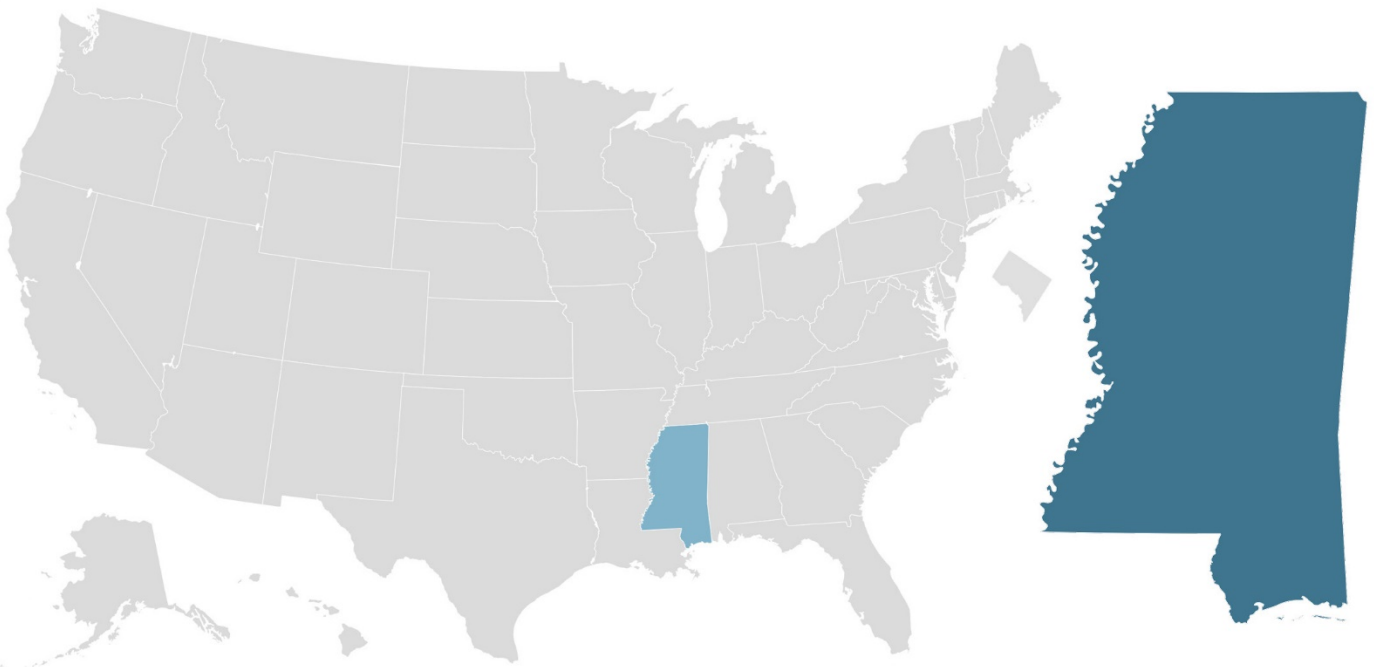




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This *State Report* is required by the Sober Truth on Preventing (STOP) Underage Drinking Act (Pub. L. 109-422), which was enacted by Congress in 2006 and reauthorized in December 2016 as part of the 21st Century Cures Act (Pub. L. 114-255). The STOP Act requires an annual report “on each State’s performance in enacting, enforcing, and creating laws, regulations, and programs to prevent or reduce underage drinking.” As directed by the STOP Act, the *State Reports* were prepared by the Interagency Coordinating Committee on the Prevention of Underage Drinking (ICCPUD), which is chaired by the Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

Time Period Covered by this *State Report*: This *State Report* primarily includes data from calendar year 2020. Regional and state profile data were drawn from the most recently available federal survey data as of 2019. State legal data reflect the status of the law as of January 1, 2020. State survey data, collected in 2020, were drawn from the most recent 12-month period in which the states maintained the data.

