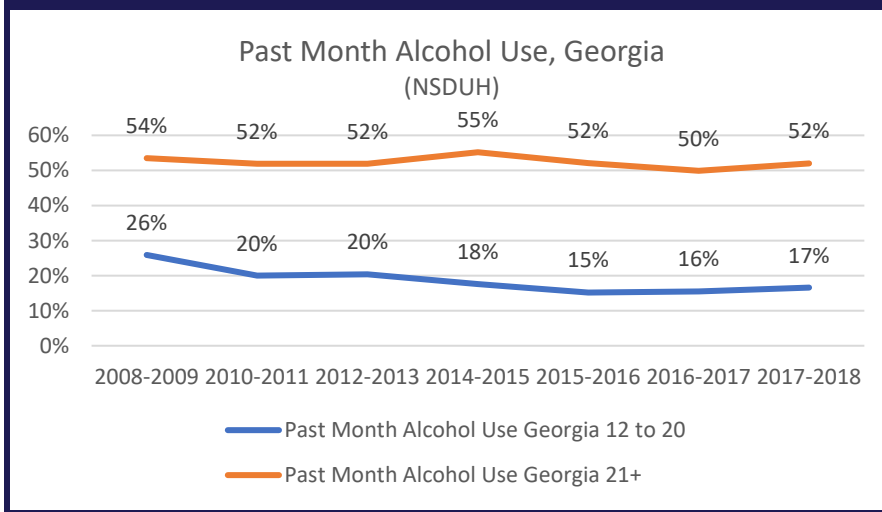




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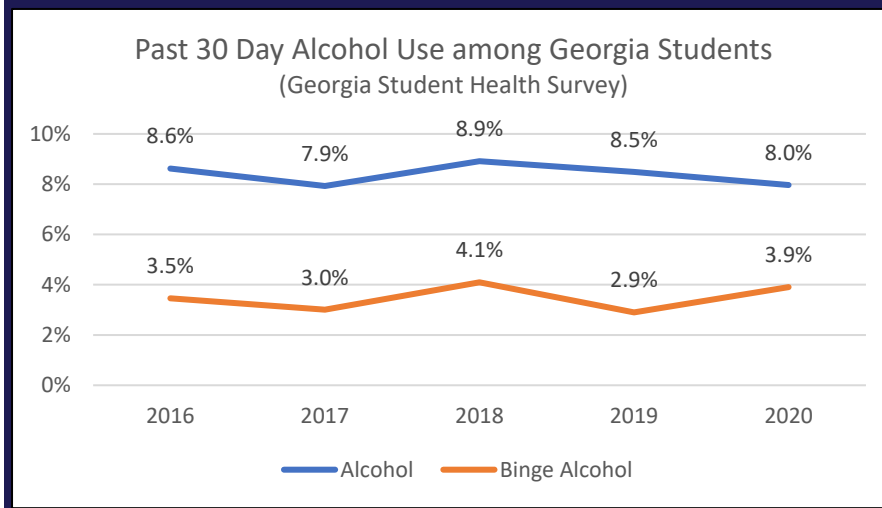
Alcohol Use in Georgia

Alcohol remains the **most used** substance in Georgia with nearly half of Georgians reporting use in the past month (National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2017-2018). Past month use among adults aged 21 and older remains around 50% each year. Past month alcohol use for Georgia middle and high students is around 8%, though 17% of underage Georgians reported drinking alcohol in the past month, indicating that underage college students are using at a higher rate than middle and high school students.



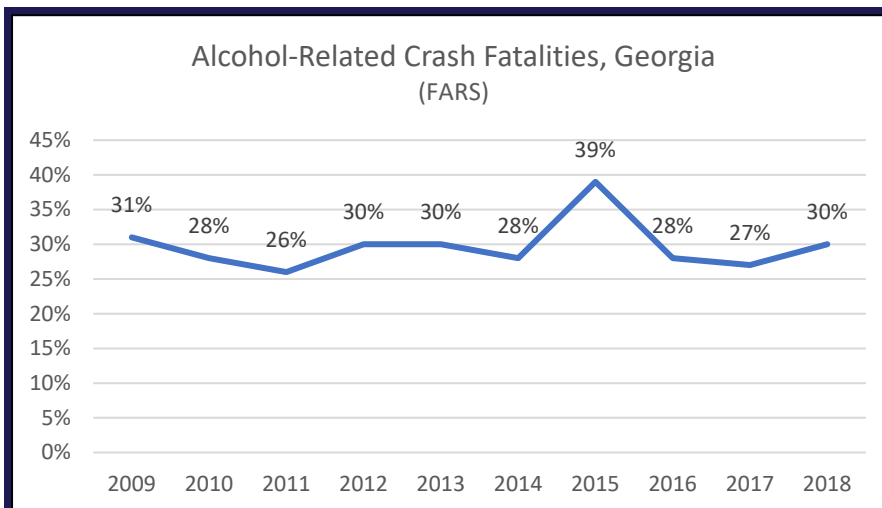
Use in Georgia

- Approximately half of Georgians who are aged 21 years old and older report using alcohol in the past month compared to nearly 20% of underage Georgians.
- 24% of people aged 21 and older report binge drinking alcohol in the past month while only 9% of people younger than 21 report binge drinking.



Underage Drinking

- Less than 1 in 10 (8%) of Georgia middle and high school students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
- Nearly 4% of middle and high school students reported binge drinking in the past month.



Consequence Data

- In 2018, 30% of crash fatalities were related to alcohol use.
- Alcohol-induced causes have been steadily increasing since 2011. In 2018, 913 people died from alcohol-induced cases, which is a rate of 8.7 deaths per 100,000. [data not shown]