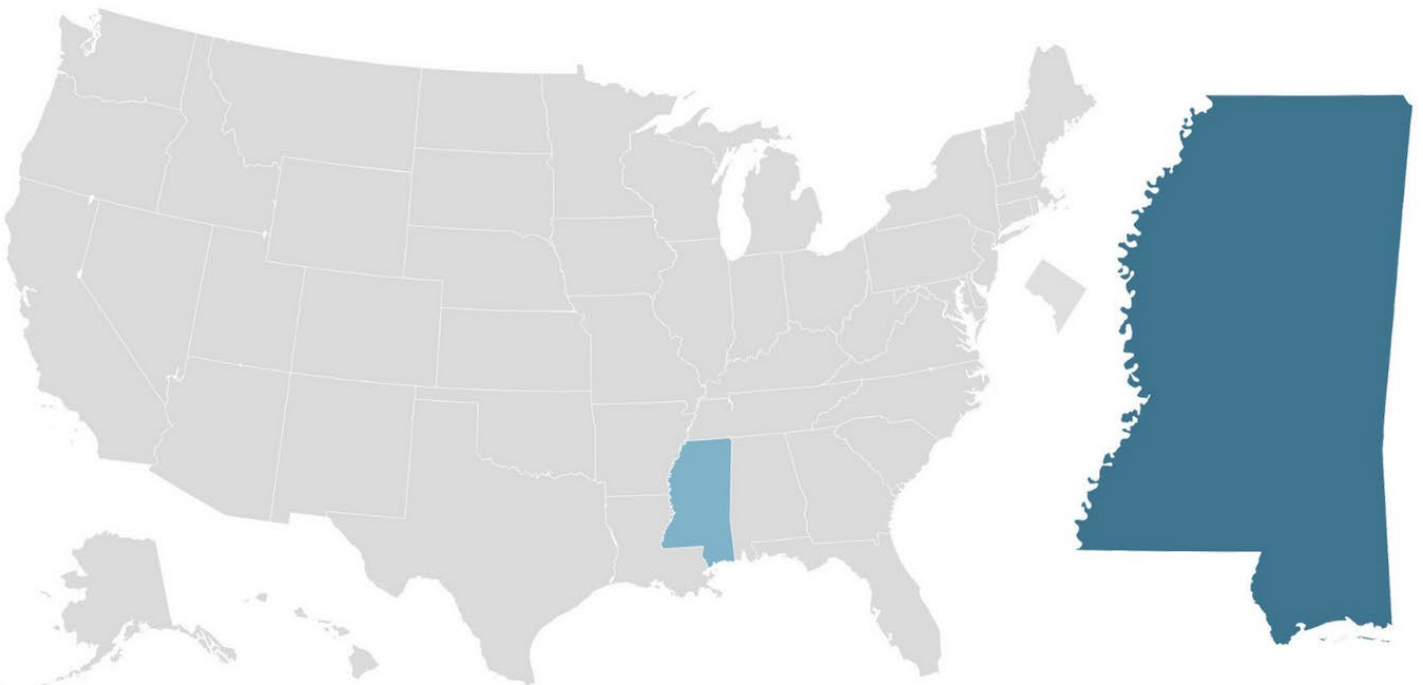




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**THE INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COMMITTEE
ON THE PREVENTION OF UNDERAGE DRINKING (ICCPUD)**

This *State Report* is required by the Sober Truth on Preventing (STOP) Underage Drinking Act (Pub. L. 109-422), 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), chaired by Miriam Delphin-Rittmon, Ph.D., 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 and 2021. Regional and state profile data were drawn from the most recently available federal survey data as of 2020. State legal data reflect the status of the law as of January 1, 2021. State survey data, collected in 2021, 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 2017 through 2020 National Surveys on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH), SAMHSA’s Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality (CBHSQ), and the NSDUH special data analysis (2021). 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 (updated May 2022) served as the resource for data about alcohol-attributable deaths from 2015–2019 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 2020 data used to present statistics about fatalities among 15- to 20-year-old drivers. State legal policy data were obtained from the following sources: 1) the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism’s Alcohol Policy Information System (APIS) website (<https://alcoholpolicy.niaaa.nih.gov/>); 2) legal research planned and managed by the ICCPUD.

