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Nickname given to bales of marijuana thrown overboard or out of airplanes by smugglers in South Florida in the 1970s and 1980s.

## Why was South Florida the drug smuggling capital of US?

- 5,000 miles of coast and coastal waterways.
- Proximity to the Caribbean and Latin America.
- Replace lost commercial fishing income.



## "Square Grouper - The Godfathers of Ganja" 2011 Documentary about 3 groups of drug smugglers:

- Miami: Ethiopian Zion Coptic Church of Jamaica.
- Miami: Black Tuna Gang.
- Everglades City: Two large
  DEA raids in 1983 and 1984

led to the arrest of nearly 80% of the adult male population of Everglades City. 80%

Try to see this movie. Was on Netflix.

