

"Just Say No": A Comparative Analysis of the perspectives of Non-Marijuana Users in Japan and California

Disclaimer:

This survey and the following questions are intended for people who have grown up or have native knowledge of America, and have NEVER used marijuana, and are willing to share their experiences and perspectives. The responses collected will remain anonymous and confidential.

We are Shannon Liuag, Tyrus Torres, and William Wolfkiel from the California State University Monterey Bay. The purpose of our study is to learn about contemporary perspectives in Japan and America regarding Marijuana usage to understand the culture of opposition towards marijuana usage and its effects on society.

* Required

1. 1) Gender *

Mark only one oval.

- Male
- Female
- Prefer not to say
- Other: _____

2. 2) Age *

3. 3) Nationality

Mark only one oval.

- American
- Other: _____

4. 4) At what age did you first learn about marijuana? *

Mark only one oval.

- 9 years and under
- 10 - 13 year
- 14 - 17 years
- 18 years and over

5. 5) When were you taught about marijuana in school? (check all that apply) **Check all that apply.*

- Elementary
- Middle school
- High school
- College
- Never

6. 6) How helpful was the education received in school regarding marijuana? **Mark only one oval.*

- Very helpful
- Helpful
- Somewhat helpful
- Somewhat unhelpful
- Not helpful

7. 7) How reliable was the education you received in school regarding marijuana? **Mark only one oval.*

- Very reliable
- Reliable
- Somewhat reliable
- Somewhat unreliable
- Not reliable

8. 8) What was covered in your education in school regarding marijuana? (check all that apply) **Check all that apply.*

- Legislation on marijuana
- History of cannabis
- Biological science of marijuana
- Positive health effects
- Negative health effects
- Dangers or risks of using marijuana
- Nothing
- Other: _____

9. 9) Did you learn about marijuana from the following sources? (check all that apply) **Check all that apply.*

- Family
- Friends
- Internet (Social media networks, blogs, forums etc.)
- Media or news
- Community organizations (church, Boy Scouts etc.)
- None of the above
- Other: _____

10. 10) Did you learn about any of the following things concerning marijuana outside of school? **Check all that apply.*

- Legislation on marijuana
- History of cannabis
- Biological science of marijuana
- Positive health effects
- Negative health effects
- Dangers or risk of using
- Nothing
- Other: _____

11. 11) Where did you learn MOST of your knowledge concerning marijuana from? **Mark only one oval.*

- School
- Family
- Friends
- Internet (Social media networks, blogs, forums etc.)
- Media or News
- Community organizations (church, Boy Scouts etc.)
- Other: _____

12. 12) To your knowledge, if you were to use marijuana, would any of the following groups disapprove of your marijuana use? (check all that apply) *

Check all that apply.

- Friends
- Siblings
- Parents
- Extended family
- Past or current significant other
- Coworkers
- Employers
- School or professors
- Doctors
- None of the above
- Other: _____

13. 13) How accurate are these positive effects from using marijuana? *

Mark only one oval per row.

	Extremely accurate	Accurate	Somewhat accurate	Somewhat inaccurate	Not accurate at all
Pain relief	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Stress and anxiety relief	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Improved sleep	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Improved mental health	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Alleviated addiction from other substances	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Alleviated chronic symptoms	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Alleviated eating disorder	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Enhanced Creativity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

14. 14) How accurate are these negative side effects from using marijuana? *

Mark only one oval per row.

	Very accurate	Accurate	Somewhat accurate	Somewhat inaccurate	Not accurate at all
Short-term memory loss	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Anxiety or paranoia	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Psychosis	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hallucinations	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Slower reaction time	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Coordination loss	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lung damage	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Addiction	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

15. 15) In your country, how prevalent are the stereotypes below concerning marijuana users? **Mark only one oval per row.*

	Very prevalent	Prevalent	Somewhat prevalent	Not very prevalent	Not prevalent at all
Cool	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Easy going	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Liberal	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mature	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Rebellious	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lazy	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Dumb	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Degenerate	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Dangerous	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

16. 16) What are your reasons for not using marijuana? **Check all that apply.*

- Difficult to obtain
- Cost
- Legality
- Afraid of judgment
- Not interested
- Unhealthy
- People who smoke marijuana are scary
- Other: _____

17. 17) If you were visiting a place where the laws were different how likely would you be to try marijuana? **Mark only one oval.*

- Very likely
- Likely
- Somewhat likely
- Unlikely
- Very unlikely

18. 18) If your friend was using marijuana, what would you do? **Mark only one oval.*

- Start smoking marijuana with them
- Say nothing and remain friends
- Say nothing and slowly create distance with them
- Would ask them to stop
- Break off relationships with them
- Tell a parent or teacher
- Tell police

19. 19) Why do you believe marijuana was originally made ILLEGAL? *

Thank you for taking the time to take our survey!

