

Gop support for marijuana legalization dropped 46% in 2022 to 35% in early 2026. Republicans under 35 are driving the overall decline, according to YouGov data

Addiction

High-potency THC (10 mg or more of THC) produces an addiction rate of 30%

5x increased risk of using other drugs - risk increases frequency of use, and in developing brains (people under the age of 25)

Violence- Marijuana causes psychosis; psychosis causes Violence

THC use can cause violent behavior through increased aggressiveness, paranoia, and personality changes

Uvalde shooter family was concerned about his marijuana use

Baytown High School student stabbed to death over a marijuana vape. Students report they feared the perpetrator and describe him as having bizarre behaviors

Sutherland Springs church shooter was psychotic and had marijuana (THC) & anti-anxiety medication in his toxicology report

Blair Ness of Lewisville, TX, killed his baby, Ashton, screaming, "God is coming. Marijuana and a haze of marijuana smoke were present on the scene

February 2025, a 15-year-old boy in Houston was taken into custody after shooting his mother and sister multiple times after allegedly consuming a large quantity of THC edibles

Homelessness

Commercial marijuana states have the highest homeless rates due to THC causing mental illness, and users are at a higher risk of using other drugs.

<https://www.huduser.gov/portal/sites/default/files/pdf/2023-AHAR-Part-1.pdf>

Child Harms

Poisoning and overdoses from candies left out by parents that are reckless and impaired from THC

Child Deaths - Texas Dept of Family and Protective Services state 95 children died in 2023 from abuse & neglect by marijuana users, more than any other drug.

Texas Poison Control Center reported a 495% increase in marijuana/hemp (THC)-related calls involving children age five and under from 2017 to 2022

Mental Harms

47% of people (including adults) who experience cannabis-induced psychosis will convert to chronic psychiatric disorder, schizophrenia, or bipolar disorder.

30% of young men, ages 21- 29, would not have developed schizophrenia if they weren't addicted to THC (cannabis use disorder). This study examined data spanning 5 decades. Examining 60 million people from Denmark, where they have low-potency marijuana.

Lead to and worsen depression, anxiety, & PTSD

[Increase risk for suicide up to 7x](#)

Physical Harms

[Cannabinoid hyperemesis syndrome \(toxic levels\) can cause dehydration, seizures & organ failure](#)

[The Journal of the American Heart Association found that ANY use of marijuana increases risk for heart attacks \(25%\) and stroke \(42%\).](#)