



Colorado DUID Picture

NHTSA Drugged Driving Call to Action
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What Does Colorado Look Like Now?

- 491 retail marijuana stores.
- 1613 Liquor Stores
- 392 Starbucks
- 208 McDonalds Restaurants
- 107,534 Medical Marijuana Registry I.D. Cards-65% male, 49% between 21-30.





Recreational MJ Implementation

Amendment 64 Report

2 Recommendations
Specific to Traffic Safety



Task Force Report on the Implementation of Amendment 64

Regulation of Marijuana in Colorado

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Traffic Safety Law

Highway Safety/Law Recommendations

Criminal Law 12.1 Support for HB 13-1114 Regarding Penalties for DUI

Definition of MJ impairment

The Task Force recommends that the General Assembly enact House Bill 13-1114, Concerning Penalties for Persons Who Drive While Under the Influence of Alcohol or Drugs. [MJ Definition of impairment Bill \(5ng\)](#)

ARIDE Training/DRE Training?

Criminal Law 12.2 ARIDE Training for Colorado Law Enforcement Officers

The Task Force recommends that the [General Assembly require Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement \(ARIDE\) training as a mandatory training element in future Colorado Peace Officer Standards and Training \(POST\) certification](#), and encourage local law enforcement agencies to have their peace officers trained in ARIDE, to increase and enhance the ability of law enforcement officers to detect impaired driving.

ARIDE is a program developed by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) with input from the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) Technical Advisory Panel (TAP). It was created to address the gap in training between the Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST) and the Drug Evaluation and Classification (DEC) Program.



Very early into this “experiment”

- What we do know at this juncture.....
- Youth Marijuana Use **#1**
- Adult Marijuana Use **#2**
- Emergency Room Visits **^**
- Marijuana Related Exposures **^**
- Treatment **^**
- Diversion of marijuana outside of Colorado **^**
- THC Extraction Labs **Initially** **^**
- Crime **^**
- Impaired Driving **–for discussion** **^**





Impaired Driving in Colorado

- **Positives**-better training (DRE, ARIDE). Loveland-91% increase in DUID/47% increase in DUI arrests in 2017.
- The new 5 nanogram level of THC in blood bill. 55% to 70% of arrests for DUID are coming in under this permissible inference.
- Data collection is difficult for DUI Marijuana.
- In 2016, 76% of all DUID arrests by Colorado State Patrol involved marijuana. 767 of 1004 arrests. CSP Makes 20% of statewide DUI arrests.



Impaired Driving in Colorado

- 17% of all DUI arrests by CSP involved marijuana.
- Statewide fatalities-2014-488 to 2017-630. 29% increase.
- *2016 less than half of drivers or operators involved in fatals were tested for drug impairment, which is consistent with the past data.
- 44.3% of the Colorado DRE cases in 2016 were cannabis.



