80% (eighty percent) of Americans think adults should be able to use cannabis legally for medical purposes.

***Source:*** *Time/CNN Poll conducted October 2002 among 1,007 adults. Margin of error is +-3%.*

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| **CNN/Time Poll** conducted by Harris Interactive. Oct. 23-24, 2002. N=1,007 adults nationwide. Margin of error ± 3.1. | | | | | |
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| **"Do you favor or oppose the legalization of marijuana?"** | | | | |
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|  |  | **10/02** | **4/86** | **3/83** |
|  |  | % | % | % |
|  | Favor | 34 | 18 | 24 |
|  | Oppose | 59 | 78 | 73 |
|  | Not sure | 7 | 4 | 4 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| **"Assuming marijuana is not legalized, do you think people arrested for possession of small amounts of marijuana should be put in jail, or just have to pay a fine but without serving any time in jail?”** | | | | |
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|  |  | % |
|  | Put in jail | 19 |
|  | Just pay a fine | 72 |
|  | Both (vol.) | 2 |
|  | Neither (vol.) | 4 |
|  | Not sure | 3 |
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| **"Do you think adults should be allowed to legally use marijuana for medical purposes if their doctor prescribes it or do you think that marijuana should remain illegal even for medical purposes?"** | | | | |
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|  |  | | % |
|  | Allow medical use | | 80 |
|  | Illegal even for medical purposes | | 17 |
|  | Not sure | | 3 |
| **"According to statistics, lots of people have tried marijuana at least once. How about you, have you tried marijuana at least once?"** | | | | |
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|  |  | **10/02** | **3/83** |
|  |  | % | % |
|  | Yes | 47 | 31 |
|  | No | 50 | 68 |
|  | Not sure | 3 | 1 |