Source of Data: For each state, overall population information was taken from 2010 Census data. Data about the portion of each state’s population comprising 12- to 20-year-olds, as well as facts about past-month alcohol use and binge use, were averaged from the 2016 through 2019 National Surveys on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH), the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration’s Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality (CBHSQ), and the NSDUH special data analysis (2020). Confidence intervals for these estimates are available from CBHSQ’s Division of Surveillance and Data Collection on request. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s Alcohol-Related Disease Impact (ARDI) application served as the resource for data about alcohol-attributable deaths from 2011–2015 among youth under age 21. ARDI was also the source for state-level data on years of potential life lost as a result of underage alcohol-related fatalities. The National Center for Statistics and Analysis’s Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS) provided the 2019 data used to present statistics about fatalities among 15- to 20-year-old drivers.

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Mississippi

State Population: 2,976,149

Population Ages 12–20: 372,000

Past-Month Alcohol Use	
Ages 12–20	
Past-Month Alcohol Use – Number (Percentage)	55,000 (14.8%)
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use – Number (Percentage)	31,000 (8.3%)
Ages 12–14	
Past-Month Alcohol Use – Number (Percentage)	4,000 (3.7%)
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use – Number (Percentage)	2,000 (2%)
Ages 15–17	
Past-Month Alcohol Use – Number (Percentage)	15,000 (12.5%)
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use – Number (Percentage)	8,000 (6.6%)
Ages 18–20	
Past-Month Alcohol Use – Number (Percentage)	35,000 (27.2%)
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use – Number (Percentage)	20,000 (15.8%)
Adults Ages 18 +	
Past-Month Alcohol Use – (Percentage)	(42.1%)
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use – (Percentage)	(22.2%)
Age of Initiation of Alcohol Use	
Average Age of Initiation	16.2
Alcohol-Related Deaths	
Alcohol-Attributable Deaths (under 21)	47
Years of Potential Life Lost (under 21)	2,834
Fatal Crashes Involving a 15- to 20-Year-Old Driver with Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) > 0.01% ¹	
Number of Fatalities Involving 15- to 20-Year-Old Driver with BAC > 0.01%	12
Percentage of All Fatal Crashes Involving a 15- to 20-Year-Old Driver	(14%)

¹ Alcohol-related fatalities are estimates derived from a sophisticated statistical procedure. The estimates are rounded to the nearest whole number, however, percentages as displayed are calculated from the unrounded estimates and may not equal those calculated from the rounded estimates. Totals may not equal the sum of components due to independent rounding.

Behavioral Health System Overview²⁰

The state public mental health service system is administered by the Mississippi Department of Mental Health (DMH), which was created in 1974 by an act of the Mississippi Legislature, Regular Session. The creation, organization, and duties of the DMH are defined in the annotated Mississippi Code of 1972 under Sections 41-4-1 through 41-4-23.

The Bureau of Behavioral Health Services is responsible for planning, development, and supervision of an array of services and supports for children/youth and adults in the state with serious emotional disturbance, serious mental illness, and substance use disorders. The Bureau is comprised of three areas, including State-Operated Programs, Community Mental Health Services, and Addictive Services. The Bureau is responsible for the administration of state and federal funds utilized to develop, implement, and expand a comprehensive continuum of services to assist people to live successfully at home and in the community. These services are provided by community mental health centers and other community service providers.

State-Operated Programs: DMH administers and operates state behavioral health programs, a mental health community living program, a specialized behavioral health program for youth, regional programs for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and a specialized program for adolescents with intellectual and developmental disabilities. These programs serve designated counties or service areas and offer community living and/or community services. The behavioral health programs provide inpatient services for people (adults and children) with serious mental illness and substance use disorders. These programs include Mississippi State Hospital and its satellite program, Specialized Treatment Facility; East Mississippi State Hospital and its satellite programs; North Mississippi State Hospital; South Mississippi State Hospital; and Central Mississippi Residential Center. Nursing home services are also located on the grounds of Mississippi State Hospital and East Mississippi State Hospital. In addition to the inpatient services mentioned, East Mississippi State Hospital provides transitional, community-based care. The programs for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities provide residential services. The programs also provide licensed homes for community living. These programs include Boswell Regional Center and its satellite program, Mississippi Adolescent Center; Ellisville State School; Hudspeth Regional Center; North Mississippi Regional Center; and South Mississippi Regional Center.

