

April 27, 2021

**TO: US Cannabis Council** 

FR: Ben Greenfield and Lisa Wilson, Change Research

RE: 72% of Arizona Voters Favor Federal Cannabis Legalization

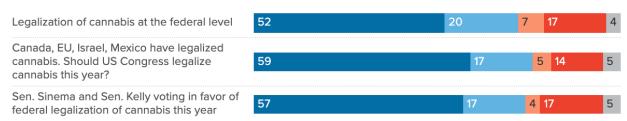
A new survey of 1014 registered voters in Arizona finds overwhelming support for federal legalization of cannabis, with 72% supporting and 24% opposed. By an 80% to 16% margin, Arizona voters support regulating and taxing cannabis similar to how alcohol is regulated and taxed. 74% of Arizonans believe legalization would be economically beneficial to the state of Arizona, while only 18% disagree. And on virtually every other piece of legislative action being considered by Congress relating to cannabis, significant majorities of Arizonans want their representatives to act -- ranging from access to banking, to expungement of records of non-violent offenders, to allowing cannabis prescriptions in VA facilities.

#### **KEY FINDINGS**

Arizonans overwhelmingly support federal legalization. 72% support, 24% oppose. This
number grows at the end of the survey, when respondents are asked first about US federal
legalization after being told about other countries' legalization, and second about how
Senators Sinema and Kelly should vote.

# Large Majority of Arizonans Support Federal Legalization



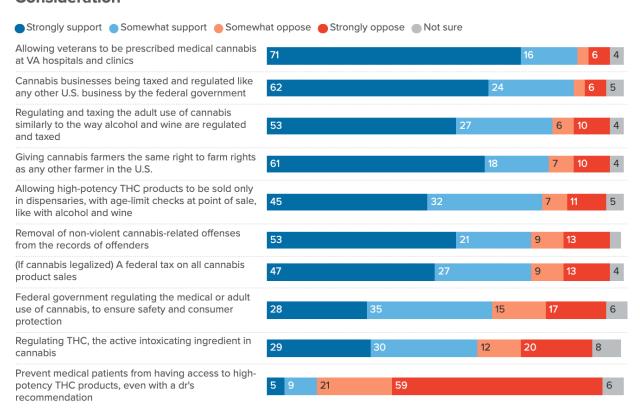


- A majority of voters of every political affiliation support federal legalization. 92% of Democrats + Democratic-leaning independents support federal legalization, along with 54% of Republicans + Republican leaners and 70% of independents who lean toward neither party.
- Support is highest among young people, but 63% of 65+ voters support federal legalization.
- Majorities support virtually every measure they were asked about. Support is especially
  high for allowing medical cannabis to be prescribed in VA facilities (86%), the federal
  government taxing and regulating cannabis businesses like any other business (86%), and

giving cannabis farmers the same right-to-farm rights as any other farmer (79%). (Note that the last item on the chart below shows that a large majority, 79%, <u>oppose</u> preventing medical patients from accessing high-potency THC products even if they're recommended by a doctor.)

## Strong Majorities of Arizonans Support Each Measure Under Consideration

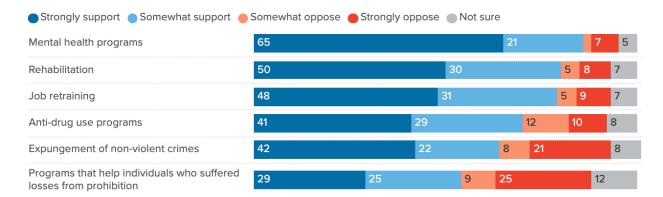
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• If a federal cannabis tax were enacted, Arizonans would most want the funds applied to mental health programs, rehabilitation, and job retraining. Majorities also support applying funds to anti-drug use programs (70%), expungement of non-violent crimes (64%), and programs that help those who suffered losses from prohibition (54%).

