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Illinois Church Action on Alcohol & Addiction Problems

## Marijuana Alert - November 4, 2021



### **Increase in marijuana involvement in motor vehicle fatalities**

While trends in fatalities involving alcohol have remained stable, the percentage of fatalities involving cannabis and cannabis and alcohol increased from 9.0% in 2000 to 21.5% in 2018, and 4.8% in 2000 to 10.3% in 2018, respectively. [Read](#)

### **New device can test drivers for marijuana, cocaine and other drugs** [Read](#)

### **Marijuana Vaporizers Leaching Toxic Heavy Metals?**

[According to recently published research](#), the vaporizer devices themselves have the potential to poison users with heavy metals, leached into cannabis vapor during the heating process and inhaled directly into users' lungs. [Read more](#)

### **Illinois Grown Marijuana**

The wholesale value of Illinois cannabis for fiscal 2021 was estimated at \$322 million. By comparison, corn generated \$9.3 billion, while soybeans generated \$7 billion, the report said; hay generated \$221 million and wheat \$191 million. [Read more](#)

### **Physical, Mental, And Emotional Problems Associated With Marijuana**

The media frequently parrot the talking points of billionaires George Soros, Peter Lewis, and John Sperling, who spent an estimated [\\$71.3 million](#) between 1996 and 2016 to promote drug legalization, in the

process creating the image of marijuana as a benign natural remedy.

In 1992, the number of children between the ages of 12 to 17 who had used marijuana in the last month stood at [4%](#). In 2019, that rate more than doubled, to 9%, [according](#) to the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, a large part of that has been the push for drug legalization/decriminalization begun that year by George Soros. After Colorado legalized recreational marijuana in 2014, the number of total users increased by [nearly two-thirds](#). [Read more](#)

## **Dealers openly peddle illegal pot in NY City park**

Five separate groups of weed vendors offered their wares in broad daylight around the fountain across from the park's famed arch as tourists, families and New York University students packed the plaza in Greenwich Village on Sunday afternoon. [Read](#)

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