Regional Community Mental Health Centers (CMHCs): The CMHCs operate under the supervision of regional commissions appointed by county boards of supervisors comprising their respective service areas. The 14 CMHCs make available a range of community-based mental health, substance use, and in some regions, intellectual/developmental disabilities services. CMHC governing authorities are considered regional and not state-level entities. The DMH is responsible for certifying, monitoring, and assisting CMHCs.

Other Nonprofit/Profit Service Agencies/Organizations: These agencies and organizations make up a smaller part of the service system. They are certified by the DMH and may also receive funding to provide community-based services. Many of these nonprofit agencies may also

²⁰ Extracted from fiscal year (FY) 2020/2021 – (Mississippi) State Behavioral Health Assessment and Plan, SABG, Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP), Division of State Programs, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT), Division of State and Community Assistance: Planning Step One. Assess the strengths and needs of the service system to address the specific populations.

receive additional funding from other sources. Services currently provided through these nonprofit agencies include community-based alcohol and drug services, community services for persons with intellectual/developmental disabilities, and community services for children with mental illness or emotional problems.

Substance Use Disorders Prevention Service System

Through the Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Services (BADs), Mississippi has made great strides in improving the prevention delivery service system during the past five years. BADs has policies for sub-grantees funded by the 20 percent prevention set-aside of the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant (SABG). Two examples include 1) designation of an individual to coordinate prevention services, and 2) requiring each program to implement at least one evidence-based program. The State Incentive Grant (SIG), awarded to BADs in 2001, allowed BADs to fund additional programs utilizing evidence-based programs and more than doubling the number of individuals and families served. In October 2006, BADs received a Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) five-year incentive grant to meet the following federal goals: (1) Build prevention capacity and infrastructure at state and community levels; (2) Prevent the onset and reduce the progression of substance use, including childhood and underage drinking; and (3) Reduce substance use-related problems in communities. In 2012, BADs was awarded the Partnership for Success II Grant from SAMHSA, CSAP, which continued to combat underage drinking and related consequences but also targeted binge drinking among the young adult population and the related consequences and targeted the reduction of prescription drug abuse rates and related consequences for youth and young adults. In 2015, BADs received a SAMHSA, CSAP grant entitled the Partnership for Success 2015 Grant. This grant continued the work of the PFS II grant; however, this grant concentrated heavily on serving high-need communities and serving college communities. With resources from the PFS 2015 grant, BADs expanded its capacity by implementing the Mississippi Young Adult Survey (MYAS) in 2017. The purpose of the MYAS was to collect substance use behavioral health indicators for the young adult population, ages 18–25, that could be used to establish baseline measurements and capture subsequent outcomes measurements at the community level. This was necessary to begin addressing the gap in community-level consumption data among young adults in Mississippi. Even though the MYAS is a huge step in the right direction for capturing consumption and consequence measures, BADs still lacks measurements for those young adults that bypassed the collegiate path. This is an area that the state will work towards once the MYAS has been fully implemented at all colleges throughout the state.

Expenditures for Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment

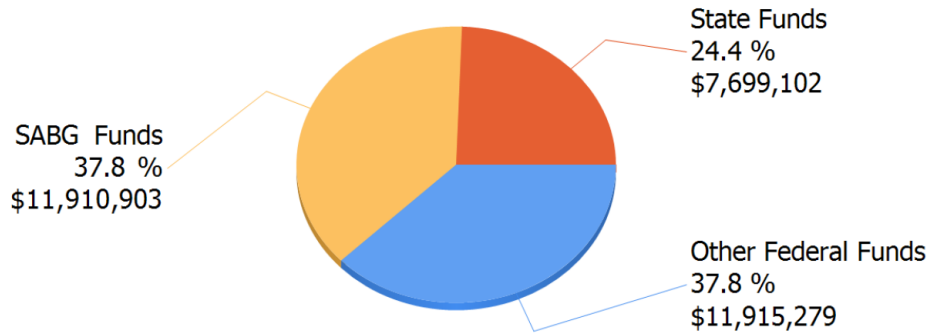
All states receive federal funds for substance abuse prevention through SABG funds administered by SAMHSA. Exhibit 1 shows the sources that Mississippi used for expenditures on substance abuse prevention and treatment in 2020. As indicated, SABG funds and other federal funds account for the largest sources (37.8 percent each).²¹

