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Declining Alcohol Use Among Those Under 21

Broward County youth aged 12 to 20 report greater declines in current alcohol use and binge drinking in the past month than those across the nation or in all of Florida. The December 2014 *Broward Briefings* reported declining alcohol use among Broward middle and high school students as measured by the Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey over the past decade. A broader view of underage drinking is provided by the National Survey on Drug Use and Health which tracks alcohol use among those aged 12 to 20 in its Substate Data reports. Those under age 21 in Broward reported the lowest level of alcohol use and binge drinking in the State of Florida among the Department of Children and Families' 20 Circuits.

Trends in Alcohol Use Among Persons Aged 12-20 in the United States, Florida, and Broward County: 2002-04 to 2010-12







