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Subject: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [prasp](#) on Tue, 20 Nov 2007 04:05:59 GMT  
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But the war on drugs is.

Discuss.

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Posted by [Rocko](#) on Tue, 20 Nov 2007 04:09:21 GMT  
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Posted by [Feetseek](#) on Tue, 20 Nov 2007 04:26:59 GMT  
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I would've thought that the war on drugs is good and drugs are bad?  
How is the war on drugs bad?

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Posted by [prasp](#) on Tue, 20 Nov 2007 04:35:09 GMT  
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They weren't doing that until laws passed making the drugs illegal, and besides, I haven't seen any CIA officials jailed for helping terrorists in Nicaragua sell cocaine.

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Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Tue, 20 Nov 2007 05:15:01 GMT  
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I don't support the War on Drugs. I just don't support the whole claim of racial profiling.

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Posted by [Canadacdn](#) on Tue, 20 Nov 2007 05:28:44 GMT  
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Your argument there makes no sense, because populations during prohibition were much, much lower than now. There would have been a lower crime rate regardless.

Anyway, I think the 'war' on drugs is stupid, and the WRONG approach to removing harmful drugs like meth and crack-cocaine from our cities. Instead of enforcement and throwing people in jail, ruining their lives even more, they should rehabilitate them and get them actual treatment for their addictions, rather than letting them rot for years in a cell and getting worse.

This, combined with proper (read: not lies and hyperbole that is often presented as truth. Example: Marijuana making you a failure in life) education on harmful drugs and their effects in schools and poorer communities where youth would be more at risk of becoming a heavy drug user would also help.

Less harmful 'soft drugs' such as cannabis etc. should also be decriminalized, or legalized in my opinion.

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<http://www.thekingsthroner.net/misc/204%20War%20on%20Drugs.divx>

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [R315r4z0r](#) on Tue, 20 Nov 2007 06:31:21 GMT  
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I find that advertisements and things like that against drugs often are what lead people to try drugs.

It is the effort that people put in to try and stop others from doing drugs that catches people's eye and make them want to prove them wrong.

"Don't do drugs, it will ruin your future"  
"Oh yea? Well I'll show them!"

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Posted by [Ryu](#) on Tue, 20 Nov 2007 08:13:36 GMT  
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Posted by [Jecht](#) on Tue, 20 Nov 2007 09:56:02 GMT  
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we've been through this before. Yes, they are. Addiction to anything isn't good.

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Posted by [firazero](#) on Tue, 20 Nov 2007 11:54:21 GMT  
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Posted by [Blazer](#) on Tue, 20 Nov 2007 12:11:19 GMT  
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LOL...You make a blanket statement like "Drugs are NOT bad", and make reference to the "War on drugs", which everyone knows is about Illegal, mind-altering drugs, and then when you get called out you are like "oh I mean everyday drugs that cure sick people".

Nice back-pedal.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [nikki6ixx](#) on Tue, 20 Nov 2007 12:47:32 GMT  
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Steroids generally harm the body, and are therefore not healthy at all.

And it is spelled 'Fusidic Acid' .

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [Starbuzz](#) on Tue, 20 Nov 2007 15:24:37 GMT  
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Posted by [luv2pb](#) on Tue, 20 Nov 2007 18:32:55 GMT  
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Real men swallow.

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Posted by [jnz](#) on Tue, 20 Nov 2007 18:37:13 GMT  
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Don't let them take away my coffee! I must have my coffee!

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LOL @ luv2pb

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BlueThen FTW!

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so you couldnt find anything wrong with what i ment so you insulted my spelling.....  
yes im terrible at spelling, im dyslexic (i hope thats spelt properly) doesnt affect you in lab work.  
any real argument against what i said, other than spelling?  
if it helps i check my spelling on important documents, i dont really consider these posts worth putting into Word and running the spell checker

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yes it is, my bad, i mixed up the brand name (Fucidin) with the active ingreadient. steriods are not all bad, they are used to speed up metabolic rate in damaged cells, i once got a skin infection and was given fucidic acid with steroids (topical) to treat it

ethanol is good though..... but i try to drink less than a damaging dose (usually fail)

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Posted by [xptek](#) on Tue, 20 Nov 2007 22:43:35 GMT  
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Posted by [nikki6ixx](#) on Tue, 20 Nov 2007 23:46:31 GMT  
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Alcohol is a drug which can alter ones mind. Tobacco alters a person's mind as well.

