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CANNABIS CLUB



For the Cannabis Lovers

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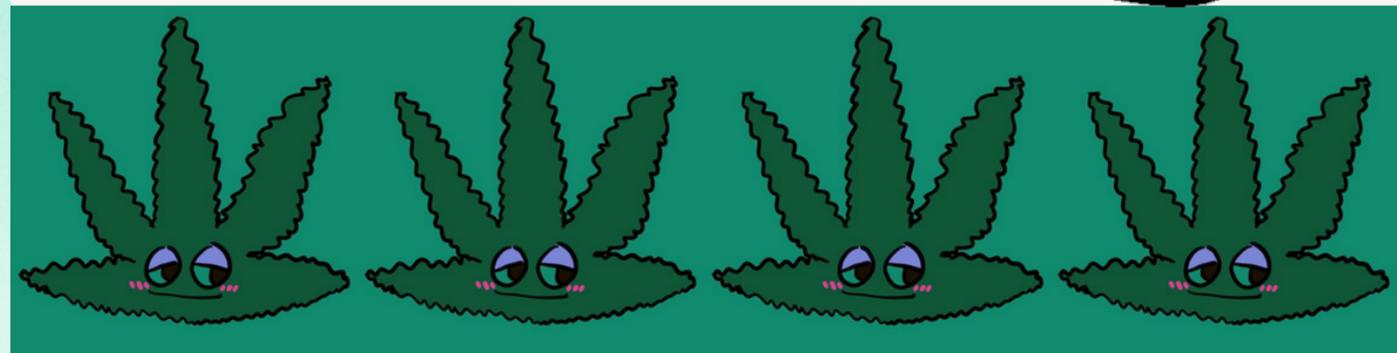
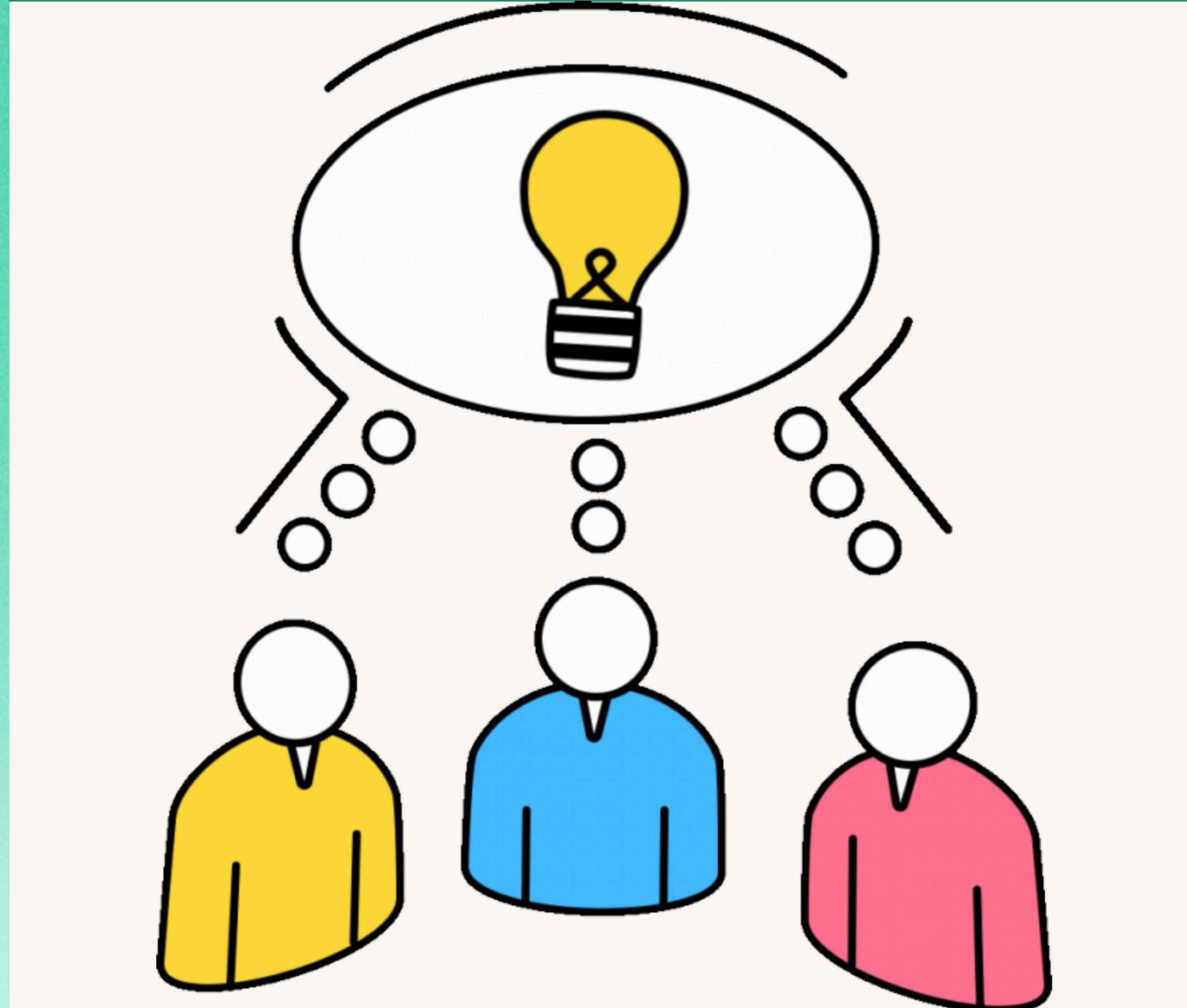
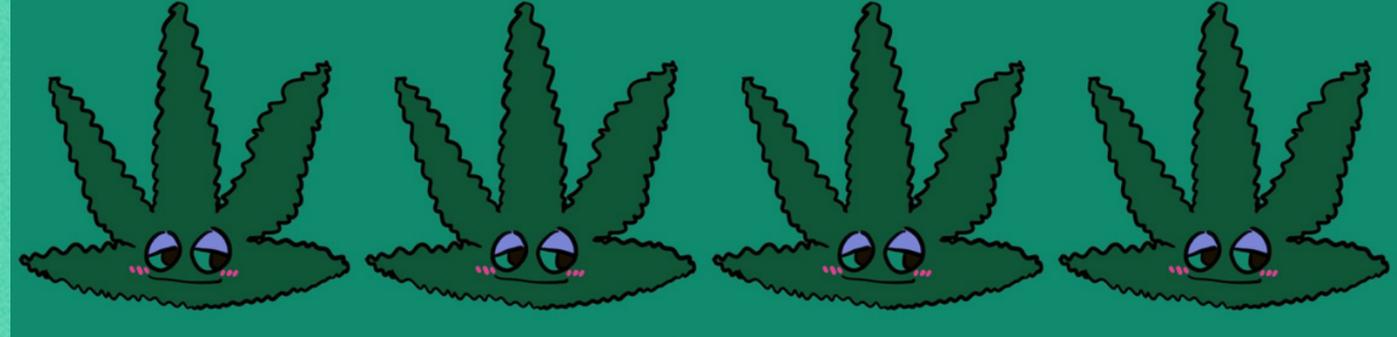
Boston Tea Party
(1773)

National Write a Friend Month

Tell Me Happy Birthday, it's my bday week

Agenda

- Roll Call
- The Closet Doors
- Write to a Friend
- 229 Final Project
- Current Trends
- Boston Tea Party
- Raffle
- Closing Remarks



Madison Hernandez

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Day 1 Groundfloor EP Member

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Sagitterrorist

I love Loud Women and Men of Service.

Artist

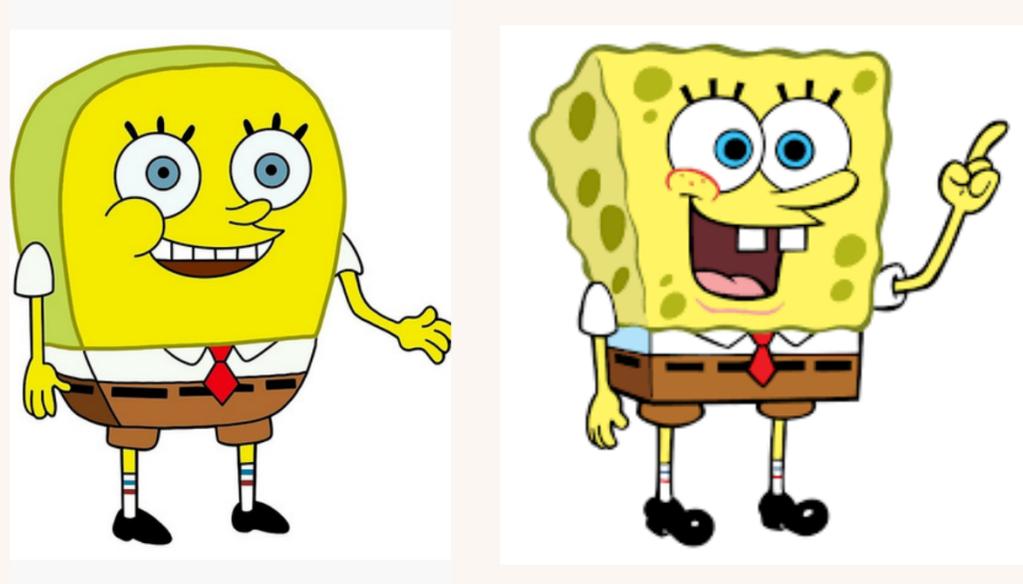




The Green Closet

The Closet Doors

Is SHAME good?



Does shame work? Why/How?

Why be Out Loud at all?

December is National Write to a Friend Month



Materials

Paper

Pen

Envelope

Template

Hi _____,

I thought of you for this letter because _____.

