



COMMUNITY SURVEY DATA ANALYSIS



ABOUT THE SURVEY

- administered every two years
- initially created in preparation for our Drug Free Communities Grant (DFC) application
- updated regularly to reflect current needs and trends





WHERE CAN I FIND THE SURVEY?

- www.healthylamoillevalley.org/data
 - Survey results from 2021, 2023, 2025
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WHAT'S IN THE SURVEY?

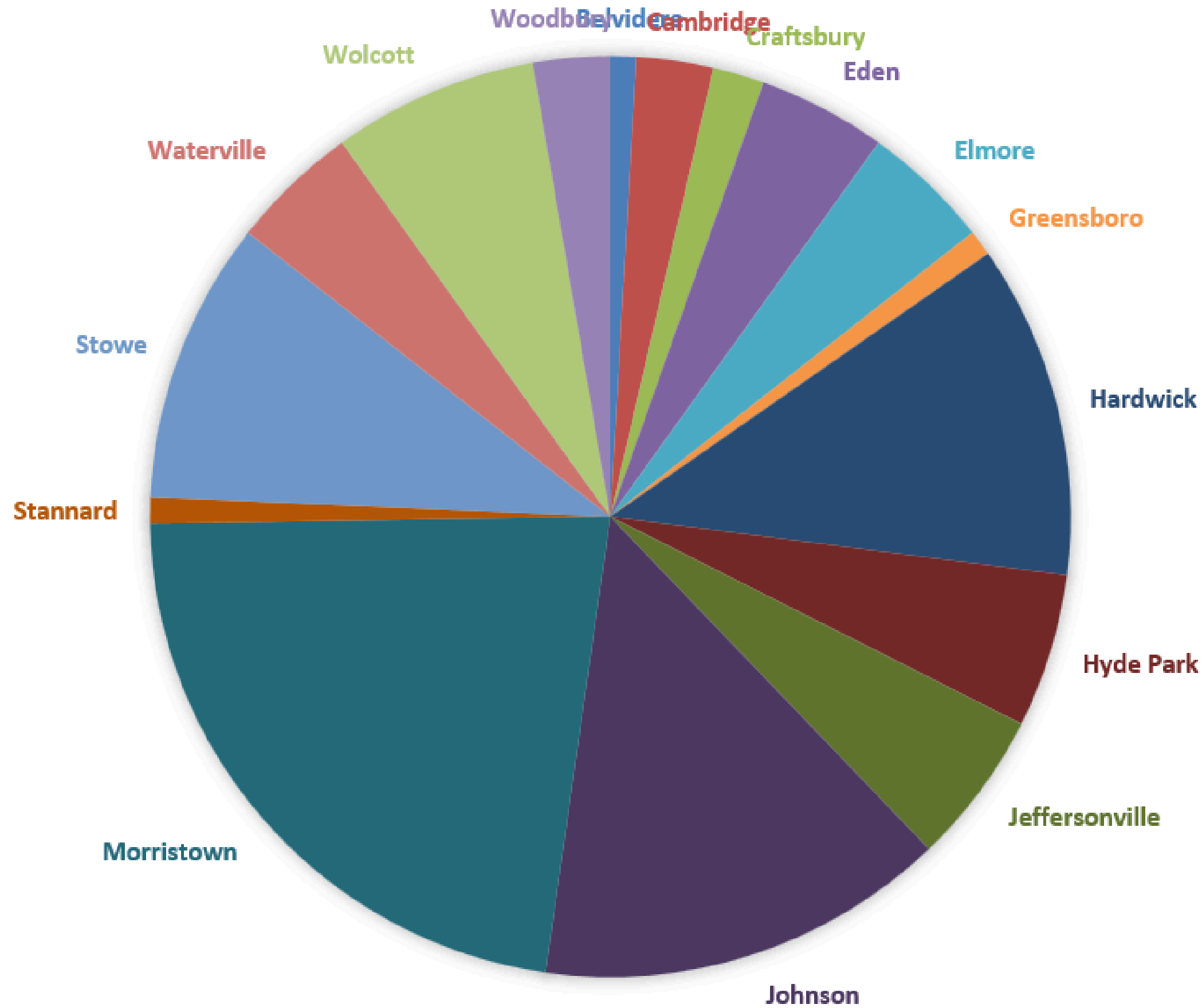
- Lamoille Valley demographic questions
 - Perceived degree of underage substance use in their community
 - Perceived factors leading to underage alcohol and cannabis use
