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City and Borough of Juneau, Alaska

Profile of Drug Indicators

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City and Borough of Juneau, Alaska

The following profile contains information on demographics, political figures, programs, crime, drug use, drug trafficking, and enforcement statistics.

Demographics¹

- Population (2000 Census): 30,711
- Race/Ethnicity (2000 Census): 73.3% white; 0.8% black/African American; 11.1% American Indian/Alaska Native, 4.6% Asian, 0.4% Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander, 0.1% some other race, 6.3% two or more races, 3.4% Hispanic/Latino (of any race)

Politics

- Mayor: Sally Smith²
- City Manager: Rod Swope³
- Assembly Members:⁴
 - District 1 Members: Ken Koelsch; Jeannie Johnson; Merrill Sanford
 - District 2 Members: Dale Anderson; Stan Ridgeway; Randy Wanamaker
 - Areawide Members: Jim Powell and Marc E. Wheeler
- Chief of Police: Richard Gummow⁵

Programs/Initiatives

- Reconnecting Youth⁶

Reconnecting Youth is a school-based prevention program targeted at freshmen and sophomores at Juneau-Douglas High School who show signs of poor school performance, potential for dropping out, or multiple problem behaviors. The program encourages the students to develop and strengthen mood control, to decrease or stop drug involvement, and to improve overall school performance. The students work on these goals in small groups that meet 2-3 times per week and are facilitated by adults. The curriculum and group bonding are reinforced by 2½-day retreats where the students work on drug use prevention and other healthy life choices.
- Keep A Clear Mind (KACM)⁷

This prevention program is targeted to fourth graders at all six elementary schools in Juneau. KACM teaches students prevention skills by using classroom discussion and activities that the kids complete at school and then teach to their parent or caregiver. The students bring the workbooks back to class after having completed lessons with an adult on tobacco, alcohol, marijuana, inhalants, and other basic resistance skills.

Federal Funding

- Drug-Free Communities Support Program⁸

Since FY 1998 when Drug-Free Communities funding was first available, Juneau has not received funding.
- Executive Office for Weed and Seed⁹

Juneau has not been officially recognized as a Weed and Seed site.

- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Discretionary Funds awarded to Juneau in FY 2002:¹⁰
 - Center for Mental Health Services
 - \$100,000 to Alaska Department of Health and Social Services. Project period 9/30/01-9/29/04.
 - \$345,455 to Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes. Project period 9/30/01-9/29/04.
 - Center for Substance Abuse Treatment
 - \$100,000 to Alaska Department of Health and Social Services. Project period 9/30/02-9/29/05.
- FY 2002 Office of Justice Programs Drug Court Grant recipients in Juneau:¹¹
 - \$30,000 to Tribes of Alaska for drug court planning.
- There were no Juneau recipients of the FY 2002 Community Oriented Policing Services Methamphetamine Grant.¹²
- There were no Juneau recipients of the FY 2001 Housing and Urban Development Drug Elimination Grant.¹³
- FY 2002 Office of Justice Programs and Community Oriented Policing Services grant amounts for Juneau:¹⁴
 - \$ 10,344,892 in discretionary funds
 - \$ 5,267,760 in formula funds

Juveniles

- During 2002, there were 598 total juveniles charged in Juneau. Of those juveniles charged, 42 cases were related to drug and alcohol charges.¹⁵

Number of Juvenile Charges, Juneau, FY 2002

Charge Type	FY 2002
Against person	124
Against property	290
Against public order	32
Drug and alcohol	42
Weapon	9
Miscellaneous	101
Total	598

Enforcement

- As of October 2001, there were 78 total full time law enforcement employees in Juneau (43 officers and 35 civilians).¹⁶

Trafficking and Seizures

- In Southern Alaska, particularly in Juneau, methamphetamine arrives in the area in large amounts that have already been processed into a usable form.¹⁷

Courts

➤ Drug Courts¹⁸

As of May 2003, there were 3 drug courts in Juneau that were recently implemented or being planned. Two drug courts were recently implemented and one tribal drug court was being planned.

➤ During 2000, there were 126 court cases in Juneau involving underage drinking.¹⁹

Number of Underage Drinking Court Cases, Juneau, 1995-2000

Year	Number of Court Cases
1995	205
1996	435
1997	303
1998	314
1999	397
2000	126

Corrections

➤ During 2000, there were 2 inmates in the Juneau Community Residential Center Monitoring program. This was a decrease from the 13 inmates in the program during 1999.²⁰

➤ Of the 2 inmates in the Juneau Community Residential Center Monitoring program during 2000, one had received a controlled substance charge.²¹

➤ During 2000, there were 208 persons under supervision for probation/parole in Juneau.²²

Consequences of Use

➤ From 1991-1998, there was one youth alcohol-related injury resulting in death in Juneau. From 1991 to 1998, there were 17 alcohol-related injuries requiring hospitalization in Juneau for persons ages 20 years or younger.²³

Alcohol-Related Injuries Requiring Hospitalization, Juneau, 1991-1998

Year	Persons Ages 20 and Younger
1991	2
1992	6
1993	0
1994	2
1995	3
1996	2
1997	0
1998	2
Total	17

➤ During 1998, there were 7 motor vehicle accidents relating to underage drinking in Juneau.²⁴

Number of Motor Vehicle Accidents for Underage Drinking Drivers, Juneau, 1996-1998

Year	Number of Accidents
1996	5
1997	5
1998	7

Treatment

- Juneau Alcohol Safety Action Program (ASAP)²⁵
 The Juneau ASAP is based on a national model that seeks to reduce the frequency of alcohol-related traffic accidents through early identification of problem-drinkers and the initiation of appropriate interventions to deter alcohol-related drinking behavior. During 1999, of the 272 total persons in the Juneau ASAP program, 163 had completed treatment. In the Juneau ASAP program, a re-offense occurs when an ASAP client convicted of an alcohol-related misdemeanor is convicted of a subsequent alcohol-related offense within a three year period. During 1999, 43.6% of persons in the Juneau ASAP program had committed a re-offense.²⁶

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