YAY Cannabis!

Faces and Voices of Recovery.

**Smoke
Break
8 minutes**



**Smoke
Break
8 minutes**

Math 229

Final Project

Statistics for Data Science

Does THC
determine Price?

Madison Hernandez

MATH 229

Fall 2025



A Brief History of California Cannabis

+ **In 1970, Cannabis was listed as a Schedule 1 Drug** on the same level as Ecstasy, Heroin, LSD, and more.

+ *“high potential for abuse, no current accepted medical use”*

+ Cocaine is more acceptable than Cannabis: Schedule 2

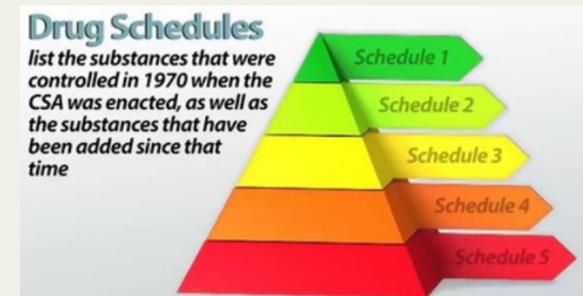
+ **In 1996, CA legalized Medical Marijuana with Prop 215**

+ Medical Recommendations were required for each cannabis sale

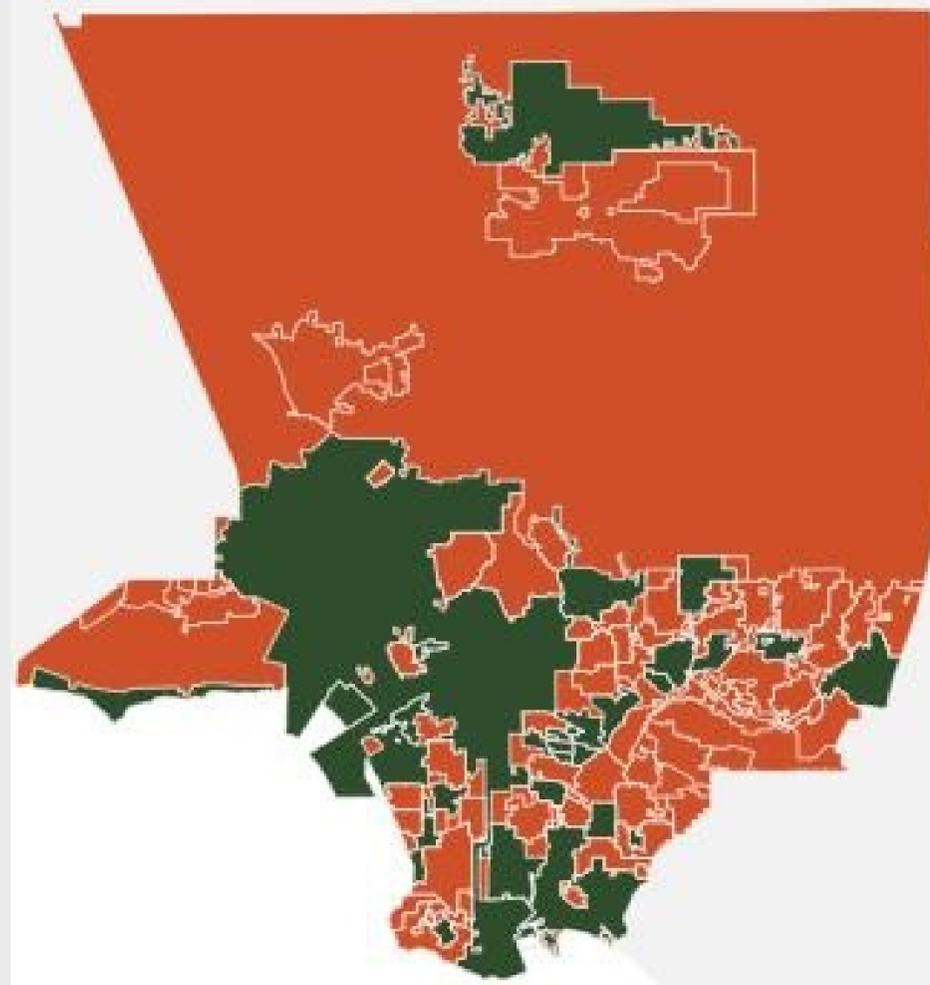
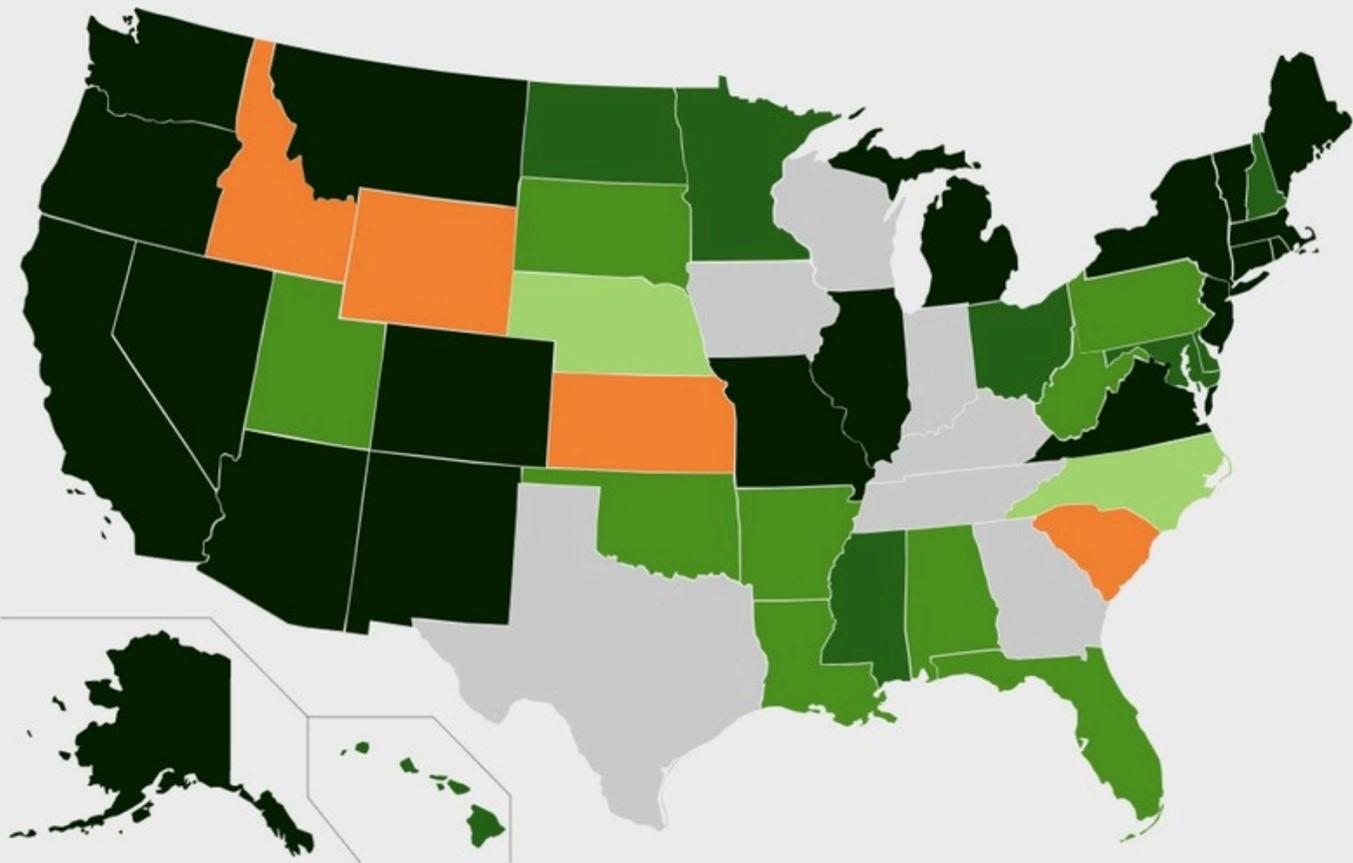
+ **In 2018, Cannabis Tax went from 0% to 34.5% with Prop 64**

+ Taxation has since increased, and consumers pay 38.5% now

+ These funds are allocated to the General Fund



● Legalized ● Medical and Decriminalized ● Medical ● Decriminalized ● CBD with THC Only ● Fully illegal



Location Determines Legality

Why?

✓ 23 cities allow at least one cannabis business type.

✗ 65 cities prohibit all cannabis business types.

✓ **Allow: 44%**

Cities and counties allow at least one cannabis business type.

✗ **Prohibit: 56%**

Cities and counties prohibit all cannabis business types.

