

Marijuana

Also known as Weed, Mary Jane, Aunt Mary, Bobby, Boom, Chronic, Dope Ganja, Gangster, Grass, Hash, Herb, Gonj, Kif, Pot, Reefer, Sinsemilla, Skunk

**Marijuana comes from a plant called Cannabis, and the active ingredient is THC.*

- Marijuana is the most used illegal drug in the U.S.
- Nearly 69 million Americans over the age of 12 have tried Marijuana at least once.



- In 2002, about 120,000 people were admitted into the Emergency Room with marijuana related problems.
- Marijuana is the 2nd most common drug found in the blood stream of non-fatally injured and fatally injured people (Alcohol is the 1st).
- After smoking one marijuana joint, a person's reaction time is slowed by 41% and after smoking 2 marijuana joints, a person's reaction time is slowed by 63%.
- THC levels in Marijuana plants rose from 1% in 1970 to over 7% in 2002, and from 2002 it has risen to 9.6% as of February, 2008.

- Those who use marijuana once a month every month for at least 1 year are 3 times as likely to have suicidal thoughts as someone who has never used.



- One marijuana joint contains over 4 times as much cancer causing tar as a filtered cigarette, making marijuana more damaging to the lungs than cigarettes.

- Marijuana can be addictive.
- Marijuana contains over 400 known chemicals.
- Marijuana increases a persons risk of developing a mental disorder by 40%.