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Mississippi

State Population: 2,966,786

Population Ages 12–20: 382,000

Past-Month Alcohol Use	
Ages 12–20	
Past-Month Alcohol Use – Number (Percentage)	55,000 (14.3%)
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use – Number (Percentage)	36,000 (9.3%)
Ages 12–14	
Past-Month Alcohol Use – Number (Percentage)	5,000 (3.4%)
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use – Number (Percentage)	3,000 (2.0%)
Ages 15–17	
Past-Month Alcohol Use – Number (Percentage)	15,000 (14.4%)
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use – Number (Percentage)	9,000 (8.2%)
Ages 18–20	
Past-Month Alcohol Use – Number (Percentage)	35,000 (24.8%)
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use – Number (Percentage)	24,000 (17.2%)
Adults Ages 21+	
Past-Month Alcohol Use – (Percentage)	889,000 (43.0%)
Past-Month Binge Alcohol Use – (Percentage)	443,000 (21.4%)
Average Age of Initiation	
Average Age of Initiation	16
Alcohol-Attributable Deaths and Years of Potential Life Lost Under the Age of 21 ¹	
Alcohol-Attributable Deaths (under 21)	54
Years of Potential Life Lost (under 21)	2,933
Fatal Crashes Involving a 15- to 20-Year-Old Driver With Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) > 0.01% ²	
Number of Fatalities Involving 15- to 20-Year-Old Driver With BAC > 0.01%	14
Percentage of All Fatal Crashes Involving a 15- to 20-Year-Old Driver	14%

¹ The Alcohol-Related Disease Impact Application was updated May 2022 to reflect new methodology for calculating the average annual alcohol-attributable deaths, and it reflects national and state annual averages from 2015–2019.

² 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 Overview¹

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 DMH provides and/or financially supports a network of services for people with mental illness, intellectual/developmental disabilities, substance use problems, and Alzheimer's disease and/or other dementia. It is our goal to improve the lives of Mississippians by supporting a better tomorrow...today.

Behavioral Health Services is under the direction of the Chief Clinical Officer for Behavioral Health Services and 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 two main areas, Community Mental Health Services and Alcohol and Drug Addiction 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.

The Service Delivery System is comprised of 3 major components: 1) state-operated programs and community services programs, 2) regional community mental health centers, and 3) other nonprofit/profit service agencies/organizations.

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 (SMI) 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, and South Mississippi State Hospital. 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 and its satellite program, South MS Regional Center, Hudspeth Regional Center, and North Mississippi Regional Center.

¹ Extracted from fiscal year (FY) 20222023 – (Mississippi) State Behavioral Health Assessment and Plan, SABG, CSAP, Division of State Programs, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, Division of State and Community Assistance: Planning Step One. Assess the strengths and needs of the service system to address the specific populations.

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 13 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.

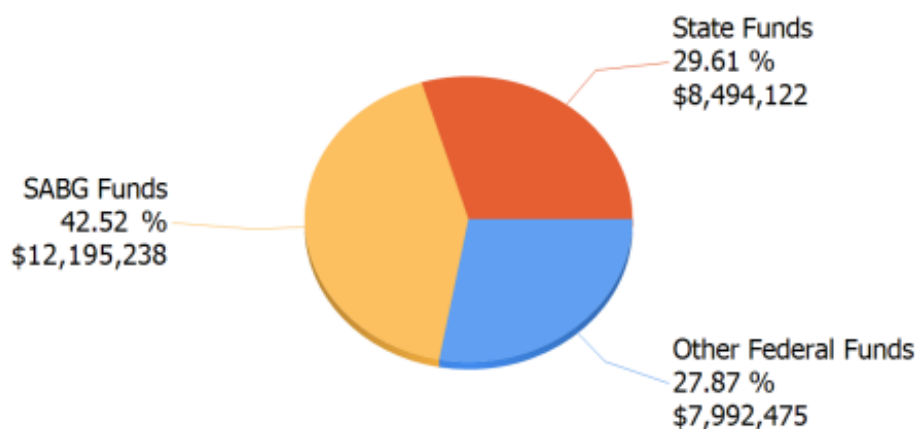
Other Nonprofit/Profit Service Agencies/Organizations: These agencies and organizations make up a smaller part of the service system. They are certified by the DMH and may also receive funding to provide community-based services. Many of these nonprofit agencies may also receive additional funding from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