Although I don't toke, I do support the legalization of Marijuana, simply because we can tax the f\*ck out of it, make billions, and rip off idiot teen-agers who are lazy, and listen to Blink 182.

If commercialized, Pot will no longer be a fun drug. Pot was, and still is about the 'anti-establishment' . What better way to get people from not doing it than making it part of the Capitalist establishment. Give the rights to grow the stuff to Marlboro, Players, et al, to grow the stuff. Have them use their market-power to eliminate the small suppliers, and make it illegal to grow your own.

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For the people who are planning to use the argument "But this illegal drug is not as bad as this other drug, which is legal!!1", like in the previous drug debates, I'm gonna have to have a say in this...

Comparison is not a logical excuse. Even if a illegal drug is not as bad as a legal drug, it still shouldn't be legal. I don't care if it's not as bad, it's still bad. It still kills. It still corrupts society.

I know that some drugs are legal, and others aren't, but think, will legalizing the other drugs cause ALL the drugs aren't illegal will help anything? Let's try and stick with what we got, and do the best in all ways to illegalize all drugs.

I really hate it when people think it's all or nothing. You can't start big, ya gotta make progress.

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Look, most drugs are bad for you in excessive amounts. Most people are probably too stupid to know when to quit. However, it's not your life to live, and unless they do something that impedes on the rights of others while under the influence, there should be no drug-related crimes.

Edit: I agree with xptek, completely. Prohibition of drugs (and alcohol during the '20s) is largely unsuccessful. It does absolutely nothing to curtail drug trafficking, selling, and usage. As he said, drug usage among teens is up nearly double than it was just (less than) 2 short decades ago.

Also, watch the fucking link I posted. I didn't upload that movie for you nitwits to pass over it.

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You're missing my point entirely.

The effects and damages of specific drugs are entirely irrelevant in this discussion.

My point is that prohibition of illicit drugs do nothing to stop the flow and use of illegal drugs in the country.

The prohibition of illegal drugs and housing non-violent prisoners convicted of drug crimes costs billions a year, with absolutely nothing to show for it.

I'm not sure if you realize this, but until the 1900s cocaine and heroin could be purchased over-the-counter (note: not suggesting this should happen again), but there was minimal crime associated with the two drugs. Because of the hyperinflation of cocaine/heroin prices caused by the War on Drugs, addicts turn to violent crime and robbery to fund their (extremely expensive) habits. The War on Drugs has also caused cocaine and heroin to be filled with potentially dangerous adulterants and cutting agents, which cause thousands of users to die each year (due to unsafe cutting agents and varying degrees of purity in black market goods). The War on Drugs has also restricted access to clean needles, resulting in elevated HIV rates in drug users and non-drug users.

Don't think I can make it any clearer than that. It really doesn't matter if you support drug use or not. It should be painfully obvious at this point that current system of prosecuting drug users and distributors does not work and only benefits those engaged in illegal smuggling or those trying to stop the illegal smuggling. The War on Drugs has caused a rise in violent crime, drug overdoses, drug use rates, and the number of people incarcerated/living off our tax money.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [warranto](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 00:45:43 GMT  
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Ugh... try this again... (I think I caught the forum in a backup.

comments based off the titles of  
[http://www.populistamerica.com/free\\_from\\_the\\_nightmare\\_of\\_prohibition](http://www.populistamerica.com/free_from_the_nightmare_of_prohibition)

Quote:The difficulty of enforcing victimless-crime laws leads to three bad consequences.

