

# YouGov Survey Results

Sample Size: 1306 Adults in London (18+)  
Fieldwork: 15th - 22nd July 2022

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|                          | %               | %   | %   | %           | %      | %      | %    | %      | %     | %     | %     | %            | %    | %      | %     | %                                  | %       | %      |

## Have you ever taken soft drugs, such as cannabis?

|                     |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Yes, multiple times | 23        | 15        | 30        | 20        | 29        | 17        | 28        | 18        | 20        | 29        | 16        | 12        | 23        | 23        | 27        | 21        | 36        | 11        |
| Yes, once           | 9         | 10        | 9         | 17        | 11        | 9         | 8         | 10        | 9         | 9         | 9         | 11        | 11        | 6         | 11        | 8         | 12        | 8         |
| <b>TOTAL YES</b>    | <b>32</b> | <b>25</b> | <b>39</b> | <b>36</b> | <b>39</b> | <b>27</b> | <b>36</b> | <b>28</b> | <b>29</b> | <b>38</b> | <b>25</b> | <b>23</b> | <b>34</b> | <b>29</b> | <b>37</b> | <b>29</b> | <b>48</b> | <b>19</b> |
| No, I have not      | 57        | 70        | 49        | 56        | 50        | 66        | 51        | 63        | 56        | 50        | 66        | 74        | 55        | 60        | 52        | 60        | 40        | 76        |
| Prefer not to say   | 8         | 4         | 9         | 6         | 9         | 5         | 9         | 6         | 9         | 9         | 6         | 3         | 8         | 7         | 7         | 8         | 10        | 4         |
| Don't know          | 3         | 1         | 3         | 2         | 2         | 2         | 3         | 2         | 6         | 3         | 2         | 0         | 2         | 4         | 4         | 3         | 2         | 1         |

## With regard to hard drugs such as heroin and crack cocaine, which of these statements comes closest to your own view?

|   |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| The sale and possession of such drugs should remain a criminal offence as now                         | 52        | 74        | 42        | 54        | 47        | 68        | 48        | 55        | 33        | 43        | 70        | 69        | 52        | 51        | 46        | 55        | 35        | 86        |
| The sale and possession of such drugs should remain illegal but should be regarded as a minor offence | 17        | 9         | 22        | 21        | 22        | 11        | 19        | 16        | 29        | 21        | 7         | 11        | 19        | 15        | 19        | 16        | 27        | 8         |
| The sale and possession of such drugs should no longer be illegal (sometimes called 'legalisation')   | 15        | 9         | 22        | 10        | 17        | 11        | 19        | 11        | 16        | 18        | 13        | 8         | 16        | 14        | 19        | 13        | 28        | 2         |
| <b>TOTAL SUPPORT DECRIMINALISATION / LEGALISATION</b>   | <b>32</b> | <b>18</b> | <b>44</b> | <b>31</b> | <b>39</b> | <b>22</b> | <b>38</b> | <b>27</b> | <b>45</b> | <b>39</b> | <b>19</b> | <b>19</b> | <b>35</b> | <b>29</b> | <b>38</b> | <b>29</b> | <b>54</b> | <b>10</b> |
| Don't know  | 16        | 9         | 14        | 15        | 14        | 10        | 14        | 18        | 21        | 18        | 11        | 12        | 13        | 20        | 16        | 16        | 11        | 4         |

