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Marijuana



Marijuana is the most commonly used illegal drug in Canada and worldwide.



10.6% of Canadians reported using marijuana last year.



Recent research suggests that using **marijuana** — especially long-term - negatively affects **mental and physical health, brain function** (memory, attention and thinking) and **driving performance**.

Prescription Drugs



Prescription drugs, like **stimulants, sedatives** and **tranquillizers**, are intended to help manage pain and other conditions.

If misused they can also cause harm, such as **addiction, overdose** or even **death**.



In Canada youth are likely to have their **first experience with prescription drugs recreationally**, which means for non-medical purposes.



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Research shows the **age of first use is getting younger.**



While the rate of using **prescription drugs for recreational purposes** is increasing.



Furthermore, **67% of youth** indicate that they obtained the **prescription from home.**



These statistics tell us that **many youth are trying marijuana and prescription drugs to get high.** Visit Drug Use in this website for risk factors, hacks to not use, and hacks to keep safe if using drugs.