

Marijuana Cheat Sheet



Marijuana's two uses:

- Medicinal Use: generally high in Cannabidiol (CBD), low in tetrahydrocannabinol (THC)
There are currently three FDA-approved marijuana-based prescription medications:
Marinol/Cesamet, Epidiolex, and Sativex
Over a dozen others are currently in the FDA pipeline for further research on efficacy
- Recreational/Personal Use: generally low in CBD, high in THC
Current methods of use: Smoked, ingested, vaporized

Anticipated Amendments on the Ohio Ballot:

Initiative Name	Date Submitted	Type	Amends/Adds	AG Action
Cannabis Control Amendment Initiative Petition (PDF)	5/11/2015	Constitutional Amendment	Adds Article XV, Section 12 to legalize marijuana in Ohio	AG Action due 5/21/2015
Legalize Marijuana and Hemp in Ohio Initiative Petition (PDF)	4/28/2015	Constitutional Amendment	Adds Article XV, Section 12 to legalize marijuana and hemp in Ohio	Certified May 7, 2015 AG Action (PDF)
Marijuana Legalization Amendment Initiative Petition (PDF)	3/3/2015	Constitutional Amendment	Adds Article XV, Section 12 to legalize marijuana in Ohio	Certified March 13, 2015 AG Action (PDF)
End Ohio Cannabis Prohibition Act Initiative Petition (PDF)	2/17/2015	Constitutional Amendment	Adds new article to legalize marijuana in Ohio.	Rejected Feb. 25, 2015 AG Action (PDF)
Ohio Rights Group Initiative Petition (PDF)	5/7/2013	Constitutional Amendment	Ohio Cannabis Rights Amendment	Certified, May 17, 2013 AG Action (PDF)

What We Currently Know About Marijuana Use:

Colorado HIDTA (High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area) Report finds:

- ✗ 2006-2011 – Traffic fatalities decreased 16%
- ✗ 2006-2011 – Traffic fatalities involving drivers testing positive for marijuana increased 114%
- ✗ 2006 – positive for pot -28% of fatal vehicle crashes involving drugs
- ✗ 2011 – positive for pot – 56% of fatal vehicle crashes involving drugs

In a Liberty Mutual/SADD survey of teen drivers:

- ✗ 19% admitted to driving after smoking marijuana
- ✗ 36% - marijuana smoking no distraction while driving
- ✗ 34% who admitted to smoking while high said it made them a better driver

Is Marijuana Harmful to Youth? Health Issues Linked to Marijuana Use:

- ✗ Memory loss
- ✗ Distorted perception
- ✗ Trouble with thinking
- ✗ Problem solving issues
- ✗ Loss of motor skills
- ✗ Increased heart rate
- ✗ 2013 study – Higher stroke risk

Why Does Colorado Consider Marijuana Legalization to be a Public Health Crisis?

- ✗ More than double the chance of pre-term child-birth
- ✗ Public food assistance monies being diverted to purchase drugs
- ✗ Greater than 1,000% increase in black market marijuana arrests
- ✗ Increased drop-out rate
- ✗ 30% increase in homelessness
- ✗ 8th graders in Colorado report Past-30 day use of marijuana at rates 350% the national average
- ✗ More marijuana businesses (866) than Starbucks and McDonald's COMBINED (634)

Is Marijuana Addictive?

It is estimated that 9 percent of people who use marijuana will become dependent on it.^{10,11} The number goes up to about 17 percent in those who start using young (in their teens) and to 25 to 50 percent among daily users.^{12,13} According to the 2013 NSDUH, marijuana accounted for 4.2 million of the estimated 6.9 million Americans dependent on or abusing illicit drugs.³

<http://www.drugabuse.gov/publications/research-reports/marijuana/marijuana-addictive>

Who Cares If Someone Smokes a Little Pot?

- ✗ Addiction Services – Maintain Healthy Lifestyle (Prevention, Treatment and Recovery)
- ✗ Business – Bottom line and workforce safety issues
- ✗ Children's Services agencies – Parent readiness and safety of child
- ✗ Colleges – Financial aid and retention
- ✗ Education – Testing requirements
- ✗ Law Enforcement – Public safety and officer/employee issues
- ✗ Legislators – Budget/jobs and then "election-time" issues

Parent Resources and More:

www.DrugFreeMahoningCounty.org
www.DrugFreeActionAlliance.org

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www.DrugAbuse.gov