

YouGov Survey: Marijuana



Sample 1000 U.S. Adult Citizens
Conducted April 13 - 20, 2023
Margin of Error $\pm 3.4\%$

1. Although some states have legalized the recreational use of marijuana, it still remains illegal under federal law. Would you support or oppose Congress passing a law that legalizes recreational marijuana use throughout the United States?

Strongly support	31%
Somewhat support	24%
Somewhat oppose	14%
Strongly oppose	23%
Not sure	7%

2. Should marijuana laws be decided nationally or left to the states?

Decided nationally	48%
Left to the states	38%
Not sure	14%

3. Regardless of your state's current laws, do you think the recreational use of marijuana in your state should be...?

Legal	58%
Not legal	42%

4. Do you support or oppose expunging marijuana-related convictions for non-violent offenders?

Support	55%
Oppose	23%
Not sure	22%

5. How often do you personally use marijuana?

Regularly	8%
Occasionally	10%
Hardly ever	11%
Never	66%
Prefer not to say	5%

6. How safe or unsafe do you think it is to use marijuana?

Very safe	17%
Somewhat safe	28%
Somewhat unsafe	21%
Very unsafe	25%
Not sure	9%

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Interviewing Dates	April 13 - 20, 2023
Target population	U.S. citizens, aged 18 and over.
Sampling method	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet panel using sample matching. A random sample (stratified by gender, age, race, education, geographic region, and voter registration) was selected from the 2019 American Community Survey.
Weighting	The sample was weighted according to gender, age, race, education, 2020 election turnout and Presidential vote, baseline party identification, and current voter registration status. Demographic weighting targets come from the 2019 American Community Survey. Baseline party identification is the respondent's most recent answer given prior to March 15, 2022, and is weighted to the estimated distribution at that time (33% Democratic, 28% Republican). The weights range from 0.245 to 4.965, with a mean of 1 and a standard deviation of 0.432.
Number of respondents	1000
Margin of error	± 3.4% (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	76 questions not reported.

1. Support Congress Passing National Marijuana Legalization

Although some states have legalized the recreational use of marijuana, it still remains illegal under federal law. Would you support or oppose Congress passing a law that legalizes recreational marijuana use throughout the United States?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Strongly support	31%	31%	31%	24%	35%	35%	27%	31%	35%	28%	*
Somewhat support	24%	26%	22%	25%	21%	28%	22%	24%	18%	30%	*
Somewhat oppose	14%	14%	15%	22%	16%	8%	16%	14%	17%	15%	*
Strongly oppose	23%	22%	24%	25%	20%	21%	27%	25%	22%	17%	*
Not sure	7%	6%	9%	4%	8%	8%	8%	6%	8%	11%	*
Totals	99%	99%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	*
Unweighted N	(994)	(473)	(521)	(200)	(237)	(324)	(233)	(680)	(131)	(126)	(57)

	Party ID				2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Strongly support	31%	36%	34%	21%	36%	21%	38%	28%	22%	29%	36%	30%	29%
Somewhat support	24%	31%	20%	21%	30%	22%	23%	24%	28%	22%	27%	23%	24%
Somewhat oppose	14%	12%	13%	19%	11%	16%	11%	15%	20%	12%	12%	17%	14%
Strongly oppose	23%	16%	20%	36%	16%	36%	21%	26%	23%	25%	20%	23%	25%
Not sure	7%	5%	12%	4%	7%	4%	7%	7%	6%	11%	4%	7%	9%
Totals	99%	100%	99%	101%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	99%	99%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	(994)	(375)	(368)	(251)	(380)	(328)	(358)	(303)	(238)	(155)	(189)	(407)	(243)

2. Marijuana — Federal or State

Should marijuana laws be decided nationally or left to the states?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Decided nationally	48%	48%	48%	57%	55%	42%	39%	46%	52%	49%	*
Left to the states	38%	41%	35%	30%	33%	41%	47%	41%	31%	30%	*
Not sure	14%	11%	17%	13%	12%	17%	14%	13%	17%	21%	*
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	*
Unweighted N	(992)	(471)	(521)	(198)	(236)	(325)	(233)	(679)	(130)	(126)	(57)

		Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Decided nationally	48%	58%	43%	42%	57%	34%	48%	48%	52%	51%	46%	49%	45%
Left to the states	38%	29%	38%	49%	29%	57%	36%	40%	41%	34%	41%	37%	41%
Not sure	14%	13%	20%	9%	14%	9%	16%	12%	7%	16%	14%	14%	14%
Totals	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	101%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(992)	(373)	(368)	(251)	(378)	(329)	(357)	(304)	(237)	(155)	(188)	(407)	(242)

3. Legality of Recreational Marijuana

Regardless of your state's current laws, do you think the recreational use of marijuana in your state should be...?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Legal	58%	58%	58%	50%	56%	68%	55%	56%	64%	61%	*
Not legal	42%	42%	42%	50%	44%	32%	45%	44%	36%	39%	*
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	*
Unweighted N	(987)	(469)	(518)	(197)	(236)	(324)	(230)	(679)	(127)	(126)	(55)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Legal	58%	65%	62%	46%	64%	48%	65%	54%	49%	57%	66%	57%	55%
Not legal	42%	35%	38%	54%	36%	52%	35%	46%	51%	43%	34%	43%	45%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(987)	(375)	(361)	(251)	(378)	(326)	(355)	(302)	(238)	(155)	(188)	(405)	(239)

4. Expunge Marijuana Convictions

Do you support or oppose expunging marijuana-related convictions for non-violent offenders?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Support	55%	59%	52%	48%	56%	59%	56%	55%	54%	56%	*
Oppose	23%	25%	21%	34%	22%	20%	19%	24%	19%	25%	*
Not sure	22%	16%	27%	18%	22%	21%	25%	21%	27%	20%	*
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	*
Unweighted N	(990)	(471)	(519)	(197)	(236)	(324)	(233)	(681)	(129)	(124)	(56)

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Support	55%	68%	52%	45%	70%	45%	56%	58%	55%	52%	59%	56%	52%
Oppose	23%	19%	20%	33%	16%	32%	21%	24%	28%	29%	21%	22%	24%
Not sure	22%	13%	28%	22%	14%	22%	23%	18%	17%	19%	20%	22%	24%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(990)	(375)	(365)	(250)	(378)	(329)	(357)	(302)	(237)	(155)	(189)	(405)	(241)

5. Frequency of Marijuana Use

How often do you personally use marijuana?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Regularly	8%	10%	7%	10%	10%	8%	6%	6%	9%	20%	*
Occasionally	10%	11%	8%	15%	13%	7%	6%	8%	15%	10%	*
Hardly ever	11%	11%	11%	19%	10%	10%	7%	10%	11%	17%	*
Never	66%	62%	69%	52%	61%	71%	77%	73%	51%	52%	*
Prefer not to say	5%	6%	4%	5%	6%	4%	5%	4%	13%	1%	*
Totals	100%	100%	99%	101%	100%	100%	101%	101%	99%	100%	*
Unweighted N	(993)	(472)	(521)	(200)	(235)	(325)	(233)	(681)	(130)	(125)	(57)

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Occasionally	10%	11%	10%	7%	10%	6%	12%	10%	7%	9%	12%	8%	9%
Hardly ever	11%	17%	11%	5%	15%	8%	9%	12%	14%	12%	9%	11%	13%
Never	66%	61%	61%	78%	62%	78%	62%	67%	72%	63%	67%	67%	65%
Prefer not to say	5%	3%	8%	3%	5%	2%	4%	4%	3%	6%	3%	5%	4%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	99%	100%
Unweighted N	(993)	(374)	(368)	(251)	(379)	(329)	(357)	(303)	(238)	(155)	(189)	(408)	(241)

6. Marijuana Safety

How safe or unsafe do you think it is to use marijuana?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Very safe	17%	19%	15%	17%	19%	19%	11%	14%	26%	22%	*
Somewhat safe	28%	28%	29%	24%	22%	35%	29%	28%	25%	30%	*
Somewhat unsafe	21%	21%	21%	19%	24%	16%	27%	23%	17%	20%	*
Very unsafe	25%	26%	24%	36%	25%	19%	22%	27%	24%	19%	*
Not sure	9%	7%	12%	5%	10%	10%	11%	9%	9%	9%	*
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Somewhat unsafe	21%	17%	21%	26%	18%	28%	17%	21%	24%	16%	21%	22%	23%
Very unsafe	25%	23%	20%	33%	21%	34%	19%	28%	33%	26%	21%	25%	27%
Not sure	9%	9%	9%	9%	7%	7%	10%	8%	5%	11%	10%	9%	7%
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