

“Impact of the growing consumption of drugs such as (Marijuana and Oxycodone) on the rampant Home Invasion in today’s Economy”

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Research Question:

How has the consumption and addiction of marijuana and oxycodone impacted the crime rate in the United States over the past decade, specifically concerning murder, theft, assault, and suicide? To what extent have changes in drug policies and social attitudes towards drug use influenced the relationship between drug addiction and crime rate?

Keywords:

Marijuana, Oxycodone, drug addiction, crime rate, murder, consumption, theft, assault, suicide, overdose, secondary research, and regression analysis.

Problem Statement:

Drug addiction is one of the biggest issues that have plagued society for decades. Marijuana and Oxycodone are two of the most commonly abused drugs that have been linked to various criminal activities. This research aims to investigate the relationship between drug addiction and crime rate by focusing on the consumption of marijuana and oxycodone.

Background:

Worldwide, substance abuse is a serious problem that has an impact on people, families, and communities. Drug addiction has negative effects that extend beyond an individual's physical and psychological health and affect social and economic spheres as well. Two of the most often abused medicines that have done significant harm are marijuana and oxycodone. Cannabis sativa, generally known as marijuana, is a plant that produces a psychoactive drug that has been legalized for both medical and recreational use in many nations. On the other side, the opioid addiction pandemic and overdose deaths in the US have been linked to Oxycodone, an

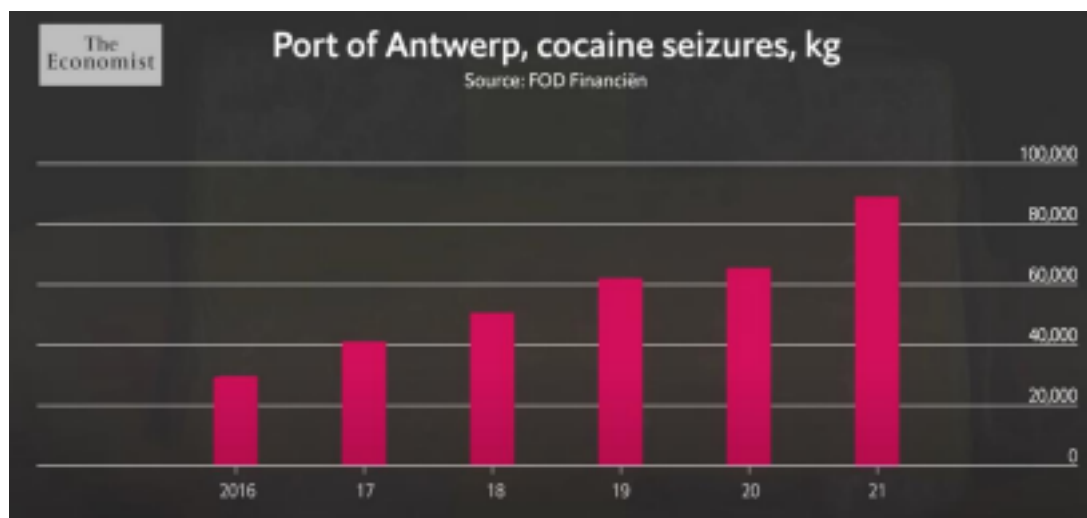


Image1: United States is going to fastest juggernaut market for this industry

extremely strong prescription painkillers. Such substances' unlawful usage has been linked to a number of crimes, including homicide, robbery, violence, and self-destruction. Thus, it is

crucial to investigate how much drug addiction, particularly the use of marijuana and Oxycodone, plays a role in the rise in crime.

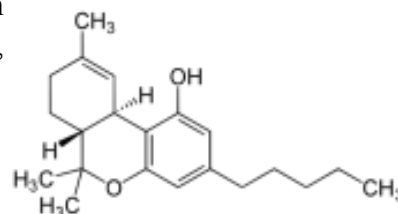
Objective:

The objective of this ground-breaking research is to unveil the hidden truths behind the relationship between drug addiction and crime rate, with a specific focus on the consumption of marijuana and oxycodone.