The Rise in Violent Crime  
Black Markets  
Police State Tactics

LOL. I love this logic. If only it were that simple. Guess what? If people would not break the small crimes, the police wouldn't have to waste their time enforcing them! There would BE no rise in violent crime, no Black Markets and no police state tactics required if people would not break the law.

You have no one to blame but yourself, people! But then, "propaganda" tells me that people like this often try to blame someone else for their own acts... seems like it is true in this instant.

Quote:HOW THE INNOCENT ARE HURT

Oh, how I wish I could use this logic in any of my philosophy classes. I would be sitting with a 4.0. Unfortunately, this logic does not work with anyone who has even a shred of intelligence.

Faults of the system that govern crime does not mean the crime should be legal. Heck, just look at how many people are arrested/jailed for murder they did not commit. I DARE you to say that murder should become legal because innocent people get caught in the system.

Quote:Some Are More Equal Than Others  
The Honorable Hypocrites

Corrupt politicians = crime should be legalized huh? Again, such wonderful logic there. I don't have much to say on this because I can't understand the logic myself... it is so horrible that even I don't know where to begin.

Quote:TWO TYPES OF CRIMES

Ah yes, the "victimless" crime reasoning. I could agree with this, provided someone can guarantee me committing the "victimless" crime will not involve a victim later. As Crimson pointed out one time, someone she knew got high and killed a person. Sure, getting high may have been victimless, but what about after? Sure, gambling can be victimless, but what about when you become a burden on society because you are now poor? Sure, drinking is fine, but what about getting drunk and doing something to someone who did not consent?

"Victimless" crimes only count when the act and the CONSEQUENCES of the act do not involve another person.

Quote:It may be difficult for a spouse to leave an alcoholic or a gambler, but it is the spouse's own free will that determines whether to stay or go. All parties are there voluntarily, however dismal the situation.

Wrong. If a wife has been beaten to the point of being broken, she will not be there voluntarily. If a child is present, it will not be voluntary (a child legally lacks the capacity to agree to such things). A spouse does not take lightly the idea of leaving someone because of things they do. They may feel obliged to remain as they gave their vows they would. That does not imply consent. What if the spouse simply can't leave?

Be it injury or financially unable to leave?

Sorry, but this logic is also a failure.

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Rocko wrote on Mon, 19 November 2007 22:09 u suck cock

<3 Rocko, your fucking hilarious dude.

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So wait a minute... You're saying that only prohibited drugs are bad, while medical painkillers proven to cause addictions and psychiatric drugs that alter the brain chemistry of thousands of kids put on them usually against their will are all 100% safe, legit, and unquestionable?

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Medical drugs and "illegal" drugs do two completely different things.

Medical drugs bring what is out of balance back into balance. Hence why they are allowed. (Interestingly enough, if they are addictive or "too dangerous" they ARE illegal... which is why you need a medical prescription to acquire them rather than purchase them over the counter)

the "illegal" drugs bring what is in balance out of balance. Hence they are illegal.

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All I'm gonna say is Alcohol seems worse than Marijuana and yet it's legal...

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Posted by [warranto](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 04:48:26 GMT  
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Only because its so integrated into society that the one time it WAS made illegal, everyone revolted.

Well, that and the health benefits of minimal drinking. (And the idea that one drink won't make you drunk, yet one joint can make you high)

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Opiates go back to the fucking Chinese and Alexander The Great. I'd say that's pretty ingrained into human history.

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Sorry, but I don't see opium being used on a regular basis when Canada, USA, Britain, etc. were developing. Tobacco and Alcohol, however, were.

I said integrated into our society, NOT used in our history. Simple use does not mean it has been integrated into our society. Heck, cocaine was consumed in frequent amounts in our recent history... it doesn't mean its been integrated (ever wonder why it's call "Coca Cola"?).

Unless you count the consumption of poppy seeds... then I can't really argue with you.

