Grantees%20Web/ASPII%20Grant.htm	
URL for more program information: http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/samhs/osa/prevention/lawenforcement/EUDL%20Grantees%20Web/index.htm	

Program Description: This program supports efforts to reduce youth access to alcohol in communities through training, TA, resource development, and funding to each public health district in Maine. Specific types of activities include enforcement, media advocacy, public awareness and education, and environmental management strategies to reduce illegal youth access to alcohol and/or attitudes and norms that play a role in underage drinking and youth access to alcohol or places to consume illegally.

***Healthy Maine Partnerships (HMPs)—
Underage Drinking Prevention Initiatives***

Program serves specific or general population	General population
Number of youth served	Not applicable
Number of parents served	Not applicable
Number of caregivers served	Not applicable
Program has been evaluated	Yes
Evaluation report is available	No
URL for evaluation report:	Not applicable

URL for more program information:

http://www.healthymainepartnerships.org/Local_Partnerships.aspx

Program Description: Twenty-six HMPs blanket the state with environmental management strategies to reduce underage drinking by enhancing community stakeholders' engagement, capacity, and readiness. Strategies include improving policies and their enforcement, addressing attitudes/norms that contribute to underage drinking, addressing sales/pricing/promotions of alcohol, education and training to support responsible alcohol sales/service, and supporting early detection and evidence-based intervention in underage drinking behaviors.

Maine's Higher Education Alcohol Prevention Partnership (HEAPP)

Program serves specific or general population

General population

Number of youth served

Not applicable

Number of parents served

Not applicable

Number of caregivers served

Not applicable

Program has been evaluated

No

Evaluation report is available

Not applicable

URL for evaluation report:

<http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/samhs/osa/prevention/schoolcollege/heapp/index.htm>

URL for more program information:

No data

Program Description: Begun in 2003, HEAPP is a program collaboratively developed between the Maine Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services and many of Maine's colleges and universities to bring about long-term, systemic change in how high-risk drinking and other substance abuse issues among Maine college/university students are addressed at the state and local levels. In order to address these multiple levels of the environment, HEAPP's program plan includes strategies and tactics for both the local level and the state level. Strategies and activities of the statewide initiative aim to engage all colleges and universities in Maine that are interested in addressing high-risk student drinking so that the non-campus-specific environmental factors and capacity for evidence-based prevention may be improved. The Partnership's part-time staff person coordinates statewide trainings, provides technical assistance, and disseminates information and materials for college students, parents, faculty/staff, and local law enforcement statewide.

Find Out More, Do More

Program serves specific or general population

Specific population

Number of youth served

No data

Number of parents served

No data

Number of caregivers served

No data

Program has been evaluated

Yes

Evaluation report is available

No

URL for evaluation report:

Not applicable

URL for more program information:

<http://maineparents.net/index.html>

Program Description: This education and awareness campaign aims to improve adults' knowledge, skills, and behavioral intentions around addressing underage drinking. The campaign specifically targets parents but is applicable to other adults with youth in their lives. Information is disseminated through the web, social media, radio, and print materials. The campaign addresses data on underage drinking behaviors/perceptions/attitudes, signs of underage drinking, things parents can do to prevent underage drinking, and parent modeling and monitoring behaviors that relate to underage alcohol use.

Student Intervention and Reintegration Program (SIRP)

Program serves specific or general population

Specific population

Number of youth served

No data

Number of parents served

No data

Number of caregivers served

No data

Program has been evaluated

Yes

Evaluation report is available

Yes

URL for evaluation report:

<http://sirp.adcareme.org>

URL for more program information:

<http://sirp.adcareme.org>

Program Description: SIRP is an education-based program for youth experimenting with alcohol or other drugs. The program empowers youth to make healthy decisions and reduce risk. A community champion conducts an informational meeting with parents and follows up with families to encourage success. It is based on the Prime For Life program (listed on NREPP) and is used to intervene primarily with students who violated school alcohol and other drug policies, but is also used sometimes with youth referred by self or parent or law enforcement/court/juvenile justice systems because of concerning choices around alcohol use.

Additional Underage Drinking Prevention Programs Operated or Funded by the State

Program description: No data

Additional Clarification

Maine's comprehensive and collaborative approach to reducing underage drinking statewide makes it challenging to attribute reduction in underage drinking rates specifically to one of the numerous programs the state coordinates and/or funds. As a result, program evaluation results are typically more focused on output and process measures specific to one program and how those changes may have contributed to some of the factors related to underage drinking. Maine's surveillance data, specifically youth self-report survey data, have shown reductions in underage drinking. More information on Maine's alcohol and other drug use and related factor trends may be found at <http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/samhs/osa/data/index.htm>

Additional Information Related to Underage Drinking Prevention Programs

State collaborates with federally recognized tribal governments in the prevention of underage drinking Yes

Description of collaboration: The Wabanaki Public Health District implements health and safety promotion and underage drinking prevention efforts that they feel are most needed and most fitting to the district and Maine's tribes. Maine's Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services (SAMHS) and its Enforcing the Underage Drinking Laws (EUDL) program provide funding and other support to the district to support them as they increase their capacity, readiness, and engagement in underage drinking prevention efforts. SAMHS offers information, tools/materials, training, and technical assistance to the district contacts relevant to underage drinking that they may access when needed. Tribal public health and prevention contacts participate in numerous statewide coordinating or planning groups so that they may help ensure that tribal perspective and needs are taken into consideration at all stages of program development and implementation. Tribal law enforcement has its own Enforcing the Underage Drinking Laws district task force supported by Maine's EUDL program.