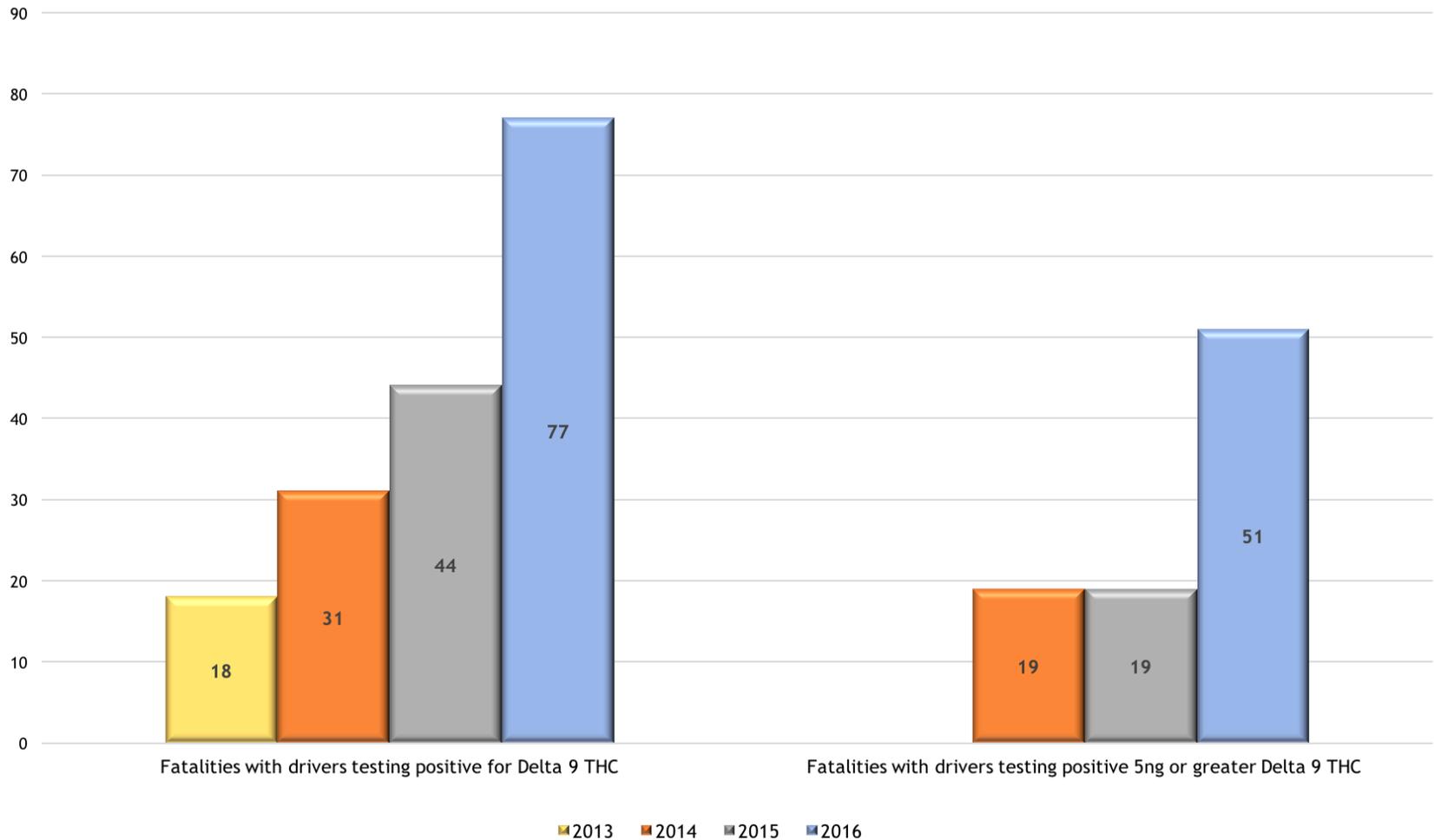


Colorado DRE and ARIDE

- 228 DREs and 40 Instructors.
- 25% growth in DREs since legalization of MJ.
- Annual DRE School-strict selection through state committee led by CDOT DRE Team.
- ARIDE and DRE training funded through infusion of MJ Tax dollars.
- All Troopers and Loveland Officers trained in ARIDE.



Marijuana-involved fatalities in Colorado, by THC type



Source: Colorado Department of Transportation, Fatality Analysis Reporting System

Notes:

- 1) Only active forms of THC, such as Delta 9, can cause impairment.
- 2) Where Delta 9 is noted, the toxicology report gave specific information about the driver testing positive for Delta 9.
- 3) CDOT has been actively working with coroners and law enforcement to improve data reporting on Delta 9; therefore, the increase in the number of reported cases of drivers testing positive for Delta 9 could be the result of improved data collection.
- 4) Delta 9 level information was not available in 2013 or in prior years.
- 5) Data includes fatalities where alcohol or other drugs may have been present.
- 6) In Colorado there is a "permissible inference" that a person is under the influence of a) marijuana - if their blood contains 5 nanograms or more of Delta 9-TCH per milliliter in whole blood or b) alcohol - if their blood contains .08 grams or more of alcohol per 100 grams in the whole blood

Media!



CDOT Marijuana Impaired Driving Campaign

Dispensary Partnerships

While you wait.....





Partnerships

- Identified MJ Industry Leader(s)
- Reached out to leaders with mutual concerns
- Utilized partners for focus groups
- MJ representative on State DUI Task Force
- Presented at MJ industry events
- Mutual Press Opportunities
- MADD Colorado
- CDPHE/NHTSA (Region) partnerships



The Drug Dealer Still Lives





THANK YOU!

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