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 - All products listed as 1/8ths
- Collection Date: 11/09/2025
 - Highly volatile market

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Cannabis store

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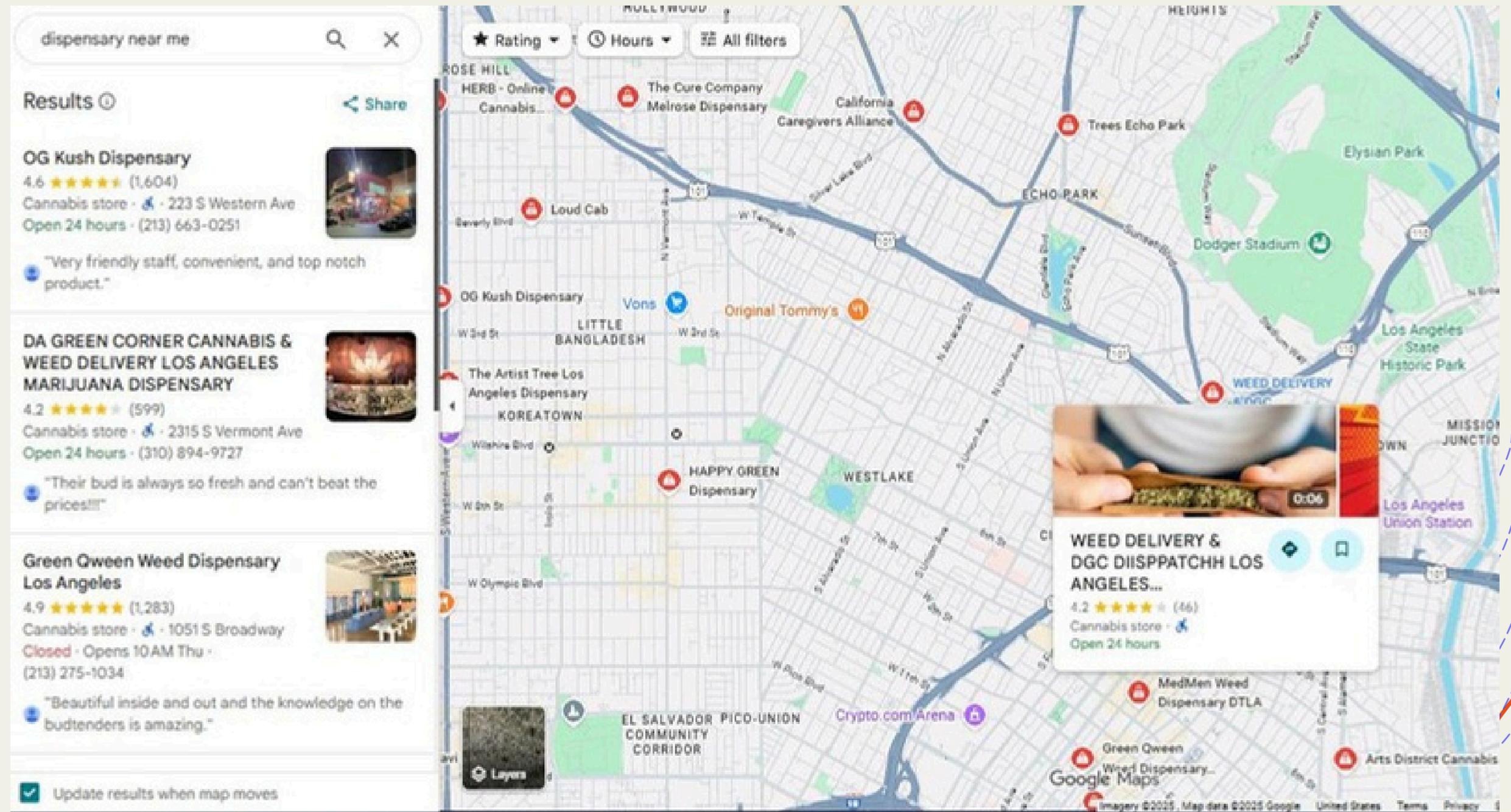
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Dispensary - Medical & Recreational

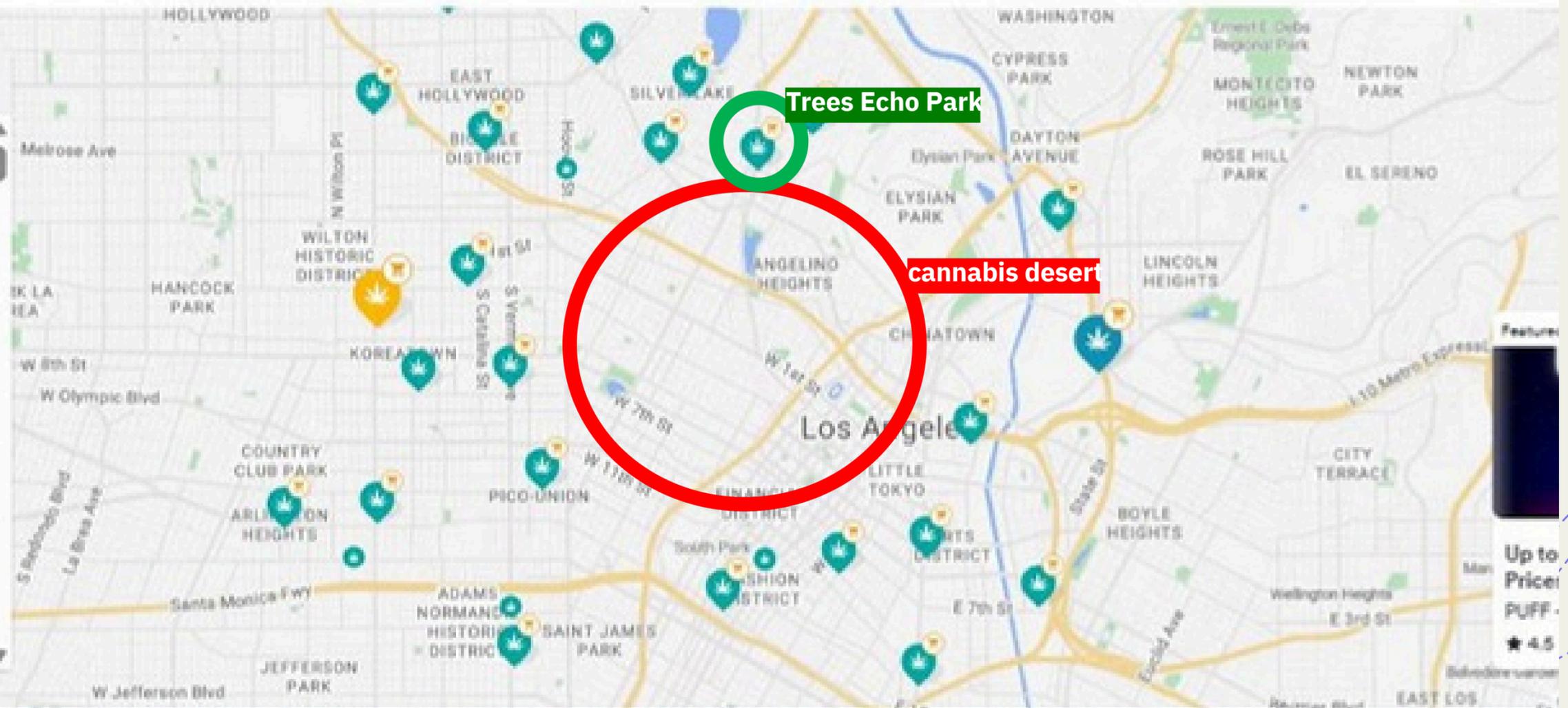
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CCA California Caregivers...

★★★★★ 4.9 (1,144)



30 min away from cannabis. >10 min away from buying alcohol

There's so many options!

+ Wax, topicals, edibles, infused drinks, pre-rolled joints, and so much more!

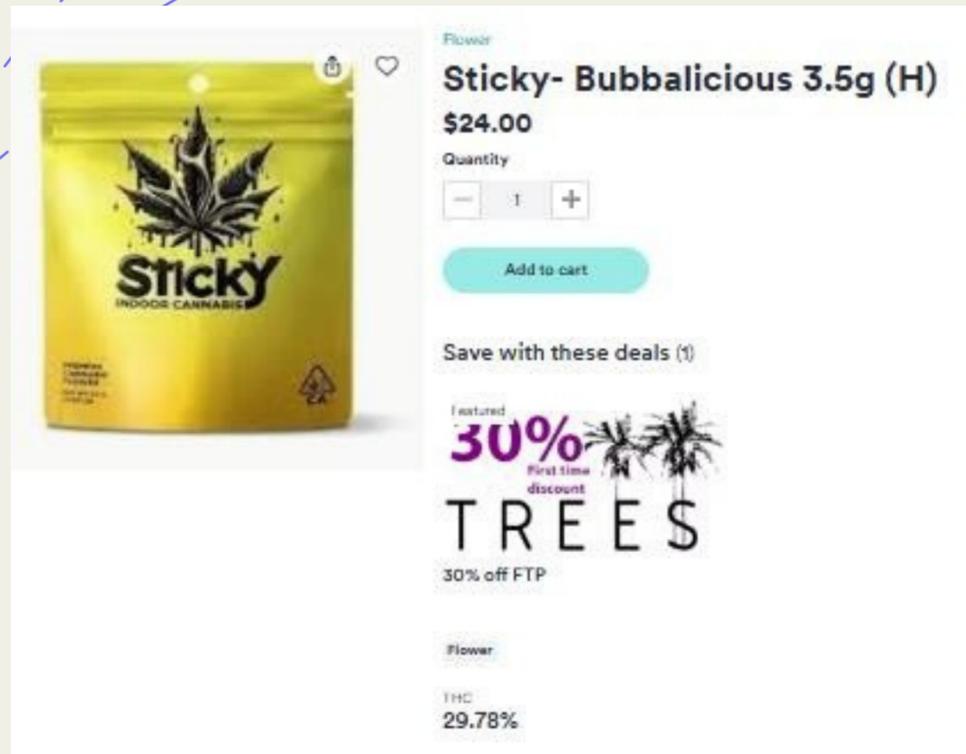
+ **My Desired Item: 3.5 grams of flower**

+ (An Eighth | $\frac{1}{8}$ th)

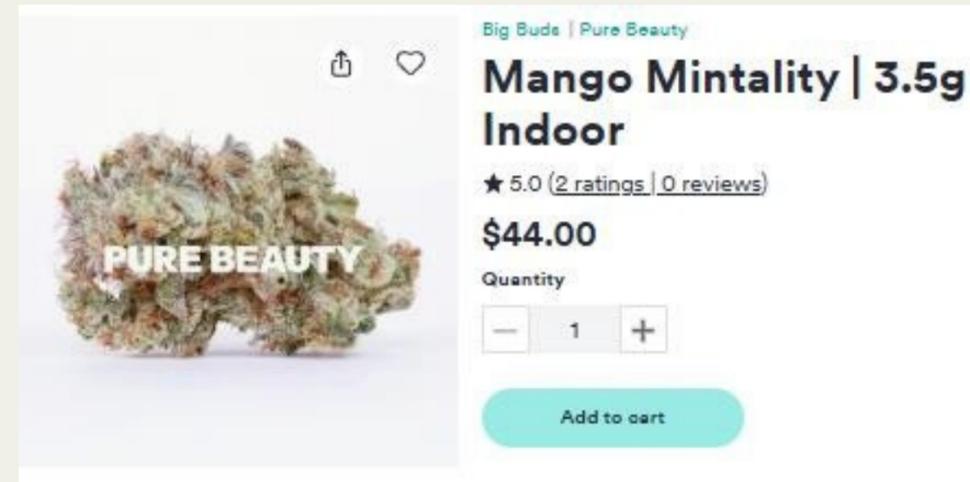


What information is available?