 - Perceived factors leading to other drug use
 - Assess effect of community prevention strategies
 - Assess support for public policies
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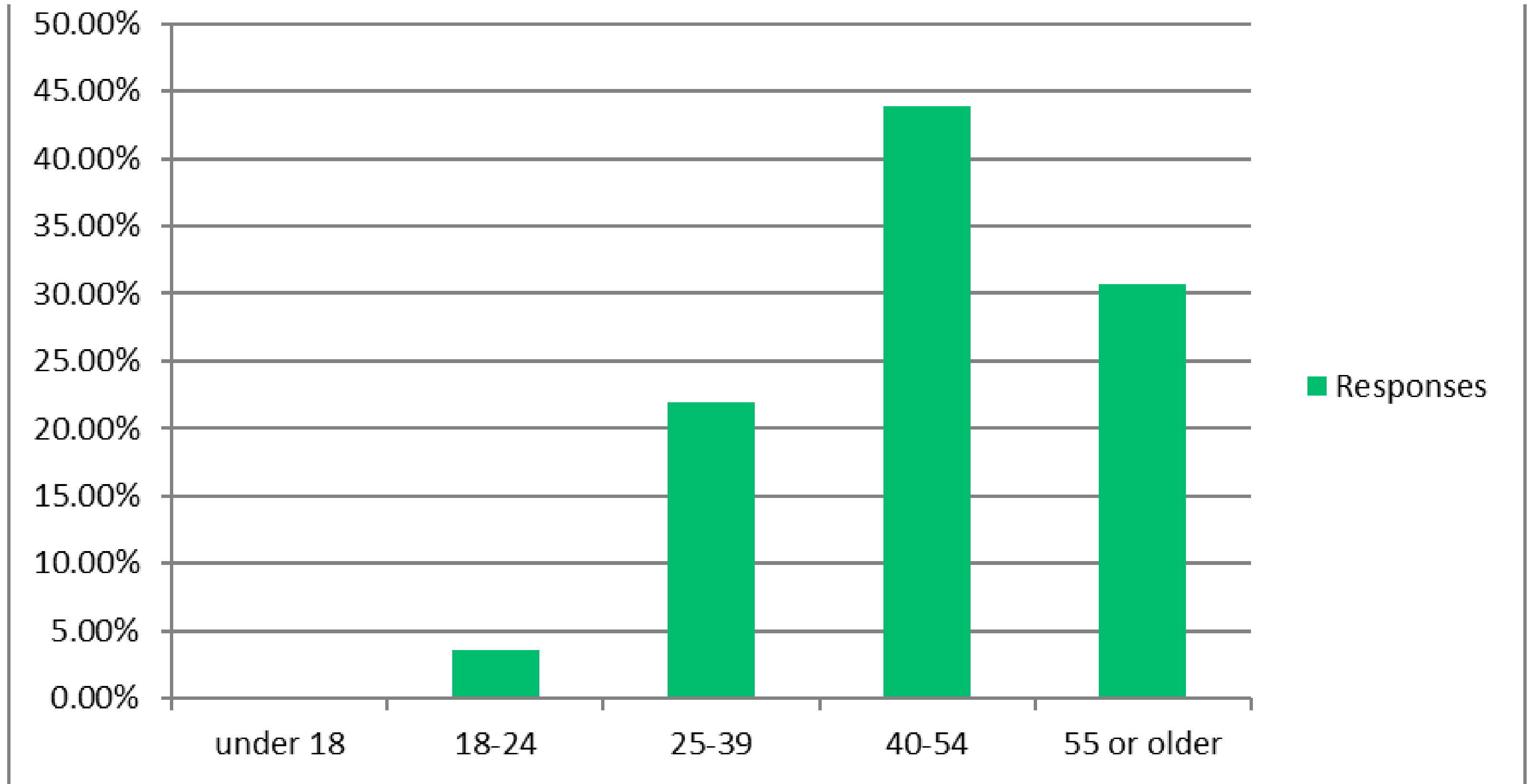
HOW THE SURVEY IS CONDUCTED

- SurveyMonkey
 - Announced on the HLV website, social media, and newsletter
 - Front Porch Forum allows us to target the Lamoille Valley region
 - Raffle incentives
 - Available in English and Spanish starting 2025
 - 114 Lamoille Valley community members participated in 2025
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WHO ANSWERED THE SURVEY IN 2025?



