

## GASPS Ages 18-25 Year Olds Survey Guide

The following guide can be used to help clarify survey questions for respondents. This guide describes the general meaning of sections of the survey and goes into more detail for selected questions.

### QUESTIONS 1-5

The questions in this section are basic demographic questions that ask about race, gender, age and zip code of residence.

Question 3. *“What is your race?”* Respondents may check all answers that apply.

Question 5. *“What is your residence?”* Respondents should enter the zip code for where they live, not where they are completing the survey

### QUESTIONS 6-11

The questions in this section ask about alcohol related behaviors.

Question 6. *“Think back over the last 30 days. On how many days, if any, did you drink one or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage?”* Respondents are to think about any drinks had in the past 30 days and how many days they had a drink. If they did not drink anything they can enter “0”. The number should not be higher than 30.

Question 7. *“Think back over the last 30 days. On how many days, if any, did you have 5 or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage in a row, that is within a couple of hours?”* Respondents are to think about how many days they had 5 or more drinks in one sitting, or within a few hours. If they had less than five or have not had any alcoholic beverages then they are to enter “0”

Question 8. *“During the past 30 days, how often did you:”* Respondents answer how often they participated in different drinking behaviors.

Question 9. *Think back over your entire lifetime and try to remember if you have used alcoholic beverages. If so, what was your age the first time you ever had a drink of an alcoholic beverage? Do Not include any time when you only had a sip for two from a drink.”* Respondents are to think about the first time they ever had alcohol and how old they were. If they never had a drink there is an option to select that they never had a drink.

Question 10. *“How old were you when you first drank 5 or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage in a row, that is, within a couple of hours?”* Respondents are to think about the first time they had 5 or more drinks in one sitting, or within a few hours and how old they were when they did.

Question 11. *“How do you feel about someone your age having one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day?”* Nearly every day can be interpreted by the respondent, but is most days of the week.

Question 12. *“Would you be more or less likely to want to work for an employer that tests its employees for drug or alcohol use on a random basis?”* This is a NOM’s question asking about current and/or future employment.

Question 13. *“How many times have you talked with your child about the dangers or problems associated with the use of tobacco, alcohol or drugs?”*

If the respondent does not have any children they can check that option. The respondent did not have to have a conversation about all three substances. If they had a conversation about at least one of the substances with their child or children they can select a response.

Question 14. *“During the past 12 months have you driven a vehicle while you were under the influence of alcohol?”* Under the influence is having drunk any amount of an alcoholic beverage.

Question 15. *“At which events (if any) do you think it is acceptable for people under 21 to drink alcohol in your community?” (Please select all that apply)*

There is not a “none of these options” selection for respondents for this question. Respondents are to only check the occasions they believe it is acceptable for someone under 21 to have alcohol. If they do not believe any of those occasions are acceptable they can leave all of the selections blank.

Question 16: *“How much do you think people risk harming themselves physically or in other ways when they have:”*

*a. “5 or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice a week”* Respondents are to think about the different ways people can harm themselves when they use alcohol. This could be physically such as getting into a car crash or fight, or put themselves at risk by driving, or lying to their parents. Respondents should think about how much people can hurt themselves if they have 5 or more drinks a day once or twice a week.

*b. “5 or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage in a row, that is within a couple of hours”*  
Respondents are to think about how much people can hurt themselves if they had 5 or more drinks in one sitting, or within a few hours.

*c. “4 or 5 drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day?”* Respondents are to think about how much people can hurt themselves if they had 4 or 5 drinks nearly every day. The drinks do not have to have been consumed in one setting.

Question 17. *“During the past 30 days, how many times did you: Ride in the car or other vehicle driven by someone who had been drinking alcohol? Drive a car or other vehicle when you had been drinking alcohol? Drive a car or other vehicle when you had been drinking 5 or more drinks of alcohol on the same occasion?”*

Respondents answer how many times they have either been a passenger in a car driven by someone who has had any amount of alcohol, or have actually driven a vehicle when they had any amount of alcohol. They are also asked have they driven a car when they had 5 or more drinks in one setting or occasion. There is an option for “0” times.

Question 18.

a. *“How many students in your grade at school would you say drink alcoholic beverages?”*

Respondents answer how many students in their same grade at school that they think drink alcohol.

b. *“How many of your closest friends do you think have been drunk during the past 30 days?”*

Respondents answer how many of their friends they thought have been drunk in the past months. Their friends do not have to be in their same grade at school, or even students at the same school.

c. *“How many parents in your community do you think allow alcohol at parties hosted by their children?”* Respondents answer how many parents (this can be any guardian) allow alcohol at parties that their children throw.

Question 19a-c. These questions ask about chances of getting drunk, planning to get drunk and promising not to drink alcohol at all.

Question 20 a-c. These questions ask about the consequences of getting caught with alcohol (having alcohol on their possession).

Question 22. *“Think back over the past 30 days, how did you usually get the alcohol you drank?”*

Respondents select **ALL** options where they got alcohol in the past month although it does not say “select all that apply”. They can also write in responses if they did not drink alcohol in the last 30 days they can select that option.

Question 23. *“During the past 30 days, where and when have you used alcohol?”*

Respondents select the number of times they used alcohol in different locations and around different groups of people. There is an option to select not at all.