

U.S. Resident Population in States that Permit Medical or Recreational Marijuana Use

States with Legalized Medical Use ^{1,2}	Population	States with Legalized Recreational Use	Population
Alaska (1999)	738,432	Alaska (2015)	736,732
Arkansas (2016)	2,978,204	California (2016)	39,144,818
Arizona (2010)	6,828,065	Colorado (2012)	5,355,866
California (1996)	39,144,818	Maine (2016) ³	1,329,328
Colorado (2000)	5,456,574	Massachusetts (2016)	6,794,422
Connecticut (2012)	3,590,886	Nevada (2016)	2,890,845
Delaware (2011)	945,934	Oregon (2015)	3,970,239
Florida (2016)	20,271,272	Washington (2012)	7,061,530
Hawaii (2000)	141,603	District of Columbia (2015)	658,893
Illinois (2014)	12,859,995	Total Population	67,942,673
Louisiana (2015)	4,670,724	Percent of US Population	21.1%
Maine (1999)	1,329,328	<p>Note 1: Other than the states that approved use in the 2016 election, dates show the year medical or recreational marijuana laws were enacted.</p> <p>Note 2: All states with legalized recreational use previously legalized medical use. There was an average wait of 13 years between the legalization of medical use and the legalization of recreational use.</p> <p>Note 3: The 2016 referendum in Maine to legalize recreational use appears to have passed with 50.2% of the vote; however, as November 14, the referendum has not been certified pending the results of a recount.</p>	
Maryland (2014)	6,006,401		
Massachusetts (2013)	6,794,422		
Michigan (2008)	9,922,576		
Minnesota (2014)	5,489,594		
Montana (2004)	1,032,949		
Nevada (2001)	2,890,845		
New Hampshire (2013)	1,330,608		
New Jersey (2010)	8,958,013		
New Mexico (2007)	2,085,109		
New York (2014)	19,795,791		
North Dakota (2016)	756,927		
Ohio (2016)	11,613,423		
Oregon (1999)	4,028,977		
Pennsylvania (2016)	12,802,503		
Rhode Island (2006)	1,056,298		
Vermont (2004)	626,042		
Washington (1998)	7,170,351		
Washington DC (2010)	672,228		
Total Population	201,988,892		
Percent of US Population	62.8%		

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Population figures were obtained from the US Census Annual Estimates of the Resident Population: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2015. Estimates are for 2015.

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