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**23% in MN Agree With Legislature's Decision to Legalize Edible, Drinkable Cannabis Products With Higher THC Levels; 57% Back Full Legalization:**

66% of Minnesota adults say they agree (37% strongly agree, 29% somewhat agree) with a vote by the state legislature legalizing the sale of cannabis products containing higher levels of THC, the active chemical compound that causes a "high." 24% disagree (9% somewhat disagree, 15% strongly disagree). 57% say the recreational use of marijuana should be fully legalized in Minnesota; 28% say it should remain against the law. Support for legalization outweighs opposition among most demographic groups, with exceptions including those who describe themselves as very conservative, who oppose legalization by a 20 point margin, and those over age 65+, who very narrowly oppose, 42% to 40%.

**About the Research / Filtering:** SurveyUSA interviewed a representative cross-section of 775 Minnesota adults online 08/30/22 through 09/04/22, using sample provided by Lucid Holdings LLC of New Orleans. The pool of adult survey respondents was weighted to US Census targets for gender, age, race, education, and home ownership.

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775 Adults	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Party Affiliation			Ideology				
Credibility Interval: +/-4.2 pct points		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	Republi	Democr	Indepen	Very Co	Conser	Modera	Liberal	Very Li
Strongly Agree	37%	40%	35%	45%	44%	34%	21%	44%	28%	35%	42%	31%	25%	28%	37%	43%	48%
Somewhat Agree	29%	28%	30%	29%	28%	29%	29%	29%	29%	28%	34%	32%	20%	36%	30%	30%	31%
Somewhat Disagree	9%	7%	10%	7%	7%	9%	13%	7%	11%	9%	9%	7%	13%	6%	10%	7%	5%
Strongly Disagree	15%	16%	15%	7%	8%	21%	30%	8%	25%	21%	8%	18%	34%	21%	13%	11%	11%
Not Sure	10%	9%	11%	11%	13%	7%	7%	12%	7%	8%	7%	12%	7%	9%	9%	8%	6%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	50%	50%	29%	26%	25%	20%	55%	45%	32%	30%	27%	10%	20%	38%	15%	7%

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Somewhat Disagree	9%	9%	10%	6%	8%	9%	7%	8%	12%	0%	8%	6%	8%	9%	9%	9%	12%	8%
Strongly Disagree	15%	26%	13%	11%	20%	11%	21%	21%	20%	22%	7%	21%	10%	19%	23%	11%	32%	12%
Not Sure	10%	8%	9%	7%	8%	4%	8%	13%	7%	0%	7%	6%	11%	9%	9%	7%	5%	6%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	29%	38%	23%	70%	16%	17%	8%	25%	7%	19%	13%	33%	67%	37%	42%	22%	43%

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Strongly Agree	37%	24%	34%	37%	49%	24%	40%	52%	39%	27%	18%	30%	43%	47%	25%	17%
Somewhat Agree	29%	33%	36%	28%	21%	35%	29%	26%	36%	29%	20%	31%	30%	29%	32%	24%
Somewhat Disagree	9%	13%	7%	8%	7%	12%	7%	7%	7%	14%	6%	9%	8%	7%	11%	16%
Strongly Disagree	15%	21%	16%	18%	9%	20%	15%	8%	11%	22%	34%	21%	12%	11%	24%	29%
Not Sure	10%	9%	7%	8%	13%	8%	9%	7%	6%	7%	22%	8%	7%	6%	8%	14%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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Not Sure	10%	6%	5%	5%	17%	34%	12%	7%	10%	9%	10%	10%	10%	9%	5%	12%	10%
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Somewhat Disagree	9%	9%	9%	11%	8%
Strongly Disagree	15%	16%	19%	12%	15%
Not Sure	10%	11%	8%	8%	7%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	59%	12%	14%	15%

**2** Do you think the recreational use of marijuana should be fully legalized in Minnesota? Or should it remain against the law?

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Fully Legalized	57%	59%	56%	64%	61%	61%	40%	62%	51%	52%	62%	57%	31%	56%	57%	69%	71%
Remain Against The Law	28%	30%	25%	23%	21%	28%	42%	22%	34%	35%	22%	29%	51%	34%	29%	14%	19%
Not Sure	15%	11%	19%	14%	17%	11%	18%	16%	14%	13%	16%	15%	18%	10%	15%	18%	11%
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Remain Against The Law	28%	40%	29%	15%	33%	20%	32%	41%	32%	46%	19%	30%	25%	29%	35%	25%	46%	24%
Not Sure	15%	13%	15%	15%	13%	15%	17%	11%	14%	3%	19%	9%	11%	17%	13%	15%	17%	13%
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