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West Virginia Survey Results

Q1 Do you support or oppose changing the law in West Virginia to allow seriously and terminally ill patients to use medical marijuana if their doctors recommend it?

Support 53%
Oppose 40%
Not sure 6%

Q2 Which do you believe is a safer treatment for debilitating pain: the medical use of marijuana or Oxycontin?

Marijuana 63%
Oxycontin 22%
No opinion/Don't know 15%

Q3 Which do you believe is safer: marijuana or alcohol?

Marijuana 46%
Alcohol 25%
No opinion/Don't know 29%

Q4 Current West Virginia law provides for a jail term of up to six months and a fine of up to $1,000 for simple possession of marijuana. Would you support or oppose a change in the law to provide for a fine of up to $100 without jail time or the threat of arrest for those who possess an ounce or less of marijuana for personal use?

Support 49%
Oppose 38%
Not sure 13%

Q5 If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.

Woman 53%
Man 47%

Q6 If you are 18 to 34 years old, press 1. If 35 to 49, press 2. If 50 to 64, press 3. If you are 65 or older, press 4.

18 to 34 ..... 18%
35 to 49 ..... 24%
50 to 64 ..... 38%
65 or older 20%

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Survey of 1,232 West Virginia voters

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Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Support/Oppose Medical Marijuana			
Support	**53%**	53%	54%
Oppose	**40%**	41%	39%
Not sure	**6%**	6%	7%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Safer Treatment: Marijuana or Oxycontin			
Marijuana	**63%**	62%	64%
Oxycontin	**22%**	20%	24%
No opinion/Don't know	**15%**	18%	12%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Safer: Marijuana or Alcohol			
Marijuana	**46%**	45%	47%
Alcohol	**25%**	21%	29%
No opinion/Don't know	**29%**	34%	24%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Support/Oppose Lower Fine, No Jail Time			
Support	**49%**	43%	55%
Oppose	**38%**	39%	37%
Not sure	**13%**	17%	8%

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	Base	Age			
		18 to 34	35 to 49	50 to 64	65 or older
Support/Oppose Medical Marijuana					
Support	**53%**	66%	56%	54%	38%
Oppose	**40%**	26%	39%	40%	56%
Not sure	**6%**	8%	5%	6%	7%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 34	35 to 49	50 to 64	65 or older
Safer Treatment: Marijuana or Oxycontin					
Marijuana	**63%**	75%	63%	65%	46%
Oxycontin	**22%**	13%	27%	19%	29%
No opinion/Don't know	**15%**	13%	10%	16%	25%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 34	35 to 49	50 to 64	65 or older
Safer: Marijuana or Alcohol					
Marijuana	**46%**	64%	47%	44%	30%
Alcohol	**25%**	12%	30%	24%	31%
No opinion/Don't know	**29%**	24%	23%	32%	38%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 34	35 to 49	50 to 64	65 or older
Support/Oppose Lower Fine, No Jail Time					
Support	**49%**	65%	45%	51%	33%
Oppose	**38%**	26%	42%	37%	47%
Not sure	**13%**	9%	13%	12%	20%

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