Subject: Re: Splitting the record - about the virtual lock Posted by spotelmo on Mon, 31 Aug 2009 21:42:12 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

darkdragon wrote on Mon, 31 August 2009 09:28spotelmo wrote on Sun, 30 August 2009 23:06darkdragon wrote on Sun, 30 August 2009 10:07umm you do relies the USA murder rate is mostly drug dealers killing other drug dealers and people getting caught in the crossfire. It's the law that caused that problem not the other way around . look up what happened the last prohibition and why we stopped it. If you find we stopped it for any other reason then it doesn't work and it caused far more problems then it solved let me know.

that logic is hugely flawed. by your logic, if we made stealing legal, there'd be no one in prison for theft. maybe we should make unwilling sex legal to clear the prison of all those rapists? there are plenty of us law abiding citizens who would rather not be subject to the behaviour of dumbasses legally walking around the city while high on crack.

no by that logic if we made cigarettes illegal it would one raise the murder rate and two clog the court and prison systems with non violent victimless criminals.

Somethings cause more crime when made illegal like when we banned alcohol.

I suggest you read up before claiming any prohibition makes us safer in any way shape or form.

http://www.drugwarfaq.com/

http://www.cato.org/pub_display.php?pub_id=1017&full=1

prohibition feed the black market which raises the crime rate in every way which in turns makes the streets less safe. Our gang problem is caused by the war on drugs it is not caused by the drugs themselves. I'd rather have afew crack heads walking around peacefully then thousands of gang members pushing said crack and shooting people who are wearing the wrong color.

that's the problem with people too stupid to learn from the past. If something didn't work the first time and it's not working the secant time maybe it's time to try something else.

there are some things that are extremely addictive and alter personalities enough that they are illegal because it is in the public good to not have people using them. most illegal drugs fall in this category. i would probably be willing to accept the argument that pot is no different than alcohol and can be made legal. but other drugs like crack, powder cocaine, meth are hugely addictive and alter personalities to the point of making addicts a danger to society. therefore, those should remain illegal.

as for crime rates. people would continue to kill and steal because the drugs are addictive and when a person can't hold a job due to his habit, he will still commit crime to get his drugs.