## With regard to soft drugs such as cannabis, which of these statements comes closest to your own view?

|   |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| The sale and possession of such drugs should remain a criminal offence as now                         | 27        | 45        | 20        | 21        | 23        | 38        | 27        | 27        | 19        | 20        | 39        | 41        | 26        | 28        | 25        | 28        | 5         | 71        |
| The sale and possession of such drugs should remain illegal but should be regarded as a minor offence | 25        | 25        | 24        | 32        | 26        | 26        | 25        | 26        | 31        | 26        | 21        | 26        | 26        | 24        | 22        | 27        | 29        | 20        |
| The sale and possession of such drugs should no longer be illegal (sometimes called 'legalisation')   | 33        | 20        | 44        | 32        | 40        | 25        | 37        | 30        | 31        | 39        | 30        | 19        | 35        | 31        | 39        | 30        | 62        | 3         |
| <b>TOTAL SUPPORT DECRIMINALISATION / LEGALISATION</b>   | <b>59</b> | <b>44</b> | <b>69</b> | <b>64</b> | <b>66</b> | <b>51</b> | <b>61</b> | <b>56</b> | <b>62</b> | <b>65</b> | <b>51</b> | <b>45</b> | <b>61</b> | <b>55</b> | <b>61</b> | <b>57</b> | <b>91</b> | <b>23</b> |
| Don't know  | 14        | 11        | 12        | 15        | 11        | 11        | 12        | 17        | 19        | 15        | 10        | 14        | 12        | 17        | 14        | 15        | 4         | 6         |

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|                          | %               | %   | %   | %           | %      | %      | %    | %      | %     | %     | %     | %            | %    | %      | %     | %                                  | %       | %      |

To what extent, would you support or oppose the decriminalisation of cannabis in LONDON?

|                      |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |            |            |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|
| Strongly support     | 24        | 12        | 33        | 24        | 27        | 18        | 28        | 20        | 25        | 30        | 20        | 9         | 24        | 25        | 28        | 22        | 48         | 0          |
| Tend to support      | 26        | 22        | 31        | 24        | 32        | 21        | 25        | 27        | 27        | 26        | 25        | 25        | 28        | 22        | 26        | 26        | 52         | 0          |
| <b>TOTAL SUPPORT</b> | <b>50</b> | <b>34</b> | <b>64</b> | <b>48</b> | <b>59</b> | <b>39</b> | <b>53</b> | <b>47</b> | <b>52</b> | <b>56</b> | <b>45</b> | <b>34</b> | <b>52</b> | <b>47</b> | <b>54</b> | <b>48</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>0</b>   |
| Tend to oppose       | 13        | 14        | 11        | 17        | 12        | 15        | 12        | 13        | 10        | 12        | 15        | 14        | 14        | 11        | 11        | 13        | 0          | 39         |
| Strongly oppose      | 20        | 38        | 10        | 18        | 16        | 31        | 22        | 19        | 17        | 14        | 27        | 34        | 19        | 21        | 17        | 22        | 0          | 61         |
| <b>TOTAL OPPOSE</b>  | <b>33</b> | <b>52</b> | <b>22</b> | <b>36</b> | <b>28</b> | <b>46</b> | <b>34</b> | <b>32</b> | <b>27</b> | <b>26</b> | <b>42</b> | <b>48</b> | <b>33</b> | <b>32</b> | <b>29</b> | <b>35</b> | <b>0</b>   | <b>100</b> |
| Don't know           | 17        | 14        | 14        | 16        | 13        | 15        | 13        | 22        | 21        | 18        | 13        | 18        | 15        | 21        | 17        | 18        | 0          | 0          |

If cannabis was decriminalised in London, how likely, if at all, do you think the following would be?

