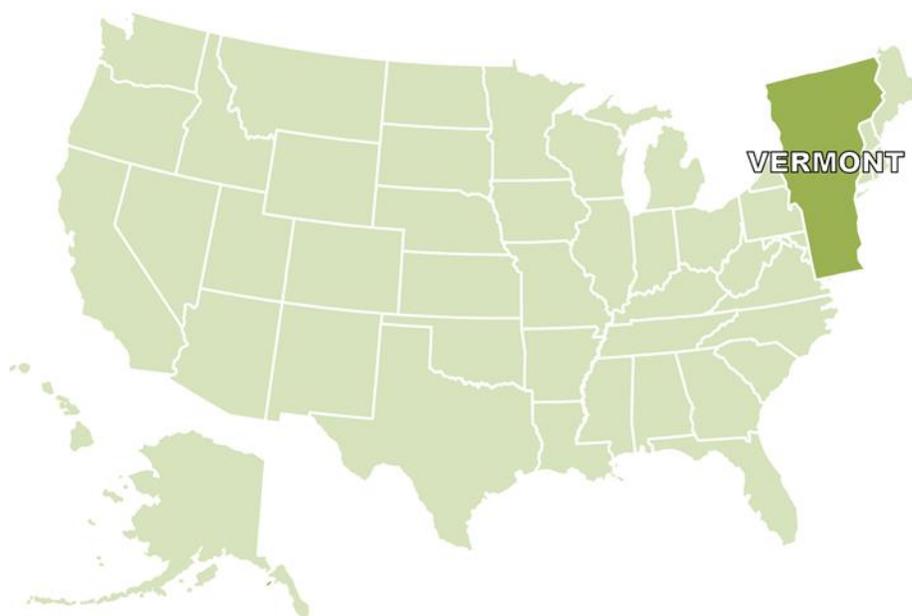


State Report

Vermont

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Vermont

State Population: 626,562

Population Ages 12–20: 72,000

	Percentage	Number
Ages 12–20		
Past-Month Alcohol Use	34.2	25,000
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use	23.1	17,000
Ages 12–14		
Past-Month Alcohol Use	6.2	1,000
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use	2.6	1,000
Ages 15–17		
Past-Month Alcohol Use	27	7,000
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use	16.3	4,000
Ages 18–20		
Past-Month Alcohol Use	61.3	17,000
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use	44.3	12,000
Alcohol-Attributable Deaths (under 21)		6
Years of Potential Life Lost (under 21)		382
	Percentage of All Traffic Fatalities	Number
Traffic Fatalities, 15- to 20-Year-Old Drivers with BAC > 0.01	10	1

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?	No
• 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?	Yes
Are there exceptions based on family relationships?	
• Is consumption allowed if the parent or guardian is present or consents?	No
• Is consumption allowed if the spouse is present or consents?	No
Is there an exception based on location?	No

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
<p><i>Note:</i> Although Vermont does not prohibit internal possession as defined in this report, it has a statutory provision that makes it unlawful for a minor to consume malt or vinous beverages or spirituous liquors and states that prosecution may occur where the indicators of consumption are observed. Laws that punish minors for displaying "indicators of consumption" or for "exhibiting the effects" of having consumed alcohol, but do so without reference to a blood, breath, or urine test, are not considered as prohibiting internal possession for purposes of this report.</p>	

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

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?	No
Provisions Targeting Suppliers	
Is the lending or transferring or selling of a false ID prohibited?	No
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?	No
Does an affirmative defense exist for the retailer?	Yes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is it a specific affirmative defense (retailer reasonably believed ID was valid after examining it)? 	Yes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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
<p><i>Note:</i> Vermont has two statutes regarding affirmative defenses. First, under Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 7, § 658, an employee of a licensee or of a state-contracted liquor agency charged with underage furnishing may plead as an affirmative defense that the employee carefully viewed specified photographic ID, that an ordinary prudent person would believe the purchaser to be of legal age to make the purchase, and that the sale was made in good faith, based on the reasonable belief that the purchaser was of legal age to purchase alcoholic beverages. Second, Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 7, § 602 provides that selling or furnishing to a person exhibiting a specified valid authorized form of identification is prima facie evidence of the licensee's compliance with the law prohibiting the sale or furnishing of alcoholic beverages to minors. The first provision amounts to a specific affirmative defense for state store employees and employees of retail licensees. The second provision applies to licensees and appears to provide them at least limited protection from prosecution, although the statutory language is unclear on how the provision is to be applied.</p>	

