Veterans favor use of medical cannabis

The American Legion shared the results of a survey of veteran households conducted by an independent public opinion research company regarding the use of cannabis as a treatment for mental and physical conditions. 513 respondents identified as veterans, while 289 identified as family members or caregivers of veterans. Both groups showed overwhelming support for medical cannabis.

About the respondents

Most respondents were more than 45 years old. 60-percent were age 60 or older.

78%
Veteran respondents not currently using cannabis to treat a medical condition.

61%
Total respondents who do not currently know a veteran using cannabis to treat a medical condition.

Growing support for treatment

While most respondents do not use cannabis to treat medical conditions or know a veteran who does, most support it’s use to treat mental or physical conditions.

Would you want to have cannabis as a federally-legal treatment?

YES: 82%
NO: 18%

Do you believe the federal government should legalize medical cannabis?

YES: 83%
NO: 17%

Do you support research into medical cannabis?

YES: 92%
NO: 8%

513 veterans and 289 caregivers surveyed from 39 states with a margin of error of +/- 3.5% at a 95% confidence level.