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Attitudes toward legalization of the use of marijuana

By demographic characteristics, United States, 2010

Question: "Do you think the use of marijuana should be made legal, or not?"

	Yes, legal	No, illegal	Don't know/ refused
National	46%	50%	4%
Sex			
Male	51	45	4
Female	41	56	4
Race			
White	44	52	4
Nonwhite	49	46	5
Education			
College post graduate	59	36	5
College graduate	44	55	1
Some college	47	50	2
High school graduate or less	40	54	6
Income			
\$75,000 and over	46	53	1
\$30,000 to \$74,999	51	47	2
Under \$30,000	39	56	5
Region			
East	47	47	6
Midwest	42	51	7
South	40	58	2
West	58	41	2
Politics			
Republican	29	68	3
Democrat	55	43	2
Independent	54	40	6
Ideology			
Conservative	30	68	2
Moderate	51	46	3
Liberal	72	23	6

Note: These data are based on telephone interviews with a randomly selected national sample of 511 adults, 18 years of age and older, conducted Oct. 7-10, 2010. For a discussion of public opinion survey sampling procedures, see [Appendix 5](#).

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