# **Support for Various Programs If Federal Cannabis Tax Enacted**

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 74% agree that legalization would be economically beneficial to the state of Arizona. Only 18% disagree.

A summary of the survey's methodology can be found <u>here</u>.



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RE: 66% of Utah Voters Favor Federal Cannabis Legalization

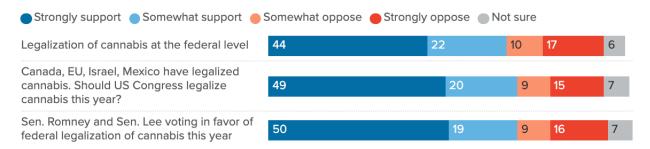
A new survey of 1020 registered voters in Utah finds overwhelming support for federal legalization of cannabis, with 66% supporting and 27% opposed. By a 73% to 20% margin, Utah voters support regulating and taxing cannabis similar to how alcohol is regulated and taxed. 64% of Utahns believe legalization would be economically beneficial to the state of Utah, while only 26% disagree. And on virtually every other piece of legislative action being considered by Congress relating to cannabis, significant majorities of Utahns want their representatives to act -- ranging from access to banking, to expungement of records of non-violent offenders, to allowing cannabis prescriptions in VA facilities.

### **KEY FINDINGS**

Utahns overwhelmingly support federal legalization. 66% support, 27% oppose. This
number grows at the end of the survey, when respondents are asked first about US federal
legalization after being told about other countries' legalization, and second about how
Senators Romney and Lee should vote.

## Large Majority of Utahns Support Federal Legalization



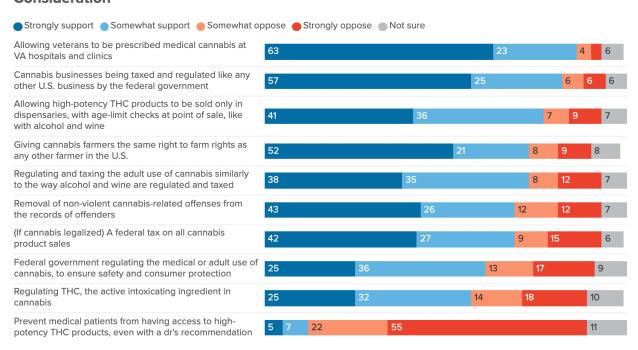


- A majority of voters of every political affiliation support federal legalization. 92% of Democrats + Democratic-leaning independents support federal legalization, along with 52% of Republicans + Republican leaners and 72% of independents who lean toward neither party.
- Support is highest among young people, but 61% of 65+ voters support federal legalization.
- Majorities support virtually every measure they were asked about. Support is especially
  high for allowing medical cannabis to be prescribed in VA facilities (86%), the federal

government taxing and regulating cannabis businesses like any other business (82%), allowing high-potency THC products to be sold only at dispensaries, with age-limit checks (76%), and giving cannabis farmers the same right-to-farm rights as any other farmer (74%). (Note that the last item on the chart below shows that a large majority, 77%, oppose preventing medical patients from accessing high-potency THC products even if they're recommended by a doctor.)

## Strong Majorities of Utahns Support Each Measure Under Consideration

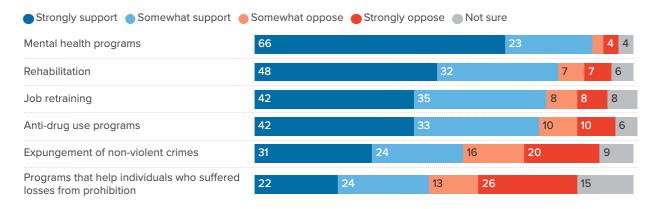




• If a federal cannabis tax were enacted, Utahns would most want the funds applied to mental health programs, rehabilitation, job retraining, and anti-drug use programs. A majority also supports expungement of non-violent crimes (55%), and a plurality (46%) supports programs that help those who suffered losses from prohibition.

