

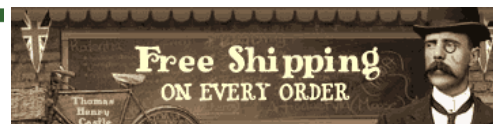


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Anyone interested in the legalization of marijuana soon discovers that drug policy reform of any kind is a complicated issue. One sure thing, though, is that accurate information remains one of the most persuasive and powerful tools available to reformers. The key to getting accurate information is, whenever possible, to go to the source.

Here are fifty links to valuable background information on marijuana and drug policy reform. While collected primarily for students and activists these sites also provide interesting data, articles, commentary, and analysis for the general public. These links fall into four broad categories, providing sources for data, analysis, legal and public policy context, and background on non-profit organization management. They contain valuable information for the serious reformer as well as interesting perspectives for interested observer.

The Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP)

www.whitehousedrugpolicy.gov

This federal agency coordinates federal drug policy and programs; it is the primary source for government analysis of drug policy issues and developments.

FirstGov

www.firstgov.gov

This portal provides access to every federal agency and important government programs.

Annual National Drug Control Strategy Report

www.whitehousedrugpolicy.gov

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We've presented all the facts, but ultimately the answer to that can only be determined by you. In case you're still having trouble figuring it all out, here's a few

www.usdoj.gov

The Bush Administration has eliminated funding for this agency, however it is currently "the nation's principal center for strategic domestic counterdrug intelligence." This is an excellent source for government analysis of trends in key policy indicators such as availability and demand.

Federal Data Sources

www.whitehousedrugpolicy.gov

This portal from ONDCP provides access to the original source data used to evaluate federal drug policy, including survey data on drug use, emergency room visits, drug treatment admissions, and other key indicators of policy performance.

Informing America's Policy on Illegal Drugs: What We Don't Know Keeps Hurting Us

www.books.nap.edu

This book from the National Research Council provides important background information on the data used to evaluate drug policy as well as valuable critiques of its use in drug policy analysis. This is an essential guide to the use of federal data sources by drug policy analysts and to critical evaluation of claims of drug policy success. The National Academy Press (NAP) provides on-line access to this and other publications.

College on the Problems of Drug Dependence

www.cpdd.vcu.edu

See what the nation's experts on drugs, pharmacology, and addiction think of national drug policy.

Marijuana legalization will require the support of these professionals. Advocates of marijuana legalization need to understand how to appeal to the interests and concerns of professionals in this field.

RAND Drug Policy Research Center

www.rand.org

This is one of the nation's most prominent and respected drug policy think-tanks. Drug policy reformers need to persuade this academic community of the merits of their proposals in order for the public to take them seriously. As with the example above, advocates of marijuana legalization need to understand



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how to effectively communicate this field of professionals. RAND affiliated analysts are frequently consulted by Congress on drug policy issues.

Dispelling the Myths About Addiction: Strategies to Increase Understanding and Strengthen Research

www.books.nap.edu

This NAP title is available on-line and provides excellent background on how the scientific community views addiction and dependency.

Pathways of Addiction: Opportunities in Drug Abuse Research

www.books.nap.edu

This NAP title contains a superb discussion distinguishing drug use, abuse, and dependency.

The Biological Basis for Substance Abuse and Addiction

www.wws.princeton.edu

This report was prepared for Congress in the early 1990s and provides a good introduction to the biological basis for drug dependency.

Technologies for Understanding and Preventing Substance Abuse and Addiction

www.wws.princeton.edu

This report was prepared for Congress in the mid 1990s and provides a solid introduction to all of the issues involved in drug policy and the various policy options available for policy makers, including both prohibition and public health models.

Drug Control Policies in the United States: Historical Perspectives

www.wws.princeton.edu

A short history of drug policy in the United States contained in the above report.

TRAC-DEA

www.trac.syr.edu

This Syracuse University program is a source for comprehensive independent, and nonpartisan information about the Drug Enforcement Agency.



The Legal Information Institute of the Cornell University Law School

www.law.cornell.edu

This portal provides access to the statutes and court decisions that make up US law.

Robinson v. California

www.oyez.org

This is probably the most important legal decision about drug policy in United States law.

In Robinson v. California the Supreme Court ruled that it was cruel and unusual punishment to make drug addiction a crime in the United States. Listen to the Oral Arguments in this historic Supreme Court case and read the opinion of the Court.

Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act

www.access.gpo.gov

These are the laws that govern the marketing and sale of drugs in the United States. Under existing law, if rescheduled by the DEA medical cannabis will be governed by these federal statutes requiring extensive clinical trials before a drug can be approved for marketing as a safe and effective treatment for any medical condition.

Controlled Substances Act

www.access.gpo.gov

These are the laws that govern the production and distribution of medical cannabis. Marijuana is currently classified as a Schedule I drug, restricted for research use only. These laws provide a basis for changing that classification, a process known as rescheduling.