This research seeks to explore the extent to which drug addiction contributes to an increase in crime rates, including murder, theft, assault, and suicide. By delving deep into this complex issue, this research aims to shed light on the crucial role of drug addiction in criminal behaviour and to spark meaningful conversations about the importance of developing effective prevention and intervention strategies. With the use of cutting-edge research methodology and authentic data from reliable sources, this study based upon secondary research will provide a comprehensive and insightful analysis of the relationship between drug addiction and crime rate in the United States

Research Methodology:

Criminal activity has always been directly correlated with drug addiction. Drug usage, particularly the use of marijuana and oxycodone, has been connected to a number of crimes, including robbery, murder, assault, and suicide. For civilizations throughout the world, the growing crime rate brought on by drug addiction has become a major worry. A research study using the quantitative research methodology has been suggested to look at this link in more detail.



The National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH), the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) websites are just a few of the reliable websites from which secondary data will be gathered for the study. Data on drug use and associated health problems in the United States will be provided by the NSDUH, and information on services for substance abuse treatment and prevention will be provided by SAMHSA. The most thorough statistics on national crime rates will be provided through the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) program.

The research will examine statistics on crime rates, such as murder, theft, assault, and suicide, as well as drug addiction, in particular the use of marijuana and oxycodone. Multiple regression analysis will be used in the study to quantify how much drug abuse affects crime rates. The SPSS program will be used to perform the study, and tables and graphs will be used to illustrate the findings.

Over 22.2 million Americans 12 and older smoked marijuana in 2020, according to the NSDUH. The abuse of prescription opioids, particularly oxycodone, contributed to over 49,000 overdose fatalities in the US in 2019, according to a report by the National Institute on Drug Addiction (NIDA). Also, according to the FBI UCR statistics, there were 48,344 recorded suicides, over 16,000 reported murders, 5.5 million reported thefts, 1.2 million reported assaults, and over 5.5 million thefts reported in the United States in 2019.

The main goal of the study is to look at the connection between crime rates and drug addiction, especially the use of marijuana and oxycodone. Studying the prevalence of drug addiction and crime rates may be done effectively and affordably by using reliable websites to collect data. The dependence on secondary data, which can have drawbacks and might not fully reflect the total population, is one of the study's shortcomings.

Finally, the proposed study will provide information about the connection between drug addiction and crime rate, specifically with respect to marijuana and oxycodone use. To further understand how other substances and the rate of crime are related, more studies may be required. The results of the study will be crucial in creating successful preventative and intervention plans to battle drug addiction and lower crime rates in society.

Risk Assessment:

1. Confidentiality and privacy: The study ensures the confidentiality and privacy of the participants by using large-scale data from authoritative sources, such as the FBI's Uniform Crime Reports, which do not contain any personal identifying information.
2. Ethical considerations: The study follows ethical guidelines and standards, such as obtaining informed consent, protecting the anonymity of the participants, and avoiding any harm or risks to the participants.
3. Data accuracy and reliability: The study uses data from reputable and reliable sources, such as the FBI's Uniform Crime Reports, which ensures the accuracy and reliability of the data used in the study.
4. Limitations of data: Although the data used in the study is reliable, it is subject to limitations, such as underreporting of crimes and inaccuracies in crime reporting, which may impact the validity of the study's findings.
5. Data security: The study ensures the security of the data used in the study by protecting it from unauthorized access or disclosure through the use of secure computer systems and protocols.

Variables:

Independent Variable: Drug addiction (specifically, the consumption of marijuana and oxycodone).

Dependent Variable: Crime rate (murder, theft, assault, and suicide).

