

Marijuana Legalization And Motor Vehicle Accidents In The United States



Marijuana has been becoming legal since 1939 in various ways, and in 2012 it became legal recreationally, meaning recreationally legal marijuana states would allow civilians to purchase and get high on this schedule 1 drug which has lead to many problems within society.

Did Marijuana Legalization significantly affect motor vehicle accidents within the United States?

This map compares exact traffic crash numbers from 2 states, Oregon and Idaho, before and after recreational marijuana legalization. Oregon is a recreationally legal marijuana state, and Idaho is an Illegal Marijuana state. My map then compares the United States approximate Traffic Numbers Across the nation before and after marijuana legalization.

In my observations from creating, and analyzing this map, I found that marijuana legalization did not significantly affect traffic accidents in America At all. Motor Vehicle accident rates stayed fairly constant in the 2 years that I compared, 2012 and 2016.

