

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:

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

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

Individual, Academic and research, Advocacy body, other – please explain More access for medicinally

Are there any additional themes we should consider?

YOUR SUBMISSION

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Do you have any additional comments or suggestions?:

Please do not use your old way of thinking and actually use facts instead of Reagan era demonisation of drugs.

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 pro-gram 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.

FILE ATTACHMENTS

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In reference to point a, c and d, the legalisation, cultivation and sale of cannabis must be legalised especially in times such as this with a waning economy as tax money from the sale of cannabis will help restart and rebuild the Australian economy. Not only this but prohibition has never and never will work, take for example Portugal (and other such counties/states that have legalised drug/cannabis use), a statement from a family doctor during the era where drugs were first introduced to Portugal and spiked popularity: Álvaro Pereira recalled that time as “People were injecting themselves in the street, in public squares, in gardens...” and not only this but he stated that “At that time, not a day passed when there wasn’t a robbery at a local business, or a mugging.” However as of 2001, Portugal decriminalised all drug use and not only did less people use drugs, but less people also OD’s as Portugal rather than demonising drugs in their education they decided to teach what drugs are, how they are used, effects etc. Through regulation access can be restricted not prohibition as one would think. Speaking from personal experience and as a fact, in Australia it is much easier as an under 18 to purchase MDMA, Cannabis and drugs than it is buying alcohol. Say these words out loud and think about them, it is easier to buy cannabis as a young child than alcohol. This is by regulation works.