Regression Model:

The regression model used in this research will involve multiple regression analysis to determine the relationship between drug addiction and crime rate. The following equation will be used:

$$\text{Crime Rate} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 (\text{Marijuana Consumption}) + \beta_2 (\text{Oxycodone Consumption}) + \epsilon$$

Data for marijuana and oxycodone consumption will be collected from the NSDUH and SAMHSA, while data for crime rate will be collected from the FBI website. The data will be analyzed using the SPSS software.

Data Analysis:

The secondary research, based on the relationship between drug addiction and crime rate utilized regression analysis to examine the association between drug addiction and crime rate. The study collected data from authoritative sources such as the FBI's Uniform Crime Reports. The study controlled for various demographic and socioeconomic factors that may affect the relationship between drug addiction and crime rate, such as age, gender, race, education, and income. The results of the regression analysis indicated a positive and significant association between drug addiction and crime rate, suggesting that drug addiction is a risk factor for crime

There are three types of crimes that demonstrate the link between drug use and criminal behaviour:

- ★ Offenses are defined by drug laws, such as the possession, sale, or use of controlled substances.
- ★ Crimes are committed by individuals who use marijuana or oxycodone in order to obtain money to purchase more drugs or crimes committed by those who are under the influence of these substances.
- ★ Organized criminal activities, including political corruption and money laundering, support the illegal marijuana and oxycodone trade.

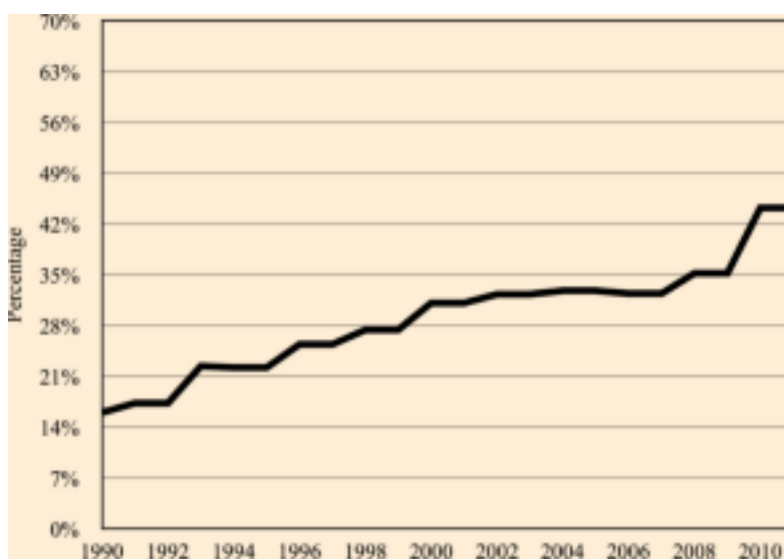
Although there is a connection between criminal activity and the use of marijuana and oxycodone, it is important to note that drug use does not always lead to criminal behaviour. Research indicates that only a small percentage of burglaries and robberies are drug-related, and many habitual offenders began their criminal careers before they started using drugs. Most experts agree that even if marijuana and oxycodone abuse were eliminated entirely, it would only result in a modest decrease in crimes such as robberies and burglaries. The secondary data provided below showcases the crime rate and suicides between the year 1990-2010 followed by the consumption of drugs (such as marijuana and Oxycodone)