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we dont use opium in medicin anymore because morphine was developed  
its an opiat (has a similar structure to opium) and is considered safer as the difference between an effective dose and a lethal dose is greater than opiums.

you cant really say that medical drugs are different to illegal drugs ("drugs of abuse") because marijuana extracts (cannabinoids) can be used to treat Alzheimers disease, in the UK there was alot of political crap about making it less illgal (politicians arnt good at extreams).  
and morphine is more addictive that opium, making it a worse drug of abuse if people have access to it.

most drugs of abuse have some medical applications but not in the forms they are commonly found, the caniboids i mentioned earlyer are made synthetically, its cheeper then purifying from canabis, but you cant argue that marijuana itself is good as im betting the stuff you can buy is not a purified active extract, and even they are experimental

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [warranto](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 14:56:04 GMT  
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Did I say I had an issue with cannabis being used for medical reasons? That doesn't mean it has to be made available to the general public to be used on an "as desired" basis.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [firazero](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 17:13:55 GMT  
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i agree, i was just saying that that drugs made from canibis have uses, and that drugs can be helpful or harmful depending on the situation.

on a funny note, recently a new heart medicine that exploded destroying the lab working on it has been dropped by the drugs company..... and taken up by military scientists as a new high explosive  
im serious, i just cant remember its name

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 17:28:28 GMT  
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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [Jecht](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 19:59:56 GMT  
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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad

Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 20:10:52 GMT

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad

Posted by [BlueThen](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 20:25:12 GMT

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Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 20:46:16 GMT

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Did you watch the movie that I linked to? Probably not.

I'm not saying guaranteed that legalizing drugs would make the world safer, but making them illegal is obviously making violent crime rates increase, and it certainly isn't doing anything to curtail usage. It's just a waste of government money.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [BlueThen](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 20:47:12 GMT  
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I know it'll be a LOT worse if drugs were legalized.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [warranto](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 20:49:13 GMT  
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I can't comment too much on the "war on drugs" and its success. However, if you can truly be alone when you do the, and the effect of taking them will have no unconsented impact on those around you or who could potentially be around you, then I can agree.

Unfortunately, unless you live on a remote island or lock yourself in your room, you will have an impact on someone around you. If not from the item itself, then from the resulting condition of the act.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 20:58:13 GMT  
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If I'm not mistaken, "impact" and "impede" are two different things. I can impact someone without impeding on them.

By impeding, I mean the obvious legality issues surrounding drunk driving and drunken in public. If my friends are around me when I'm drinking, they're willfully there. I'm not forcing myself into their homes and forcing them to be around me while I'm drinking. I'm not impeding on their rights if

I'm not doing anything they disapprove of in their presence.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [warranto](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 21:01:58 GMT  
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Right.

Now, if you decide to go out and drive while drunk, would you say the same thing? Are the people on the road there voluntarily, and therefore drunk driving should be legal?

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Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 21:06:06 GMT  
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Posted by [BlueThen](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 21:07:47 GMT  
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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 21:17:45 GMT  
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Explain to me how it would be any more corrupt.

The way I see it is that high drug prices due to smuggling and selling would be cut drastically. If they're cut drastically, then there's no reason for people who use the drugs to go to such lengths to get their drug. We saw gangs rise during the 1920s due to Prohibition. They lost their effect when Prohibition was ended. The same principle can be applied to the War on Drugs.

Also, most people drink alcohol, do they not? Most people aren't reckless, so we don't see a whole lot of negativity. Most people don't go abusing the drug, just like most people wouldn't be abusing clean drugs bought from a store. Of course, as there is with alcohol, there'd be exceptions to this with the legalization of drugs, but it'd rid of a lot more criminals.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [spazbeast](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 21:31:49 GMT  
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PROFIT.

Think of when you were little.  
Johnny, dont throw baseballs at her house.  
What do you do?  
You throw that damn baseball at her house to see what happens.

I think the same concept comes into this situation. You tell us no, were going to do it to see what happens.

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Posted by [warranto](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 21:32:19 GMT  
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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad

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Posted by [BlueThen](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 21:33:46 GMT

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Posted by [warranto](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 21:34:49 GMT

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Because as we all know if you can profit from it, go a head and do it! Heck, why not make murder for hire a government-authorized and taxed business. That could become highly profitable, and you would no longer have to spend resources on fighting it!

