

State Report

Massachusetts

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Massachusetts

State Population: 6,745,408

Population Ages 12–20: 792,000

	Percentage	Number
Ages 12–20		
Past-Month Alcohol Use	31.6	250,000
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use	18.9	150,000
Ages 12–14		
Past-Month Alcohol Use	2.8	6,000
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use	1	2,000
Ages 15–17		
Past-Month Alcohol Use	24.8	65,000
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use	15.2	40,000
Ages 18–20		
Past-Month Alcohol Use	59.4	179,000
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use	35.8	108,000
Alcohol-Attributable Deaths (under 21)		54
Years of Potential Life Lost (under 21)		3,244
	Percentage of All Traffic Fatalities	Number
Traffic Fatalities, 15- to 20-Year-Old Drivers with BAC > 0.01	49	13

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
• Is possession allowed if spouse is present or consents?	No
Is there an exception based on location?	No

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

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?	Yes
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?	No
Does an affirmative defense exist for the retailer?	Yes
• Is it a specific affirmative defense (retailer reasonably believed ID was valid after examining it)?	Yes

• Is it a general affirmative defense (retailer reasonably believed purchaser was over 21)?	No
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

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?	0.02
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) – For Possession	
Is there a “use/lose” law that suspends or revokes a minor’s driving privileges for alcohol violations?	Yes
What types of violation lead to license suspension or revocation?	
• Purchase of alcohol	No
• Possession of alcohol	Yes
• Consumption of alcohol	No
The law applies to people under what age?	21
Is suspension or revocation mandatory or discretionary?	Mandatory
What is the length of suspension/revocation?	
Minimum number of days	90
Maximum number of days	90

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• Purchase of alcohol	Yes
• Possession of alcohol	No
• Consumption of alcohol	No
The law applies to people under what age?	21
Is suspension or revocation mandatory or discretionary?	Mandatory
What is the length of suspension/revocation?	
Minimum number of days	180
Maximum number of days	180

Graduated Driver’s Licenses	
Learner Stage	
What is the minimum age for permit to drive with parents, guardians or other adults (other than instructors)?	16
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?	40 (30 hours of supervised driving if applicant completes driver skills program)
Intermediate Stage	
What is the minimum age for driving without adult supervision?	16 years, 6 months
For night driving, when does adult supervision requirement begin?	12:30 am
Can law enforcement stop a driver for night-driving violation as a primary offense?	Yes (exception: secondary enforcement 12:30–1 am and 4–5 am)
Are there restrictions on passengers?	Yes – No passengers under 18 who are not immediate family members, unless accompanied by licensed driver over 21
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?	18 (passenger restrictions expire 6 months after issuance of intermediate license; unsupervised night-driving restrictions remain until full licensure)

Laws Targeting Alcohol Suppliers

Furnishing Alcohol to Minors	
Is furnishing of alcoholic beverages to minors prohibited?	Yes
Are there exceptions based on family relationships?	
• Is furnishing allowed if the parent or guardian supplies the alcohol?	Yes
• Is furnishing allowed if the spouse supplies the alcohol?	Yes
Is there an exception based on location?	No
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?	Not specified
What is the maximum age a decoy may be to participate in a compliance check?	Not specified
What are the decoy’s appearance requirements?	Age-appropriate appearance
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?	No
What is the time period for defining second, third, and subsequent offenses?	N/A

What is the penalty for the first offense?	N/A
What is the penalty for the second offense?	N/A
What is the penalty for the third offense?	N/A
What is the penalty for the fourth offense?	N/A

Responsible Beverage Service (RBS)	
Is there a state law pertaining to beverage service training?	No law
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	N/A
• Discounts in dram shop liability insurance, license fees, or other	N/A
• Mitigation of fines or other administrative penalties for sales to minors or intoxicated persons	N/A
• Protection against license revocation for sales to minors or sales to intoxicated persons	N/A
Does the RBS law apply to on-premises establishments (such as bars and restaurants) or off-premises establishments (such as liquor stores)?	N/A
Does the RBS law apply to new or existing licensees?	N/A