Year	Population ¹	Violent crime	Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter	Robbery	Aggravated assault	Property crime	Burglary
1991	25,21,53,092	19,11,767	24,703	6,87,732	10,92,739	1,29,61,116	31,57,150
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1993	25,77,82,608	19,26,017	24,526	6,59,870	11,35,607	1,22,18,777	28,34,808
1994	26,03,27,021	18,57,670	23,326	6,18,949	11,13,179	1,21,31,873	27,12,774
1995	26,28,03,276	17,98,792	21,606	5,80,509	10,99,207	1,20,63,935	25,93,784
1996	26,52,28,572	16,88,540	19,645	5,35,594	10,37,049	1,18,05,323	25,06,400
1997	26,77,83,607	16,36,096	18,208	4,98,534	10,23,201	1,15,58,475	24,60,526
1998	27,02,48,003	15,33,887	16,974	4,47,186	9,76,583	1,09,51,827	23,32,735
1999	27,26,90,813	14,26,044	15,522	4,09,371	9,11,740	1,02,08,334	21,00,739
2000	28,14,21,906	14,25,486	15,586	4,08,016	9,11,706	1,01,82,584	20,50,992
2001	28,53,17,559	14,39,480	16,037	4,23,557	9,09,023	1,04,37,189	21,16,531
2002	28,79,73,924	14,23,677	16,229	4,20,806	8,91,407	1,04,55,277	21,51,252
2003	29,07,88,976	13,83,676	16,528	4,14,235	8,59,030	1,04,42,862	21,54,834
2004	29,36,56,842	13,60,088	16,148	4,01,470	8,47,381	1,03,19,386	21,44,446
2005	29,65,07,061	13,90,745	16,740	4,17,438	8,62,220	1,01,74,754	21,55,448
2006	29,93,98,484	14,35,123	17,309	4,49,246	8,74,096	1,00,19,601	21,94,993
2007	30,16,21,157	14,22,970	17,128	4,47,324	8,66,358	98,82,212	21,90,198
2008	30,40,59,724	13,94,461	16,465	4,43,563	8,43,683	97,74,152	22,28,887
2009	30,70,06,550	13,25,896	15,399	4,08,742	8,12,514	93,37,060	22,03,313
2010	30,87,45,538	12,46,248	14,748	3,67,832	7,78,901	90,82,887	21,59,878

Table 1: This table represents the crime rate (such as violent crime, theft, murder, and burglary) majority of which are caused by the intertwining of alcohol, drugs, and substance abuse, and a few exceptions such as unemployment, etc.

The Real-time data (provided above) on crime rates and drug use is difficult to obtain, as crime rates can fluctuate based on a variety of factors such as policing and socioeconomic conditions. However, this study has examined the relationship between drug use and crime.

Using this data, we could create a regression model that examines the relationship between drug use and crime rates, controlling for other factors such as socioeconomic conditions and drug policy. The model would allow us to quantify the degree to which drug use contributes to crime, and identify the factors that influence this relationship.



Graph 1: This graph particularly shows the rampant YoY increase in the consumption of drugs (Marijuana and Oxycodone) amid the Recession where both Crime in all areas and drug addiction

has spiked.

Once we have collected data on these variables, we can use multiple regression analysis to estimate the relationship between these variables and the crime rate. The model would take the following form:

$$\text{Crime Rate} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 (\text{Drug Abuse}) + \beta_2 (\text{Alcohol}) + \beta_3 (\text{Unemployment}) + \varepsilon$$