Wait... are these the same people who are fighting for the right to download music for free?

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad

Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 21:42:05 GMT

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Posted by [BlueThen](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 21:46:11 GMT  
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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 21:54:27 GMT  
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Again, you're making assumptions based on what you think you know about people. However, I look back at Prohibition, and I see how violent crime went down after Prohibition was repealed. I see a direct correlation between telling people that they can't enjoy recreational drugs within their private residences and telling people they can't drink alcohol.

Again... Watch. The. Fucking. Movie.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad

Posted by [warranto](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 22:02:24 GMT

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [Canadacdn](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 22:04:01 GMT  
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Full out legalization would be a stupid idea, as there are genuinely harmful drugs out there like Meth and Crack that can seriously fuck up your life and health. Those need to be controlled, while others should be legalized, because enforcing them is a waste of time, money, and prison space.

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Posted by [Carrierll](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 23:06:17 GMT  
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Actually, we're going backwards anyway. ("We would cease from advancing")

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Theft and abuse are illegal, regardless. Once you do the act, you've impeded on someone else's rights. If you drink alcohol or smoke marijuana, you're not necessarily going to impede on the rights of others unless you walk out into the public and make a spectacle of yourself.

My argument isn't that a law where only a minority of people commit should be abolished. That's far from what I'm getting at, and either you're knowingly playing semantics, or you're just simply not understanding it.

It has nothing to do with a minority of people breaking the law. It has everything to do with allowing people to do an act even though there are people that are going to do something stupid as a result of the act. It's not the act itself that's impeding on the rights of others.

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I called you stupid? When?

Again, I made it clear that the act doesn't guarantee that someone else's rights are being impeded on.

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Posted by [warranto](#) on Thu, 22 Nov 2007 00:19:37 GMT

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Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Thu, 22 Nov 2007 01:42:37 GMT  
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Posted by [Jecht](#) on Thu, 22 Nov 2007 03:44:25 GMT

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Posted by [Rocko](#) on Thu, 22 Nov 2007 07:37:45 GMT

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im happy with the government buying me my weed

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad

Posted by [nikki6ixx](#) on Thu, 22 Nov 2007 07:39:51 GMT

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Posted by [warranto](#) on Thu, 22 Nov 2007 14:52:15 GMT

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You obviously missed the reference. You are saying that because it can not be enforced effectively, it should not be illegal. If you are going to make that claim, then you must also make that claim for EVERY law that can not be enforced effectively.

It is innate in the use of drugs to change the chemical makeup of the brain (no matter how temporary the effects). Marijuana, in particular, (and from what I have seen of "friends" who got high, and have openly admitted to me) makes people ignorant and blissfully unaware of things that are happening. This changed state is what causes the potential to do harm. With automobiles, if the person is in such a state that he is blissfully unaware (not suggesting drug use, just ANY instance of this), then yes... he should not be allowed to drive during that instance.

The potential for danger when doing something with such a change in brain chemistry is far too dangerous. Driving automobiles is innately bad? No. Smoking pot is innately bad? No. Driving while you have an abnormal brain chemistry (I'm being grossly over-general here) bad? Yes. Getting high and causing that abnormal brain chemistry bad? Yes.

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Oh, I certainly think protecting people from their own stupidity is definitely a worthy cause. Even Mill, who pretty much invented the modern view of Liberty thought that stupidity isn't something that should be sought.

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Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Thu, 22 Nov 2007 15:52:05 GMT  
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Who would you be protecting, then? Certainly not me. You'd only be protecting yourself. Most people know the consequences of their actions, and they take full responsibility for them. Like, for instance, myself and xptek.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [xptek](#) on Thu, 22 Nov 2007 16:10:47 GMT  
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The opposite has been proven time and time again in countries that have taken steps to decriminalize recreational drug use. Lower crime rates, lower drug use rates, etc.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [warranto](#) on Thu, 22 Nov 2007 17:12:35 GMT  
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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [Starbuzz](#) on Thu, 22 Nov 2007 18:46:35 GMT  
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xptek wrote on Tue, 20 November 2007 16:43 (bitching and name-calling from Starbuzz in 5...4...3...2...)