States submit Behavioral Assessment and Plan reports that include their priorities for use of SABG funds, as well as planned expenditures. For FY 2020–2021, Mississippi designated

²¹ WebBGAS State Profile, 2020 SABG and Community Mental Health Block Grant (MHBG) Reports – Mississippi 2020.

reducing alcohol use and substance abuse among adolescents and young adults as priority number twenty-five for use of SABG funds.²²

Exhibit 1: Sources of Mississippi’s 2020 Expenditures for Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment



²² FY 2020/2021 – (Mississippi) State Behavioral Assessment and Plan, SABG, CSAP, Division of State Programs, CSAT, Division of State and Community Assistance: Table 1: Priority Areas and Annual Performance Indicators.

State Performance: Laws, Enforcement, and Programs

As mandated by the STOP Act, this report details Mississippi's performance in enacting, enforcing, and creating laws, regulations, and programs to prevent or reduce underage drinking.

The following sections address these measures:

State Laws and Policies: These underage drinking prevention policies have been identified as best practices (or as promising practices suitable for ongoing evaluation) and fall into six categories:

1. Underage possession or purchase of alcohol.
2. Underage drinking and driving.
3. Alcohol availability.
4. Sales and delivery to consumers at home.
5. Alcohol pricing.
6. Enforcement policies.

STOP Act State Survey Data: The STOP Act requires annual reporting of data from the 50 states and the District of Columbia on their performance in enacting, enforcing, and creating laws, regulations, and programs to prevent or reduce underage drinking. Administered since 2011, the STOP Act State Survey collects data on the following topics:

1. Enforcement programs to promote compliance with underage drinking laws and regulations.
2. Programs targeted to youth, parents, and caregivers to deter underage drinking.
3. State interagency collaborations to implement prevention programs, best-practice standards, collaborations with tribal governments, and participation in underage drinking media campaigns.
4. State expenditures on the prevention of underage drinking.

Underage Possession or Purchase of Alcohol

Underage Possession	
Is underage possession of alcoholic beverages prohibited?	Yes
Are there exceptions based on family relationships? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is possession allowed if parent or guardian is present or consents? • Is possession allowed if spouse is present or consents? 	Yes No
Is there an exception based on location?	Yes, in a private location
Notes: Mississippi's Parent/Guardian exception applies to those persons at least 18 years old and only for possession of light wine or beer. The Location exception is not limited to persons between 18 and 21, and only applies to alcoholic beverages, not including light wine or beer.	

Underage Consumption	
Is underage consumption of alcoholic beverages prohibited?	No law
Are there exceptions based on family relationships? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is consumption allowed if parent or guardian is present or consents? • Is consumption allowed if spouse is present or consents? 	N/A 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? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is internal possession allowed if parent or guardian is present or consents? • Is internal possession allowed if spouse is present or consents? 	N/A 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

Underage 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?	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?	No
May the retailer 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 the retailer detain a minor who used a false ID?	No
Notes: Although it appears the Mississippi Department of Public Safety currently still issues distinctive licenses for persons under 21, no current codified statute or regulation requiring the issuance of such licenses has been found to exist.	

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?	Yes
What types of violation lead to license suspension or revocation?	

• Purchase of alcohol	Yes
• 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	Not specified
Maximum number of days	90

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?	0
Intermediate Stage	
What is the minimum age for driving without adult supervision?	16 years
For night driving, when does adult supervision requirement begin?	10:00 PM Sunday through Thursday 11:30 PM Friday and Saturday
Can law enforcement stop a driver for night driving violation as a primary offense?	Yes
Are there restrictions on passengers?	No
Can law enforcement stop driver for violation of passenger restrictions as a primary offense?	N/A
License Stage	
What is the minimum age for full license privileges and lifting of restrictions?	16 years, 6 months

Alcohol Availability

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
Notes: Mississippi's parent/guardian and spouse exceptions apply to those persons at least 18 years old and only for furnishing of light wine or beer.	

