

CANNABIS & IMPAIRED DRIVING

June 3, 2016

Motor Mouth: Hysteria over 'high driving' is all half-baked

Marijuana, by most measures, is not in any way the scourge that alcohol is

<http://goo.gl/BxgrUP>

August 5, 2014

**Since marijuana legalization, highway fatalities
in Colorado are at near-historic lows**

**Since Colorado voters legalized pot in 2012, prohibition supporters
have warned that recreational marijuana will lead to a scourge of
"drugged drivers" on the state's roads.**

<http://goo.gl/SZ7D7I>

April 6 / 2012

**Marijuana Users Are Safer Drivers Than
Non-Marijuana Users, New Study Shows**

**A new study released by United States auto insurance quote provider
4AutoInsuranceQuote.com shows that statistically speaking, marijuana
users are safer drivers than non-marijuana users.**

<https://goo.gl/pnt2ZW>

**2007 CANADA SAFETY COUNCIL
DRIVERS ON POT - ISSUES AND OPTIONS
HOW CANNABIS USE AFFECTS DRIVING**

Alcohol causes more impairment than cannabis and carries a demonstrably higher crash risk. Drivers under the influence of cannabis are acutely aware of their impairment. They consciously try to drive more cautiously, for example by slowing down, focusing their attention and avoiding risks. Drinking drivers show more risk taking and aggression in their driving, have no insight into their impairment, and do not try to compensate.

<http://goo.gl/jQqI8S>

canadasafetycouncil.org/traffic-safety/how-cannabis-use-affects-driving

**2003 CANADA SAFETY COUNCIL
HOW DOES POT AFFECT DRIVERS?**

The psychoactive chemical in marijuana is tetrahydrocannabinol (THC). THC has a very different effect from alcohol. Pot users are acutely aware of their impairment - that is, they feel "high" - and some try to compensate by driving more cautiously.

<http://goo.gl/MOCrBa>

canadasafetycouncil.org/traffic-safety/drivers-pot-issues-and-options

**2002 REPORT OF THE SENATE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON ILLEGAL DRUGS
CANNABIS: OUR POSITION FOR A CANADIAN PUBLIC POLICY
Chapter: 8 Driving under the influence of cannabis**

- Cannabis alone, particularly in low doses, has little effect on the skills involved in automobile driving.
- Cannabis, particularly in the doses that match typical doses for regular users, has a negative impact on decision time and trajectory.
 - Cannabis leads to a more cautious style of driving.
- The effects of cannabis when combined with alcohol are more significant than for alcohol alone.

<http://goo.gl/SvLw9Z>

www.parl.gc.ca/Content/SEN/Committee/371/ille/rep/repfinalvol1part4-e.htm