

Inquiry into the use of Cannabis in Victoria

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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:

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

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

Individual

Are there any additional themes we should consider?

Economic benefit

YOUR SUBMISSION

The diffusion of both medicinal and recreational cannabis use in many parts of the world, including some states in America and Canada, have clearly demonstrated that the stigma of its use in widespread society is unfounded. Not only does it stimulate the economy, creating jobs and a potentially a multi-million/billion dollar industry, but it has demonstrable benefits to those who can't currently access it for medicinal use. By regulating sale and consumption of cannabis statewide, the Victorian government can minimise risk to the community due to poorly sourced product, and in doing so help people that need to access it who currently can't due to the strict current medical criteria. With proper harm management strategies in place for vulner-able members of the community the risk of abuse is incredibly low. The benefits far outweigh the negatives, and reducing the stigma surrounding its use through proper education of the drug is key in making the next logical economic step forward for our state.

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.