Responsible Beverage Service (RBS)	
Is there a state law pertaining to Beverage Service Training?	No
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	21
Wine	21
Spirits	21
Does a manager or supervisor have to be present when an underage person is selling beverages?	N/A

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	21

Wine	21
Spirits	21
Does a manager or supervisor have to be present when an underage person is selling beverages?	No

Distance Limitations Applied to New Alcohol Outlets Near Universities, Colleges, and Primary and Secondary Schools	
Colleges and Universities	
Is there a distance requirement for off-premises outlets (i.e., liquor stores)?	Yes, no permits on campus.
Is there a distance requirement for on-premises outlets (i.e., restaurants and bars)?	Yes, no permits on campus.
To which alcohol products does requirement apply?	Wine, spirits ("Alcoholic beverage" does not include wine containing 6.25% ABV or less.)
Primary and Secondary Schools	
Is there a distance requirement for off-premises outlets (i.e., liquor stores)?	Yes, within 400 feet; within 100 feet in areas zoned commercial or industrial.
Is there a distance requirement for on-premises outlets (i.e., restaurants and bars)?	Yes, within 400 feet; within 100 feet in areas zoned commercial or industrial.
To which alcohol products does requirement apply?	Wine, spirits ("Alcoholic beverage" does not include wine containing 6.25% ABV or less.)
Notes: Exceptions are 1) bed and breakfast inn or historic district listed in the National Register of Historic Places; 2) qualified resort area located in a municipality having a population greater than 100,000.	

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?	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?	Specific
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

Keg Registration	
How is a keg defined (in gallons)?	No law
Prohibitions	
Is it illegal to possess an unregistered or unlabeled keg and if so, what is the penalty?	No law
Is it illegal to destroy the label on a keg, and if so, what is the penalty?	No law
What purchaser information is collected?	
Must the retailer collect the name and address?	No law
Must the retailer collect the ID number, name and address on license or other government information?	No law
Must the retailer collect the address at which keg will be consumed?	No law
Must warning information be given to purchaser?	No law
Is a deposit required?	No law
Does law cover disposable kegs?	No law

High-Proof Grain Alcohol Beverages	
Are there restrictions on the sale of high-proof grain alcohol beverages?	No; however, this state 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

Sales and Delivery to Consumers at Home

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

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

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

Alcohol Pricing

Alcohol Taxes	
Beer	
Control system for beer?	No
Specific excise tax per gallon for 5% alcohol beer	\$0.43
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?	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?	
• General sales tax rate	
• Sales tax adjusted retail tax rate (the retail tax minus the general sales tax, where there is an exemption from the general sales tax)	
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?	
• General sales tax rate	
• Sales tax adjusted retail tax rate (the retail tax minus the general sales tax, where there is an exemption from the general sales tax)	
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?	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General sales tax rate 	
<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) 	
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?	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General sales tax rate 	
<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) 	
Additional taxes for 15 – 50% alcohol spirits if applicable	

Low-Price, High-Volume Drink Specials	
Are on-premises retailers prohibited from offering the following types of drink specials?	
Free beverages	No
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	No
Increased volume without increase in price	No

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?	No law
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
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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

Enforcement Policies

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?	16
What is the maximum age a decoy may be to participate in a compliance check?	19
Are there appearance requirements for the decoy?	Yes, males must have no facial hair and be youthful looking.
Does decoy carry ID during compliance check?	Not specified
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 that are imposed on retailers for furnishing to a minor?	Yes
What is the time period for defining second, third and subsequent offenses?	1 year
What is the penalty for the first offense?	\$500–\$1,000 fine and/or suspension of license for not more than 1 week
What is the penalty for the second offense?	\$1,000–\$2,000 fine and/or suspension of license for not more than 2 weeks

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

Mississippi State Survey Responses

State Agency Information

Agency with primary responsibility for enforcing underage drinking laws:

The Mississippi Alcohol and Beverage Control Agency

Enforcement Strategies

State law enforcement agencies use:

Cops in Shops	No
Shoulder Tap Operations	Yes
Party Patrol Operations or Programs	No
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	No

State has a program to investigate and enforce direct sales/shipment laws	Don't know
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 ¹ 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 operations ² to determine whether alcohol retailers are complying with laws prohibiting sales to minors	Yes
Data are collected on these activities	No
Number of retail licensees in state ³	1,700
Number of licensees checked for compliance by state agencies (including random checks)	Not applicable
Number of licensees that failed state compliance checks	Not applicable
Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	Not applicable
Compliance checks/decoy operations conducted at on-sale, off-sale, or both retail establishments	Not applicable