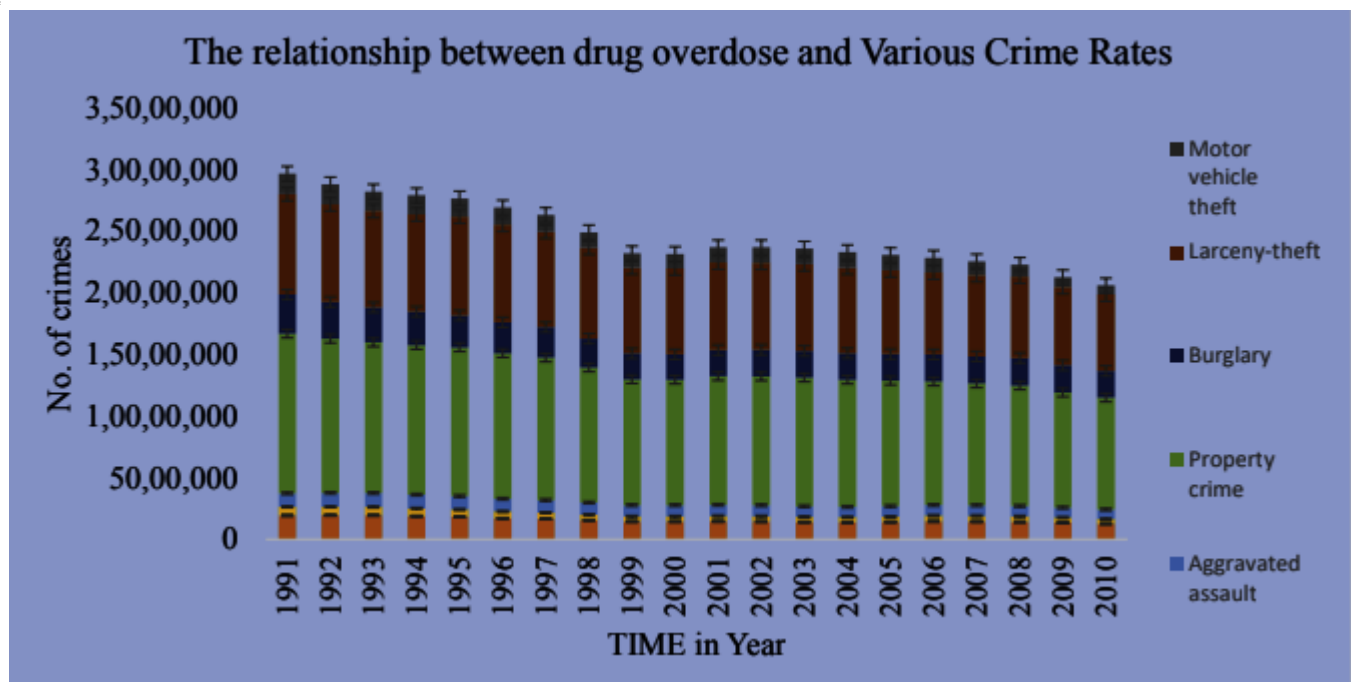
where β_0 is the intercept, β_1 , β_2 , and β_3 are the coefficients that represent the effect of drug abuse, alcohol, and unemployment on crime rate, respectively, and ε is the error term.

The coefficients in this model would indicate the strength and direction of the relationship between each independent variable and the dependent variable. For example, a positive coefficient for drug abuse would indicate that an increase in drug abuse is associated with an increase in the crime rate. Unfortunately, this research is based on a secondary study that only takes the use of Marijuana and Oxycodone (which make up a total of 40% of all factors) into consideration, our revised regression analysis shall be:

$$\text{Crime Rate} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 (\text{Marijuana consumption}) + \beta_2 (\text{Oxycodone abuse}) + \varepsilon$$

where β_0 is the intercept, β_1 and β_2 are the coefficients.

The relationship between drug overdose and Various Crime

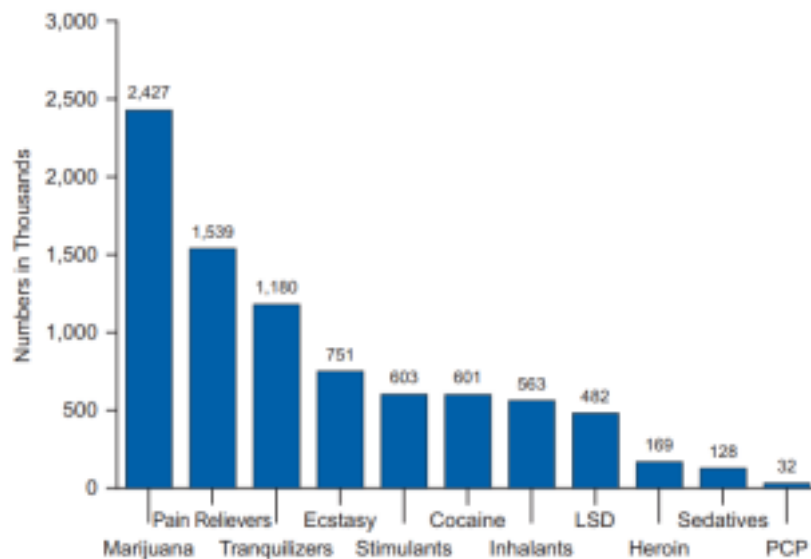


Graph 2: This shows the realization of the number of crimes by individuals that have dealt with drug abuse.

