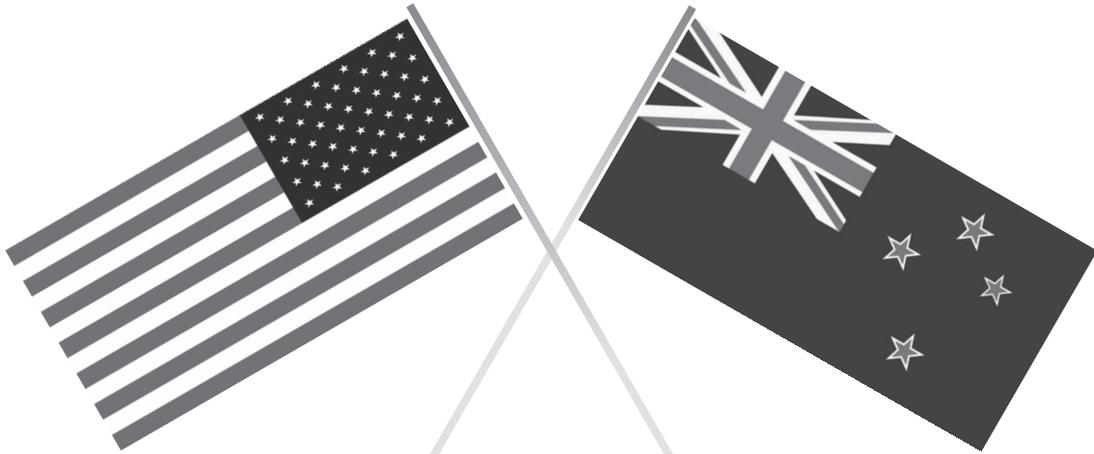


# What do the U.S. and New Zealand have in common?



A World Health Organization survey of 17 nations just discovered that Americans and New Zealanders have the planet's highest rates of marijuana use -- even though they have some of the most draconian drug laws. Over 40 percent in both countries have tried marijuana. No other nation was even close.\*

Holland, on the other hand, has the world's most liberal drug policies and their marijuana use is half that of the U.S. and New Zealand.

How do the Dutch do it? They don't bait young people by making drugs seem glamorous. As the Netherlands Minister of Health said, "We have succeeded in making pot boring."

Why don't we try doing it their way instead of spending \$10 billion to arrest over 800,000 people every year for marijuana possession?

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