Sticky Brand (H)
Alt: Bubbalicious



Flower
Sticky- Bubbalicious 3.5g (H)
\$24.00
Quantity
- 1 +
Add to cart
Save with these deals (1)
Featured
30%
First time discount
TREES
30% off FTP
Flower
THC
29.78%



Big Buds | Pure Beauty
Mango Mintality | 3.5g Indoor
★ 5.0 (2 ratings | 0 reviews)
\$44.00
Quantity
- 1 +
Add to cart
THC
28.96%

Product description

Sativa Dominant Hybrid

A modern Sativa - bred by Purple City Genetics and grown by Pure Beauty - Mango Mintality has a unique, coral-like bud structure and an impressive nose. With notes of frankincense and green mangos, and arms that reach towards you, these buds covered in trichomes can draw anyone in. What do mangos dream about?

Lineage: Mango Haze x Gush Mints

THC and CBD levels may vary

Big Buds

THC
28.96%

Product description

FULL INDICA

Lineage: *Pineapple Pez Melonade x Styrofoam Cup* – Bred by Team Elite Genetics

A deeply sedating and mind-warping indica, Arctic Wall is designed for those seeking an intensely heavy and immersive high. This strain delivers a delirious cerebral haze paired with a lethargic body melt, making it perfect for late-night relaxation or total sensory escape.

Effects*

Brace yourself for the ultimate couch-lock experience, where your mind drifts into a dreamlike haze, untethered from reality, and your body succumbs to a deep, gravity-defying melt. With its deeply intoxicating and sluggish high, Arctic Wall is ideal for those looking to shut off the world and dissolve into pure tranquility.

Flavor Profile

Arctic Wall is a bold fusion of sweetness and funk, offering sugar-soaked pineapple chunks dipped in maple syrup, layered with intense undertones of gasoline and burnt chemical funk. This rich, complex flavor profile makes every hit a decadent yet powerfully gassy experience.

Dominant Terpenes

β-Myrcene
α-Pinene
δ-Limonene

*effects are not claims and vary by consumer

Flower

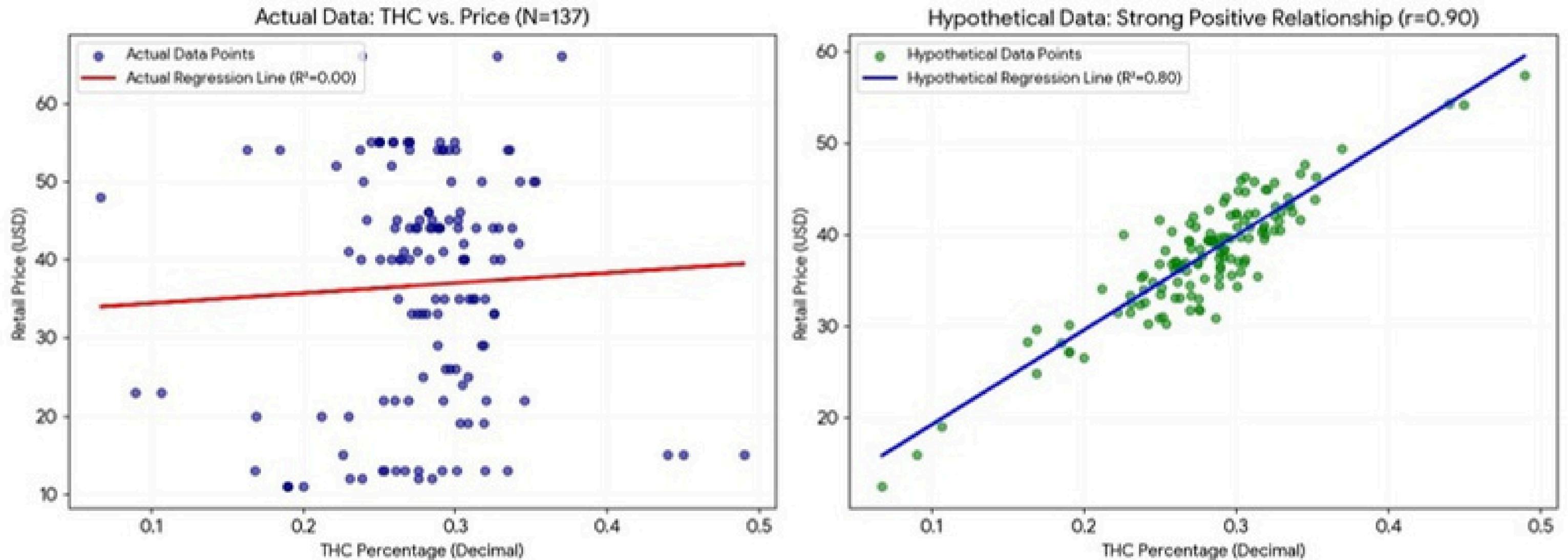
THC
27.51%

Team Elite Genetics:
Arctic Wall (I) \$44

Product Details Vary by Company
What is a customer to do?

If THC did determine Price

Actual Data (Weak Correlation) vs. Hypothetical Data (Strong Correlation)



Created by Gemini

If THC did determine Price

“Rainbow Belts” by 3C Farms

Predicted price for THC 27.03%: \$36.57

Actual price for that product: \$40.00

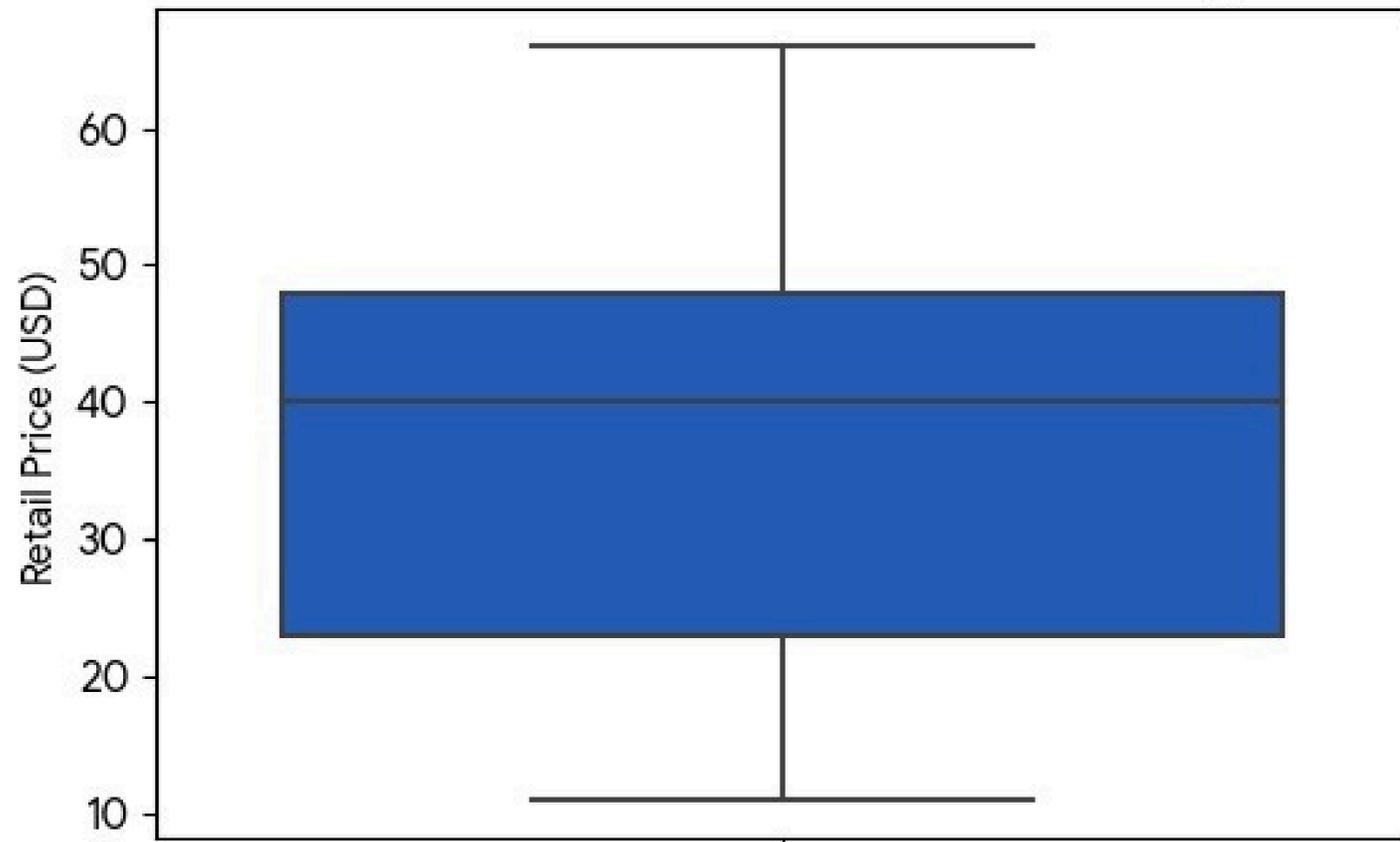
Residual: \$3.43

If the residual was \$0 then that would mean THC does determine price.