Decriminalisation of hard drugs such as heroin and crack cocaine, in London

|                         |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Very likely             | 6         | 10        | 4         | 2         | 4         | 9         | 6         | 6         | 5         | 5         | 5         | 9         | 6         | 6         | 5         | 6         | 4         | 10        |
| Fairly likely           | 12        | 12        | 12        | 10        | 11        | 12        | 14        | 10        | 22        | 11        | 11        | 10        | 12        | 13        | 13        | 12        | 11        | 17        |
| <b>TOTAL LIKELY</b>     | <b>18</b> | <b>22</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>12</b> | <b>15</b> | <b>21</b> | <b>20</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>27</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>17</b> | <b>19</b> | <b>17</b> | <b>19</b> | <b>18</b> | <b>18</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>26</b> |
| Not very likely         | 25        | 21        | 29        | 28        | 29        | 21        | 25        | 25        | 26        | 27        | 22        | 22        | 28        | 20        | 27        | 24        | 28        | 24        |
| Not at all likely       | 38        | 42        | 38        | 41        | 43        | 36        | 40        | 37        | 32        | 40        | 39        | 37        | 40        | 36        | 37        | 39        | 47        | 33        |
| <b>TOTAL NOT LIKELY</b> | <b>63</b> | <b>63</b> | <b>67</b> | <b>69</b> | <b>71</b> | <b>57</b> | <b>65</b> | <b>61</b> | <b>57</b> | <b>67</b> | <b>61</b> | <b>58</b> | <b>68</b> | <b>56</b> | <b>64</b> | <b>63</b> | <b>75</b> | <b>57</b> |
| Don't know              | 19        | 15        | 17        | 19        | 14        | 22        | 15        | 23        | 16        | 17        | 22        | 22        | 15        | 25        | 18        | 19        | 10        | 17        |

Decriminalisation of other soft drugs such as speed, in London

|                         |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Very likely             | 10        | 15        | 8         | 9         | 9         | 14        | 10        | 9         | 7         | 8         | 13        | 14        | 10        | 8         | 7         | 11        | 7         | 18        |
| Fairly likely           | 25        | 22        | 26        | 31        | 26        | 22        | 27        | 23        | 37        | 24        | 24        | 19        | 26        | 24        | 27        | 24        | 28        | 26        |
| <b>TOTAL LIKELY</b>     | <b>35</b> | <b>37</b> | <b>34</b> | <b>40</b> | <b>34</b> | <b>36</b> | <b>37</b> | <b>32</b> | <b>45</b> | <b>32</b> | <b>37</b> | <b>33</b> | <b>36</b> | <b>33</b> | <b>34</b> | <b>35</b> | <b>35</b> | <b>44</b> |
| Not very likely         | 27        | 21        | 31        | 30        | 34        | 21        | 28        | 25        | 25        | 30        | 21        | 24        | 29        | 23        | 29        | 25        | 36        | 18        |
| Not at all likely       | 15        | 22        | 13        | 10        | 15        | 17        | 15        | 16        | 13        | 16        | 15        | 15        | 15        | 17        | 14        | 16        | 15        | 19        |
| <b>TOTAL NOT LIKELY</b> | <b>42</b> | <b>43</b> | <b>44</b> | <b>39</b> | <b>49</b> | <b>38</b> | <b>43</b> | <b>41</b> | <b>38</b> | <b>46</b> | <b>36</b> | <b>40</b> | <b>44</b> | <b>39</b> | <b>43</b> | <b>42</b> | <b>51</b> | <b>37</b> |
| Don't know              | 23        | 21        | 22        | 21        | 17        | 26        | 20        | 27        | 17        | 22        | 26        | 27        | 20        | 28        | 23        | 23        | 15        | 19        |

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If cannabis was decriminalised in London, do you think it would lead to more or less people using cannabis, or would it make no difference?

|                                |           |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|--------------------------------|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| More people would use cannabis | <b>39</b> | 53 | 34 | 41 | 37 | 45 | 40 | 38 | 37 | 33 | 47 | 50 | 43 | 34 | 38 | 40 | 24 | 71 |
| Less people would use cannabis | <b>5</b>  | 3  | 7  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 4  | 10 | 7  | 1  | 1  | 5  | 5  | 6  | 5  | 7  | 5  |
| It would make no difference    | <b>41</b> | 33 | 47 | 42 | 49 | 35 | 41 | 41 | 36 | 44 | 41 | 35 | 41 | 42 | 43 | 40 | 63 | 17 |
| Don't know                     | <b>14</b> | 10 | 12 | 14 | 9  | 15 | 11 | 17 | 17 | 15 | 11 | 13 | 11 | 18 | 13 | 15 | 5  | 8  |

If cannabis was decriminalised in London, do you think this would lead to more or less people using other drugs, or would it make no difference?