Expenditures for Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment

All states receive federal funds for substance abuse prevention through Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant (SABG) funds administered by SAMHSA. Exhibit 1 shows the sources that Mississippi used for expenditures on substance abuse prevention and treatment in 2021. As indicated, SABG funds and state funds account for the largest sources (42.52 percent and 29.61 percent, respectively).²

States submit Behavioral Assessment and Plan reports that include their priorities for use of SABG funds, as well as planned expenditures. For FY 2022-2023, Mississippi designated reducing alcohol use and substance abuse among adolescents and young adults as priority number eight for use of SABG funds.³

Exhibit 1: Sources of Mississippi’s 2021 Expenditures for Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment



² WebBGAS State Profile, 2021 SABG and Community Mental Health Block Grant (MHBG) Reports – Mississippi 2021.

³ FY 2022/2023 – (Mississippi) State Behavioral Assessment and Plan, SABG, CSAP, Division of State Programs, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, 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:

- underage possession or purchase of alcohol
- underage drinking and driving
- alcohol availability
- sales and delivery to consumers at home
- alcohol pricing
- 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:

- enforcement programs to promote compliance with underage drinking laws and regulations
- programs targeted to youth, parents, and caregivers to deter underage drinking
- state interagency collaborations to implement prevention programs, best-practice standards, collaborations with tribal governments, and participation in underage drinking media campaigns
- state expenditures on the prevention of underage drinking

Underage Possession or Purchase of Alcohol

Mississippi-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 any private location
Notes: Mississippi's parent/guardian exception applies to those persons at least 18 years old and only for possession of light wine, beer, or, as of June 18, 2020, light spirit product. The Location exception is not limited to persons between 18 and 21, and only applies to alcoholic beverages, not including light wine or beer or, as of June 18, 2020, light spirit product.	

Mississippi-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
Notes: Mississippi's parent/guardian exception applies to those persons at least 18 years old and only for consumption of light wine, beer and, as of June 18, 2020, light spirits product.	

Mississippi-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

Mississippi-Underage Purchase and Attempted Purchase	
Is the purchase of alcoholic beverages prohibited?	Yes
May youth purchase for law enforcement purposes?	No

Mississippi-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
Do state statutes or regulations mandate that state driver's licenses for persons under 21 be 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 codified statute or regulation requiring the issuance of such licenses has been found to exist.	

Underage Drinking and Driving

Mississippi-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
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Mississippi-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

Mississippi-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

Mississippi-Furnishing Alcohol to Minors	
Is furnishing of alcoholic beverages to minors prohibited?	Yes
Are there exceptions based on family relationships?	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is furnishing allowed if the parent or guardian supplies the alcohol? • Is furnishing allowed if the spouse supplies the alcohol? 	Yes 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 exception applies to those persons at least 18 years old and only for furnishing of light wine, beer, or, as of June 18, 2020, light spirit product.	

Mississippi-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?	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Defense in dram shop liability lawsuits • Discounts in dram shop liability insurance, license fees, or other • Mitigation of fines or other administrative penalties for sales to minors or intoxicated persons • Protection against license revocation for sales to minors or sales to intoxicated persons 	N/A N/A N/A 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

Mississippi-Minimum Ages for Sellers of Alcohol – Off-Premises (i.e., Liquor Stores)	
What is the minimum age requirement for off-premises retail establishments?	
Beer	None
Wine	21
Spirits	21

Does a manager or supervisor have to be present when an underage person is selling beverages?	No
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Mississippi-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

Mississippi-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, but no permits on campus.
Is there a distance requirement for on-premises outlets (i.e., restaurants and bars)?	Yes, but no permits on campus.
To which alcohol products does requirement apply?	Wine and 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 and 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.	