The value of these eighths is outside of the THC data (grow method, terpene profile, etc.)

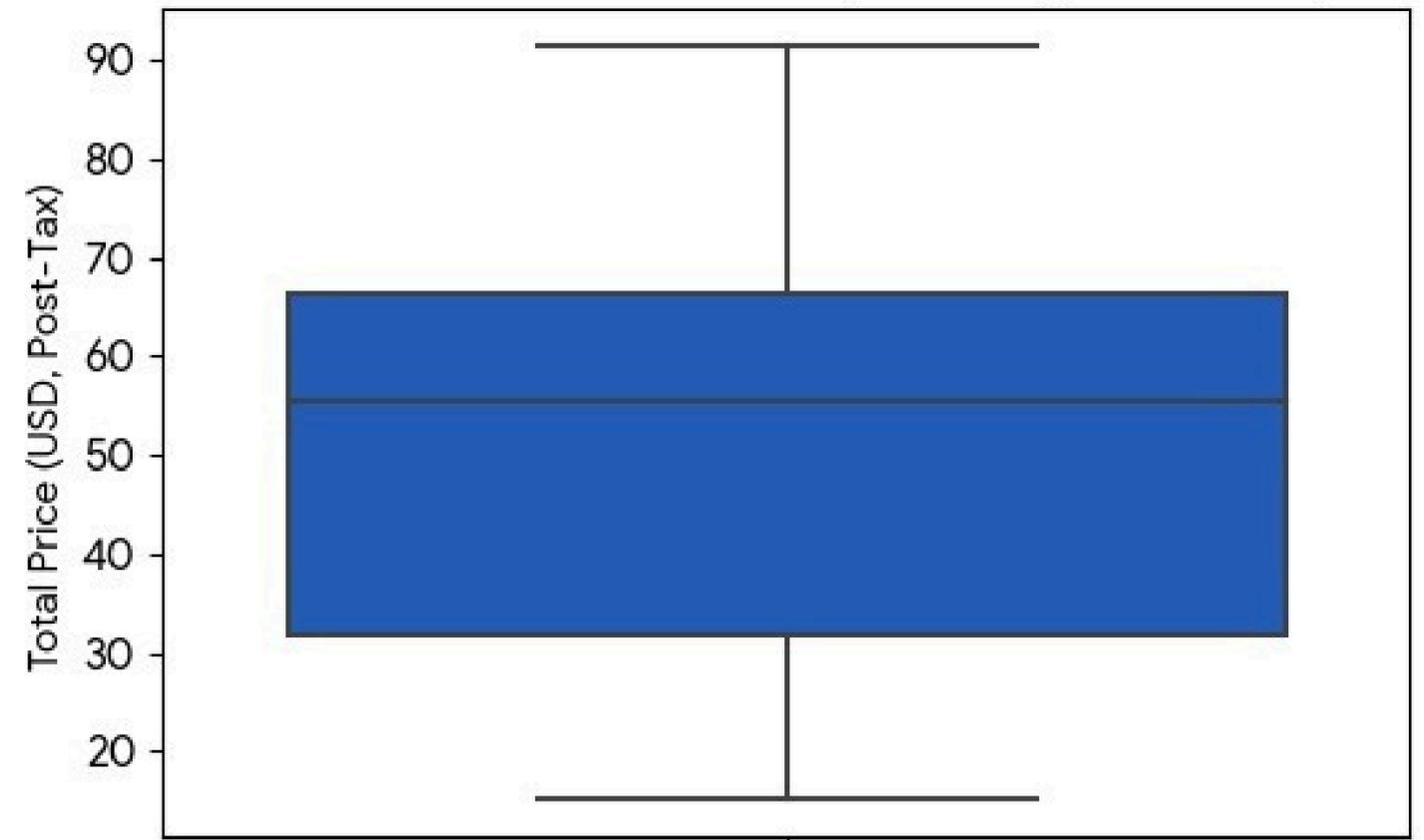
Price of an Eighth Pre- & Post- Tax

Distribution of Retail Price for Cannabis Eighth



Highest Price: \$66 Median: \$40
Lowest Price: \$11 Average Range: \$23 - \$48

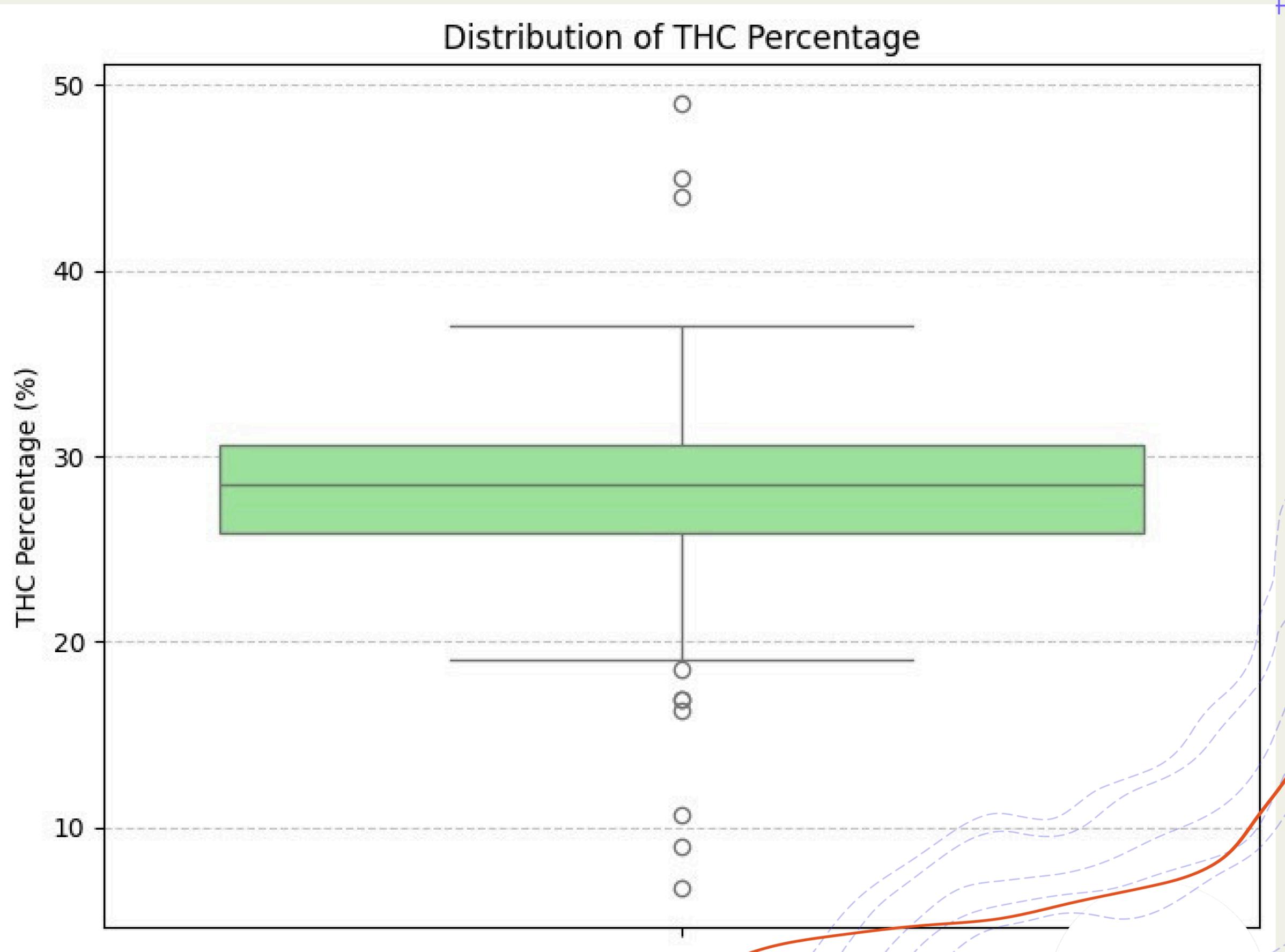
Distribution of Total Price (Including 38.5% Tax)



Highest Price: \$91.41 Median: \$55.40
Lowest Price: \$15.24 Average Range: \$31.86 - \$66.48

Anything over 20% IS high THC

This small range of THC% (with either “infused” or “CBD-dominant” outliers means that nearly every product is already created to be “high THC”. **Before Prop 64, many products were testing below 20%** because it was about the smell not the percentage.



