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**LIMIT MARIJUANA TO HOME, MEMBERS-ONLY CLUBS,
COLORADO VOTERS TELL QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY POLL;
50% BACK SUPREME COURT ON CONTRACEPTION**

Marijuana use should be legal in members-only clubs, Colorado voters say 66 – 29 percent, but not in bars and clubs and entertainment venues, according to a Quinnipiac University poll released today.

After six months of legal marijuana use, Colorado voters support the measure 54 – 43 percent, identical to the findings of an April 28 survey by the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University, and down slightly from the 58 – 39 percent support February 10.

Marijuana should not be legal in bars and clubs where alcohol is served, voters say 65 – 31 percent. There is a small gender gap as 34 percent of men and 27 percent of women support using marijuana in a bar, other than a members-only club.

By a similar 63 – 33 percent margin, voters say marijuana should not be legal at entertainment events where admission is charged. Looking at invitation-only entertainment events, where no admission is charged, 49 percent oppose marijuana and 46 percent say it should be legal.

Laws regulating marijuana use should be as strict as laws regulating alcohol use, 61 percent of voters say, while 29 percent say they should be stricter and 10 percent say less strict.

“Coloradans are still good to go on marijuana for recreational use in private settings, but as far as letting the good times roll in bars and clubs where alcohol is served, voters say don’t smoke ‘em if you’ve got ‘em,” said Tim Malloy, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University poll.

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Alcohol is more harmful to a person's health than marijuana, 61 percent of Colorado voters say, while 19 percent say marijuana is more harmful and 13 percent say they are equally harmful. Alcohol is more harmful to society, 59 percent of voters say, while 22 percent say marijuana is more harmful and 14 percent say they are equally harmful.

Fifty-one percent of Colorado voters say they have tried marijuana, but only 16 percent say they've tried it since it became legal January 1.

Abortion

Fifty percent of Colorado voters agree with the U.S. Supreme Court ruling that for-profit employers with religious objections can opt out of the contraception requirements of the Affordable Care Act, while 46 percent disagree. Men agree 59 – 38 percent, while women disagree 54 – 43 percent. Republicans agree 79 – 18 percent, while Democrats disagree 77 – 21 percent. Independent voters are divided 48 – 48 percent.

Offered four choices on abortion:

- 29 percent of Colorado voters say abortion should be legal in all cases;
- 35 percent say it should be legal in most cases;
- 22 percent say it should be illegal in most cases;
- 10 percent say it should be illegal in all cases.

“Almost two-thirds of Coloradans believe abortion should be legal in all or most cases. Voters are divided, however, on the Supreme Court ruling letting for-profit employers opt out of the contraception requirements of the Affordable Care Act,” Malloy said.

From July 10 – 14, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,147 registered voters with a margin of error of +/- 2.9 percentage points. Live interviewers call land lines and cell phones.

The Quinnipiac University Poll, directed by Douglas Schwartz, Ph.D., conducts public opinion surveys in Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Florida, Ohio, Virginia, Iowa, Colorado and the nation as a public service and for research.

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60. As you may know the Supreme Court recently ruled that for-profit employers with religious objections can opt out of providing contraception coverage under the 2010 health care law. Do you agree or disagree with the Supreme Court's decision?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Agree	50%	79%	21%	48%	59%	43%	45%	46%	53%	60%
Disagree	46	18	77	48	38	54	54	50	44	35
DK/NA	3	4	3	4	3	4	1	4	3	6

61. Do you think abortion should be legal in all cases, legal in most cases, illegal in most cases or illegal in all cases?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Legal all cases	29%	12%	46%	28%	24%	33%	42%	29%	29%	19%
Legal most cases	35	33	37	39	37	34	33	37	36	31
Illegal most cases	22	36	10	20	25	20	10	19	25	35
Illegal all cases	10	16	4	8	10	9	14	14	4	9
DK/NA	4	3	2	4	4	3	1	2	6	6

62. As you may know, voters in Colorado passed a law legalizing marijuana for recreational use in 2012. Do you support or oppose this law?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Support	54%	26%	76%	58%	57%	51%	74%	59%	54%	28%
Oppose	43	72	21	38	39	46	23	39	43	67
DK/NA	3	2	3	4	4	3	2	2	4	5

TREND: As you may know, voters in Colorado passed a law legalizing marijuana for recreational use in 2012. Do you support or oppose this law?

	Jul 21 2014	Apr 28 2014	Feb 10 2014	Aug 22 2013
Support	54	54	58	54
Oppose	43	43	39	41
DK/NA	3	3	4	5

63. Keeping in mind that all of your answers in this survey are confidential, have you, yourself ever happened to try marijuana?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Yes	51%	36%	63%	53%	52%	50%	59%	54%	60%	26%
No	48	64	37	45	47	49	41	45	39	73
DK/NA	1	-	1	1	1	1	-	1	1	1

TREND: Keeping in mind that all of your answers in this survey are confidential, have you, yourself ever happened to try marijuana?