Mississippi-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

Mississippi-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

Mississippi-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 and 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

Mississippi-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

Mississippi-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

Mississippi-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

Mississippi-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

Mississippi-Home Delivery	
Is home delivery of alcohol permitted?	
Beer	No law
Wine	Prohibited
Spirits	Prohibited

Mississippi- Direct to Consumer	
Is there a policy allowing on-premises retailers to deliver alcohol to a consumer at home?	No
Which on-premises retailers can provide delivery of alcoholic beverages? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restaurant • Bar license • Third party license 	N/A N/A N/A
Which types of alcohol are permitted to be delivered? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beer • Wine • Spirits • Mixed Drinks 	N/A N/A N/A N/A
Requirements and Restrictions	
Are there restrictions in place addressing details of the delivery? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hours limited • Amount of alcohol limited • Food requirement 	N/A N/A N/A
Are there certain requirements that the delivery person must meet? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be 21 • Must check ID at point of delivery • Must receive payment regardless of delivery completion 	N/A N/A N/A

Alcohol Pricing

Mississippi-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
<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
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?	Yes
Specific excise tax per gallon for 12% alcohol wine	Not relevant
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?	Not relevant
<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 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?	Not relevant
<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 6 – 14% alcohol wine if applicable	
Spirits	
Control system for spirits?	Yes
Specific excise tax per gallon for 40% alcohol spirits	Not relevant
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?	Not relevant
<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?	Not relevant
<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	

Mississippi-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

Mississippi-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	
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
Spirits	
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

Enforcement Policies

Mississippi-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 Male: youthful looking with no facial hair
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

Mississippi-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?	One year
What is the penalty for the first offense?	\$500 to \$1,000 fine and/or suspension of license for not more than 1 week
What is the penalty for the second offense?	\$1,000 to \$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
Notes: Penalties for sale of liquor to minor are: First offense: Fine of \$500 to \$1,000 Second offense: Fine of \$1,000 to \$2,000 or by imprisonment of no more than one year and automatic and permanent revocation.	

Mississippi State Survey Responses

State Agency Information	
<i>Agency with primary responsibility for enforcing underage drinking laws:</i>	
The Mississippi State Attorney General's Office Via MOU with Mississippi Department of Mental Health	
Enforcement Strategies	
<i>State law enforcement agencies use:</i>	
Cops in Shops	Yes
Shoulder Tap Operations	No
Party Patrol Operations or Programs	No
Underage Alcohol–Related Fatality Investigations	No
<i>Local law enforcement agencies use:</i>	
Cops in Shops	No
Shoulder Tap Operations	No
Party Patrol Operations or Programs	No
Underage Alcohol–Related Fatality Investigations	No
<i>State has a program to investigate and enforce direct sales/shipment laws</i>	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	
<i>State collects data on the number of minors found in possession</i>	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
<i>State conducts underage compliance checks/decoy operations² to determine whether alcohol retailers are complying with laws prohibiting sales to minors</i>	Yes
Data are collected on these activities	Yes
Number of retail licensees in state ³	412
Number of licensees checked for compliance by state agencies (including random checks)	412
Number of licensees that failed state compliance checks	0
Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	09/01/2020
Compliance checks/decoy operations conducted at on-sale, off-sale, or both retail establishments	On-sale establishments only
<i>State conducts random underage compliance checks/decoy operations</i>	Yes
Number of licensees subject to random state compliance checks/decoy operations	0
Number of licensees that failed random state compliance checks	0
<i>Local agencies conduct underage compliance checks/decoy operations to determine whether alcohol retailers are complying with laws prohibiting sales to minors</i>	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	
<i>State collects data on fines imposed on retail establishments that furnish to minors</i>	Yes
Number of fines imposed by the state ⁴	0
Total amount in fines across all licensees	\$0
Smallest fine imposed	\$0
Largest fine imposed	\$0

Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	09/01/2020
<i>State collects data on license suspensions imposed on retail establishments specifically for furnishing to minors</i>	Yes
Number of suspensions imposed by the state ⁵	0
Total days of suspensions across all licensees	0
Shortest period of suspension imposed (in days)	0
Longest period of suspension imposed (in days)	0
Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	09/01/2020
<i>State collects data on license revocations imposed on retail establishments specifically for furnishing to minors</i>	Yes
Number of license revocations imposed ⁶	0
Numbers pertain to the 12 months ending	09/01/2020

Additional Clarification

The State of Mississippi decided not to conduct compliance checks for sales to minors due to the COVID-19 pandemic during the reporting period. This decision was made to avoid exposing the state's youth team members to risk of infection.