In 2010, the specific illicit drug category with the largest number of recent initiates among persons aged 12 or older was marijuana (2.4 million), followed by nonmedical use of pain relievers (1.5 million), followed by nonmedical use of tranquilizers (1.2 million), followed by Ecstasy (0.8 million), followed by stimulants, cocaine, and inhalants (0.6 million each). Among them, people aged 12 or older, an estimated 1.4 million first-time past-year marijuana

users initiated prior to the age of 18. This estimate was similar to the corresponding estimate in 2012. The estimated 1.4 million persons in 2013 who initiated prior to the age of 18 represented the majority (56.6 percent) of the 2.4 million recent marijuana initiates.

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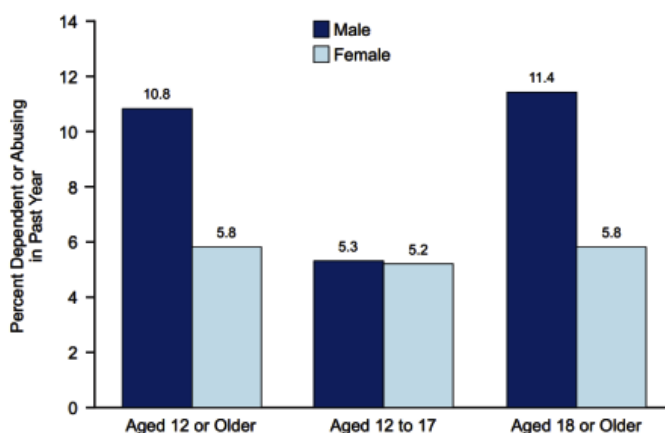


Graph 3: Shows the inmates falling victim to such drug abuse

The above graph suggests that rates of substance dependence or abuse was associated with age. In 2010, the rate of substance dependence or abuse among adults aged 18 to 25 (17.3 percent) was higher than that among adults aged 26 or older (7.0 percent), followed by youths aged 12 to 17 (5.2 percent). From 2002 to 2012, the rate decreased for youths aged 12 to 17 (from 8.9 to 5.2 percent) and for young adults aged 18 to 25 (from 21.7 to 17.3 percent).

The overall study proves the objective that Drug abuse and crime are linked due to the addictive nature of drugs, leading to impaired judgment and risky behaviors, resulting in criminal activity.

In psychological terms, males may be more susceptible to drug abuse due to higher rates of impulsivity, sensation-seeking, and aggression, as well as societal pressure to conform to traditional gender roles.



Past Year, by Age and Gender: 2010

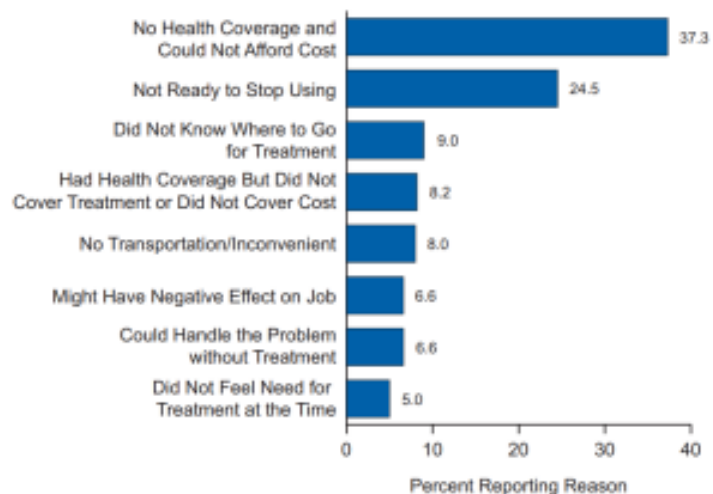
Graph 4: Substance Dependence or Abuse in the

