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## Have you tried marijuana?

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SURVEY QUESTIONS	DORM STUDENTS(106)*	OFF-CAMPUS STUDENTS(80)*	PROFESSORS ADMINISTRATION STAFF(16)*	TOTAL (202)*
1. Have you ever tried marijuana?	62 YES, 44 NO	46 YES, 34 NO	4 YES, 12 NO	112 YES 90 NO
2. If your answer to the above question is yes, how often do you smoke? EVERY DAY				
3. Do you think that marijuana should be legalized?	62 YES, 41 NO 3 UNDECIDED	39 YES, 36 ND 5 UNDECIDED	7 YES, 9 NO O UNDECIDED E	108 YES 86 ND UNDECEDED
4. Do you think that the current laws punishing marijuana users are too harsh?	72 YES, 31 NO 3 UNDECIDED	48 YES, 29 ND 3 UNDECIDED	O UNDECIDED	131 YES 65 ND UNDECIDED
5. In your opinion, does smoking marijuana cause physical harm?	35 YES, 66 ND 5 UNDECIDED	27 YES, 45 NO 8 UNDECIDED	6 YES, 4 NO 6 UNDECIDED 19	68 YES 115 ND UNDECIDED
5. Do you think that smoking marijuana leads to the use of hard drugs?	28 YES, 72 NO 6 UNDECIDED	22 YES, 53 NO 5 UNDECIDED	3 UNDECIDED	55 YES 133 ND UNDECIDED

\*indicates the number of this group surveyed

## 202 from campus respond to survey

202 members of the Highacres Campus were chosen at random last month to answer a survey concerning marijuana usage.

The majority of those surveyed (112) had tried marijuana. When asked "How often do you smoke?" the majority (47 out of the 112 who had tried marijuana) replied "occasionally".

The majority also believed that the current laws punishing marijuana users are too harsh, that marijuana causes no physical harm, and that marijuana does not lead to the use of hard drugs.

A variety of comments were made concerning some of the survey questions. When asked "How often do you smoke?", a student replied, "Every day--except Sundays."

Other examples: Do you think. that marijuana should be legal-.ized? "No - the price would go up and you'd have to pay tax." "Yes - my parents also feel it should be, too!"

In your opinion, does smoking marijuana cause physical harm? "Yes - even with the re- out how to do it." port issued Feb. 12 indicating it does less harm than alcohol or tobacco, I feel it still gives bodily harm." "No - it cures glaucoma, retards cancer and helps in asthma patients." "No more than cigarettes." "Yes, to your mind (but that's alright)." "I don't know however anything in excess is bad." "Yes, but minor harm, and only with heavy consumption tion."

Do you think that smoking marijuana leads to the use of hard drugs? "No more than drinking beer does." "No in most cases; yes for some kids." "Depends on the individual." Two miscellaneous comments were "Marijuana is bad!" and "This survey will not give you good results. Take Speech Com. 200 from Cline (Timmy) and find out how to do it."

