

## **GASPS Ages 26+ and Older 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 6-10**

The questions in this section ask respondents their thoughts about underage drinking.

Question 6. *“How much of a problem do you think underage drinking is in your community?”*  
This question asks respondents to think about underage drinking in their community, and how much of a problem it is. This is anything related to underage drinking which may include car crashes, disorderly conduct, sales to minors, ect.

Questions 7: *“How easy or difficult is it for people under 21 to...”*

These questions ask how difficult or easy it is for underage drinkers to actually obtain alcohol anywhere in their community, and then to get it from home without their parents knowing. The term “parents” encompasses legal guardians, step parents, grandmothers, ect. The term refers to any adult that the underage drinker is living with.

Questions 8: *“How easy or difficult is it for people under 21 to obtain alcohol from the following people in your community?”*

This question asks how difficult it is to obtain alcohol from certain people. “Adult non-family members” are adults who are not family members, and “Adult strangers” are adults that the underage drinker does not know.

Questions 9-10: “Where do you think people under 21 usually obtain alcohol and Where do you think underage drinking takes place?”

Respondents should check all answers that apply and write in their own answers for the “Some other way” if they select that option. This option can be any additional way they think of, and more than one option can be written in.

## **QUESTIONS 11-15**

The question in this section first asks about people 26 and older, and then asks about approval and acceptance of drinking alcohol in different settings.

Question 11: “How do you feel about someone your age...?”

These three questions ask the respondent about people who are legally able to drink, not about underage drinkers.

*11a. “Having enough alcoholic beverages to get drunk in public”* “In public” includes any location outside of the home. It may be at a community or sporting event, or at a restaurant or in the street. Anywhere outside of the home where others have the ability to view the person can be considered public

*11b. “Having five or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage on one occasion”* “One occasion” would be considered that same day or night, or within a few hours

*11c. “Driving after drinking one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage”* There is no time frame for this question. The respondent just needs to answer their thoughts about someone who had at least 1 or 2 drinks and at some point drives a vehicle after having at least 1-2 drinks

Questions 12-13: “How do you feel about someone under 21...?”

Respondent answers how much they approve or disapprove about a statement. For question 13 There is no time frame for this question. The respondent just needs to answer their thoughts about someone under 21 who had at least 1 or 2 drinks and at some point drives a vehicle after having at least 1-2 drinks.

*Question 14: “On which occasions (if any) do you think it is acceptable for people under 21 to drink alcohol in your community?”*

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.

## **QUESTIONS 16-20**

The last set of questions focuses on consequences and enforcement of alcohol and discussing substance use with underage youth.

*Question 16: “What do you think the consequences are for people under 21 that are caught with alcohol?”*

Respondents should write their responses in the box in this section. “Caught with alcohol” is a person under 21 who physically has an alcoholic beverage(s) in their possession.

*Question 18: “If you were driving in your community after you had too much to drink, how likely...?”*

These questions ask about the respondent themselves, not about underage drinkers or people their age. This is the respondent thinking if these scenarios could really happen. The scenarios do not have had to actually occurred.

*Question 19: “How likely would it be for someone in your community...?”*

These questions ask about everyone in the community, regardless of age. This is the respondent thinking if these scenarios could really happen. They do not have had to actually occurred.

*Question 20: “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.