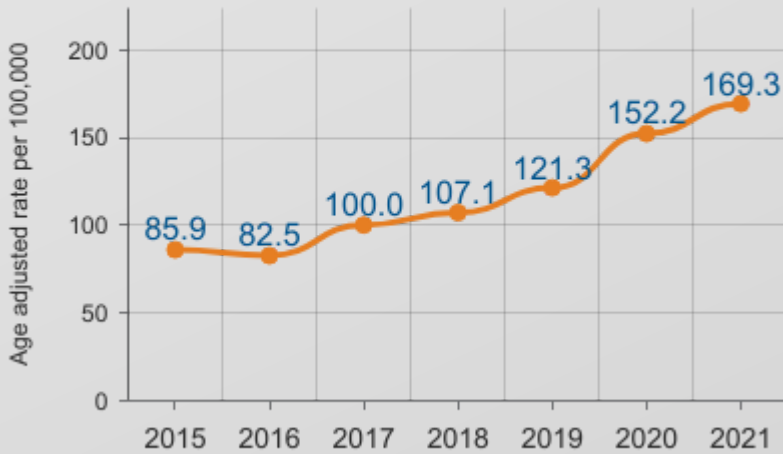


San Juan County, NM ALCOHOL & CONSEQUENCES

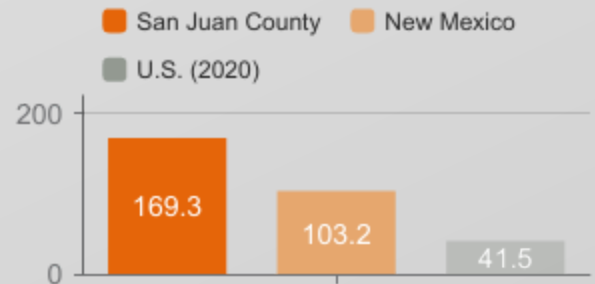
Alcohol-related Death Rates Increased in San Juan County (2015-2021)



199
Deaths

In 2021, there were 199 alcohol-related deaths in San Juan County.

Alcohol-related Death Rates (Rates per 100,000, 2021)

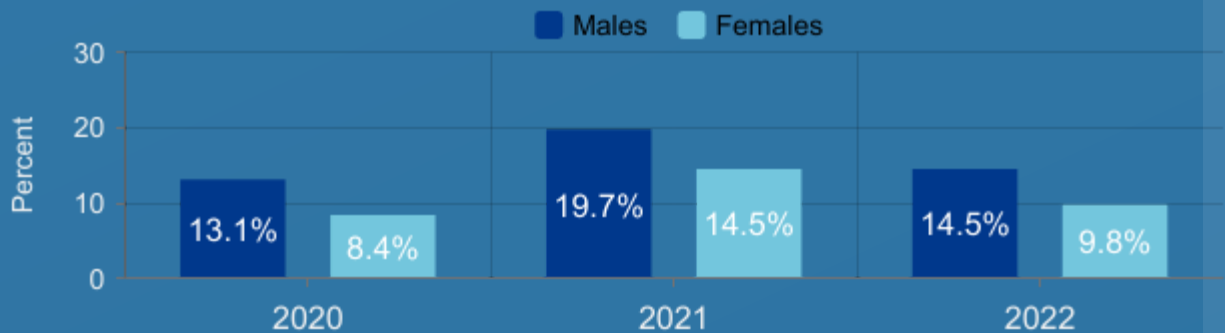


Binge drinking correlates with alcohol-related injury and death. Like many areas of the country, we saw an increase in binge drinking during the COVID pandemic. In 2022, self-report of binge drinking was more similar to rates in 2020.



of all deaths in San Juan County are **alcohol-related**

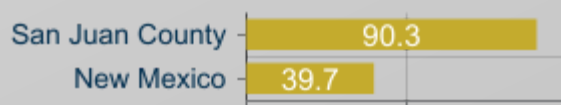
Binge Drinking, Adults, Males & Females (NMCS, 2020-2022)



Law Enforcement is part of the solution. The rate of DWI arrests in San Juan County is twice that of New Mexico's rate. Through DWI enforcement and a visible presence in the community, the perception of risk of arrest for DWI is increased, which reduces the likelihood that people will drive while intoxicated.

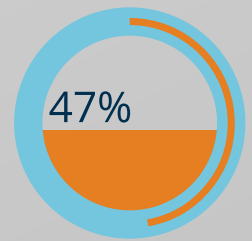
1,098
DWI Arrests
in 2021

Rate of DWI Arrests (Rate per 10,000 population, 2021)



Of the 19 traffic fatalities in 2022, 9 (47%) were alcohol-involved.

The number of fatalities in 2020 and 2022 were significantly lower than in previous years.