Minimum Age for Sellers of Alcohol – Off-Premises (i.e., Liquor Stores)	
What is the minimum age requirement for off-premises retail establishments?	
Beer	18
Wine	18
Spirits	18
Does a manager or supervisor have to be present?	No

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	18
Wine	18
Spirits	18
What is the minimum age requirement for bartenders in on-premises establishments?	
Beer	18
Wine	18
Spirits	18
Does a manager or supervisor have to be present?	No

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)?	Yes, within 500 feet. Local government has authority to override state restrictions.
Is there a distance requirement for on-premises outlets (i.e., restaurants and bars)?	Yes, within 500 feet. Local government has authority to override state restrictions.
To which alcohol products does requirement apply?	Beer, wine, spirits
<i>Note:</i> Exceptions are (1) inns and parts of buildings located 10 or more floors above street level and (2) extension of licensed premises that do not exceed 50 feet.	

Dram Shop Liability	
Does a statute create dram shop liability?	No
Does the statute limit damages that may be recovered?	N/A
Does the statute limit who may be sued?	N/A
Does the statute limit elements or standards of proof?	N/A
Does common law dram shop liability exist?	Yes

Social Host Liability	
Does a statute create social host liability?	No
Does the statute limit damages that may be recovered?	N/A
Does the statute limit who may be sued?	N/A
Does the statute limit elements or standards of proof?	N/A
Does common law social host liability exist?	Yes

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
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)?	More than 2.00
Prohibitions	
Is it illegal to possess an unregistered or unlabeled keg and if so, what is the penalty?	No
Is it illegal to destroy the label on a keg, and if so, what is the penalty?	No
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, active (requires an action by purchaser)
Is a deposit required?	Yes, \$5
Does law cover disposable kegs?	No
<p><i>Note:</i> Deposit provisions in Massachusetts require a purchaser to pay: (1) a container fee of no less than \$10 for each keg with a capacity of 6 or more gallons and of no less than \$1 for each keg with a capacity of less than 6 gallons; and (2) a registration fee of \$10 for each keg with a capacity of 6 or more gallons and of \$4 for each keg with a capacity of less than 6 gallons. \$5 is the minimum required amount.</p>	

Home Delivery	
Is home delivery of alcohol permitted?	
Beer	Yes (each vehicle used for transportation and delivery must be covered by a permit issued by the commission)
Wine	Yes (each vehicle used for transportation and delivery must be covered by a permit issued by the commission)
Spirits	Yes (each vehicle used for transportation and delivery must be covered by a permit issued by the commission)

High-Proof Grain Alcohol Beverages	
Are there restrictions on the sale of high-proof grain alcohol beverages?	No
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	\$0.11
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)	
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 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?	No
Specific excise tax per gallon for 12% alcohol wine	\$0.55
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?	No
Specific excise tax per gallon for 40% alcohol spirits	\$4.05
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)	Yes
Unlimited beverages for fixed price	Yes
Increased volume without increase in price	Yes

Wholesaler Pricing Restrictions	
Beer	
Are volume discounts to retailers allowed?	No law
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?	Yes (60 days)
Wine	
Are volume discounts to retailers allowed?	No law
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?	Yes (60 days)

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Massachusetts State Survey Responses

State Agency Information

Agency with primary responsibility for enforcing underage drinking laws:

Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (ABCC)

Enforcement Strategies

State law enforcement agencies use:

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

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

Primary state agency responsible for enforcing laws addressing direct sales/shipments of alcohol to minors Massachusetts ABCC

Such laws are also enforced by local law enforcement agencies No

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 791

Number pertains to the 12 months ending 12/31/2014

Data include arrests/citations issued by local law enforcement agencies No

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 11,400

Number of licensees checked for compliance by state agencies (including random checks) 2,178

Number of licensees that failed state compliance checks 63

Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending 12/31/2014

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

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

Number of licensees subject to **random** state compliance checks/decoy operations 2,178

Number of licensees that failed **random** state compliance checks 63

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 No

Number of licensees checked for compliance by local agencies Not applicable

Number of licensees that failed local compliance checks Not applicable

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 21

Total amount in fines across all licensees \$117,385

Smallest fine imposed \$54

Largest fine imposed \$68,323

Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	12/31/2014
<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	114
Total days of suspensions across all licensees	Data not available
Shortest period of suspension imposed (in days)	Data not available
Longest period of suspension imposed (in days)	Data not available
Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	12/31/2014
<i>State collects data on license revocations imposed on retail establishments specifically for furnishing minors</i>	Yes
Number of license revocations imposed ⁶	0
Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	12/31/2014