Budget: 45\$

- + Cannabis Worker Tip: \$5
- + The online menu only shows *pre-tax price*.
- + The highest priced eighth I can get, *that considers the **38.5% tax** and still being able to tip the worker is: **\$28.88***
- + **42 Items below \$28** | ~31% of all eighths

Available $\frac{1}{8}$ ths Under \$28

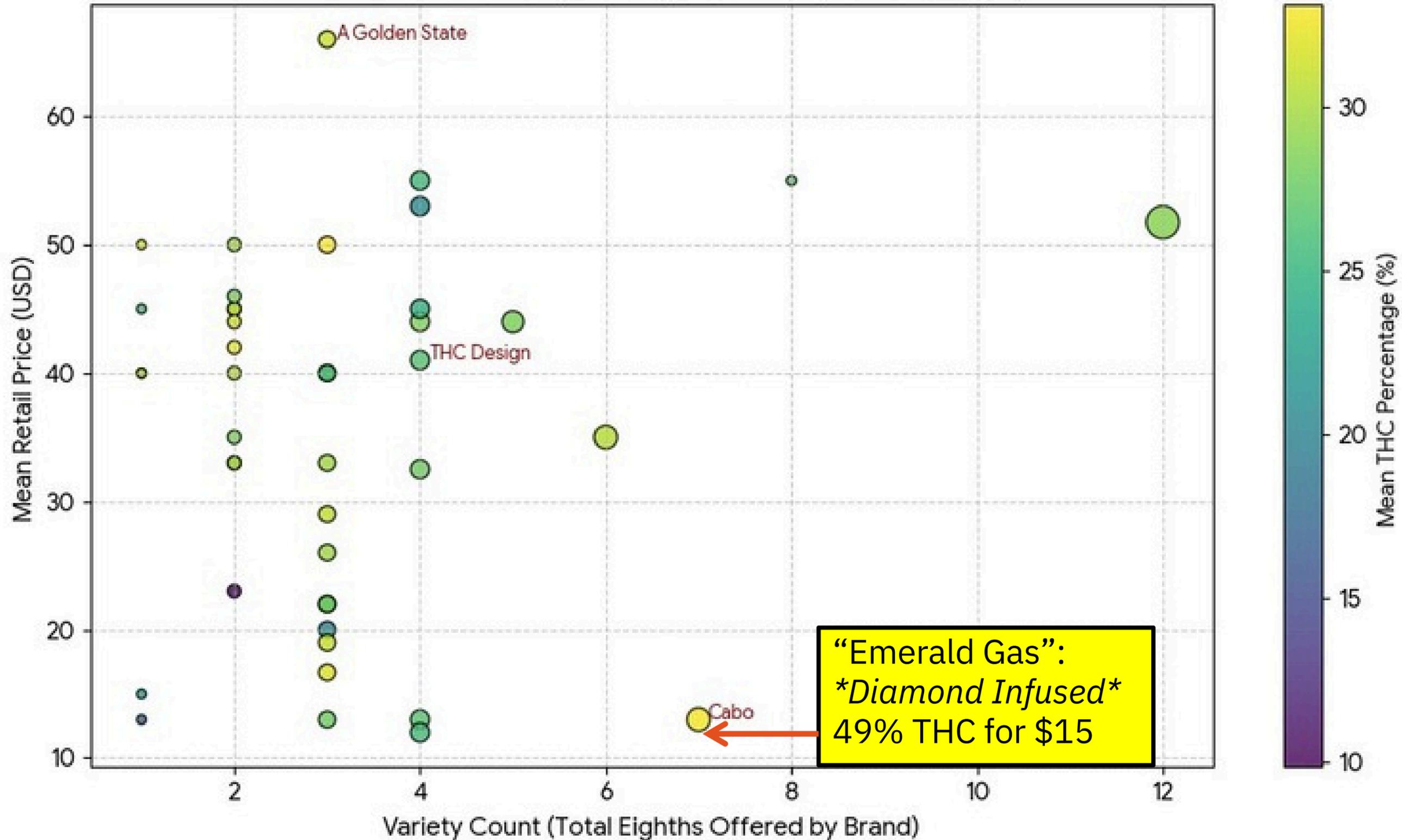
Brand: **Sticky**
Options:
Ray Gun (H)
30.05%
Crash Out (S)
29.64%
Tootsie (I)
29.41%



Average Retail Price vs. Search Result Count per Brand



Mean Price vs. Variety Count, Colored by Mean THC (%)



Out of 47 Brands

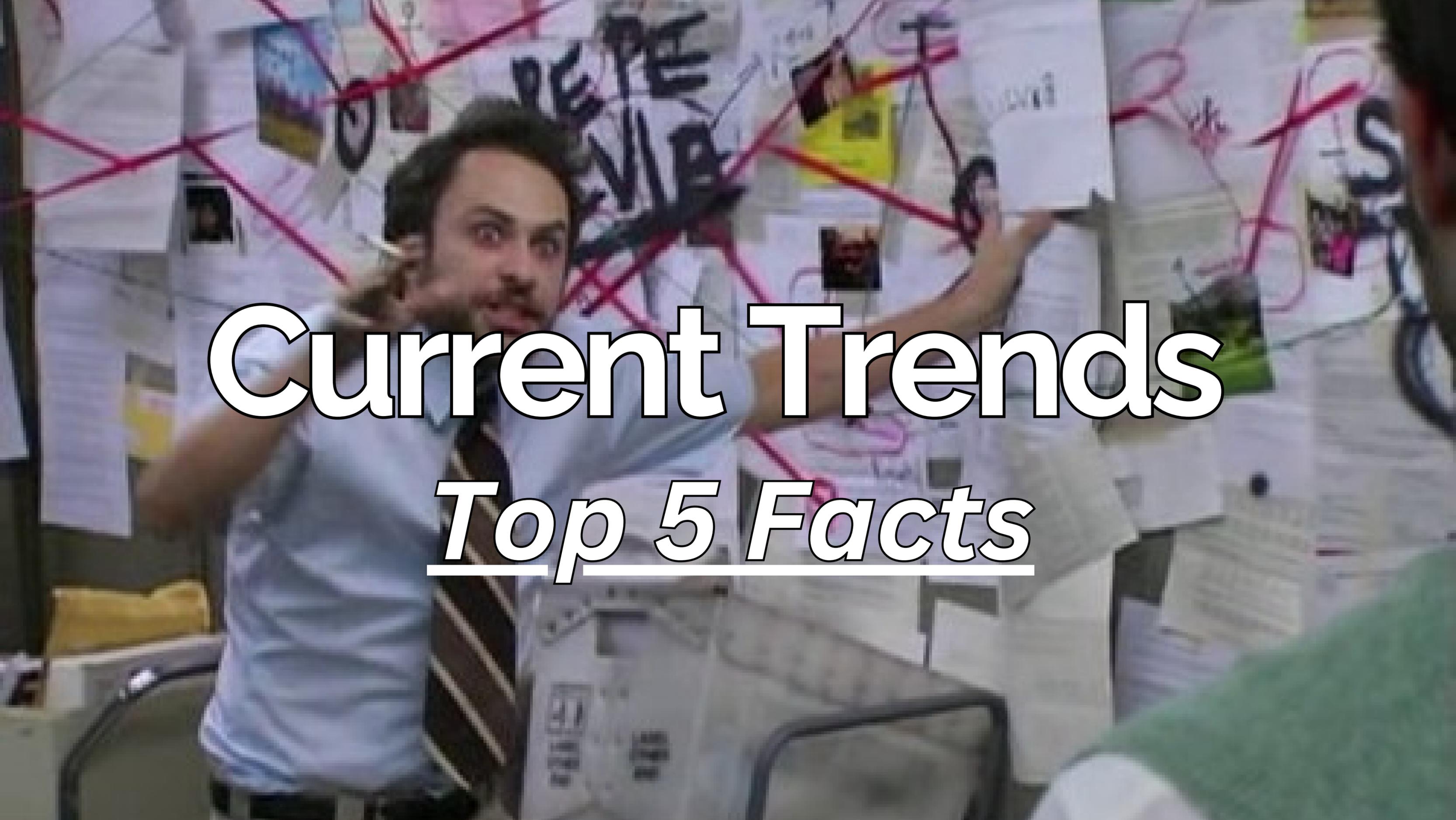
If I wanted to pick the eighth with the most THC % and the lowest price, it would be Cabo's "Emerald Gas"

"Emerald Gas":
Diamond Infused
49% THC for \$15

**Smoke
Break
4 minutes**



**Smoke
Break
4 minutes**

A man with a beard and mustache, wearing a light blue button-down shirt and a dark tie, stands in an office. He is pointing with his right hand towards a wall covered in various papers, photos, and red string. The string is crisscrossing the wall, connecting different pieces of paper. The man has a surprised or excited expression on his face. The background is filled with papers, some with photos and text, and red string forming a complex web.

Current Trends

Top 5 Facts



Cannabis:

1. **Schedule 1 Drug**

In CA, it is 56% illegal

2. Voting got us here: **Prop 215 vs Prop 64**

3. From **0%** to **38.5% taxes**

Local (10%) Excise (19%) Sales (8.5%)

4. **Propaganda** is alive.

