Subject: Re: Marijuana legalization

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Apparently, accoarding to my doctor, coffee is more addictive than marijuana.

On average, America spends 7.6 billion dollars funding anti-drug campaigns and keeping pot-criminals in jail each year. I don't know about you, but I think the minor inconveniences of legalizing pot are worth putting that kind of taxpayer money to something beneficial, like education. If you divide that by the number of people in jail for pot related crimes, that's \$10,400 per arrest. \$10,400 for what more often than not, is just putting someone away who's looking to enjoy himself with a couple of friends. \$10,400 per arrest is more than what is spent on murderers and rapists.

Pot is not harmless. No drug is. However:

The journal Current Opinion in PharmacologyOverall, by comparison with other drugs used mainly for 'recreational' purposes, cannabis (is) rated to be a relatively safe drug.

AskMen.com"There is no evidence that marijuana use causes brain damage."

"...the American Medical Association (AMA) officially announced its support for the decriminalization of marijuana."

"No trustworthy study has ever shown that marijuana use damages the reproductive system, or causes chromosome breakage."

Lastly, as a I said before, areas that have legalized/decriminalized pot have seen a DECREASE in the use of harder drugs. For those who do not know, that is a good thing.

I also suggest that you guys read this: http://www.askmen.com/toys/special\_feature/3\_special\_feature .html