National Drug Control Policy

www.access.gpo.gov

These laws describe the requirements for the Office of National Drug Control Strategy and its annual report.

The United States House of Representatives

www.house.gov

Learn how to contact your Congressional Representative and how this house of the legislature functions.

The United States Senate

www.senate.gov

Learn how to contact your U.S. Senator and how the Senate functions.

THOMAS

www.thomas.loc.gov

Use this service of the Library of Congress to monitor marijuana-related legislation in the U.S. Congress.

Federal Contract and Funding Announcements

www.fedbizopps.gov

Follow the money! Apply for Federal Funding! Here is where you can learn more about the flow of federal funds to independent contractors and non-governmental organizations.

Uniform Crime Reports County Data

www.fisher.lib.virginia.edu

This University of Virginia web server provides access to county level data on marijuana and other arrests.

Bureau of Justice Statistics

www.ojp.usdoj.gov

Information and data about the criminal justice system at the local, state, and federal level.

Bureau of Justice Statistics: Expenditure and Employment Statistics

www.ojp.usdoj.gov

This link provides access to data on the costs of law enforcement, the court system, and the correctional system.

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Data Archive

www.icpsr.umich.edu

This site provides visitors with the capability to conduct on-line analysis of data from important national surveys, such as the National Survey on Drug Use and Health. Some training in statistical analysis will be helpful in utilizing this service.

Inter-University Consortium for Political and Scientific Research

www.icpsr.umich.edu

This is the primary source for social science and political datasets. For example the dataset used by the University of Virginia server for arrest data can be obtained from this source. Formal training in statistical analysis and the use of related software packages is required to utilize the datasets available from this source.

State and Local Government on the Net

www.statelocalgov.net

This portal provides access to every state government website.

National Conference of State Legislators

www.ncsl.org

This is an excellent source of information on the issues before state legislatures. This source provides an opportunity to learn more about what cannabis reform legislation must compete with at the state level, as well as the overall legislative and policy environment in any specific state.

State Budget and Tax Issues

www.ncsl.org

This report will provide background on the financial pressures faced by state governments, pressures that may be alleviated in many areas by the decriminalization of marijuana and/or other reforms.

State Legislatures

www.ncsl.org

This portal provides access to every state legislature. Learn who your state legislators are and how your legislature functions.

United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

www.unodc.org

Here is the source for information on the global war on drugs.

United Nations World Drug Report

www.unodc.org

This annual report estimates drug production and consumption around the world as well as reports on enforcement trends.

United Nations: Drug Control Conventions

www.unodc.org

These are the international treaties that attempt to enforce a global prohibition on opium, coca, cannabis, and other drugs.

UNESCO: Management of Social Transformations (MOST) Discussion Paper #44

www.unesco.org

The Relationship between Research and Drug Policy in the United States by Laurent Laniel. An interesting discussion of US drug policy by an international observer.

Marijuana and Medicine, Assessing the Science Base

books.nap.edu

This is the landmark report by the Institute of Medicine on medical cannabis.

Marijuana as Medicine: The Science Beyond the Controversy

www.books.nap.edu

This is a follow-up report on medical cannabis from the National Academy Press.

Analysis of Marijuana Policy

www.books.nap.edu

This 1982 report by the National Academy of Sciences recommends that prohibition be abandoned and replaced with a regulatory system. It is a classic example of drug policy analysis that is still relevant today.

American Journal of Public Health

www.ajph.org

This journal has published many important articles on marijuana use and its relationship to the use of other illegal drugs. This journal represents another audience that reform advocates must persuade in order to be successful.

National Library of Medicine

www.ajph.org

This is the premier web site in the United States for information on health and medicine.

PubMed

www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov

This server from the National Library of Medicine provides citations and abstracts for biomedical articles. Descriptions of almost all cannabis-related research are available through this source.

Guidestar

www.guidestar.org

This is a national database on nonprofit organizations and their financial reports. Learn how pro- and anti- reform groups spend their money.

Quality990

www.qual990.org

This website explains how nonprofits can improve their federal financial reports as well as background information for members of the public researching the financial reports of non-profits organizations.

National Center for Charitable Statistics

www.nccsdataweb.urban.org

This organization provides background on the standards and practices of financial reporting for charities and other non-profit organizations. Learn here how pro- and anti-reform groups should be reporting on their finances and agendas.

FirstGov for Non-Profits

www.firstgov.gov

This is a federal government web site providing access to resources for non-profits, including summaries of federal reporting requirements.

Tax Information for Charities and other Non-Profits

www.irs.ustreas.gov

More information on financial disclosure requirements for non-profit advocacy groups.

FAQs About Exempt Organization Disclosure Requirements

www.irs.gov

This Internal Revenue Service website explains the obligations of non-profit organizations to disclose their financial reports to both the government and the public.

The Foundation Center

www.fdncenter.org

Find out where to get funding for your non-profit community service or advocacy organization. The Foundation Directory, published by the Foundation Center, is available in many public libraries.