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)	
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?	12
What is the minimum number of hours of driving with parents, guardians, or adults before advancing to intermediate stage?	40 (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?	
Are there restrictions on passengers?	Yes – During first 3 months, restricted to driving alone or with a licensed parent, instructor, or person at least 25. During next 3 months, may also transport family members.
Can law enforcement stop driver for violation of passenger restrictions as a primary offense?	No – Officer must stop driver for another offense to cite for passenger restriction violation
License Stage	
What is the minimum age for full license privileges and lifting of restrictions?	16 years, 6 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?	
• Is furnishing allowed if the parent or guardian supplies the alcohol?	No
• Is furnishing allowed if the spouse supplies the alcohol?	No
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?	18 (director's permission required for 17-year-olds)
What is the maximum age a decoy may be to participate in a compliance check?	20
What are the decoy's appearance requirements?	Young adult appearance. Male: no facial hair. Female: no excessive makeup
Does decoy carry ID during compliance check?	Required
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?	Sale/service to a 20-year-old (noncompliance check): \$250 fine. Sale/service to a 19-year-old (noncompliance check): \$500 fine. Sale/service to 18 or less (noncompliance check): Hearing.
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 – Mandatory
If training is mandatory, who must participate?	Licensees, managers, servers/sellers
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)?	Both
Does the RBS law apply to new or existing licensees?	Both

Minimum Age for Sellers of Alcohol – Off-Premises (i.e., Liquor Stores)	
What is the minimum age requirement for off-premises retail establishments?	
Beer	16
Wine	16
Spirits	None
Does a manager or supervisor have to be present?	No
<i>Note:</i> Vermont statutes and regulations are silent regarding the minimum age of seller for distilled spirits sold for off-premises consumption that occur only in state-controlled outlets. Vermont's Liquor Control Board establishes minimum age of seller in its outlets as a matter of internal board policy.	

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)?	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

Dram Shop Liability

Does a statute create dram shop liability?	Yes
Does the statute limit damages that may be recovered?	No
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?	Unclear
<i>Note:</i> Vermont 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?	No
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?	No
Is the statute specific to underage parties, or a general prohibition against permitting underage drinking on the property?	N/A
What action by underage guest triggers a violation?	N/A
Property type covered by the law?	N/A
What level of knowledge by the host is required?	N/A
Does host's preventive action protect him/her from being held liable?	N/A
Are there any exceptions for underage guests?	N/A

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?	Beer, 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 5.00
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?	Yes (maximum fine/jail, \$1,000/2 years)
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?	Yes
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 – \$25
Does law cover disposable kegs?	No
<i>Note:</i> Although Vermont does not require a retailer to record the number of a keg purchaser's ID, it does require that the purchaser's name, address, and date of birth be recorded as they appear on the purchaser's ID.	

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?	Yes. In addition, Vermont 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)?	No
Are there exceptions to restrictions?	No
<i>Note:</i> The purchase of pure ethyl or grain alcohol must be made for the purposes of manufacturing, mechanical, medicinal, or scientific purposes.	

Laws Affecting Alcohol Pricing

Alcohol Taxes	
Beer	
Control system for beer?	No
Specific excise tax per gallon for 5% alcohol beer	\$0.27
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)	10%
If retail tax rate applies, is there an exemption from general sales tax?	Yes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General sales tax rate 	6%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sales tax adjusted retail tax rate (the retail tax minus the general sales tax, where there is an exemption from the general sales tax) 	4%
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
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General sales tax rate 	Not relevant
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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)	10%
If retail tax rate applies, is there an exemption from general sales tax?	Yes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General sales tax rate 	6%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sales tax adjusted retail tax rate (the retail tax minus the general sales tax, where there is an exemption from the general sales tax) 	4%
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
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General sales tax rate 	Not relevant
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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)	Yes (full-day price reductions not banned)
Unlimited beverages for fixed price	No
Increased volume without increase in price	No

Wholesaler Pricing Restrictions	
Beer	
Are volume discounts to retailers allowed?	Banned
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 time period?	Post and hold (14 days)
Is wholesaler permitted to extend credit to retailer and if so, what is the maximum time period?	No
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 time period?	No law
Is wholesaler permitted to extend credit to retailer and if so, what is the maximum time period?	No

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 time period?	N/A
Is wholesaler permitted to extend credit to retailer and if so, what is the maximum time period?	N/A
<i>Note:</i> Each licensee in a wholesale dealer's territory must receive at least one opportunity to buy beer at the changed price.	

