

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::

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

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:

A) Top down regulation of a substance has limited to no impact on a substance demand, only its supply. In many cases government restrictions lead to not only an increase in demand but also a increase in potency of the drug. This being due to incentives of those suppliers to increase density to make transport easier, eg rye whiskey in the prohibition in america.

Also there is a direct correlation between drinking age and binge drinking habits of a population. Meaning there is a likliehood of greater regulatory restrictions leads to worse consumption habbits of users.

Personally i think it would be healthy for people to be able to congregate and consume in safe social spaces, rather then forced to hid away in dark rooms.

I.e its better for someone to have a few drinks at a pub then to drink home alone. Builds different habits, associations and dependencies of the substance.

B) In my personal experience, the dutch have fairly low rates of weed usage. I believe this is because smoking weed isnt a "thing" over there because it is so readily available. Most people have their experiment phase and realize its not everything its cracked up to be and get over it.

C) I don't believe abstinence is a good education model for weed. We live in a world saturated with exogenous chemicals people ingest regularly. Usage of pharmaceuticals drugs are only increasing with cheap imports from developing nations. Especially with study drugs so rampant in universities.

If your told a lie like use it once and you will be hooked, then when they eventually try it, and they realise it was a lie, then all formal drug education is likely to be fully ignored. Leading to further experimenting with actually dangerous drugs.

Do you have any additional comments or suggestions?:

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