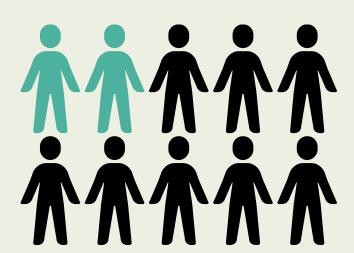
Youth Cannabis Use In Connecticut

In Connecticut, medical cannabis use became legal in 2012 and recreational adult use (21+) became legal in 2021. The data in this infographic reflects cannabis use and perceptions of cannabis use among youth aged 12-17.



Youth cannabis use in CT is below the national rate.



About 17 percent of high school students reported **using** cannabis in the past 30 days.

Cannabis is readily accessible to youth...

Youth report getting cannabis from²



family members



retailers
e.g., smoke shops,
gas stations

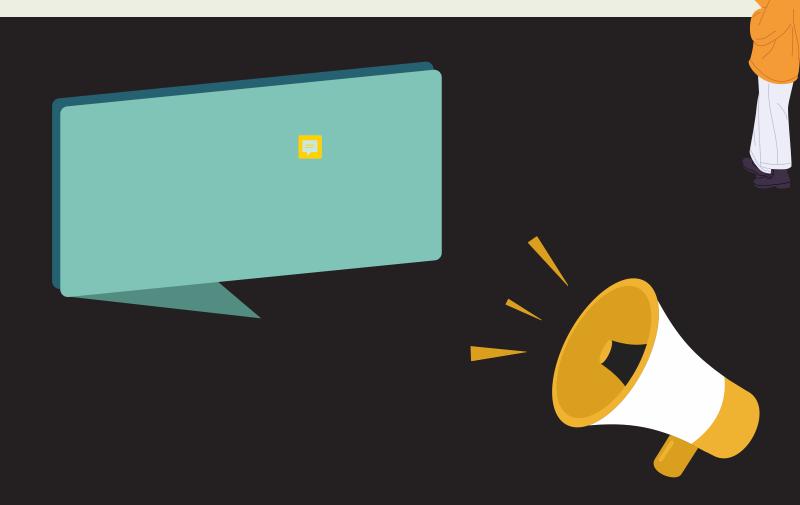


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. . . and there is low perception of harm from using cannabis.



of youth felt that smoking cannabis once per month is harmful to one's health.³



For more information on cannabis in Connecticut, visit <u>beintheknowct.org</u>.

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