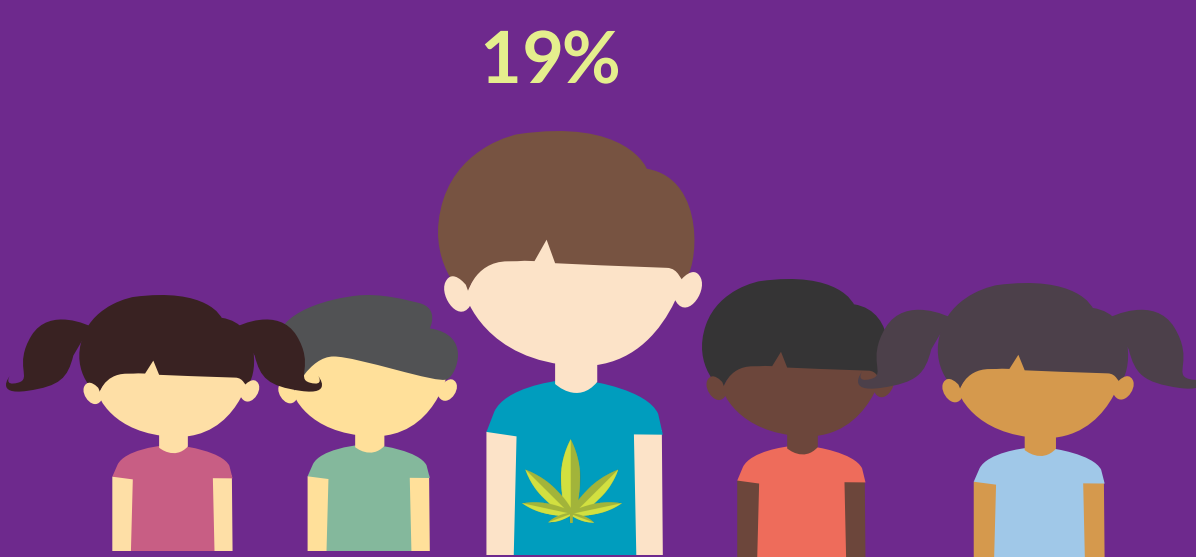


What Students Are Saying About Cannabis

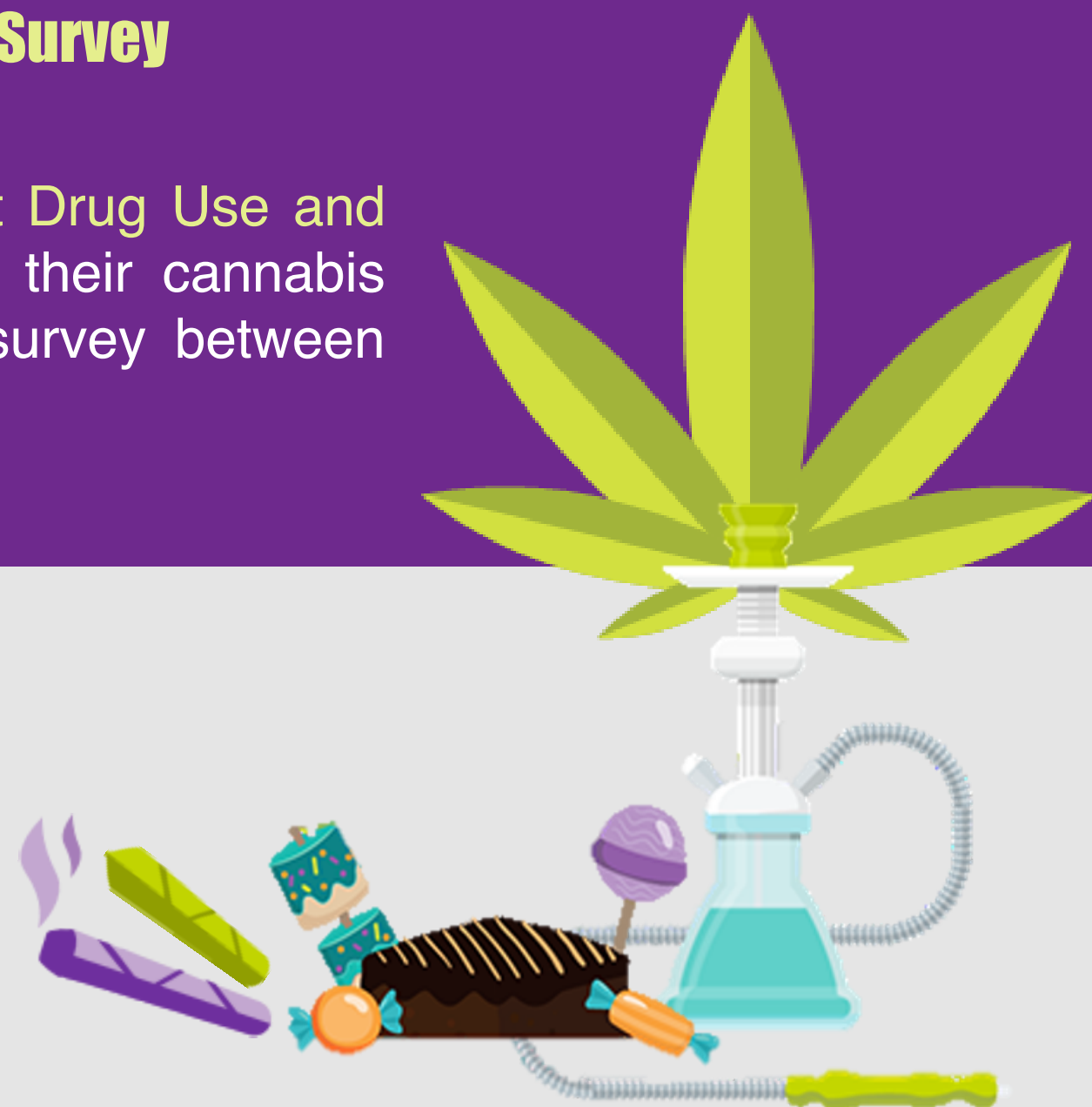
Highlights from the 2017 Ontario Student Drug Use and Health Survey

