

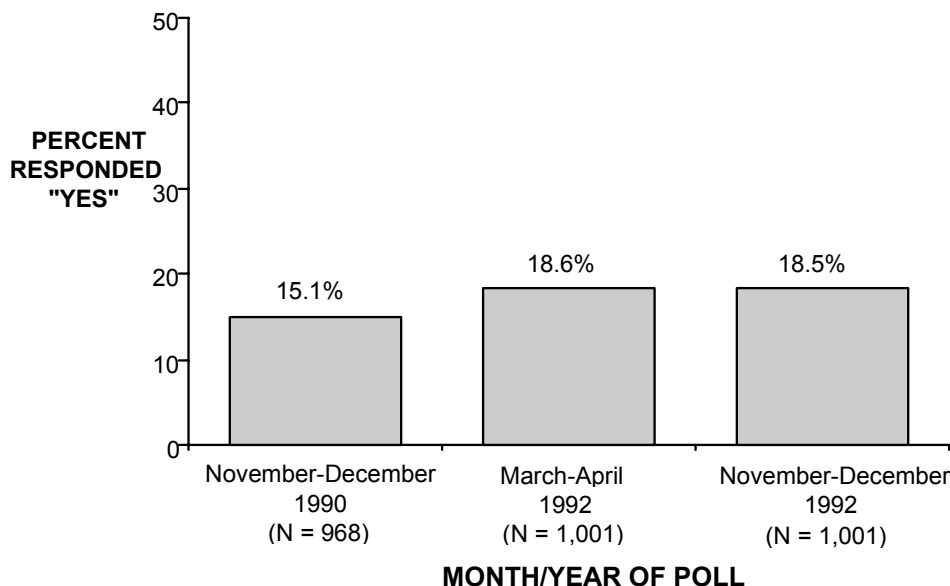
A Weekly FAX from the Center for Substance Abuse Research

University of Maryland at College Park*

Latest Household Poll Continues to Show That Few Marylanders Favor Decriminalization of Marijuana

Percent Who Responded "YES" to the Question:

*"Should Adults Be Able to Possess Small Quantities of Marijuana for Personal Use Without Legal Penalty?"***



** The November-December, 1992 Poll allowed for an additional response category, "It Depends." Two percent of the respondents selected this answer. Margin of error: $\pm 3\%$.

SOURCE: Statewide telephone polls of adults age 18 or older, conducted for CESAR by the University of Maryland Survey Research Center, College Park.

*****KHAT SEIZED IN MARYLAND*****

At 2 pm, 1-21-93, a Somali native was passing through U.S. Customs at BWI Airport. He had picked up a suitcase that had been delivered from Kenya or Somalia through England. When U.S. Customs opened the suitcase, it contained 47 pounds of a substance known as khat. This is the second seizure of khat at BWI Airport in recent months. (97 pounds of khat was also seized at Dulles Airport last week from a piece of luggage from a flight originating in England.) If you have any questions about khat, please contact Tfc. Mike Smith, MD State Police, Criminal Intelligence Division at (410) 290-0780.

CESAR SPEAKER SERIES: DR. JAMES INCIARDI

Dr. James Inciardi, Professor and Director for the Center for Drug and Alcohol Studies, University of Delaware, will be lecturing on "Recent Research on the Drugs-Crime Connection" at 3:00 p.m. on January 28, 1993, in the Atrium of the Stamp Student Union.

For further information about today's topic or to be placed on the distribution list, please call CESAR at 301-403-8329.

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