Nice self-pwnage.

xptek wrote on Tue, 20 November 2007 16:43 However, the War on Drugs needs to end. We spend an (estimated) \$75 billion dollars a year on fighting drugs...

You'd expect the availability and use of illegal drugs to decline after spending that much public money, but that's not the case.

American National Guardsmen are afraid of shooting at smugglers inside their own damn border. See why it's not working? But the fault lies in the fucking rules...change it to "shoot first" and we

can see your drugs disappear.

But the divisive peacemongering feeble-minded American public won't let that happen. And Americans acting on personal feelings and emotion (like "illegal immigrants deserve a chance" bullshit) rather than seeing themselves as a powerful nation is the root of all problems.

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Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Thu, 22 Nov 2007 21:25:08 GMT

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
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Again, driving under the influence is and SHOULD REMAIN illegal for those reasons. Alcohol is legal, but drunk driving is illegal, and there's no reason why legalizing drugs would make it legal to drive under the influence.

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Posted by [Jecht](#) on Fri, 23 Nov 2007 11:37:23 GMT

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xptek wrote on Thu, 22 November 2007 10:10Jecht wrote on Wed, 21 November 2007 22:44The problem with legalizing one is: the door is then open to legalize all narcotics. The addiction of some of these drugs is so strong that people steal for it, sell all of their belongings for it, and sponge even further off of government welfare for it. I saw a court case on television where a mother used the \$5,000 she received for her daughter completely on crack cocaine. I refuse to pay taxes for people to get high. The system is already broken enough.

You already pay taxes for plenty of people to get high. How is keeping the drug illegal going to ensure you don't? If anything, because of inflated prices caused by illegality of the drugs they're spending more of your tax money.

Jecht wrote on Wed, 21 November 2007 22:44

The world isn't so black and white. If drugs were made legal on a federal standpoint, I would honestly consider relocating to a different country. That's because the effect would transfer to those who don't want drug abuse in one way or another, and probably in a pretty detrimental way.

The opposite has been proven time and time again in countries that have taken steps to decriminalize recreational drug use. Lower crime rates, lower drug use rates, etc.

I don't believe that would happen in America. People here are far too stupid with their liberties.

Hell, most of us don't even vote. If the legalization of drugs would make for less use rates, then I'm all for it. However, I highly doubt it.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [BlueThen](#) on Sat, 24 Nov 2007 20:28:11 GMT  
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I don't want everyone who drives in the streets of my city be drug addicts.

Imagine if they were.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [mrpirate](#) on Sat, 24 Nov 2007 21:15:31 GMT  
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Your president has done drugs.

And are you honestly telling us you don't think there are policemen, teachers and drivers out there who are on/addicted to drugs?

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [Rocko](#) on Sat, 24 Nov 2007 21:26:18 GMT  
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i like pancakes

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Sat, 24 Nov 2007 21:41:07 GMT  
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Yep, none of them have ever or will ever do drugs regardless of legality.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [BlueThen](#) on Sat, 24 Nov 2007 21:49:57 GMT  
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I'm talking about EVERYONE. Not just the people who doesn't realize the consequences.

Illegal drugs, not medication.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [Rocko](#) on Sat, 24 Nov 2007 21:52:23 GMT  
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bluethen u r retarded.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [mrpirate](#) on Sat, 24 Nov 2007 23:03:19 GMT  
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Rocko wrote on Sat, 24 November 2007 16:52bluethen u r retarded.  
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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [BlueThen](#) on Sat, 24 Nov 2007 23:17:49 GMT  
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Call me retarded, but I'm actually smart enough to not use illegal drugs.

I don't fucking need illegal drugs to make myself feel better. If you need illegal drugs to feel better, you honestly need to see a professional.

I don't care what scientific shit you guys have on illegal drugs, there is much proof with deaths and diseased people caused by illegal drugs.