AGE OF RESPONDENTS





POINTS OF CONSIDERATION

- How does our community value youth?
 - What are the messages the community sends to youth about their importance to the community?
 - How can we as a community support youth?
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KEY HIGHLIGHTS

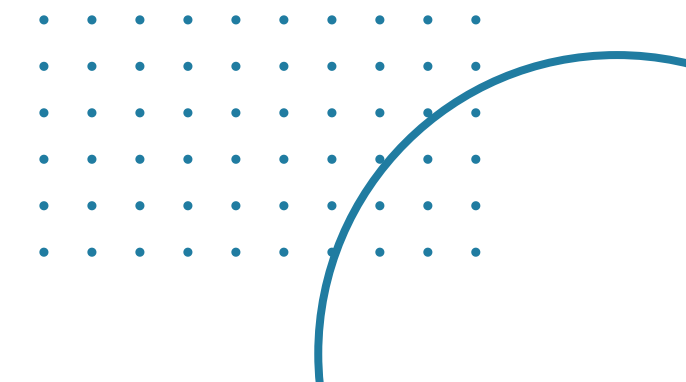
ADULT PERCEPTION OF HARM

YOUTH ACCESS

YOUTH SENSE OF MATTERING

HIGHEST RISK FACTORS LEADING TO UNDERAGE ALCOHOL USE

- Parents/caregivers don't talk to their kids about the risks – 89%
- Families and parents/caregivers allow youth to drink – 79%
- Underage drinking is viewed by adults as a rite of passage – 79%
- Youth do not have clear purpose or goals – 79%



"Parents/caregivers don't talk to their kids about the risks (of alcohol)."

2025

89%

2023

86%

2021

78%

"Families and parents/caregivers allow youth to drink."

2025

79%

2023

77%

2021

66%

**"Underage drinking is viewed by adults
as a rite of passage."**

2025

79%

2023

62%

2021

69%

"Youth do not have clear purpose or goals."

2025

79%

2023

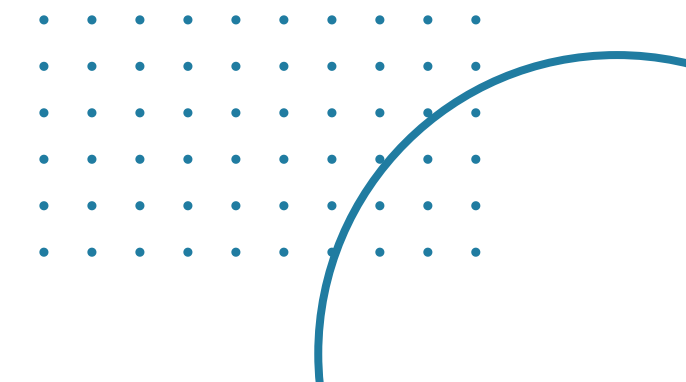
78%

2021

N/A

HIGHEST RISK FACTORS LEADING TO UNDERAGE CANNABIS USE

- Parents/caregivers don't talk to their kids about the risks – 79%
- Adults accept or tolerate youth using cannabis – 79%
- It's easy for youth to get cannabis – 76%
- Youth do not have clear purpose or goals – 71%



"Parents/caregivers don't talk to their kids about the risks of underage cannabis use."

2025

79%

2023

74%

2021

69%

"Adults accept or tolerate youth using cannabis."

2025

79%

2023

68%

2021

64%

"It's easy for youth to get cannabis."

2025

76%

2023

74%

2021

71%

"Youth do not have clear purpose or goals."

