



Eight Reasons to Vote NO on Proposition 64

The Legalization of Recreational Marijuana

1. **Marijuana Is Bad For Children** -- smoking can alter a person's DNA, causing mutations. These mutations can trigger serious illness, including cancer. These mutations can be passed to children and future generations, raising their risks too.

2. **Marijuana Is Bad For Youth** -- A study, published in the British Medical Journal, found that one in ten people who used cannabis before the age of 15 developed schizophrenia by the age of 26. This compared to three per cent of those teenagers who did not use the drug.

3. **Marijuana Is Bad For Adults** -- We've all heard the marijuana "gateway drug" theory when it comes to teens, and more and more evidence is emerging that supports it. But a new study shows that marijuana may be a gateway to drug and alcohol problems for adult users, too. In a study, Cannabis users were at significantly higher risk for developing drug and alcohol disorders by the time of the follow-up interview than those who did not report pot use in the initial interview.

4. **Marijuana Is Bad For Habitual Users** -- There's a new report out on longtime marijuana use from U.C. Davis. And it's bad news for habitual users. In summary: The report on marijuana use found that 52% of middle-class frequent users "experienced downward mobility" compared to only 14% of non-users. "Regular long-term users," Professor Cerda stated, "also had more antisocial behaviors at work, such as stealing money or lying to get a job, and experienced more relationship problems, such as intimate partner violence and controlling abuse."

5. **Marijuana Is Bad For Drivers** -- Fatal crashes involving drivers who recently used marijuana doubled in Washington after the state legalized the drug, according to the latest research by the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety. "Marijuana can affect driver safety by impairing vehicle control and judgment," continued Marshall Doney, AAA's President and CEO. "States need consistent, strong and fair enforcement measures to ensure that the increased use of marijuana does not impact road safety."

6. **Marijuana is Bad for Colorado** -- since legalization the state has seen spikes in homelessness, dependence on social services, marijuana related DUI crashes, marijuana related medical emergencies (including children overdoses), and hospitals losing millions of dollars treating uninsured users.

7. **Marijuana Is Bad For You** -- Regardless of your age, there is nothing about legalizing **recreational** marijuana that is positive for you, your family or your community.

8. **Marijuana Is Bad For California** -- Like other states that have legalized marijuana for recreational purposes. we can expect the same negative impacts. We can also expect the long term consequences of marijuana usage. In addition, Prop 64 does not contain the driving safeguards that are needed to protect our highways or the guarantees that will prevent advertisements, or provide security and integrity throughout the entire process from growing to retail.

Legalizing Recreational Marijuana Is A Bad Idea For All Of California. **VOTE NO ON PROP. 64**