State conducts random underage compliance checks/decoy operations	Not applicable
Number of licensees subject to random state compliance checks/decoy operations	Not applicable
Number of licensees that failed random state compliance checks	Not applicable

Local agencies conduct underage compliance checks/decoy operations to determine whether 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	1,700
Number of licensees that failed local compliance checks	240
Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	05/31/2020

Sanctions

State collects data on fines imposed on retail establishments that furnish to minors	No
Number of fines imposed by the state ⁴	Not applicable
Total amount in fines across all licensees	Not applicable
Smallest fine imposed	Not applicable
Largest fine imposed	Not applicable
Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	Not applicable

<i>State collects data on license suspensions imposed on retail establishments specifically for furnishing to minors</i>	No
Number of suspensions imposed by the state ⁵	Not applicable
Total days of suspensions across all licensees	Not applicable
Shortest period of suspension imposed (in days)	Not applicable
Longest period of suspension imposed (in days)	Not applicable
Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	Not applicable
<i>State collects data on license revocations imposed on retail establishments specifically for furnishing to minors</i>	Don't know
Number of license revocations imposed ⁶	Not applicable
Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	Not applicable

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

Too Good For Drugs

Number of youth served	Approximately 1,000
Number of parents served	Not applicable
Number of caregivers served	Approximately 75-100
Program has been evaluated	Yes
Evaluation report is available	Yes
URL for evaluation report	No data
URL for more program information	https://toogoodprogram.ms.org/

Program Description: Too Good For Drugs is a school-based (K-12th grade) drug prevention program designed to reduce students' intention to use alcohol, tobacco, and illegal drugs while promoting prosocial attitudes, skills, and behaviors. Too Good For Drugs programs empower children, adolescents, and teens with the social-emotional learning and substance abuse prevention skills needed to lead happy and healthy lives.

Keepin' It REAL

Number of youth served	Approximately 1,000
Number of parents served	Unknown
Number of caregivers served	Approximately 75-100
Program has been evaluated	Yes
Evaluation report is available	Yes
URL for evaluation report	https://youth.gov/content/keepin%E2%80%99-it-real
URL for more program information	https://youth.gov/content/keepin%E2%80%99-it-real

Program Description: Keepin' It REAL is a video-enhanced intervention that uses a culturally grounded resiliency model to incorporate traditional ethnic values and practices that protect against drug use. The goal is to teach students how to resist substance use through practical, easy-to-remember-and-use strategies that are encapsulated in the acronym REAL (Refuse, Explain, Avoid, Leave).

Additional Underage Drinking Prevention Programs Operated or Funded by the State

LifeSkills Training is a middle school substance abuse prevention program that teaches students social and self-management skills, including skills in resisting peer and media pressure to smoke, drink, or use drugs.

<https://evidencebasedprograms.org/programs/lifeskills-training/>

Additional Clarification

Programs used for prevention are determined by prevention grant subrecipients throughout the state. Each region is responsible for identifying evidence-based practices (EBPs) determined by the community needs.

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: Our state collaborates with federally recognized tribal governments in the prevention of underage drinking. Mississippi (MS) collaborates with The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (Choctaw Behavioral Health), a federally recognized tribal government. MS Department of Mental Health certifies and funds Choctaw Behavioral Health to provide prevention services in six counties in the state of Mississippi (i.e., Neshoba, Leake, Jones, Winston, Lauderdale, and Newton). They are members of Mississippians Advocating Against Unhealthy Decisions (MAAUD), a coalition designed to improve the health and well-being of youth in Mississippi by preventing and reducing unhealthy/risky behaviors. MAAUD is also represented by several agencies/organizations including MS Department of Mental Health, Dream of Hattiesburg, Inc., and the National Council on Alcoholism & Drug Dependence (NCADD).

State has programs to measure and/or reduce youth exposure to alcohol advertising and marketing Yes

Description of program: The Mississippi Prevention Alliance for Communities and Colleges (MS SPF PFS 2015) grant and 20 percent of MS Block Grant funds prevention services to counter alcohol advertising and marketing. Members of MAAUD strive to improve the health and well-being of youth in MS by preventing and reducing unhealthy/risky behaviors. Members include representatives from state and local agencies with strong participation from local coalitions and organizations across the state. MAAUD strives to reduce unhealthy decisions in MS through social media, community action, public policy, education, and advocacy.