2025

71%

2023

67%

2021

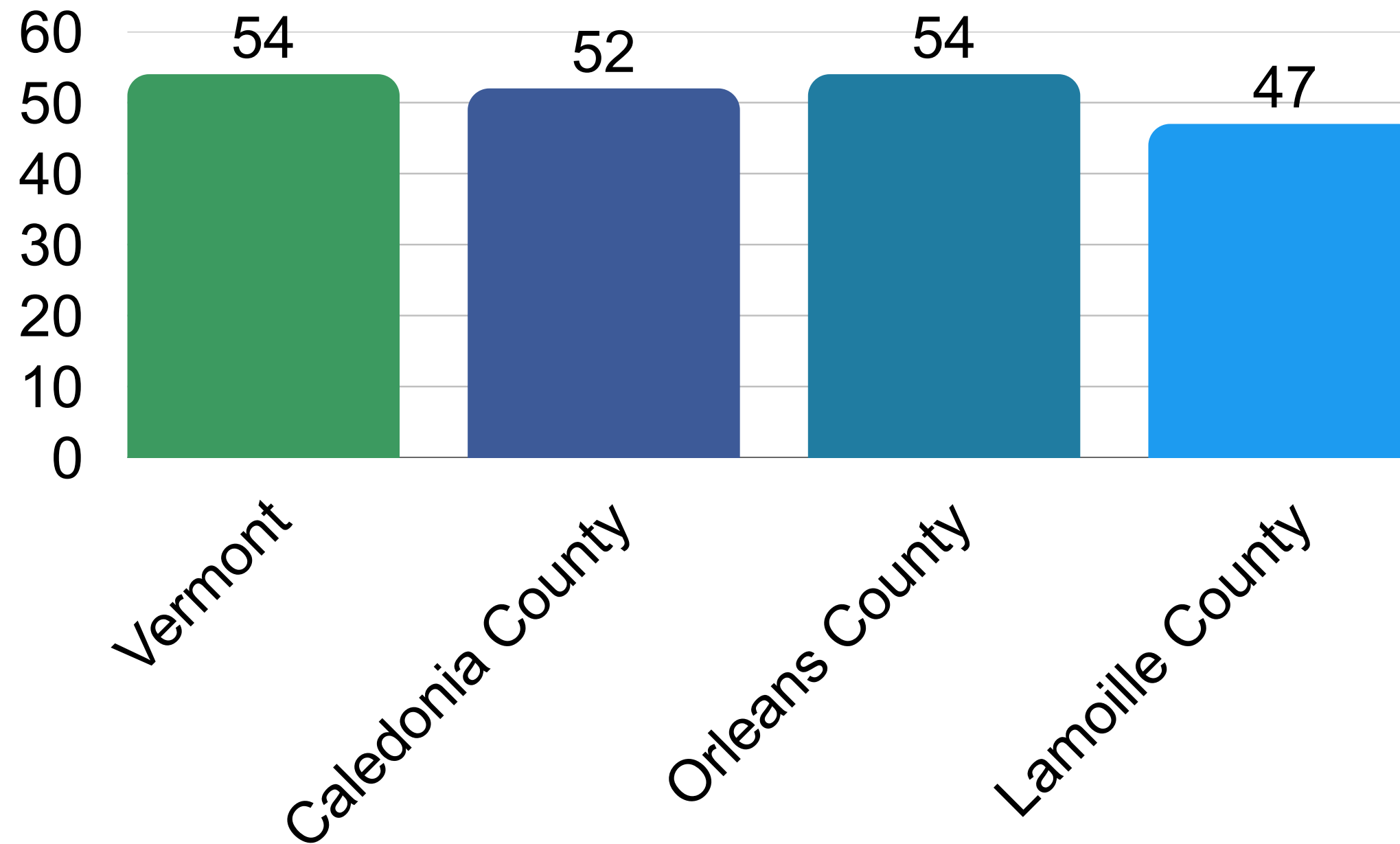
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POINTS OF CONSIDERATION REFRESHER

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Percent of High School Students Who Don't Think They Matter to People in Their Community



Source: 2023 VT Youth Risk Behavior Survey