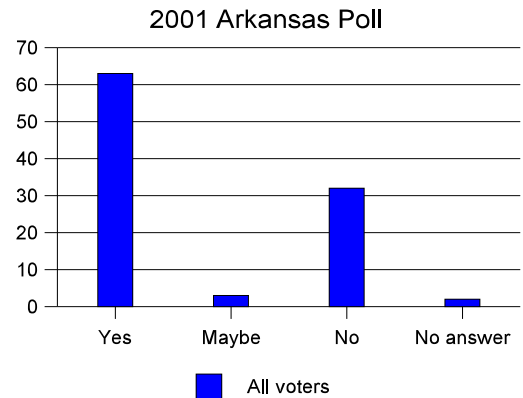


# MEDICAL MARIJUANA – WHAT DO ARKANSAS VOTERS SAY?

**Polling conducted in 2001 and 2002 show that two-thirds of Arkansas voters support a law that would allow legal medical use of marijuana.**

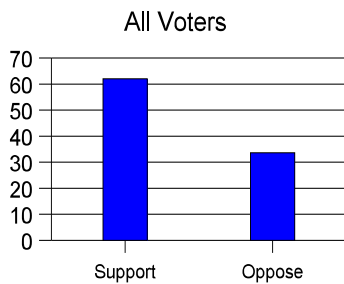
**In October 2001, the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Arkansas Poll** conducted by the University of Arkansas Department of Political Science sampled 767 likely voters statewide. A total of 63% voiced support for medical marijuana, while 32% disagreed when asked:

“Do you favor allowing patients to use marijuana for medical purposes if supported by the medical doctor?”



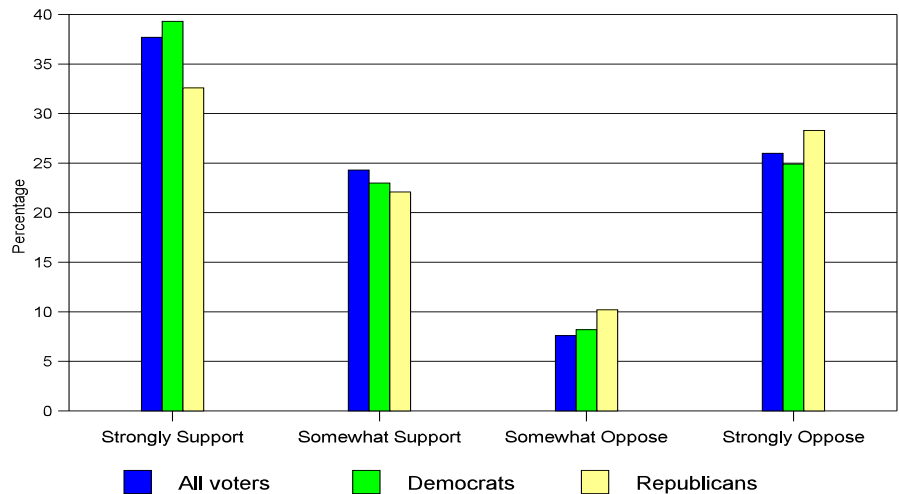
**In November 2002, reform supporters commissioned**

**Zogby International** to conduct an exit poll of 600 Arkansas voters, asking “Currently under Arkansas law, the use of marijuana is illegal for all purposes, including for medical use. Do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose a law that would allow people with cancer and other debilitating medical conditions to register in a state-regulated program permitting them to grow and use a limited amount of marijuana for medical purposes?”



Total support: 62%  
Total oppose: 33.6%

2002 Zogby International poll



Details of Results:

- Strongly support 37.7%
- Somewhat support 24.3%
- Somewhat oppose 7.6%
- Strongly oppose 26%
- Not sure 4.4%

Narrative: Majorities of people within each subgroup (except those who consider themselves very conservative) strongly or somewhat support this law.

Democrats (62%) are slightly more likely than Republicans

(55%) to support the law, while respondents who belong to other parties (67%) are even more likely to show support. A 73% average of 30-49 year-olds, African Americans, residents of large cities, single adults, college graduates, Protestants who do not consider themselves born-again, those whose religion is ‘other,’ and people with household incomes of \$35,000-\$49,999 are among the most likely to support the law.

Both polls showed a majority of support in all regions of the state. County by county results for the Arkansas poll are available from Drug Policy Education Group, Inc. Call 479-839-2475 or visit [www.ardpark.org](http://www.ardpark.org)