According to a study from Washington State by the American Automobile Association (AAA):

The number of drivers involved in fatal crashes, with THC* in their system, doubled after marijuana was legalized in Washington state

Since 2012, nearly one in five (18%) drivers involved in fatal crashes were positive for THC*.

After legalization, the average number of THC-positive drivers involved in a fatal crash is on the rise.

11.5 million people in a recent US survey say they drive impaired on pot.

*Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) main psychoactive chemical in marijuana

Researchers say nationwide marijuana legalization will add an additional 6800 traffic fatalities annually. According to JAMA study

Jennifer's Messengers is a
DUID driving awareness
campaign to awaken our
country to the emerging threat
of more drug users on the road
as marijuana becomes
normalized and legal in our
society.

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Sounding the Alarm About Marijuana Driving Dangers

THINGS WE KNOW MARIJUANA DOES TO THE BODY

- Impairs the senses
- Distorts time and delays our reaction
- Disables ability to judge distance
- Decreases your field of vision
- Increases anxiety
- Distortion of reality
- Causes drowsiness

Surveys of marijuana users tell us that they have no qualms about getting behind the wheel, high or very high. We also know that alcohol paired with marijuana poses even greater risks of traffic crashes

"My daughter, Jennifer, was vibrant and intelligent. She had the brightest smile, with green eyes to match, playing lacrosse so well she earned herself a college scholarship,

After college graduation and starting a new job, her new manager called her in the early morning hours to say there was an alarm going off in her store and asked Jennifer to meet her there.

As my daughter was on her way, crossing an intersection not far from her home, a man came racing through the intersection at 82mph, speeding through the red light. He slammed into the side of my daughter's car, sending it over the embankment and straight into the front wall of a building, collapsing it on Iennifer's car.

Jennifer passed away at the scene from the severe injuries she sustained.

The 26-year-old man who caused her death was not injured.

He admitted he was smoking medical marijuana, obtained in Michigan, before the crash, and there was marijuana in the car. After he took a plea and his charges were severely reduced to a felony 3, he spent a total of only 15 months in prison. His life goes on with a slap on the wrist while our lives are devastated forever due to false perceptions of the harms of marijuana use while driving.

Every day of my life is difficult now. I see all of my daughter's friends getting married and starting their families. These special events were taken away from Jennifer, and from our family.

My mission is to tell the account of what took her incredible life away so that others become aware of the dangers on our roads. It's criminal to legalize this powerful and addictive drug that is killing our youth in so many ways. We need to wake up to what this is really about and become aware of how we are just pawns in the game plan of the marijuana industry. It only takes one time with one crash."

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