Vermont State Survey Responses

State Agency Information

Agency with primary responsibility for enforcing underage drinking laws:

Vermont Department of Liquor Control

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	No
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 No

Number of minors found in possession by state law enforcement agencies Not applicable

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 2,274

Number of licensees checked for compliance by state agencies (including random checks) 734

Number of licensees that failed state compliance checks 69

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 734

Number of licensees that failed **random** state compliance checks 69

Local agencies conduct underage compliance checks/decoy operations to determine if alcohol retailers are complying with laws prohibiting sales to minors No

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 Not applicable

Sanctions

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

Number of fines imposed by the state⁴ 6

Total amount in fines across all licensees \$2,300

Smallest fine imposed \$300

Largest fine imposed \$500

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	22
Total days of suspensions across all licensees	22
Shortest period of suspension imposed (in days)	1
Longest period of suspension imposed (in days)	1
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

The Vermont Department of Liquor Control does not track minors processed for possession or consumption of alcohol by other state or local law enforcement agencies, and there is no central clearinghouse for this information.

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

School-Based Substance Abuse Services (SBSAS) grant 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	No
Evaluation report is available	Not applicable
URL for evaluation report:	Not applicable
URL for more program information:	http://healthvermont.gov/adap/sap/StudentAssistanceProgram.aspx

Program Description: The SBSAS grant provides and enhances substance abuse prevention and early intervention services in Vermont schools, leading to reductions in students’ alcohol and other drug use. Twenty-one awards, up to \$40,000 each (totaling approximately \$800,000), were made based in a competitive process that considered need, readiness, strength of proposed plan, budget, and number of students to be served. A 10% match in funds or in-kind services was required. For the funded services, required activities include (1) support of coordinated school health initiatives (all 21 grantees) and (2) screening and referral to substance abuse and mental health services (all 21 grantees). Optional activities include:

- Support of classroom health curricula
- Advising and training of youth empowerment groups
- Delivery of parent information and educational programs
- Delivery of teacher and support staff training
- Delivery of educational support groups

ParentUp	
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:	Available only as hard copy
URL for more program information:	http://www.ParentUpVT.org

Program Description: In 2010, the Health Department's Prevention Unit of the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs (ADAP) created the ParentUp campaign to educate parents about their roles and responsibilities related to the dangers of underage drinking. The campaign addresses parents of middle school and high school students with age-specific information. In spring 2015, ADAP redesigned the website to include all substance use, not just alcohol. The overall program goals are to (1) increase parents' awareness of their influence whether or not their child uses alcohol or other drugs and (2) increase the number of parents who talk with their children about substance use. ADAP partners were provided a social media toolkit to use to promote ParentUp.

Partnership for Success (PFS)

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:	Not applicable
URL for more program information:	No data

Program Description: The PFS grant is a 3-year (10/1/12–9/30/15) cooperative agreement with SAMHSA. Its purpose is to reduce underage drinking and prescription drug misuse and abuse. In collaboration with multiple state and local community partners, the Vermont Department of Health (VDH) supports regional prevention strategies in the six out of 12 VDH Districts identified through an analysis of prevalence data, size of target population, and socioeconomic disparities. Each region must employ evidence-based prevention strategies. The grant also supports training and communications activities aimed at strengthening the prevention infrastructure in all 12 districts of the state.

Combined Community Grants (CCGs)

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:	Not applicable
URL for more program information:	No data

Program Description: CCGs represent an initiative that braids physical activity and nutrition, tobacco, and substance abuse prevention funding to communities to address healthy community design as applied to the Vermont Prevention Model. Utilizing evidence-based strategies, communities are required to address the environmental layers of the prevention model (policy/systems and community) to prevent underage drinking (ages 12–20), binge drinking (ages 18–25), and marijuana use (12–17). The research literature supports the implementation of a comprehensive mix of evidence-based strategies as the best approach to prevent underage and binge drinking and marijuana use.

Annual College Symposium

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:	Not applicable
URL for more program information:	No data

Program Description: In October 2014, Middlebury College hosted the 3rd Annual College Symposium to Address High Risk Drinking sponsored by the VT Dept. of Health, Division of Alcohol & Drug Abuse Programs. High-risk drinking on college campuses is a serious public health issue. Engaging college presidents, senior administrators, faculty, and students is critical to addressing the issue. Student engagement and success depend on it. A keynote presentation by William DeJong, Ph.D., from the Boston University School of Public Health provided information on strategies for engaging college presidents and faculty to invest in alcohol prevention. Faculty from three Vermont colleges shared their experiences in working effectively with faculty, staff, and students. Participants had an opportunity to discuss how they would utilize the information when they return to their institutions. Thirteen colleges and universities were represented along with representatives from community agencies and organizations. Analysis of the event evaluations will provide direction on next steps to support campus and community efforts to address this important public health issue.

