

YouGov Survey Results

Sample Size: 1306 Adults in London (18+)
Fieldwork: 15th - 22nd July 2022

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Have you ever taken soft drugs, such as cannabis?

Yes, multiple times	23	15	30	20	29	17	28	18	20	29	16	12	23	23	27	21	36	11
Yes, once	9	10	9	17	11	9	8	10	9	9	9	11	11	6	11	8	12	8
TOTAL YES	32	25	39	36	39	27	36	28	29	38	25	23	34	29	37	29	48	19
No, I have not	57	70	49	56	50	66	51	63	56	50	66	74	55	60	52	60	40	76
Prefer not to say	8	4	9	6	9	5	9	6	9	9	6	3	8	7	7	8	10	4
Don't know	3	1	3	2	2	2	3	2	6	3	2	0	2	4	4	3	2	1

With regard to hard drugs such as heroin and crack cocaine, which of these statements comes closest to your own view?

The sale and possession of such drugs should remain a criminal offence as now	52	74	42	54	47	68	48	55	33	43	70	69	52	51	46	55	35	86
The sale and possession of such drugs should remain illegal but should be regarded as a minor offence	17	9	22	21	22	11	19	16	29	21	7	11	19	15	19	16	27	8
The sale and possession of such drugs should no longer be illegal (sometimes called 'legalisation')	15	9	22	10	17	11	19	11	16	18	13	8	16	14	19	13	28	2
TOTAL SUPPORT DECRIMINALISATION / LEGALISATION	32	18	44	31	39	22	38	27	45	39	19	19	35	29	38	29	54	10
Don't know	16	9	14	15	14	10	14	18	21	18	11	12	13	20	16	16	11	4

With regard to soft drugs such as cannabis, which of these statements comes closest to your own view?

The sale and possession of such drugs should remain a criminal offence as now	27	45	20	21	23	38	27	27	19	20	39	41	26	28	25	28	5	71
The sale and possession of such drugs should remain illegal but should be regarded as a minor offence	25	25	24	32	26	26	25	26	31	26	21	26	26	24	22	27	29	20
The sale and possession of such drugs should no longer be illegal (sometimes called 'legalisation')	33	20	44	32	40	25	37	30	31	39	30	19	35	31	39	30	62	3
TOTAL SUPPORT DECRIMINALISATION / LEGALISATION	59	44	69	64	66	51	61	56	62	65	51	45	61	55	61	57	91	23
Don't know	14	11	12	15	11	11	12	17	19	15	10	14	12	17	14	15	4	6

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To what extent, would you support or oppose the decriminalisation of cannabis in LONDON?

Strongly support	24	12	33	24	27	18	28	20	25	30	20	9	24	25	28	22	48	0
Tend to support	26	22	31	24	32	21	25	27	27	26	25	25	28	22	26	26	52	0
TOTAL SUPPORT	50	34	64	48	59	39	53	47	52	56	45	34	52	47	54	48	100	0
Tend to oppose	13	14	11	17	12	15	12	13	10	12	15	14	14	11	11	13	0	39
Strongly oppose	20	38	10	18	16	31	22	19	17	14	27	34	19	21	17	22	0	61
TOTAL OPPOSE	33	52	22	36	28	46	34	32	27	26	42	48	33	32	29	35	0	100
Don't know	17	14	14	16	13	15	13	22	21	18	13	18	15	21	17	18	0	0

If cannabis was decriminalised in London, how likely, if at all, do you think the following would be?