So it's a bit ironic, when you take drugs to feel better, but in the end, they make you worse. It takes common sense to realize that.

I want illegal drugs to stay illegal so I don't have to be extra cautious to the people around me, and so I don't have to trust riding with anyone driving who, if illegal drugs were legalized, potentially is a drug addict, which dis-functions the brain, and endangers me and everyone else putting their lives at hands to that person when riding in a car with him or her.

If you think that illegal drugs are fine, then honestly, YOU are the one that's retarded.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [Jecht](#) on Sun, 25 Nov 2007 00:19:19 GMT  
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Bluethen is one of the few rational people here in regards to this topic in my opinion. This goes back to my Black and White arguement earlier.

Yes there are city officials using drugs, but I don't want them to be able to use them freely and loosely. There isn't much you can do about those that don't get caught, but just because you don't doesn't mean it's acceptable.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Sun, 25 Nov 2007 00:22:14 GMT  
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Oh, I've gone over this several times in this thread. The people you are round daily probably drink on a regular basis. If that knowledge doesn't shake you, then neither should the idea of people around you doing "illegal" drugs.

Also, don't judge anybody for wanting to use drugs to experience an altered state of mind. It's quite closed-minded to do so. I enjoy getting drunk on the weekends. I see nothing wrong with it. As long as I don't abuse it, my body won't care too much. If you want to stay away from it, that's your choice, but don't you be an asshole by judging people.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [BlueThen](#) on Sun, 25 Nov 2007 00:24:16 GMT  
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i say it how it is

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad

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Posted by [Jecht](#) on Sun, 25 Nov 2007 02:20:16 GMT

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Jake, calling someone an asshole for judging people is somewhat hypocritical. Second, calling someone close-minded is close-minded in and of itself.

I've known many people that have done drugs. Some were my friends, but just because someone wants to alter their state of mind is hardly a reason for it to be legalized. If you were to legalize marijuana because it hurts no one but the user, then what? Legalize cocaine? Legalize Methamphetamine? What of Steroids? Should athletes be allowed to use steroids if they wish to? I mean, it is their bodies and they're only hurting themselves...initially...so why not? Have you even thought of the doors legalizing one narcotic would open? Because unless you have, calling me close-minded is also somewhat hypocritical.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad

Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Sun, 25 Nov 2007 03:02:01 GMT

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What else would you call someone who's being judgmental besides being an asshole? That's like telling me I'm a hypocrite for telling someone that they'd be a bigot if they judged someone because of their skin color.

I want all drugs legalized. All of you people see this as a horrible thing, but Jecht, stop letting yourself be over-taken by sensationalism. Don't let your emotions get the best of you. Think about it logically...

Think about people wanting to ban guns. You know that having CCW laws won't create mayhem. You know what happened with Prohibition. Our nation cleans up once we can regulate things instead of just outright banning them.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad

Posted by [Jecht](#) on Sun, 25 Nov 2007 13:11:21 GMT

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You can't regulate Methamphetamine. It's created by common household items. Many drugs, even if they were legalized, could never be regulated. Paint and other inhalants, and the ever disgusting Jenkum fall under this category.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad

Posted by [mrpirate](#) on Sun, 25 Nov 2007 17:01:05 GMT

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Is the world falling apart because everyone is addicted to huffing paint?

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [Jecht](#) on Sun, 25 Nov 2007 17:53:06 GMT  
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mrpirate wrote on Sun, 25 November 2007 12:01: Is the world falling apart because everyone is addicted to huffing paint?

Is the world a better place because people huff paint? For anyone?

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [mrpirate](#) on Sun, 25 Nov 2007 18:08:14 GMT  
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I don't know if it's a better place or not but it's not like society is crumbling around us.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Sun, 25 Nov 2007 18:20:11 GMT  
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Jecht wrote on Sun, 25 November 2007 08:11: You can't regulate Methamphetamine. It's created by common household items. Many drugs, even if they were legalized, could never be regulated. Paint and other inhalants, and the ever disgusting Jenkum fall under this category. Making it illegal seems incredibly ridiculous, then, doesn't it? Banning people from doing what they want with their minds and bodies is something a government has never been able to successfully ban, at all. Unless you support going around and killing people who disobey the laws?