	Jul 21 2014	Apr 28 2014	Feb 10 2014	Aug 22 2013
Yes	51	49	51	51
No	48	50	47	47
DK/NA	1	1	2	2

64. Have you used marijuana after recreational sales began in Colorado on January 1st?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Yes	16%	5%	27%	15%	20%	12%	33%	20%	14%	2%
No	83	94	73	83	79	87	67	79	86	97
DK/NA	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	1

TREND: Have you used marijuana after recreational sales began in Colorado on January 1st?

	Jul 21 2014	Apr 28 2014	Feb 10 2014
Yes	16	15	10
No	83	84	89
DK/NA	1	1	1

65. Do you think the laws regulating the use of marijuana in Colorado should be more strict than the laws regulating the use of alcohol, less strict, or about as strict as the laws regulating the use of alcohol?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
More	29%	44%	17%	28%	28%	30%	14%	29%	31%	37%
Less	10	3	14	10	14	6	28	10	5	3
About as strict	61	53	69	61	57	64	57	61	63	58
DK/NA	1	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	1	2

66. Do you think that the use of marijuana should be legal or illegal in - members only marijuana clubs?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Legal	66%	51%	77%	67%	67%	64%	82%	71%	67%	41%
Illegal	29	46	17	26	28	30	15	26	29	47
DK/NA	5	3	5	6	5	5	3	3	5	12

67. Do you think that the use of marijuana should be legal or illegal in - bars and clubs where alcohol is served?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Legal	31%	17%	42%	31%	34%	27%	46%	33%	27%	18%
Illegal	65	81	53	63	63	67	50	65	66	77
DK/NA	5	2	5	6	3	6	4	2	7	6

68. Do you think that the use of marijuana should be legal or illegal in - entertainment events where admission is charged?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Legal	33%	16%	45%	35%	36%	30%	52%	38%	30%	11%
Illegal	63	81	50	59	60	66	46	59	64	82
DK/NA	4	2	5	6	4	4	3	2	6	7

69. Do you think that the use of marijuana should be legal or illegal in - invitation only entertainment events where no admission is charged?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Legal	46%	27%	64%	44%	47%	44%	65%	52%	44%	22%
Illegal	49	71	30	46	46	51	32	44	51	69
DK/NA	6	2	5	10	7	5	3	5	6	9

70. Do you think that the use of marijuana should be legal or illegal in - a person's home?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Legal	74%	56%	88%	76%	75%	72%	85%	75%	76%	59%
Illegal	23	42	10	21	22	24	14	23	21	34
DK/NA	3	3	2	3	3	3	1	2	3	6

71. Which do you think is more harmful to a person's health, alcohol or marijuana?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Alcohol	61%	42%	77%	63%	63%	59%	91%	61%	59%	38%
Marijuana	19	35	9	15	19	20	6	21	18	27
BOTH (VOL)	13	17	8	14	10	17	1	11	16	22
NEITHER (VOL)	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-
DK/NA	6	5	6	7	8	5	1	5	6	13

72. Which do you think is more harmful to society, alcohol or marijuana?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Alcohol	59%	41%	75%	60%	63%	54%	78%	64%	57%	35%
Marijuana	22	38	10	19	21	23	15	17	21	37
BOTH (VOL)	14	18	9	14	9	18	4	11	16	20
NEITHER (VOL)	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	3	1	1
DK/NA	5	3	5	6	5	4	2	4	5	7

73. How comfortable would you be as a passenger in a car, with a driver who has smoked or consumed moderate amounts of marijuana; very comfortable, somewhat comfortable, somewhat uncomfortable, or very uncomfortable?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Very comfortable	6%	4%	9%	6%	7%	6%	13%	6%	5%	3%
Smwht comfortable	15	7	24	12	19	10	25	17	14	4
Smwht uncomfortable	19	13	20	21	19	18	31	17	17	14
Very uncomfortable	59	75	44	59	53	65	31	61	60	77
DK/NA	2	1	2	2	2	1	-	-	4	2

TREND: How comfortable would you be as a passenger in a car, with a driver who has smoked or consumed moderate amounts of marijuana; very comfortable, somewhat comfortable, somewhat uncomfortable, or very uncomfortable?

	Jul 21 2014	Feb 10 2014
Very comfortable	6	7
Smwht comfortable	15	10
Smwht uncomfortable	19	17
Very uncomfortable	59	64
DK/NA	2	1