Decriminalisation of hard drugs such as heroin and crack cocaine, in London

Very likely	6	10	4	2	4	9	6	6	5	5	5	9	6	6	5	6	4	10
Fairly likely	12	12	12	10	11	12	14	10	22	11	11	10	12	13	13	12	11	17
TOTAL LIKELY	18	22	16	12	15	21	20	16	27	16	17	19	17	19	18	18	16	26
Not very likely	25	21	29	28	29	21	25	25	26	27	22	22	28	20	27	24	28	24
Not at all likely	38	42	38	41	43	36	40	37	32	40	39	37	40	36	37	39	47	33
TOTAL NOT LIKELY	63	63	67	69	71	57	65	61	57	67	61	58	68	56	64	63	75	57
Don't know	19	15	17	19	14	22	15	23	16	17	22	22	15	25	18	19	10	17

Decriminalisation of other soft drugs such as speed, in London

Very likely	10	15	8	9	9	14	10	9	7	8	13	14	10	8	7	11	7	18
Fairly likely	25	22	26	31	26	22	27	23	37	24	24	19	26	24	27	24	28	26
TOTAL LIKELY	35	37	34	40	34	36	37	32	45	32	37	33	36	33	34	35	35	44
Not very likely	27	21	31	30	34	21	28	25	25	30	21	24	29	23	29	25	36	18
Not at all likely	15	22	13	10	15	17	15	16	13	16	15	15	15	17	14	16	15	19
TOTAL NOT LIKELY	42	43	44	39	49	38	43	41	38	46	36	40	44	39	43	42	51	37
Don't know	23	21	22	21	17	26	20	27	17	22	26	27	20	28	23	23	15	19

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If cannabis was decriminalised in London, do you think it would lead to more or less people using cannabis, or would it make no difference?

More people would use cannabis	39	53	34	41	37	45	40	38	37	33	47	50	43	34	38	40	24	71
Less people would use cannabis	5	3	7	4	5	6	7	4	10	7	1	1	5	5	6	5	7	5
It would make no difference	41	33	47	42	49	35	41	41	36	44	41	35	41	42	43	40	63	17
Don't know	14	10	12	14	9	15	11	17	17	15	11	13	11	18	13	15	5	8

If cannabis was decriminalised in London, do you think this would lead to more or less people using other drugs, or would it make no difference?

More people using other drugs	27	43	17	28	22	36	28	25	21	20	33	43	27	25	24	28	7	63
Fewer people using other drugs	14	9	17	14	14	10	15	12	30	15	8	5	14	14	13	14	20	7
Would make no difference	38	32	43	36	45	34	38	37	29	42	38	29	38	37	43	35	57	18
Don't know	22	16	23	22	19	20	18	26	20	23	20	23	21	24	20	23	15	12

If cannabis was decriminalised in London, do you think this would lead to more or less people damaging their health as a result of taking drugs, or would it make no difference?

More people damaging their health as a result of taking drugs	35	52	27	38	31	45	37	33	30	27	49	48	36	33	31	37	14	74
Fewer people damaging their health as a result of taking drugs	15	7	20	18	17	10	16	14	22	20	6	7	17	13	18	14	25	5
Would make no difference	30	26	33	27	34	28	31	29	28	33	29	24	28	32	30	30	48	11
Don't know	20	14	20	16	18	17	16	23	20	21	15	21	19	21	21	19	14	10

If cannabis was decriminalised in London, do you think this would lead to more or less crime, or would it make no difference?

More crime	23	37	15	20	18	32	24	21	18	17	32	33	22	24	21	24	6	55
Less crime	33	19	44	36	41	22	35	30	35	40	21	21	37	27	35	31	57	8
Would make no difference	26	29	24	28	26	30	27	26	24	24	31	31	25	28	25	27	30	25
Don't know	18	16	16	15	14	17	14	22	23	20	15	16	16	22	19	18	8	12

If cannabis was decriminalised in London, do you think it would put more, or less pressure on the Metropolitan Police, or would it make no difference?

More pressure	24	37	17	21	20	33	24	23	18	18	31	34	22	26	22	24	8	53
Less pressure	41	28	53	43	51	31	46	38	44	48	31	30	46	35	44	40	66	15
It would make no difference	18	22	16	17	17	21	18	18	14	16	24	20	17	20	18	18	20	18
Don't know	17	14	14	19	12	15	12	21	23	17	14	16	16	19	16	17	7	14