Will cannabis soon be legal in Austria?

**More than 50 per cent of the under 16 years old have tried cannabis. It is the most commonly used illicit drug in Austria.**

General Information

Cannabis is classified as a drug. Marijuana contains cannabinoids, we don’t know how many until yet, but we know that it contains THC (delta9 tetrahydrocannabinol). It is illegal in Austria since 1963. Between 9 and 30 percent of those, who smoke cannabis have a use disorder. The most popular risks of taking marijuana are concentrating problems and depressions. People use marijuana, because it elevates their mood and relaxes them.

How does cannabis affect the mind?

Your nerve cells have membranes that contain receptors. These receptors bind to THC. Cannabis can produce a feeling of euphoria, because it stimulates the same brain cells as food and sex. The risks of smoking cannabis for a long time are anxiety, paranoia and attention problems. The impact can vary by person, strength and how often the person smokes it. Marijuana is used for medical problems for 500 years. The two cannabinoids, which are used for the medicine are Marinol and Cesamet. They are used for cancer patients and to stimulate appetite for AIDS patients.

Motivation for teenagers (14-18 years)

Teenagers think, that cannabis is safer than alcohol or tobacco. Most of the teenagers try cannabis because of the peer-pressure. They don’t have their own opinion and they heed the advices of the group leader. It is very dangerous in this age, because the today’s cannabis contains up to two or three times more THC than in the past. cannabis has a significant impact on the brain development, which controls the learning and memory functions.

What can we do against Cannabis in young ages?

Parents have a very important role. They have to enlighten their children and to apologize to their children to not try cannabis. More than 60 per cent of the children are not enlightened and don’t know which ensue cannabis can have.

*First try of Cannabis in different ages*

Ein Bild, das Screenshot enthält.



Automatisch generierte Beschreibung

Should it get legalized?

Cannabis contains dangerous substances and you can develop an addiction to Cannabis. The government says that marijuana is often used to get in the “drug world” and to take more dangerous drugs after. If cannabis got legal, there won’t be fewer criminal gangs, because they won’t earn more money with cannabis. One argument for the legalization is that the government would earn more taxes, if they tax cannabis. For the nature-aware people, grass produces fume, if you smoke it. If cannabis would be legal, the nature got more debited. If the government decides to legalize cannabis, they have to look for the quality. You can buy cannabis in every corner, and you don’t know if it is worth it’s price. You also don’t know, whether the cannabis is stretched or not.

Sources

<https://www.livescience.com/24558-marijuana-effects.html>

<https://www.aacap.org/aacap/families_and_youth/facts_for_families/fff-guide/Marijuana-and-Teens-106.aspx>

<https://www.drugabuse.gov/publications/drugfacts/marijuana>