

## Inquiry into the use of Cannabis in Victoria

### 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:**

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

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

Individual

**Are there any additional themes we should consider?**

Tax revenue, personal freedom

### YOUR SUBMISSION

This is a drug with very limited negative side effects for the average user, a drug that is used regularly by a huge section of otherwise law abiding citizens with no problems whatsoever. As someone who suffers from anxiety, stress and depression I personally have found this to be of great help to my health. We're currently in a serious economic crisis and are in desperate need of the taxation and jobs and industry legalisation would deliver. Just look at Holland, Canada and legal states in the US to see how successful it has been both financially and socially. The sky hasn't fallen like Conservatives assured us it would. You could offset the negative effects by funding mental health services, drug education at schools, drug rehabilitation centres, extra funds to police hard drugs etc etc. This would also likely boost tourism and associated manufacturing industries. Hundreds of thousands of people are buying cannabis and smoking illegally in Victoria every day, why not just allow responsible adults to make this informed choice and stop demonising them for it. Instead help to keep them safe by ensuring that the product is quality controlled and not filled with harmful chemicals or pesticides.

**Do you have any additional comments or suggestions?:**

**Select all that apply.**

**Do you think there should there be restrictions on the use of cannabis? :**

Personal use of cannabis should be decriminalised.

(Decriminalised: there are no criminal or civil penalties instead a person is referred to a drug diversion program or other health/ treatment service), Personal use of cannabis should be legal. Sale of cannabis should be legal and regulated. Cultivation of cannabis for personal use should be legal.