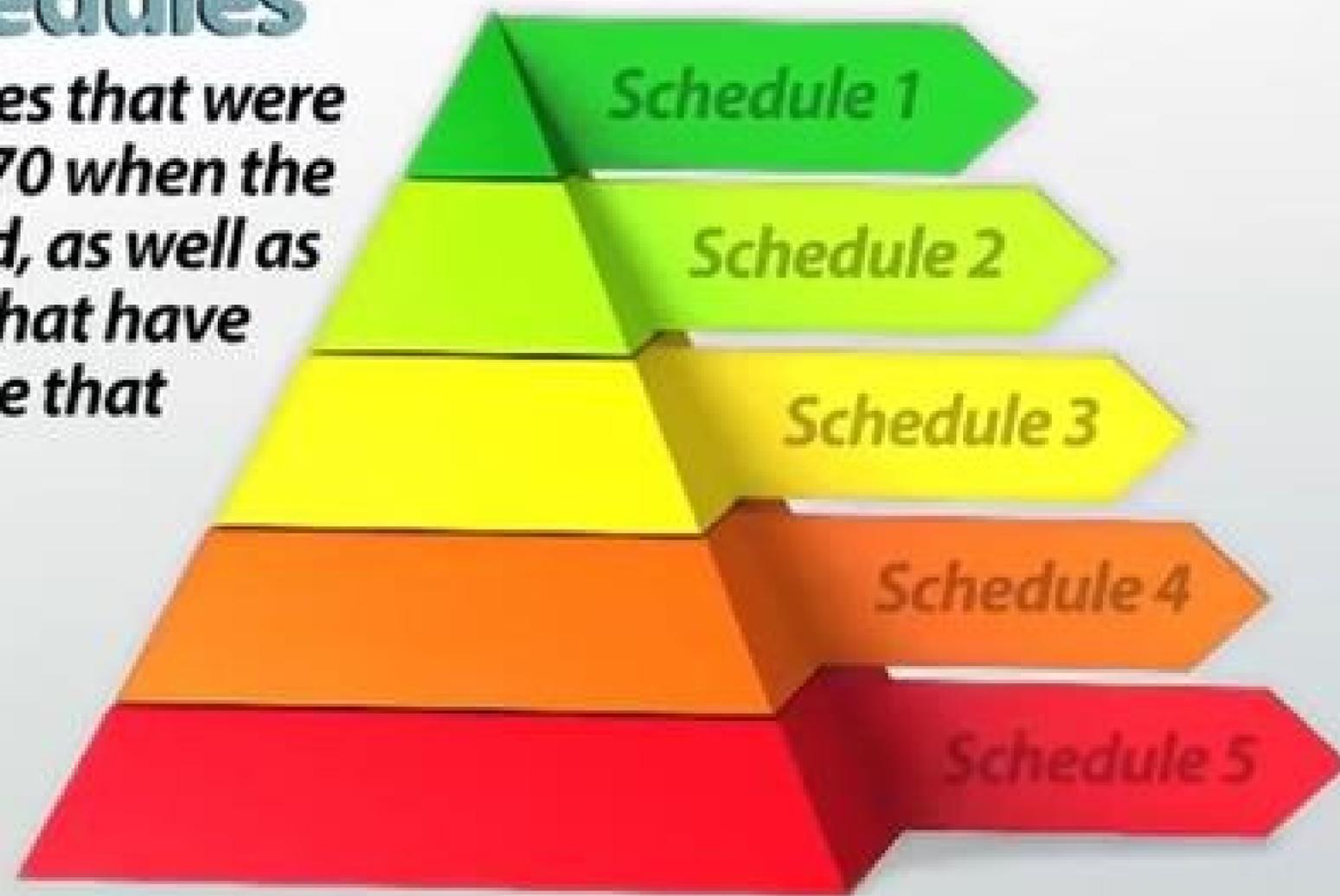
We are NOT immune

5. Being a cannabis lover is political **BECAUSE:**

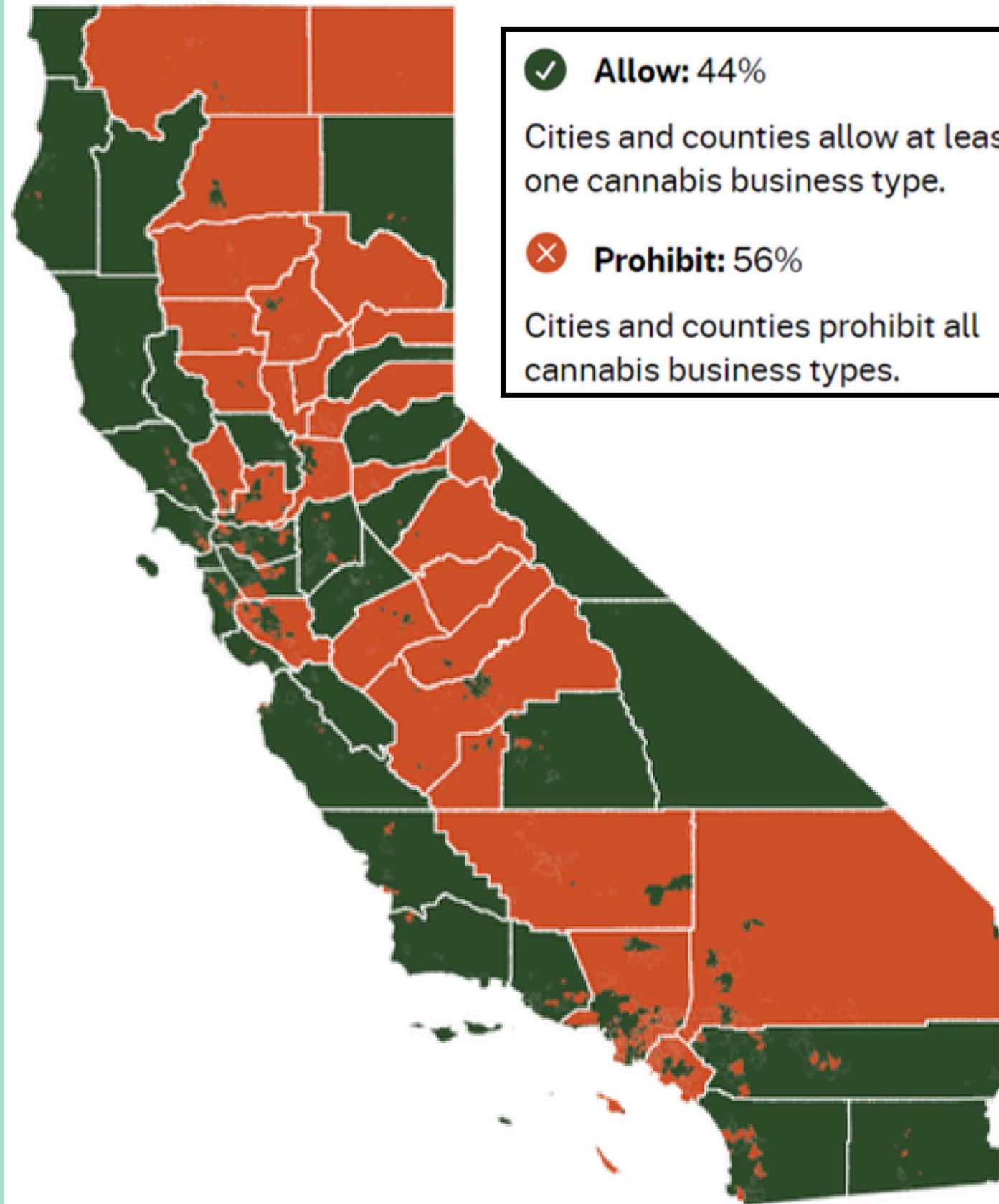
They made it political first

Drug Schedules

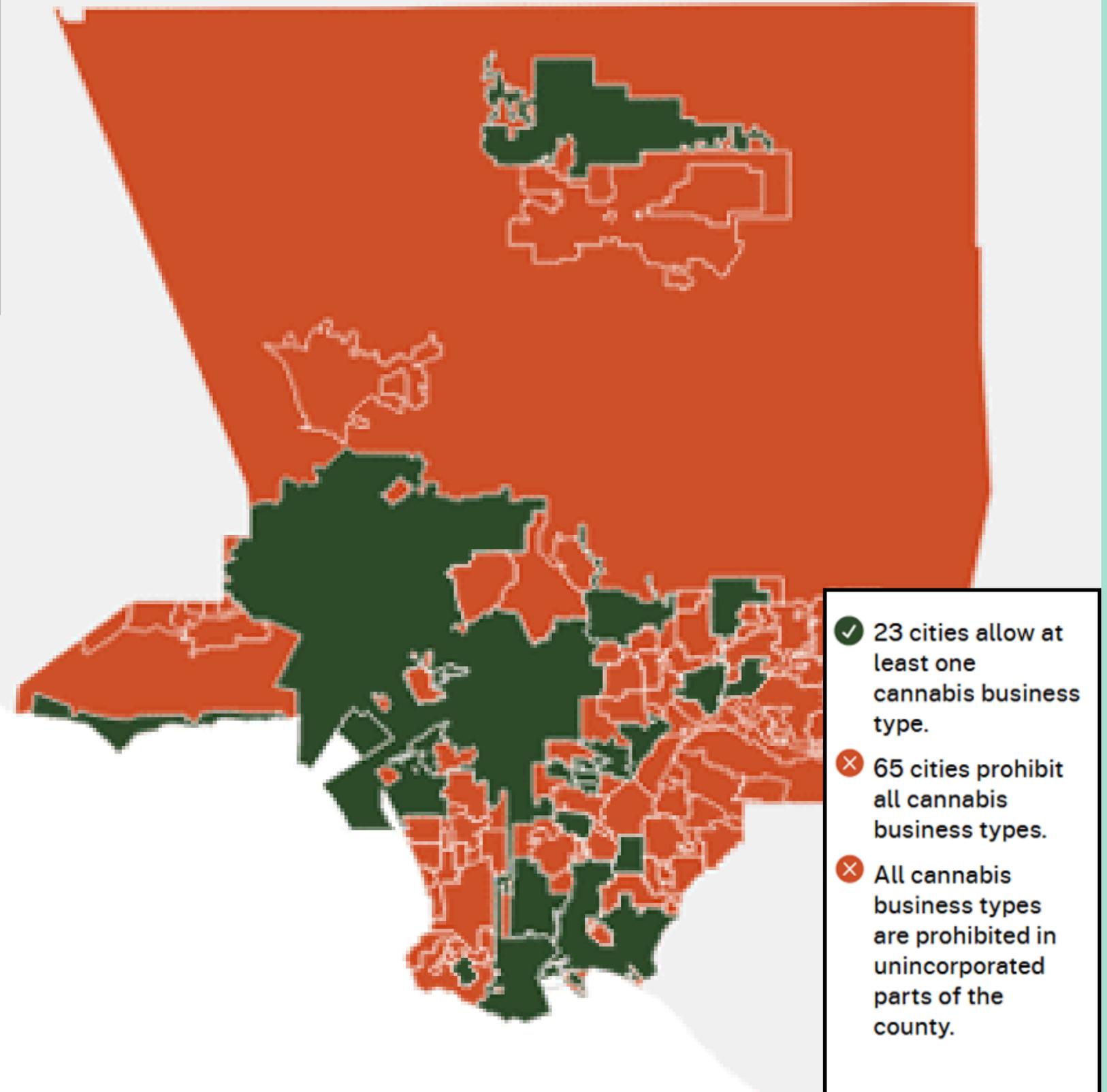
list the substances that were controlled in 1970 when the CSA was enacted, as well as the substances that have been added since that time



1. Heroin, LSD, Marijuana, MDMA, DMT, Peyote, etc.
2. Oxycodone, Fentanyl Meth and Methadone, Cocaine, Vicodin, PCP Ritalin, Morphine, etc.
3. Ketamine, Anabolic Steroids, etc.
4. Xanax, Valium, Klonopin, etc.
5. Cannabidiol, Lyrica, etc.