The Centre for Addiction and Mental Health's Ontario Student Drug Use and Health Survey (OSDUHS) asked grade 7-12 students about their cannabis use. 11,435 students completed the anonymous self-report survey between November 2016 and June 2017.

Unless otherwise specified, 'students' refers to students in grades 7-12.

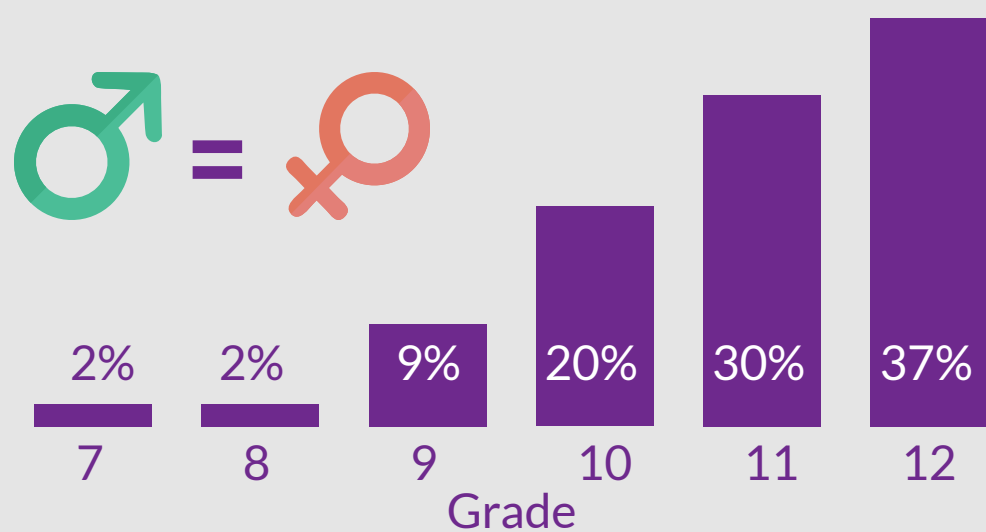


One in five students (about 172,200 students) reported using cannabis at least once in the past year. The majority of students are not using cannabis.



The most common ways for high school students to use cannabis were:

- smoking it in a **pipe or bong** (21%)
- smoking a **joint** (20%)
- eating it in **food** (11%)



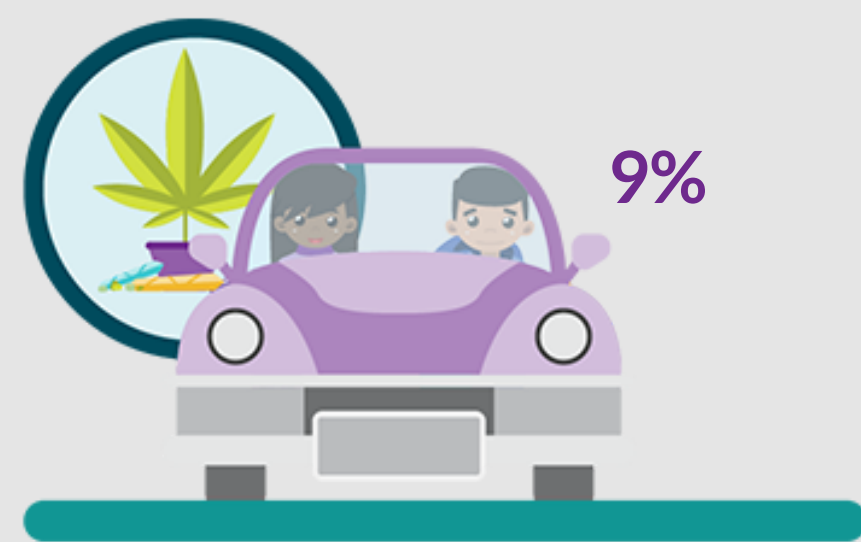
Cannabis use **increases with grade**, from 2% in grade 7 to 37% in grade 12. There are no significant regional or gender differences in cannabis use.



1% of students reported daily use of cannabis in 2017. 2% of high school students reported symptoms of cannabis dependence.



55% of high school students reported it was easy to obtain cannabis. **The majority of students (78%) reported they obtained cannabis from a friend.**



9% of students in grades 10-12 who have a driver's license reported driving within one hour after using cannabis in the past year.



1% of high school students (about 6,900 students) reported being arrested or warned by police for using cannabis.



The majority of students in grades 7-8 (71%) disapprove of regular cannabis use, and almost half (48%) disapprove of trying cannabis. 33% of high school students disapprove of regular cannabis use and 17% of trying cannabis.