

Marijuana Legalization Policies: Implications for Individual Behavior and Health

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Proposal Description:

Efforts to legalize marijuana use have picked up in the U.S. over the past decade, with initiatives taking a variety of different forms. This project will consider how different policies (decriminalization, medical marijuana legalization, recreational marijuana legalization) and specific policy attributes (e.g., dispensary requirements) shape marijuana prices, as well as a variety of individual behaviors and health outcomes. Research assistance is sought to categorize the varying elements of different states' legalization policies, merge the resulting policy data with existing datasets using Stata, and conduct analyses under Dr. Friedman's guidance, along with other tasks that may come up related to this project.

Requisite Skills and Qualifications:

Coursework in econometrics and intermediate microeconomics, a basic knowledge of Stata, attention to detail, ability to work independently.

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