|                                |           |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|--------------------------------|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| More people using other drugs  | <b>27</b> | 43 | 17 | 28 | 22 | 36 | 28 | 25 | 21 | 20 | 33 | 43 | 27 | 25 | 24 | 28 | 7  | 63 |
| Fewer people using other drugs | <b>14</b> | 9  | 17 | 14 | 14 | 10 | 15 | 12 | 30 | 15 | 8  | 5  | 14 | 14 | 13 | 14 | 20 | 7  |
| Would make no difference       | <b>38</b> | 32 | 43 | 36 | 45 | 34 | 38 | 37 | 29 | 42 | 38 | 29 | 38 | 37 | 43 | 35 | 57 | 18 |
| Don't know                     | <b>22</b> | 16 | 23 | 22 | 19 | 20 | 18 | 26 | 20 | 23 | 20 | 23 | 21 | 24 | 20 | 23 | 15 | 12 |

If cannabis was decriminalised in London, do you think this would lead to more or less people damaging their health as a result of taking drugs, or would it make no difference?

|  |           |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|--|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| More people damaging their health as a result of taking drugs  | <b>35</b> | 52 | 27 | 38 | 31 | 45 | 37 | 33 | 30 | 27 | 49 | 48 | 36 | 33 | 31 | 37 | 14 | 74 |
| Fewer people damaging their health as a result of taking drugs | <b>15</b> | 7  | 20 | 18 | 17 | 10 | 16 | 14 | 22 | 20 | 6  | 7  | 17 | 13 | 18 | 14 | 25 | 5  |
| Would make no difference                                       | <b>30</b> | 26 | 33 | 27 | 34 | 28 | 31 | 29 | 28 | 33 | 29 | 24 | 28 | 32 | 30 | 30 | 48 | 11 |
| Don't know   | <b>20</b> | 14 | 20 | 16 | 18 | 17 | 16 | 23 | 20 | 21 | 15 | 21 | 19 | 21 | 21 | 19 | 14 | 10 |

If cannabis was decriminalised in London, do you think this would lead to more or less crime, or would it make no difference?

|                          |           |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|--------------------------|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| More crime               | <b>23</b> | 37 | 15 | 20 | 18 | 32 | 24 | 21 | 18 | 17 | 32 | 33 | 22 | 24 | 21 | 24 | 6  | 55 |
| Less crime               | <b>33</b> | 19 | 44 | 36 | 41 | 22 | 35 | 30 | 35 | 40 | 21 | 21 | 37 | 27 | 35 | 31 | 57 | 8  |
| Would make no difference | <b>26</b> | 29 | 24 | 28 | 26 | 30 | 27 | 26 | 24 | 24 | 31 | 31 | 25 | 28 | 25 | 27 | 30 | 25 |
| Don't know               | <b>18</b> | 16 | 16 | 15 | 14 | 17 | 14 | 22 | 23 | 20 | 15 | 16 | 16 | 22 | 19 | 18 | 8  | 12 |

If cannabis was decriminalised in London, do you think it would put more, or less pressure on the Metropolitan Police, or would it make no difference?

|                             |           |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|-----------------------------|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| More pressure               | <b>24</b> | 37 | 17 | 21 | 20 | 33 | 24 | 23 | 18 | 18 | 31 | 34 | 22 | 26 | 22 | 24 | 8  | 53 |
| Less pressure               | <b>41</b> | 28 | 53 | 43 | 51 | 31 | 46 | 38 | 44 | 48 | 31 | 30 | 46 | 35 | 44 | 40 | 66 | 15 |
| It would make no difference | <b>18</b> | 22 | 16 | 17 | 17 | 21 | 18 | 18 | 14 | 16 | 24 | 20 | 17 | 20 | 18 | 18 | 20 | 18 |
| Don't know                  | <b>17</b> | 14 | 14 | 19 | 12 | 15 | 12 | 21 | 23 | 17 | 14 | 16 | 16 | 19 | 16 | 17 | 7  | 14 |