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

Metro Jackson Community Prevention Coalition

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	No
URL for evaluation report:	Not applicable
URL for more program information:	No data

Program Description: A community-level prevention service provider that is housed within a historically Black college and university. The program implements evidence-based curriculums and environmental strategies and promotes alternative choices to substance use/abuse via education and awareness. The program targets the general public, faith-based organizations, boys and girls clubs, civic organizations, at-risk youths, and public and private school students.

Alcorn Substance Abuse Prevention Program

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	No
URL for evaluation report:	Not applicable
URL for more program information:	No data

Program Description: A community-level prevention service provider that is housed within a historically Black college and university. The program implements evidence-based curriculums and environmental strategies and promotes alternative choices to substance use/abuse via education and awareness. The program targets the general public, faith-based organizations, boys and girls clubs, civic organizations, at-risk youths, college students, Greek letter organizations, and public and private school students.

Mississippi State University

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	No
URL for evaluation report:	Not applicable
URL for more program information:	No data

Program Description: A community-level prevention service provider that is housed within the state's second largest university. The program implements evidence-based curriculums and environmental strategies and promotes alternative choices to substance use/abuse via education and awareness. The program targets the general public, faith-based organizations, boys and girls clubs, civic organizations, at-risk youths, college students, Greek Letter organizations, and public and private school students.

Mississippi Public Health Institute (MSPHI)

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:	No data
URL for more program information:	No data

Program Description: A community-level prevention service provider considered to be a stand alone program, in that it is not a Community Mental Health Center (CMHC). MSPHI is one of the eight Free Standing Programs in MS that renders prevention service and is not a CMHC. The program implements evidence-based curriculums and environmental strategies and promotes alternative choices to substance use/abuse via education and awareness. The program targets the general public, faith-based organizations, boys and girls clubs, civic organizations, at-risk youths, and public and private school students.

The National Council

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	No
URL for evaluation report:	Not applicable
URL for more program information:	No data

Program Description: A community-level prevention service provider considered to be a stand alone program, in that it is not a CMHC. NCADD is one of the eight Free Standing Programs in MS that renders prevention services and is not a CMHC. The program implements evidence-based curriculums and environmental strategies and promotes alternative choices to substance use/abuse via education and awareness. The program targets the general public, faith-based organizations, boys and girls clubs, civic organizations, at-risk youths, and public and private school students.

Vicksburg Family Development (VFD)

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	No
URL for evaluation report:	Not applicable
URL for more program information:	No data

Program Description: A community-level prevention service provider considered to be a stand alone program, in that it is not a CMHC. Vicksburg Family Development is one of the eight Free Standing Programs in MS that renders

prevention service and is not a CMHC. The program implements evidence-based curriculums and environmental strategies and promotes alternative choices to substance use/abuse via education and awareness. The program targets the general public, faith-based organizations, boys and girls clubs, civic organizations, at-risk youths, and public and private school students.

Alcohol Services Center (ASC)

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	No
URL for evaluation report:	Not applicable
URL for more program information:	No data

Program Description: A community-level prevention service provider considered to be a stand alone program, in that it is not a CMHC. ASC is one of the eight Free Standing Programs in MS that renders prevention service and is not a CMHC. The program implements evidence-based curriculums and environmental strategies and promotes alternative choices to substance use/abuse via education and awareness. The program targets the general public, faith-based organizations, boys and girls clubs, civic organizations, at-risk youths, and public and private school students.

Innovative Behavior Health (IBH)

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	No
URL for evaluation report:	Not applicable
URL for more program information:	No data

Program Description: A community-level prevention service provider considered to be a stand alone program, in that it is not a CMHC. IBH is one of the eight Free Standing Programs in MS that renders prevention service and is not a CMHC. The program implements evidence-based curriculums and environmental strategies and promotes alternative choices to substance use/abuse via education and awareness. The program targets the general public, faith-based organizations, boys and girls clubs, civic organizations, at-risk youths, and public and private school students.