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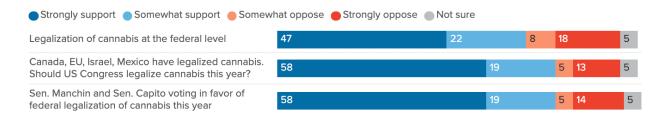
RE: 70% of West Virginia Voters Favor Federal Cannabis Legalization

A new survey of 1026 registered voters in West Virginia finds overwhelming support for federal legalization of cannabis, with 70% supporting and 26% opposed. By a 75% to 20% margin, West Virginia voters support regulating and taxing cannabis similar to how alcohol is regulated and taxed. 77% of West Virginians believe legalization would be economically beneficial to the state of West Virginia, while only 17% disagree. And on virtually every other piece of legislative action being considered by Congress relating to cannabis, significant majorities of West Virginians want their representatives to act -- ranging from access to banking, to expungement of records of non-violent offenders, to allowing cannabis prescriptions in Veterans Affairs facilities.

#### **KEY FINDINGS**

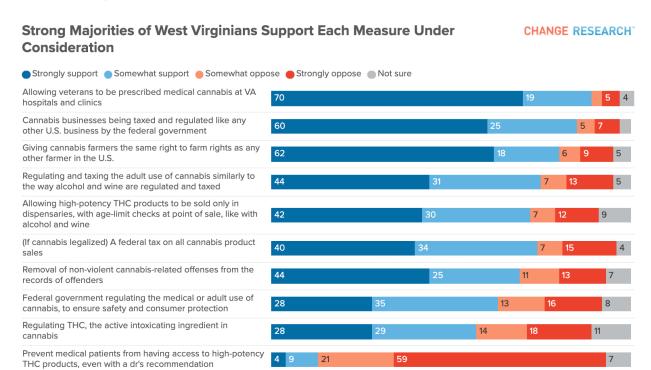
West Virginians overwhelmingly support federal legalization. 70% support, 26% oppose.
 This number grows significantly at the end of the survey, when respondents are asked first about US federal legalization after being told about other countries' legalization, and second about how Senators Manchin and Capito should vote.

### Large Majority of West Virginians Support Federal Legalization CHANGE RESEARCH



- A majority of voters of every political affiliation support federal legalization. 89% of Democrats + Democratic-leaning independents support federal legalization, along with 60% of Republicans + Republican leaners and 74% of independents who lean toward neither party.
- Support is highest among young people, but 60% of 65+ voters support federal legalization.
- Majorities support virtually every measure they were asked about. Support is especially
  high for allowing medical cannabis to be prescribed in VA facilities (89%), the federal
  government taxing and regulating cannabis businesses like any other business (85%), and

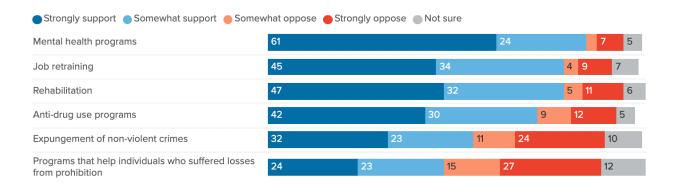
giving cannabis farmers the same right-to-farm rights as any other farmer (80%). (Note that the last item on the chart below shows that a large majority, 80%, oppose preventing medical patients from accessing high-potency THC products even if they're recommended by a doctor.)



 If a federal cannabis tax were enacted, West Virginians would most want the funds applied to mental health programs, job retraining, rehabilitation, and anti-drug use programs.
 Support for expungement of non-violent crimes and programs that help those who suffered losses from prohibition is lower, but still greater than opposition.

### Support For Various Programs If Federal Cannabis Tax Enacted

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77% agree that legalization would be economically beneficial to the state of West Virginia.
 Only 17% disagree.

A summary of the survey's methodology can be found <u>here</u>.