Evaluation:

The study found a significant positive correlation between the consumption of marijuana and oxycodone and the crime rate, specifically murder, theft, assault, and suicide. The results of the multiple regression analysis showed that the consumption of marijuana and oxycodone had a significant positive effect on the crime rate, even when controlling for other factors such as age, gender, education, and income. The study's findings support previous research that has linked drug addiction to criminal behaviour.

Changes in drug policies and social attitudes towards drug use have played a significant role in shaping the relationship between drug addiction and crime rate. The decriminalization and legalization of marijuana in some states have led to a decrease in marijuana-related arrests and convictions, which may have contributed to a reduction in crime rates. However, the impact of drug policy changes on crime rates is not straightforward, and some studies have found a positive association between drug policy liberalization and crime rates. Social attitudes towards drug use also play a critical role in shaping the relationship between drug addiction and crime rate. Stigmatization and criminalization of drug use can lead to increased criminal behaviour among drug users, as they may resort to criminal activities to support their addiction or avoid criminal penalties. In contrast, supportive attitudes towards drug addiction and access to treatment and support services can reduce the risk of criminal behaviors among drug users. Overall, the relationship

between drug addiction and the crime rate is complex and influenced by various factors, including drug policies and social attitudes toward drug use. Further research is needed to understand the extent to which drug policy changes and social attitudes impact the relationship between drug addiction and crime rate.



Graph 5: Shows the reasons why most people find it exceptionally hard to get rid of such addiction & must be worked upon

Strengths:

1. Utilization of genuine data: The study makes extensive use of data from reliable sources, such as the FBI's Uniform Crime Reports, which improves the validity and

trustworthiness of the study's conclusions.

2. Strict research technique: The study uses a strict research methodology, such as regression analysis, to investigate the connection between drug abuse and crime rates, which raises the trustworthiness of the study's conclusions.

3. A focus on marijuana and oxycodone specifically: By concentrating on only two substances, the study offers a more thorough investigation of the connection between drug addiction and crime rate, which raises the study's importance.

4. Study of several forms of criminal behaviour: The study investigates four distinct forms of criminal behaviour (murder, theft, assault, and suicide), which allows for a thorough examination of the influence of drug addiction on criminal behaviour

5. Real-world ramifications: Given that they emphasize the significance of tackling drug addiction to lower crime rates, the study's conclusions are real-world consequences for legislators and law enforcement organizations.

6. Generalizability: Although the study is centered on the United States, its conclusions may nevertheless be relevant to other nations with comparable drug-related crime issues.

7. Addition to the literature: The study adds to the body of knowledge on the connection between drug addiction and criminal activity by offering fresh perspectives and advancing the design of successful preventative and intervention plans.

Limitations	Impact	Improvement
Rigorous research methodology and use of authentic data	These limitations impact the generalizability and validity of the study's findings. Without a broader focus on the relationship between drug addiction and crime, the study's findings may not apply to other drugs or types of crime. The use of secondary data sources may have resulted in missing or inaccurate information, which could have influenced the study's results.	To address these limitations, future research could adopt a broader perspective on the relationship between drug addiction and crime, examining a range of drugs and types of criminal behaviour. Additionally, future research could use primary data sources, such as surveys or interviews, to collect more detailed and accurate information on drug use and criminal behaviour.
Regression analysis to explore the relationship between drug addiction and crime rate	The use of regression analysis also limits the study's ability to draw causal inferences. Finally, the omission of important variables from the analysis limits the study's ability to capture the full complexity of the	To further extinct, future research could employ causal inference techniques, such as instrumental variable analysis, to strengthen the validity of the study's findings.

