
Subject: Re: Marijuana legalization

Posted by [Fabian](#) on Thu, 28 Jul 2005 22:30:43 GMT

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Quote:The arguement only appears flawed because you refuse to acknowledge the idea that Marijuana is harmful to others; just like the things I have been pointing out(and harmful does not mean that it has to have some SERIOUS medical condition. Simply throwing up from the second hand smoke is considered "harmful").

I've already talked a great deal about how people who smoke pot can and could be legally forced to insure others aren't "harmed." I'm not revisiting this unless you come up with something new.

And Hydra, since you personally know me and can thus accurately describe me, I intend on taking your comments very seriously.

As for that link...

Quote:The strength of today's marijuana is as much as ten times greater than the marijuana used in the early 1970s.

Absolute bullshit. Marijuana/hashish has been grown/produced for hundreds of years. People have been smoking it in the east for many more years than in the US. A lot of marijuana still comes from there today. It's the same plant.

Quote: People describe this reaction as an extreme fear of "losing control," which causes panic. I don't know who these people that they asked are, but they sound like they have problems already. Extreme fear and losing control? Give me a break.

Quote:Long-term regular users of marijuana may become psychologically dependent. It has been proven that marijuana is addictive by a study financed by the US government. That study also mentioned that coffee, sex, and chocolate are more addictive. POT: REAL ADDICTIVE!!

Quote:Research shows that the earlier people start using drugs, the more likely they are to go on to experiment with other drugs.I would support pot being illegal to minors. This logic that pot leads to harder drugs is based on the fact that most people who do harder drugs started with pot. However, the majority people who smoke pot do not move on to harder drugs. Not so bad when you look at the facts correctly, huh?

Quote:Some research studies suggest that the use of marijuana during pregnancy may result in premature babies and in low birth weights. Studies of men and women may have a temporary loss of fertility. These findings suggest that marijuana may be especially harmful during adolescence, a period of rapid physical and sexual development.

"No trustworthy study has ever shown that marijuana use damages the reproductive system, or causes chromosome breakage. Studies of actual human populations have failed to demonstrate that marijuana adversely affects the reproductive system. Claims that marijuana use may impair hormone production, menstrual cycles, or fertility in females are both unproven and unfounded."
- http://www.askmen.com/sports/health/20b_mens_health.html

Quote: Scientists believe that marijuana can be especially harmful to the lungs because users often inhale the unfiltered smoke deeply and hold it in their lungs as long as possible. Therefore, the smoke is in contact with lung tissues for long periods of time, which irritates the lungs and damages the way they work. Marijuana smoke contains some of the same ingredients in tobacco smoke that can cause emphysema and cancer. There is no evidence showing higher rates of lung cancer in people who use marijuana.

Marijuana Unlikely to Cause Head, Neck, or Lung Cancer

Oh, the good ol' Missouri Department of mental health...