Additional Clarification

In 2014, the Massachusetts ABCC Investigation and Enforcement Division conducted compliance checks in 230 municipalities in the commonwealth. There were 2,178 licensed establishments checked, of which 63 failed (3%). Of these licensees, 897 off-premise licensees were checked and 39 failed (4%), and 1,281 on-premise licensees checked of which 24 failed (2%). Licensees found in violation of selling or furnishing alcohol to underage individuals are brought before an adjudicatory hearing before the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission. If found guilty, they are issued a penalty, which can range from a warning to a license suspension. Most are allowed to pay a fine in lieu of suspension, which is statutorily based on their alcohol sales.

Massachusetts has one of the lowest ratios of enforcement agents to licensees in the country. Accordingly, the Division has developed Enhanced Liquor Enforcement Programs that are scheduled to address specific geographic and seasonal challenges relating to underage drinking and impaired driving. The primary objective is to prevent procurement of alcoholic beverages by and for underage individuals as well the sale or delivery of alcoholic beverages to intoxicated individuals and potential impaired drivers.

Operation Safe Campus is conducted at bars and liquor stores in college communities over a 6-week period at the beginning of each school year. Operation Safe Prom and Graduation is conducted at liquor stores throughout the commonwealth over an 8-week period during May and June. Operation Safe Summer is conducted at bars and liquor stores in summer communities over a 6-week period during July and August. Operation Safe Holidays is conducted at bars that have been identified in the highest number of 24J reports, from Thanksgiving through December 31.

To encourage family involvement and intervention in addressing the problem of underage drinking, the Division has implemented a parent notification program to inform parents, at the time of the incident, of the situation in which their child is involved. Investigators have found this intervention to be very effective.

In 2014, these programs produced the following results: 721 minors in possession or transporting alcoholic beverages; 176 adults procuring alcohol for minors; 29 individuals in possession of false identification; and 382 cases of beer and 342 bottles of alcohol confiscated by Investigators, preventing delivery to approximately 4,948 underage individuals. Since 2005, these programs have resulted in the following cumulative results: 5,704 minors in possession or transporting alcoholic beverages; 2,557 adults procuring alcohol for minors; 598 individuals in possession of false identification; and 3,133 cases of beer and 2,305 bottles of alcohol confiscated by investigators, preventing delivery to approximately 40,234 underage individuals.

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

Bureau of Substance Abuse Services (BSAS) Underage Drinking Prevention Programs; Statewide Technical Assistance Center

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:	No data

Program Description: This project involves 31 underage drinking prevention programs in collaboration with the Massachusetts Technical Assistance Partnership for Prevention (MasTAPP), our statewide technical assistance provider. The programs are coalition/community focused; require city/town participation; use the SAMHSA Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF); and are required to use evidence-based environmental strategies that relate directly to assessment-identified problems.

Additional Underage Drinking Prevention Programs Operated or Funded by the State

Program description: No data

Additional Clarification

No data

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: BSAS shared Native American data from the Youth Health Survey with representatives who collaborated with us on a prevention of substance abuse project. Native American outreach included the Wampanoag of Mashpee and Martha’s Vineyard, as well as all other Tribal Councils and Inter-Tribal Councils that we could identify. We worked with the UMASS Boston Institute for New England Native American Studies to identify representatives to collaborate with us on the prevention of substance abuse. Together we co-ran four Discussion Groups and created “Coming Home,” a culturally specific guide for parents that can be found here: <http://massclearinghouse.ehs.state.ma.us/BSASYTH/SA3528.html>.

In FY 2015, BSAS continued to distribute “Coming Home” and discuss how it could be used in communities. The well-received guide was distributed at pow-wows, tribal gatherings, art shows, health centers, and other venues. The four Roundtable groups identified the need for an effective prevention curriculum to use with youth.

