



TEXANS FOR
SAFE AND
DRUG-FREE
YOUTH

YOUTH CANNABIS USE AND TRAFFIC SAFETY

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The most common drug combination among youth in impaired driving crashes is alcohol and cannabis.³



When alcohol is involved, a young Texas driver is

15x



more likely to die compared to young drivers in crashes that don't involve alcohol.³



13.6

is the average age of first use in Texas.²

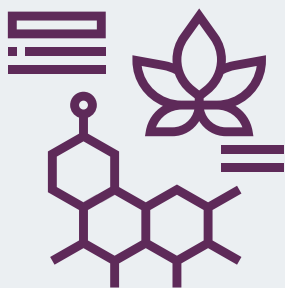


17%

of Texas high school students have used cannabis at least once in their lifetime.²



Cannabis is the most commonly used illicit drug among Texas youth.²



27%

of Texas crash fatalities involved THC, based on toxicology reports.³

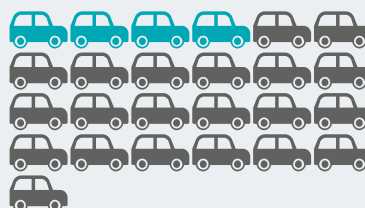


19%

of Texas college students say they rode with a driver who had been high or drunk within the past year.²



Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for teens.¹



In Texas, nearly

1/4

of teen drivers who died in motor crashes tested positive for cannabis.³

Resources:

¹ CDC Youth Risk Behavior Survey, Texas 2024: <https://nccd.cdc.gov/Youthonline/App/Results.aspx?LID=>
² 2024 Texas School Survey: <https://www.texaschoolsurvey.org/Documents/Reports/State/22State712.pdf>

³ TxDOT Crash Data:

Texas Department of Transportation. Motor Vehicle Crash Statistics. [TxDOT Crash Data: https://www.txdot.gov/data-maps/crash-reports-records/motor-vehicle-crash-statistics.html](https://www.txdot.gov/data-maps/crash-reports-records/motor-vehicle-crash-statistics.html) (Accessed July 24, 2024).