

## **Kansas Statewide Survey Legalization of Medical Cannabis**



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Field Dates: January 23-27, 2019

N = 511 Voters

Margin of Error = +/- 4.4%



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**Current Kansas law does not allow use of medical marijuana for medical purposes. However, there is talk in the Kansas Legislature of passing a bill that makes use of medical marijuana legal for qualified individuals. Regarding making medical marijuana legal in the state of Kansas under strict controls, do you support legalization or oppose legalization?**

- 52.3% Strongly support
- 18% Somewhat support
- 18.6% Strongly oppose
- 3.5% Somewhat oppose
- 7.6% Undecided/Don't know

**SUPPORT BY KANSANS FOR MEDICAL CANNABIS = 70.3%**

**Regardless of your own personal view, how confident are you that medical marijuana is helpful for people struggling with pain?**

- 48.7% Very Confident
- 25.4% Somewhat Confident
- 5.5% Not Confident
- 6.1% Somewhat Not Confident
- 13.7% Not sure/Undecided

**CONFIDENCE BY KANSANS THAT MEDICAL CANNABIS HELPS THOSE IN NEED = 74.2%**

**Some civic leaders are concerned that legalizing medical cannabis is just another step by individuals who want to legalize recreational marijuana and other harmful drugs. These leaders contend that marijuana legalization has had bad results in states like California and Colorado that have tried it and Kansas doesn't want those problems. How persuasive is this argument?**

- 19.4% Very persuasive
- 17.6% Somewhat Persuasive
- 35% Very Unpersuasive
- 18.8% Somewhat Unpersuasive
- 9.2% Not sure/Undecided

**KANSANS NOT CONCERNED WITH MEDICAL LEADING TO RECREATIONAL USE = 53.8%**

**Regardless of your personal view on the legalization of medical marijuana, would you view a Kansas Legislator who voted in favor of legalization more favorably, less favorably or would it not make much difference in your view of them?**

- 40.1% More Favorably
- 19% Less Favorably
- 38% Not much difference
- 2.9% Don't know

**KANSANS INDICATE THEY WOULD SUPPORT A LEGISLATOR WHO VOTES IN FAVOR OF MEDICAL CANNABIS = 78.1%**

### Additional Survey Results/Information

- ◆ A statewide survey, covering more than 80 counties.
- ◆ All surveyed are likely 2020 primary voters.
- ◆ 46% surveyed identified as Republican                      29% Democrat                      21% unaffiliated                      4% Other/Don't Know/Refused
  
- ◆ 72.7%                      support among those who graduated college
- ◆ 59.3%                      support among those who regularly attend religious services
  
- ◆ 74.5%                      support among women
- ◆ 66.4%                      support among men
- ◆ 77%                      support among those 45-64 years of age
- ◆ 55.7%                      support among those age 65+
  
- ◆ 56%                      of Republicans surveyed support medical cannabis legislation
- ◆ 85.4%                      of Democrats surveyed support medical cannabis legislation
  
- ◆ 52%                      surveyed were Men
- ◆ 48%                      surveyed were Women