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [Jecht](#) on Mon, 26 Nov 2007 02:30:48 GMT  
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I support jailing and laws to deter drug use. Not ones that embrace drug use.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [Canadacd](#) on Mon, 26 Nov 2007 03:11:20 GMT  
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Jenkem is a hoax, just so you know. Who the fuck would inhale shit?

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [BlueThen](#) on Mon, 26 Nov 2007 03:57:04 GMT  
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Canadacdn wrote on Sun, 25 November 2007 21:11Who the fuck would inhale shit?  
Anyone stupid enough to inhale crack.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [Canadacdn](#) on Mon, 26 Nov 2007 04:16:25 GMT  
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That's right! Anyone who does one drug will instantly be open to doing any other drug. If you smoke pot once, soon enough you'll be snorting coke and dropping E like there's no tomorrow!  
You're exactly on the money there!

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [BlueThen](#) on Mon, 26 Nov 2007 21:07:21 GMT  
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Honestly, if you look into the giant obvious details in front of you...

Crack kills you, shit doesn't. So killing yourself just to feel good is very stupid, and if you're that stupid, then you're probably stupid enough to sniff shit.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [Canadacdn](#) on Mon, 26 Nov 2007 23:58:16 GMT  
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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [Starbuzz](#) on Tue, 27 Nov 2007 00:27:20 GMT  
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LOL^^

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [BlueThen](#) on Tue, 27 Nov 2007 01:45:27 GMT  
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Either way... both is very. Very. Stupid.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [Muad Dib15](#) on Tue, 27 Nov 2007 02:17:49 GMT  
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ROFLMFAO!!! OMG! That made my day.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [AmunRa](#) on Tue, 27 Nov 2007 23:22:09 GMT  
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so because i huffed a bottle of air freshener about 30 minutes ago, that means im stupid?

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [BlueThen](#) on Tue, 27 Nov 2007 23:32:59 GMT  
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AmunRa wrote on Tue, 27 November 2007 17:22so because i huffed a bottle of air freshener about 30 minutes ago, that means im stupid?  
If it's toxic... then yea, you are stupid... or you are suicidal.

It's like drinking Bleach.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [Jecht](#) on Wed, 28 Nov 2007 00:18:20 GMT  
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mhmm

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [Canadacdn](#) on Wed, 28 Nov 2007 01:40:46 GMT  
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Drugs aren't going to go away, no matter how many politicians throw money at enforcement, or make big tough guy speeches about "Getting tough on drugs! OMGLOL!" We need to learn how to live with them, and develop real plans to control drugs, (I.E Quality controlled, government or private-grown pot with industry standards etc.) As well as actually helping people with addiction problems, instead of throwing them in jail where they will just get worse.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad

Posted by [BlueThen](#) on Wed, 28 Nov 2007 01:48:29 GMT

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad

Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Wed, 28 Nov 2007 01:50:09 GMT

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WHAT MINIMIZATION?

As Canadacdn just said, it's exactly like Prohibition. Alcohol didn't get any better. It got worse, especially the gang violence. You know, not unlike what we see today...

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Fuck that shit, I'm coming back.

Did you even read my post? Maybe your hatred is literally blinding you. Anyway, I said we need new strategies, I never said we should do nothing.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [xptek](#) on Wed, 28 Nov 2007 14:44:26 GMT  
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AmunRa wrote on Tue, 27 November 2007 18:22so because i huffed a bottle of air freshener about 30 minutes ago, that means im stupid?

Huffing anything is pretty stupid, although that doesn't necessarily make you stupid.

Stick with psychedelics. Trust me.

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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad  
Posted by [mrpirate](#) on Wed, 28 Nov 2007 16:09:17 GMT  
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in all seriousness, I don't understand what the problem with psychedelic drugs is

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