State collaborates with/participates in media campaigns to prevent underage drinking Yes

Federal campaigns: No

Regional and local media campaigns: Region 10 Community Mental Health Center (CMHC), Region 12 CMHC, National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence Central MS Area, Inc. (NCADD) Yes

Local school district efforts: Jackson State University (Metro Jackson Community Prevention Coalition), Alcorn State University (Alcorn Substance Abuse Prevention Program), Mississippi State University Yes

Other: No

State collaborates with/participates in SAMHSA's national media campaign, "Talk. They Hear You." (TTHY) No

State officially endorses TTHY efforts Not applicable

State commits state resources for TTHY Not applicable

State forwards TTHY materials to local areas Not applicable

Other: Not applicable

State procures funding for TTHY Not applicable

Pro bono	Not applicable
Donated air time	Not applicable
Earned media	Not applicable
Other:	Not applicable
<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): SAMSHA/CSAP	Yes
Agency(ies) within your state: MS Department of Mental Health (MDMH)-Bureau of Alcohol & Drug Services	Yes
Nongovernmental agency(ies): MAAUD, National Prevention Network (NPN), NCADD	Yes
Other:	No
Best practice standards description: Mississippi works closely with SAMHSA-CSAP, a federal agency that promotes reducing alcohol consumption. SAMHSA also provides a registry of evidence-based programs to prevention service providers that MDMH funds. MS Department of Mental Health administers the public system of alcohol and drug prevention and treatment services in MS through the Bureau of Alcohol & Drug Services. These services are provided through a statewide network, which includes state-operated facilities, regional community mental health centers, and other nonprofit community-based programs.	

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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Agencies/organizations represented on the committee:

- State Community Mental Health Centers (14)
- National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence Central MS Area, Inc. (NCADD)
- MS Public Health Institute (MSPHI)
- Jackson State University (Metro Jackson Community Prevention Coalition)
- Alcorn State University (Alcorn Substance Abuse Prevention Program)
- Mississippi State University
- Alcohol Services Center, Inc.
- Mallory Community Health Center, Inc.
- Innovative Behavioral Services, Inc.
- Dream of Hattiesburg, Inc.
- Vicksburg Family Development
- The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (Choctaw Behavioral Health)

A website or other public source exists to describe committee activities No
 URL or other means of access: Not applicable

Underage Drinking Reports

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

Prepared by: MS Department of Mental Health
 Plan can be accessed via: <http://www.dmh.ms.gov/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/2020-2022-DMH-BBH-AS-State-Plan-for-Sec.-of-State-No-Mark-Up.pdf>

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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	05/31/2020

Checkpoints and saturation patrols:

Estimate of state funds expended	Data not available
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	05/31/2020

Community-based programs to prevent underage drinking:

Estimate of state funds expended	\$350,000
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	05/31/2020

K–12 school-based programs to prevent underage drinking:

Estimate of state funds expended	\$350,000
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	05/31/2020

Programs targeted to institutes of higher learning:

Estimate of state funds expended	\$200,000
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	05/31/2020

Programs that target youth in the juvenile justice system:

Estimate of state funds expended	\$0
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	05/31/2020

Programs that target youth in the child welfare system:

Estimate of state funds expended	\$0
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	05/31/2020

Other programs:

Programs or strategies included: \$750,000	
Estimate of state funds expended	\$750,000
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	05/31/2020

Funds Dedicated to Underage Drinking

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

Taxes	No
Fines	No
Fees	No
Other: Federal grants	Yes

Description of funding streams and how they are used:

Mississippi receives a Substance Abuse Block Grant from SAMHSA that requires a minimum of 20 percent of the total award be used for alcohol and drug prevention service. It is estimated that approximately 60 percent of that prevention set aside targets the prevention of alcohol use and/or abuse. Mississippi also receives a SAMHSA Discretionary Grant in which 50 percent of the resources targets underage drinking.

Additional Clarification

See above



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