City Details Available here





How it Started

Calendar Year	Quarter	Excise Tax	Cultivation Tax	Sales Tax	Total Tax
2018	Q1	\$35,867,466	\$1,849,146	\$35,511,797	\$73,228,409
2018	Q2	\$43,202,987	\$4,963,720	\$45,457,457	\$93,624,164
2018	Q3	\$55,452,365	\$12,965,879	\$42,662,081	\$111,080,325
2018	Q4	\$57,134,451	\$17,305,538	\$49,226,754	\$123,666,743



2018
401,599,641

Cultivation Tax Ended in July 2022

How it's Going

Excise Tax Increased from 15% to 19% in July 2025

Calendar Year ↓	Quarter	Excise Tax	Cultivation Tax	Sales Tax	Total Tax
2024	Q1	\$157,521,957	\$0	\$109,233,355	\$266,755,312
2024	Q2	\$158,163,412	\$0	\$111,611,091	\$269,774,503
2024	Q3	\$150,122,628	\$0	\$103,678,115	\$253,800,743
2024	Q4	\$127,775,606	\$0	\$91,188,216	\$218,963,822



2024
1,009,294,380
151.34% increase over 6 years

Boston Tea Party (1773)



The American Revolution | Tea, Tar and Tyranny: How the Boston Tea Party Changed Everything | Episode 1

Bostonians protest the newly passed Tea Act by dumping 46 tons of tea into the Boston Harbor.

 pbs.org



Kick Started the American Revolution (1776)



Budget Home

What's this?

Expense Budget
\$13.15 Billion - 100.00% of all
Expense Budget

Funding Source
General Fund
\$7.90 Billion - 60.12% of all
Expense Budget

\$7.90 Billion 2024

Where's it Going? How's it Funded?

- Cultural Affairs
- Zoo
- Police**

Police
\$1.79 Billion
22.60% of General Fund
Appropriated



Where should this money go?

- Appropriations to Recreation and P...
- Unappropriated Balance
- Appropriations to Library Fund
- General Services
- Capital Finance Administration
- Other Special Purpose Funds
- City Attorney





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“We knew **we couldn’t make it illegal to be against the war, or black.** but by getting the public to associate the hippies with **marijuana** and blacks with **heroin** and then **criminalizing both heavily,** we could **disrupt those communities.** We could **arrest their leaders, raid their homes, break up their meetings,** and **vilify them night after night** on the evening news. **Did we know we were lying about the drugs. Of course we did.**”

Criminalization is a Political Strategy

Made Possible by Viewers like you.

Welch Ingram
Nina Reyes Rosenberg
Joie Rivera
Alex Hernandez
Marilyn Eko
Leonel Salguero
Catherine Hahm
Como Se Dice Comedy
Debbie Pisaro

Mariah Castaneda
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Abe Schwartz
Jessie Varnam
Anasheila Victorino
Krystle Drew
Kenia Nayeli Tijera
Scrubjay

Ariella Reiss
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Dennis Lopez
Danny Vega
Luna Luna
Danny Rodriguez
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Brought Food

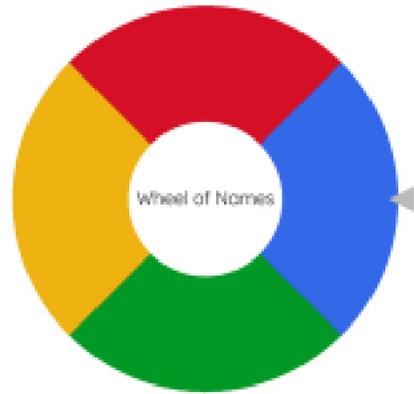
Hannah Cass, Ixchel, Selene & Janet Hernandez, Cass Faulding, Chef Guidance Moon, Vianey, Danny Rodriguez, India McCormick, Destiny de la Fuente, Mariah Castaneda, Luna Luna, Nicole Corona, Juan Solis, Krystle Drew, Stephanie and Juan of La Pupusa Urban Eatery and more

Star Volunteers

Destiny de la Fuente, Ingrid Díaz, Luna Luna, Ariela Cuellar, Jenny Martinez, Victoria Arana, Jackie Hernandez, Ghostie Ghost, Christopher Gurrola, Selene & Janet Hernandez, and more

Thank you

Join Groundfloor! Use Code: MH916



Wheel of Names

Enter names, spin wheel to pick a random winner.
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\$4.20 is 1 entry

\$10 is 3 entries

\$15 is 5 entries

\$20 is 10 entries



Enter Raffle

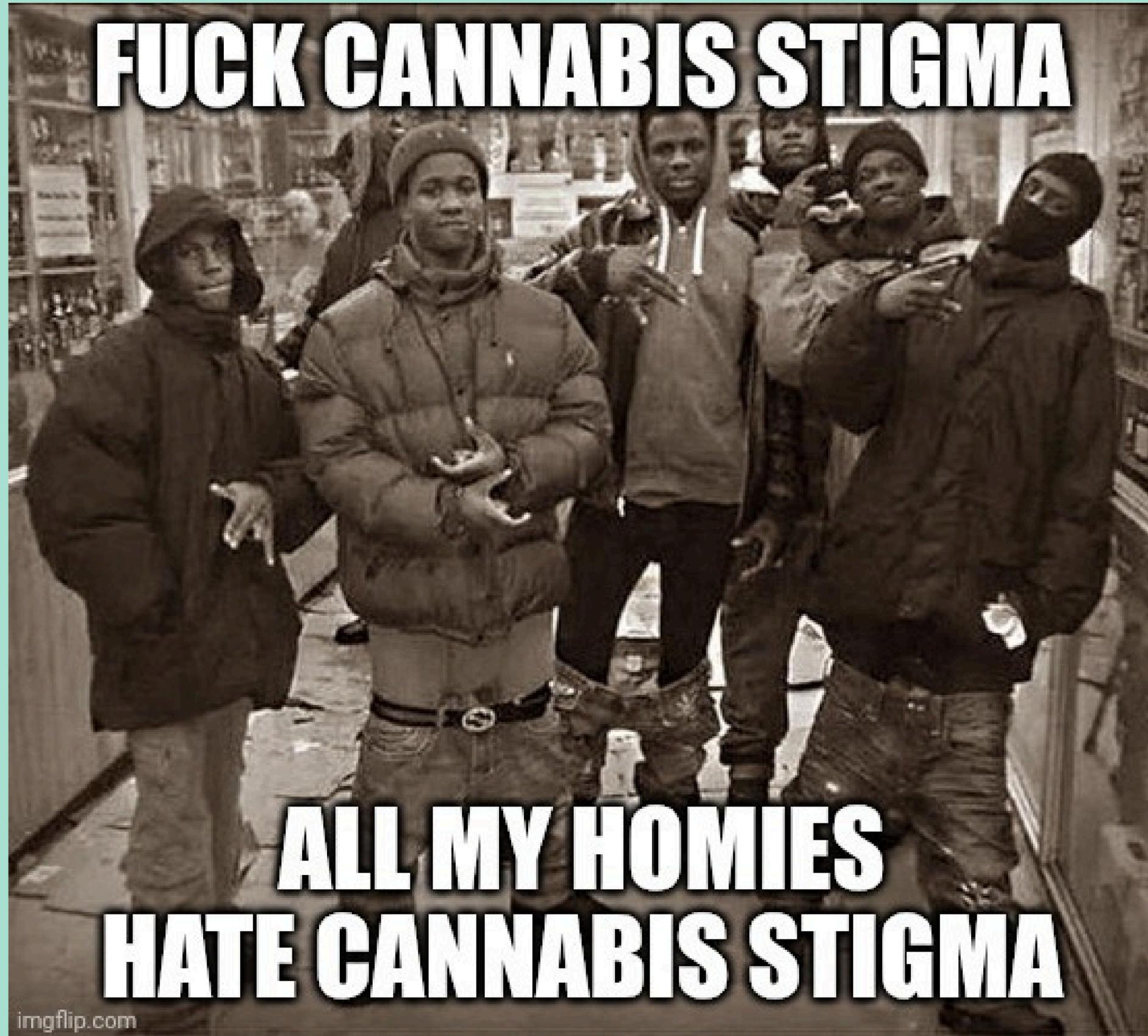
**SAVE TIME
DATE**

12/18

MY BIRTHDAY

Other Announcements?

FUCK CANNABIS STIGMA



**ALL MY HOMIES
HATE CANNABIS STIGMA**

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viva la
mota

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