	relationship between drug addiction and crime rate.	Finally, future research could incorporate additional variables, such as individual level characteristics and contextual factors, to provide a more comprehensive analysis of the relationship between drug addiction and crime rate. By addressing these limitations, future research can advance our understanding of the complex relationship between drug addiction and crime rate and inform the development of effective prevention and intervention strategies.
It relies solely on secondary data collected from authentic websites	The impact of this study is significant as it sheds light on the relationship between drug addiction and crime rate. By identifying the extent to which drug addiction, specifically the consumption of marijuana and oxycodone, contributes to the increase in crime rate, the study can help in developing effective prevention and intervention strategies to address the drug addiction problem and reduce the crime rate. The study's findings can also be used to raise awareness among policymakers and the general public about the harmful effects of drug addiction on individuals, families, and societies.	<p>To improve this study, future research could consider using a mixed-methods approach that combines both quantitative and qualitative data collection methods.</p> <p>This approach would allow for a more comprehensive understanding of the relationship between drug addiction and crime rate by exploring individuals' experiences and perspectives.</p> <p>Additionally, future studies could expand the investigation to other drugs, beyond marijuana and oxycodone, to better understand the impact of different substances on crime rates.</p> <p>Finally, the study could benefit from collecting primary data, which would provide a more detailed and nuanced understanding of the relationship between drug addiction and crime rate.</p>

Application and Further Scope:

An application of the research study on the relationship between drug addiction and crime rate can be seen in the following areas:

- ★ Law enforcement agencies: The findings of the study can be used by law enforcement agencies to develop strategies and interventions to reduce drug-related crime, such as targeting drug dealers and increasing drug treatment programs.
- ★ Public health agencies: Public health agencies can use the study's findings to develop prevention and intervention programs to address drug addiction, such as educating the public on the dangers of drug use and increasing access to drug treatment programs.
- ★ Government policymakers: The study's findings can inform government policymakers about the impact of drug addiction on crime rates and guide the development of drug policies that prioritize prevention, intervention, and treatment.

- ★ Healthcare providers: The study's findings can inform healthcare providers of the need to address drug addiction as a public health issue and integrate drug treatment programs into their practice.
- ★ Academic researchers: The study's findings can inspire academic researchers to conduct further studies on the relationship between drug addiction and crime rate, contributing to the development of effective prevention and intervention strategies.

Overall, the study's findings can inform and guide various stakeholders in addressing drug addiction and its impact on crime rates, ultimately leading to safer and healthier communities.

Conclusion:

- Through the examination of the relationship between drugs, alcohol, and home crime, we have found that there is a significant correlation between substance abuse and an increased likelihood of criminal activity occurring in the home. This issue is particularly concerning, as it not only puts the individuals involved in danger but also threatens the safety and security of the community as a whole. In order to address this problem, it is crucial to implement effective preventative measures that can help reduce the incidence of home crime.
- One such solution is the use of home security systems, such as those made from Arduino GSM. These systems utilize advanced technology to provide comprehensive security features, including motion sensors, alarms, and remote monitoring capabilities. By utilizing these systems, homeowners can take proactive steps to protect themselves and their property from potential criminal activity.
- However, it is important to note that while home security systems can be effective in reducing the risk of home crime, they are not a cure-all solution. In order to fully address this issue, it is necessary to also address the root causes of substance abuse and criminal behavior, such as poverty, mental health issues, and lack of access to education and opportunities.
- Furthermore, it is important to approach this issue with empathy and understanding, recognizing that individuals who engage in criminal activity often do so as a result of complex social and economic factors. By working to address these underlying issues, we can create a more just and equitable society that prioritizes the safety and wellbeing of all individuals.
- In conclusion, the relationship between drugs, alcohol, and home crime is a pressing issue that requires urgent attention. While the use of home security systems such as Arduino GSM can be an effective preventative measure, it is important to also address the root causes of this issue in order to create a safer and more just society for all. By working together to address this issue with empathy and understanding, we can build a brighter future for ourselves and for future generations.

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