Additional Underage Drinking Prevention Programs Operated or Funded by the State

Program description: No data

Additional Clarification

With the exception of the School-Based Substance Abuse Services (SBSAS) program, all programs related to underage drinking prevention are federally funded.

Additional Information Related to Underage Drinking Prevention Programs

<i>State collaborates with federally recognized tribal governments in the prevention of underage drinking</i>	No recognized tribal governments
Description of collaboration:	Not applicable
<i>State has programs to measure and/or reduce youth exposure to alcohol advertising and marketing</i>	Yes
Description of program: Currently collaborating with Vermont Department of Health's Tobacco Control Unit to audit alcohol advertising among those retailers that also sell tobacco. There is no current funding or an official program to do this.	
<i>State has adopted or developed best practice standards for underage drinking prevention programs</i>	Yes
Agencies/organizations that established best practices standards:	
Federal agency(ies): SAMHSA	Yes
Agency(ies) within your state:	No
Nongovernmental agency(ies):	No
Other:	No
Best practice standards description: "Identifying and Selecting Evidence-Based Interventions" and CDC's "Community Guides"	

Additional Clarification

For Vermont standards, go to <http://healthvermont.gov/adap/prevention/SPF/documents/FinalDraftGuidanceNov2008.pdf>

State Interagency Collaboration

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

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- Vermont Department of Mental Health
- Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles
- Vermont Agency of Human Services

Vermont Department of Liquor Control
 Vermont Department of Corrections
 Vermont Agency of Education
 Vermont Association of Mental Health and Addiction Recovery
 Vermont Center for Problem Gambling
 Vermont National Guard
 Prevention Works! VT
 Vermont Court Diversion - Office of the Attorney General
 Vermont Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriff's Association
 Montpelier Public Schools
 Central Vermont Medical Center
 Flood Brook School
 Centerpoint Adolescent Treatment Services
 Northwestern Counseling and Support Services

A website or other public source exists to describe committee activities Yes
 URL or other means of access: healthvermont.gov/adap/vadaac/advisorycouncil.aspx

Underage Drinking Reports

State has prepared a plan for preventing underage drinking in the last 3 years No
 Prepared by: Not applicable
 Plan can be accessed via: Not applicable

State has prepared a report on preventing underage drinking in the last 3 years Yes
 Prepared by: Vermont's Epidemiological Workgroup
 Plan can be accessed via:
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Additional Clarification

No data

State Expenditures for the Prevention of Underage Drinking

Compliance checks in retail outlets:
 Estimate of state funds expended Data not available
 Estimate based on the 12 months ending Data not available

Checkpoints and saturation patrols:
 Estimate of state funds expended Data not available
 Estimate based on the 12 months ending Data not available

Community-based programs to prevent underage drinking:
 Estimate of state funds expended Data not available
 Estimate based on the 12 months ending Data not available

K-12 school-based programs to prevent underage drinking:
 Estimate of state funds expended \$830,000
 Estimate based on the 12 months ending 6/30/2015

Programs targeted to institutes of higher learning:
 Estimate of state funds expended Data not available
 Estimate based on the 12 months ending Data not available

Programs that target youth in the juvenile justice system:
 Estimate of state funds expended \$930,000
 Estimate based on the 12 months ending 6/30/2014

Programs that target youth in the child welfare system:
 Estimate of state funds expended Data not available
 Estimate based on the 12 months ending Data not available

Other programs:
 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

State derives funds dedicated to underage drinking from the following revenue streams:

Taxes	Yes
Fines	No
Fees	Yes
Other	No data

Description of funding streams and how they are used:

Youth who violate Vermont's underage possession and consumption of alcohol and/or marijuana (possession of an ounce or less) laws (7 VSA §656 and 18 VSA §4230) may opt to participate in the Youth Substance Abuse Safety Program (YSASP) or face a fine and driver's license suspension. Participant fees and State General Fund dollars support YSASP, which is run by the Court Diversion program in each county. Participants, who take part in a substance abuse screening, may be referred for an assessment with a clinician (and must follow the recommendations of the clinician) and may participate in an educational program. YSASP case managers support youth in completing the program. Assessment and treatment are not covered through YSASP funding.

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