

BACKGROUNDER Cannabis & Driving

With the legalization of cannabis set to come into effect October 17, 2018, the majority of British Columbians are concerned about road safety. BCAA wants to keep everyone protected - it's a new era in road safety, and we're here to help you learn more.

On July 17, 2018 BCAA released a series of public awareness campaign videos and research statistics about cannabis and driving.

Research: Key Findings

Study	Canadian Automobile Association (CAA) national poll
Conducted by	Canadian Automobile Association (CAA)
Dates	2017
Respondents	2,012 Canadians
Key findings	20% of 18-34 year old Canadian drivers think they drive the same or better when
	high.
	<u>Source</u>

Study	Beer Canada's Partners for Safer Communities initiative designated drivers
	study
Conducted by	Ipsos Canada
Dates	2017
Key findings	Eight in ten (82 per cent) Millennials of legal drinking age who have a driver's license have served as a designated driver at some point during the last three years, compared to 67 per cent of Gen X'ers (ages 34-54) and just 55 per cent of Boomers (ages 55+). Source

Study	High Driving: Focus on 18 - 34 year olds (survey #1)
Conducted by	Innovative Research
Dates	March 7 – 18, 2018
Respondents	1,045 British Columbian drivers. Only results from 18-34 year old B.C. drivers
	were reported.
Sample	Weighted to n=500 according to Statistics Canada 2016 Census data by gender
	and region. Weighting targets were based on the entire population of all British
	Columbian adults, before non-drivers were screened out.
Method	Online
Key findings	82% consider driving on cannabis as driving impaired
	 74% think high driving is just as dangerous as drunk driving
	 90% consider mixing alcohol and cannabis as "definitely impaired"

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Study	High Driving: Focus on 18 – 34 year olds (survey #2)
Conducted by	Innovative Research
Dates	June 15 – 21, 2018
Respondents	506 18 - 34 year old British Columbian drivers
Sample size	Weighted to n=500 according to Statistics Canada 2016 Census data by gender
	and region. Weighting targets were based on the entire population of all British
	Columbian adults, before non-drivers were screened out.
Method	Online
Key findings	 91% make plans for a safe ride home before a night out
	88% would never consider driving impaired
	 78% say they would "call out" friends considering driving impaired
	 72% have been designated drivers over the last three years, with 55% doing it regularly
	 49% consider themselves to be the sober driving generation
	40% see themselves as "role models for not driving impaired"

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