

Inquiry into the use of Cannabis in Victoria

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Organisation Name:
Your position or role:

SURVEY QUESTIONS

Drag the statements below to reorder them. In order of priority, please rank the themes you believe are most important for this Inquiry into the use of Cannabis in Victoria to consider::

Young people and children, Accessing and using cannabis, Education, Public health, Public safety, Social impacts, Mental health, Criminal activity

What best describes your interest in our Inquiry? (select all that apply) :

Individual

Are there any additional themes we should consider?

Economic Impact

Select all that apply. Do you think there should be restrictions on the use of cannabis? :

Personal use of cannabis should be legal. , Sale of cannabis should be legal and regulated. , Cultivation of cannabis for personal use should be legal.

YOUR SUBMISSION

Submission:

Do you have any additional comments or suggestions?:

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Submission to Inquiry into the use of Cannabis in Victoria

I have lived in Melbourne my whole life and have firm opinion that Cannabis should be legal to buy, sell and be used in Victoria.

Giving Victorian individuals and businesses an opportunity to acquire a licence to grow and sell Cannabis would benefit Victorians and their economy. If done correctly, I believe making Cannabis legal in Victoria would be a great step towards improving the lives of its citizens.

As an Australian I am interested in improving lives of both Victorians and Australians. Our ban on Cannabis does not appear to be valid considering the other pharmaceutical, alcoholic and tobacco products we have available in our country.

Below I have offered some points addressing concerns that should be considered regarding Cannabis and making it legal in Victoria.

How can Victoria prevent children and youth from accessing and using cannabis?

- Implement strict laws and guidelines around growth, delivery and management on all distributed Cannabis products.
- Stores and venues that wish to sell and manage Cannabis products should be licenced to do so properly.
- Sale of any Cannabis products should be prohibited to anyone who does not have valid photo identification that displays age or date of birth.
- Vastly increased consequences for people who may intend on selling or otherwise providing an underage person any Cannabis products.
- Plain Packaging and no use of images or vivid colour on all distributed products containing Cannabis.
- Educate children and youth on the risks of Cannabis use in workshops and schools .
- Venues that wish to allow the use and consumption of Cannabis must be Licensed to do so and have a strict age policy of 18 years and older.

How can we protect public health and public safety in relation to the use of cannabis?

- Smoking of Cannabis in commercial and residential streets should remain illegal.
- Venues should be approved and Licensed to allow Cannabis use, as well as have signed and ventilated areas where its consumption will be allowed.
- Prohibit the use of Cannabis within 150 metres of Schools, Playgrounds, Sports Centres, Shopping Centres or similar Public Areas unless in the privacy of privately owned residential property.
- New Victorian drivers should be educated on the risks of driving under the influence of Cannabis.
- Make drug tests easy to purchase for companies and employers that may use dangerous or heavy machinery and / or equipment.
- Drug tests on Victorian roads and prohibited driving under the influence of Cannabis products.
- Licensed Cannabis Sellers in Victoria should have signage in store regarding the risks of Cannabis use.

How can Victoria prevent criminal activity relating to the illegal cannabis trade?

- Allow, regulate and licence the growing and farming of Cannabis for sale in Victoria.
- Allow the sale of Cannabis products in Victoria only at licensed venues.
- Have all legally sold Cannabis products marked with license/product numbers.
- Educate Victorians on the risks of the consumption of unregulated illegal Cannabis, showing that illegal Cannabis may not only be unsafe but may be mixed with other unregulated chemicals or other narcotics.

It is my hope that some of these points will be taken into consideration when deciding if Cannabis should be Legal in Victoria.

Signed,