Consultants from various tribes recommended that we create a locally based, yet effective, curriculum. Native American adults were invited to an evidenced-based training on prevention of substance abuse in FY 2015 (2/28/15). Prior to the training, native Culture Keepers and elders were invited to meet with the trainer and offer input. Twenty-six Native Americans were trained in the curriculum. A subset of that group is now advising BSAS on a cultural adaptation during weekly conference calls. We are seeking to incorporate the best information from other Native curricula, as well as local culture, stories, and illustrations. We are working with the developers of “Life Skills Training” to ensure that the cultural adaptation remains highly effective in preventing substance abuse. We are now beginning to meet with youth for concept testing of the draft curriculum. When it is complete, the plan is that tribal members will offer the curriculum to groups of middle school youth and BSAS will assist in the dissemination. The adapted curriculum will also be shared with other youth-serving professionals. The BSAS representative and members of our team will attend a 2-day Wampanoag Nation strategic planning session co-sponsored by the federal Tribal Training and TA Center of SAMHSA.

Our Treatment Unit invited tribal members to the 5-day Recovery Coach Training. Two Wampanoag tribe-specific trainings are planned for this fiscal year. Adaptations to the curriculum will be made to ensure that it is culturally sensitive. Experts will be available to provide TA throughout the coming years. Recovery coaches will be invited to

attend the 2-day training, Ethical Considerations for Recovery Coaches. Tribal members will continue to be offered scholarships to a range of general prevention and treatment trainings throughout the year.

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): SAMHSA/CSAP Yes

Agency(ies) within your state: Massachusetts Department of Public Health/Bureau of Substance Abuse Services Yes

Nongovernmental agency(ies): No

Other: No

Best practice standards description: BSAS implements best practices through (1) a competitive request-for-response (RFR) process, (2) strategy meetings, and (3) regular site visits. The RFR requires the selection of an evidence-based model. Regular meetings provide technical assistance to ensure implementation of Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF) sustainability as well as cultural competence. The community’s logic model, action plan, accomplishments, and challenges are reviewed throughout the year

Additional Clarification

No data

State Interagency Collaboration

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

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Massachusetts Department of Children and Families

Massachusetts Department of Mental Health

Massachusetts Department of Transitional Services

Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

Massachusetts Department of Corrections

Massachusetts Health Care Finance and Policy

Massachusetts Department of Youth Services

Massachusetts Health and Human Services

Massachusetts Department of Public Health

Massachusetts District Court

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

URL or other means of access: <http://appointments.state.ma.us/BoardDetail.aspx?brdid=160194>

Underage Drinking Reports

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

Prepared by: Massachusetts Department of Public Health/Bureau of Substance Abuse Services

Plan can be accessed via: <http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/docs/dph/substance-abuse/bsas-spe-strategic-plan.pdf>

<i>State has prepared a report on preventing underage drinking in the last 3 years</i>	No
Prepared by: Not applicable	
Plan can be accessed via: Not applicable	

Additional Clarification

The Massachusetts Interagency Council is currently undergoing some changes. Will Luzier, who was the Executive Director of this council, recently retired from state services and this position has been vacant. The Commonwealth will be reactivating this council soon, and we will be able to provide an update about it soon.

State Expenditures for the Prevention of Underage Drinking

<i>Compliance checks in retail outlets:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	No data
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	No data
<i>Checkpoints and saturation patrols:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	No data
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	No data
<i>Community-based programs to prevent underage drinking:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	\$4,000,000
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	6/30/2015
<i>K-12 school-based programs to prevent underage drinking:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	Data not available
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	Data not available
<i>Programs targeted to institutes of higher learning:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	Data not available
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	Data not available
<i>Programs that target youth in the juvenile justice system:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	Data not available
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	Data not available
<i>Programs that target youth in the child welfare system:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	Data not available
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	Data not available
<i>Other programs:</i>	
Programs or strategies included:	Data not available
Estimate of state funds expended:	Data not available
Estimate based on the 12 months ending:	Data not available

Funds Dedicated to Underage Drinking

<i>State derives funds dedicated to underage drinking from the following revenue streams:</i>	
Taxes	No
Fines	No
Fees	No
Other: Not applicable	No
<i>Description of funding streams and how they are used:</i>	
Not applicable	

Additional Clarification

No data