The ARC of Mississippi

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	No
URL for evaluation report:	Not applicable
URL for more program information:	No data

Program Description: A community-level prevention service provider considered to be a stand alone program, in that it is not a CMHC. The VRC is one of the eight Free Standing Programs in MS that renders prevention service and is not a CMHC. The program implements evidence-based curriculums and environmental strategies and promotes alternative choices to substance use/abuse via education and awareness. The program targets the general public, faith-based organizations, boys and girls clubs, civic organizations, at-risk youths, and special need youth to include individuals with developmental disabilities.

Additional Underage Drinking Prevention Programs Operated or Funded by the State

No data

Additional Clarification

The programs highlighted are the State Freestanding programs in which primary function is to provide evidence-based substance abuse prevention services to the youth of Mississippi.

Additional Information Related to Underage Drinking Prevention Programs

<i>State collaborates with federally recognized tribal governments in the prevention of underage drinking</i>	Yes
Description of collaboration: Mississippi work with the MS Band of Choctaw Indians (MBCI) located in the Eastern portion of the State. The MS Dept. of Mental Health has an ongoing rapport with MBCI and supports any of their behavior and mental health needs as permitted. Culturally, it is important to recognize and respect any restrictions and/or limitations outlines written or unwritten. Therefore, DMH respectfully embraces any invitation to collaborate with MBCI but acknowledges and respects any refusals of assistance or services.	
<i>State has programs to measure and/or reduce youth exposure to alcohol advertising and marketing</i>	No
Description of program: Not applicable	
<i>State collaborates with/participates in media campaigns to prevent underage drinking</i>	Don't know/no answer
Federal campaigns:	Not applicable
Regional and local media campaigns:	Not applicable
Local school district efforts:	Not applicable
Other:	Not applicable
<i>State collaborates with/participates in SAMHSA's national media campaign, "Talk. They Hear You."</i>	Not applicable
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	Not applicable
<i>State procures funding for TTHY</i>	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): SAMHSA/CSAP	Yes
Agency(ies) within your state:	No
Nongovernmental agency(ies):	No
Other:	No
Best practice standards description: No data	

Additional Clarification

No data

State Interagency Collaboration

<i>A state-level interagency governmental body/committee exists to coordinate or address underage drinking prevention activities</i>	Yes
<i>Committee contact information:</i>	
Name: Chuck Oliphant	
Email: chuck.oliphant@dmh.ms.gov	
Address: 239 N. Lamar Street, Jackson MS 39201	
Phone: 601-359-6227	
<i>Agencies/organizations represented on the committee:</i>	
Mississippians Against Unhealthy Decisions	
<i>A website or other public source exists to describe committee activities</i>	No
URL or other means of access: Not applicable	

Underage Drinking Reports	
<i>State has prepared a plan for preventing underage drinking in the last 3 years</i>	No
Prepared by: Not applicable	
Plan can be accessed via: Not applicable	
<i>State has prepared a report on preventing underage drinking in the last 3 years</i>	No
Prepared by: Not applicable	
Report can be accessed via: Not applicable	
Additional Clarification	
No data	
State Expenditures for the Prevention of Underage Drinking	
<i>Compliance checks in retail outlets:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	Unknown
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	09/01/2020
<i>Checkpoints and saturation patrols:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	Unknown
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	09/01/2020
<i>Community-based programs to prevent underage drinking:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	\$0
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	09/01/2020
<i>K–12 school-based programs to prevent underage drinking:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	Data not available
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	Data not available
<i>Programs targeted to institutes of higher learning:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	\$450,000
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	No data
<i>Programs that target youth in the juvenile justice system:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	\$450,000
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	09/01/2020
<i>Programs that target youth in the child welfare system:</i>	
Estimate of state funds expended	\$450,000
Estimate based on the 12 months ending	09/01/2020
<i>Other programs:</i>	
Programs or strategies included: Not applicable	
Estimate of state funds expended:	\$0
Estimate based on the 12 months ending:	09/01/2020
Funds Dedicated to Underage Drinking	
<i>State derives funds dedicated to underage drinking from the following revenue streams:</i>	
Taxes	No
Fines	No
Fees	No
Other: Not applicable	No
<i>Description of funding streams and how they are used:</i>	
Not applicable	
Additional Clarification	
No data	



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