

## 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,Public health,Young people and children,Public safety,Education,Criminal activity,Mental health,Social impacts

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

Individual,Advocacy body,Working in the alcohol and drug services sector

**Are there any additional themes we should consider?**

Economical benefits

**Select all that apply. Do you think there should be restrictions on the use of cannabis? :**

Sale of cannabis should be legal and regulated. ,Cultivation of cannabis for personal use should be legal.

### YOUR SUBMISSION

**Submission:**

As an Australian currently living in Canada a country where legalization of cannabis for recreational use and cultivation, I would like to address the positive sides of legalisation that I have seen firsthand.

The stigma around cannabis is reduced through proper information, the medicinal benefits are clearer and more commonly known, making cannabis more accessible to those who do need them for medicinal needs. Allowing recreational/medical users to cultivate their own cannabis significantly impacts people's reliance and need to access or spend any time on the "black market" which is the only current place to access it.

The economical benefits to legalizing cannabis are clearer than any other part of my opinion. The sales of legal marijuana in US states and Canada are astronomical.

People will continue to use cannabis regardless of the law. Why spend the money chasing people and hunting drug dealers when legalizing cannabis makes people cultivate it themselves or purchase it legally.

**Do you have any additional comments or suggestions?:**

### FILE ATTACHMENTS

**File1:**

**File2:**

**File3:**

**Signature:**

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