State has programs to measure and/or reduce youth exposure to alcohol advertising and marketing No

Description of program: Not applicable

State has adopted or developed best practice standards for underage drinking prevention programs Yes

Agencies/organizations that established best practices standards:

Federal agency(ies): Surgeon General's Report, SAMHSA/CSAP's CAPT, OJJDP's EUDL Program/DETC, U.S. Dept. of Ed. Office of Safe and Drug Free Schools, NIAAA's Taskforce on College Drinking Yes

Agency(ies) within your state: Maine's Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services, Maine's EUDL program, Maine's state-level Underage Drinking Enforcement Taskforce, Maine's Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations, Maine's Criminal Justice Academy, and Maine Chiefs of Police Association Yes

Nongovernmental agency(ies): IOM Report on Underage Drinking, CADCA Yes

Other: No

Best practice standards description: Best practice standards align with research and evidence-based practices so that efforts must:

- Be based on programs or practices with documented evidence of effectiveness based on published research and/or theory and/or rigorous program evaluation and/or included on NREPP
- Align with published best practices or approaches such as those documented in federal reports

- Integrate Strategic Prevention Framework to ensure data-driven assessment and planning support implementation that is appropriate based on capacity, culturally competent, sustainable, and monitored for impact and ongoing improvement.

Additional Clarification

Maine's approach to underage drinking efforts aims to have a comprehensive web of evidence-based and data-driven efforts implemented at the state, regional, community, and organizational levels.

State Interagency Collaboration

A state-level interagency governmental body/committee exists to coordinate or address underage drinking prevention activities Yes

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Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services

Maine Department of Transportation

Maine Bureau of Highway Safety

Maine Department of Education

Maine Secretary of State's Bureau of Motor Vehicles

Maine Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations

Maine Department of Correction's Juvenile Justice Advisory Group

Liquor/Alcohol-related industry representatives (restaurant association, grocers' association, beer and wine distributors, associations, liquor licensees)

State/county/local law enforcement agency reps

Community coalition reps from Drug Free Community Coalitions and Healthy Maine Partnerships

Maine Criminal Justice Academy

Maine Chiefs of Police Association

Maine Sheriffs Association

Maine Alliance to Prevent Substance Abuse

Training and professional development providers for prevention, law enforcement, and liquor licensees

A website or other public source exists to describe committee activities Yes

URL or other means of access:

<http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/samhs/osa/prevention/lawenforcement/EUDL%20Grantees%20Web/UADETF.htm>

Underage Drinking Reports

State has prepared a plan for preventing underage drinking in the last 3 years Yes

Prepared by: Maine's Underage Drinking Enforcement Taskforce, lead by Maine's Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services' Prevention Services Team and its Enforcing the Underage Drinking Laws Program with expert input from SAMHSA's CSAP and CAPT and OJJDP's EUDL program

Plan can be accessed via: <http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/samhs/osa/pubs/prev/2012/StrategicPrevPlan.pdf>;

<http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/samhs/osa/prevention/lawenforcement/EUDL%20Grantees%20Web/UADETF.htm>

State has prepared a report on preventing underage drinking in the last 3 years Not sure

Prepared by:

Not applicable

Plan can be accessed via:

Not applicable

Additional Clarification

Maine has integrated underage drinking into numerous plans and reports report to underage drinking; they may be found through the Maine Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services' website at:

<http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/samhs/osa>

State Expenditures for the Prevention of Underage Drinking	
<i>Compliance checks in retail outlets:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	Data not available
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	12/31/2014
<i>Checkpoints and saturation patrols:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	Data not available
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	12/31/2014
<i>Community-based programs to prevent underage drinking:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	\$57,000
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	6/30/2014
<i>K–12 school-based programs to prevent underage drinking:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	\$50,000
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	6/30/2014
<i>Programs targeted to institutes of higher learning:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	\$60,000
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	6/30/2014
<i>Programs that target youth in the juvenile justice system:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	No data
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	No data
<i>Programs that target youth in the child welfare system:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	No data
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	No data
<i>Other programs:</i>	
Programs or strategies included: Underage drinking—statewide media-based awareness campaign for web, radio, print	
Estimate of state funds expended	\$75,000
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	6/30/2014

Funds Dedicated to Underage Drinking	
<i>State derives funds dedicated to underage drinking from the following revenue streams:</i>	
Taxes	Yes
Fines	No data
Fees	No data
Other Fund for Healthy Maine	Yes
<i>Description of funding streams and how they are used:</i>	
Some limited state general funds and funds from The Fund for Healthy Maine (a tobacco-settlement–funded source that supports programs that aim to protect the health of Maine citizens) are put into contracts for underage drinking prevention service implementation for statewide programs/initiatives. Specifically, they support underage drinking enforcement and youth alcohol access prevention efforts, a statewide underage drinking media campaign (web, radio, print), and an evidence-based educational intervention program for youth who violate school substance use or possession policies, with alcohol being the predominate substance of violation.	
Additional Clarification	
No data	