

Know The Straight Facts

OF TEEN MARIJUANA USE

Negative Physical and Mental Effects

- Studies have found that smoking marijuana creates **breathing problems, accelerated heart rates** and **developmental issues**.
- Long-term use is linked to **hallucinations, paranoia** and other **mental health** problems.
- Heavy marijuana use can lead to an **IQ drop** of **eight points**.

Did you know?

Every day, 3,287 teens use marijuana for the first time.

Deadly Driving

- A 2016 study in the Colorado Division of Criminal Justice found of the **4,000 drivers** tested for marijuana, **73%** were found to have the drug in their system.
- In Colorado and Washington State, **marijuana impaired driving fatalities** have more than **doubled**.

More Potent Than Ever

- Today's marijuana is **more potent than ever** -- traditional marijuana averages **15.8% THC** while pot edibles, candies, cookies and waxes can be up to **99%**.

Growing Numbers

- **78%** of the 2.4 million people who began using in the last year were **12-20 years old**.
- When tested, **one in five** drivers in Wash. State are **under the influence** of marijuana, compared to one in ten before legalization.

