



Preventing Marijuana Commercialization Economic Concerns

- Taxes
 - “For every dollar gained in tax revenue, Coloradans spent approximately \$4.50 to mitigate the effects of legalization” (1)
- Jobs
 - Testing employees and job candidates for marijuana use by employers in Washington and Colorado is now double the national average (2)
- Insurance & Risk Management
 - Insurance claims have become a growing concern among companies in legalized states (3)
- Crime
 - Neighborhoods adjacent to marijuana businesses saw 84 more property crimes each year than neighborhoods without a marijuana shop nearby (4)
- Social Justice
 - Communities of Color are subject to disproportionate targeting (5)

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