

# *23 States & the District of Columbia have passed medical marijuana laws to provide relief to seriously ill patients*



Since the mid-1990's, voters and elected officials in twenty-three states and the District of Columbia have made the medical use of marijuana legal to alleviate the pain and suffering of patients with serious illnesses.

State	Year Passed	Method of Enactment	Possession Limit
Alaska	1998	Ballot Measure	1 oz. useable; 6 plants (3 mature, 3 immature)
Arizona	2010	Proposition	2.5 oz. useable; 6 mature of 12 immature plants
California	1996	Proposition	8 oz. useable; 6 mature or 12 immature plants
Colorado	2000	Amendment Act	2 oz. useable; 6 plants (3 mature, 3 immature)
Connecticut	2012	Legislative	Amount TBD by Dept. of Consumer Protection
D.C.	2010	Amendment Act	2 oz. dried; limits on other forms TBD
Delaware	2011	Legislative	6 oz. useable
Hawaii	2000	Legislative	3 oz. useable; 7 plants (3 mature, 4 immature)
Illinois	2013	Legislative	2.5 oz. useable
Maine	1999	Ballot Measure	2.5 oz. useable; 6 plants
Maryland	2014	Legislative	30 day supply
Massachusetts	2012	Ballot Measure	Amount TBD by Dept. of Health
Michigan	2008	Ballot Measure	2.5 oz. useable; 12 plants
Minnesota	2014	Legislative	30 day supply
Montana	2004	Initiative	1 oz. useable; 4 plants (mature); 12 seedlings
Nevada	2000	Ballot Measure	1 oz. useable; 7 plants (3 mature, 4 immature)
New Hampshire	2013	Legislative	2 oz. useable
New Jersey	2010	Legislative	2 oz. useable
New Mexico	2007	Legislative	6 oz. useable; 16 plants (4 mature, 12 immature)
New York	2014	Legislative	30 day supply
Oregon	1998	Ballot Measure	24 oz. useable; 24 plants (6 mature, 18 immature)
Rhode Island	2006	Legislative	2.5 oz. useable; 12 plants
Vermont	2004	Legislative	2 oz. useable; 9 plants (2 mature, 7 immature)
Washington	1998	Legislative	24 oz. useable; 15 plants

Medical marijuana is becoming legally available to an increasing number of patients. More than 43% of the U.S. population now lives in a state where medical marijuana is legal. Medical marijuana provides relief to thousands of patients, but only a small fraction of the overall population uses medical marijuana.

### Medical Marijuana Patients in the United States

State	Total Population	# of MM patients	Patients as % of population
Alaska	710, 231	538	.08%
Arizona	6,392,017	22,037,	.34%
California	37,253,956	200,000	.5%
Colorado	5,029,196	82,089	1.6%
Connecticut	3,574,097	New	-
D.C.	601,723	New	-
Delaware	897,934	Not implemented	-
Hawaii	1,360,301	11,695	.86%
Illinois	12,875,255	New	-
Maine	1,328,361	2,708	.2%
Maryland	5,928,814	New	-
Massachusetts	6,587,536	New	-
Michigan	9,883,640	131,483	1.3%
Minnesota	5,420,380	New	-
Montana	989,415	14,364	1.5%
Nevada	2,700,551	3,388	.13%
New Hampshire	1,320,718	New	-
New Jersey	8,791,894	New	-
New Mexico	2,059,179	4,310	.21%
New York	19,651,127	Not implemented	-
Oregon	3,831,074	57,386	1.5%
Rhode Island	1,052,567	4,466	.42%
Vermont	625,741	505	.08%
Washington	6,724,50	No registry	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>138,155,476</b>	<b>534,969</b>	<b>.67% (avg)</b>