

The public is saying:
"No more Drug War!"

A recent Ridder/Braden opinion poll in the state of Colorado shows:¹

73% of voters believe we should decrease criminal penalties for possession of small quantities of drugs from a felony to a misdemeanor and spend the money saved on prisons to increase drug treatment and prevention.

85% believe the current war on drugs addresses the symptoms of drug abuse but fails to solve the underlying causes.

83% of Colorado voters believe we are losing the war on drugs.

A November national Zogby Poll indicated:

61% of the American public opposes arresting and jailing nonviolent marijuana smokers.

67% oppose the use of federal law enforcement agencies to close patient cooperatives where medical marijuana is legal under state law.²

Also, in the last three election cycles the public has approved fourteen state wide reform initiatives!

Why won't Congress listen?

¹ Ridder/Braden, Inc. July 2001. More information: contact The Rocky Mountain Peace and Justice Center, POB 1156, Boulder, CO 80306. See: <http://www.prison-moratorium.org>.

² Zogby International, December 2001. More information: contact the NORML Foundation, 202-483-8751.

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