— UNDERAGE DRINKING — NOT A MINOR PROBLEM IN BARRY COUNTY

55%

Out of the 1,757 Barry County youth surveyed from 7th, 9th and 11th grade, 55% have never used alcohol in their lifetime.

ADULT'S PERCEPTION OF OUR BIGGEST PROBLEM?

65% View Alcohol As #1

Out of 230 Barry County adults surveyed, 65% responded that they view alcohol as our biggest community problem.

THEY'RE RIGHT: Alcohol is still the deadliest drug in the United States and the number one abused substance by youth in Barry County. Alcohol should never be served to persons under the age of 21.



THE GOOD NEWS?

94%

94% of parents surveyed responded that they don't allow underage drinking in their home.

●94.6%

Out of the 1,757 Barry County youth surveyed from 7th, 9th and 11th grade, 94.6% report their parents view underage drinking as "wrong or very wrong" and 81.2% report their parents have talked with them recently about not drinking underage.

PARENTS ARE PREVENTION: Feeling close to an adult is the largest protective factor in a youth's life. Support Barry County youth by starting the conversation now on the dangers of alcohol and underage drinking. You can find talking points at **talksooner.org**.





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