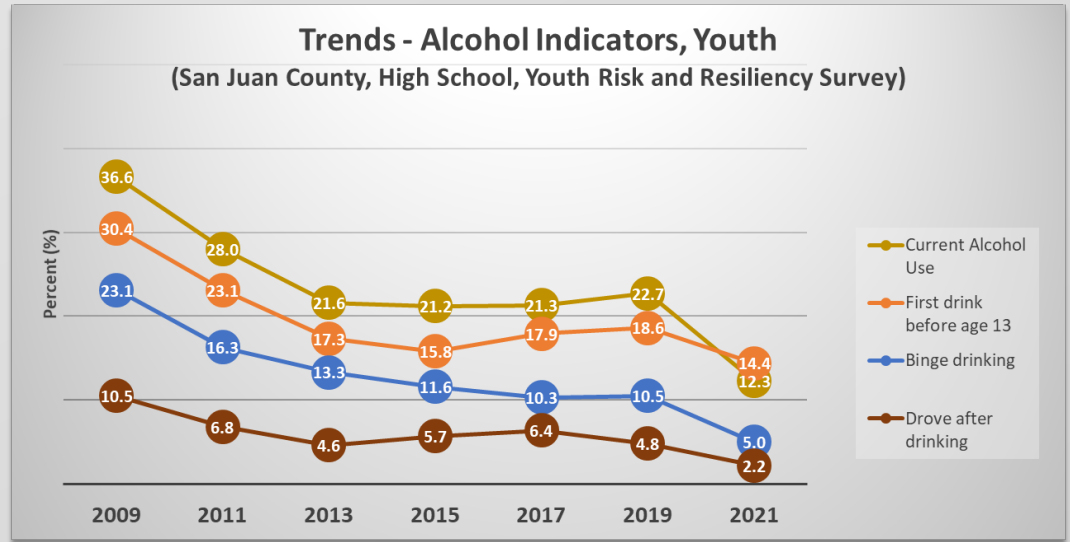
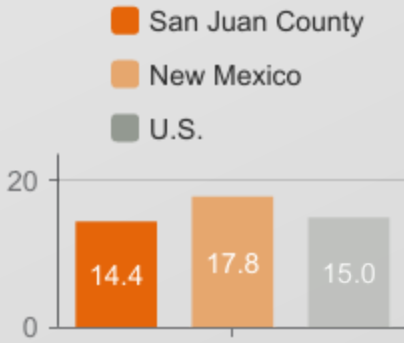
Sources: Alcohol-related death data from the New Mexico Dept. of Health and CDC. Adult survey data are from the New Mexico Community Survey (NMCS). Youth survey data are from the Youth Risk and Resiliency Survey (YRRS). Traffic data are from the NM Dept. of Transportation, Traffic Safety.



UNDERAGE DRINKING

Early Initiation of alcohol use is an important predictor of alcohol addiction later in life.

First Drink Before Age 13

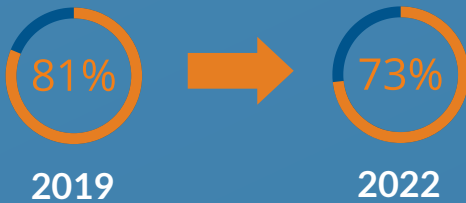


Access to Alcohol

Community survey data suggest that although most respondents believe it is easy for youth to obtain alcohol, it is getting *less* easy. There has also been a significant decrease in the percent of youth who report they obtained alcohol through social sources.

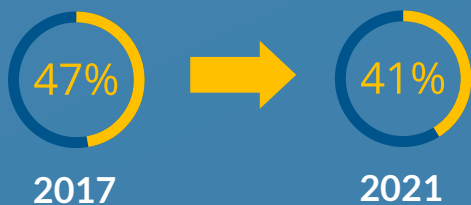
Access to Alcohol by Teens

Very or Somewhat Easy
NMCS, 2019 & 2022



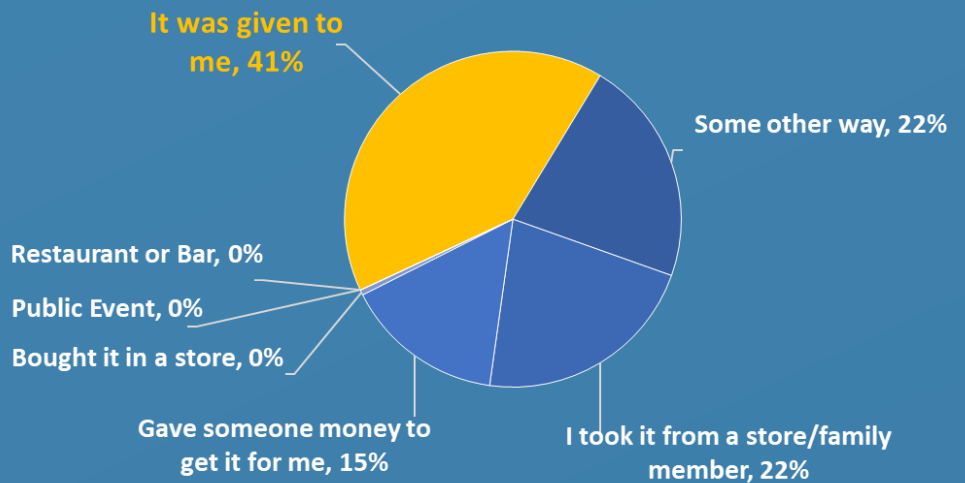
Social Access to Alcohol

Way obtained was "Given to me"
YRRS, 2017 & 2021



How Youth Obtained Alcohol

San Juan County, NM (YRRS, 2021)



PREVENTION WORKS!

San Juan County Partnership has utilized a variety of media to publicize that it is a 4th Degree Felony to provide alcohol to a minor other than one's own child. Community awareness increased from 74% in 2019 to 76% in 2022, and there has been a significant decrease in the percent of respondents who report they provided alcohol to a minor.



76%

Community respondents are aware of the 4th degree felony

For more data, visit sanjuancountydata.org

