

# POLICE-REPORTED CANNABIS OFFENCES IN CANADA, 2018: BEFORE AND AFTER LEGALIZATION



## NEW CANNABIS LEGISLATION IN CANADA

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✓ Provided a legal framework for the legalization and regulation of the production, distribution, sale, possession, importation and exportation of cannabis in Canada.

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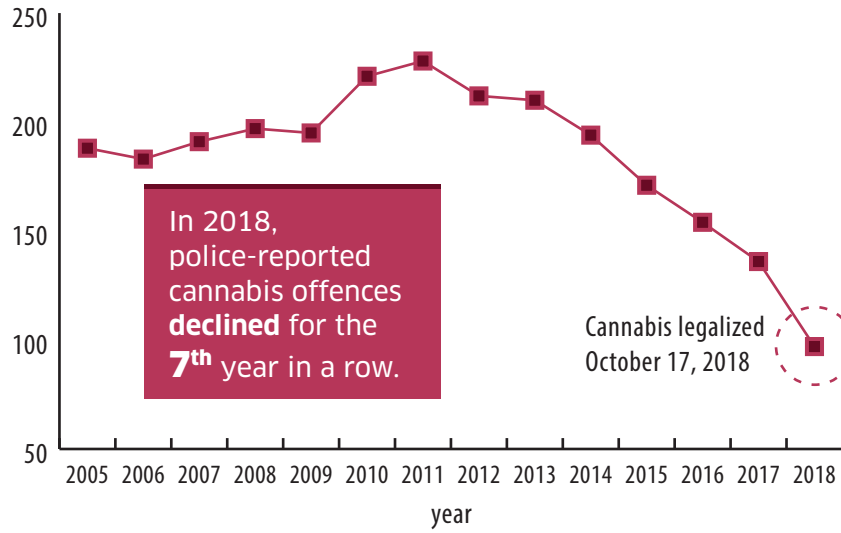
✓ Introduced new provisions related to police ability to screen drivers for drug impairment.

For more cannabis data:

- Cannabis Stats Hub
- National Cannabis Survey

In the **2 ½ months** following legalization in 2018, police reported **1,454 cannabis offences** under the new *Cannabis Act*.

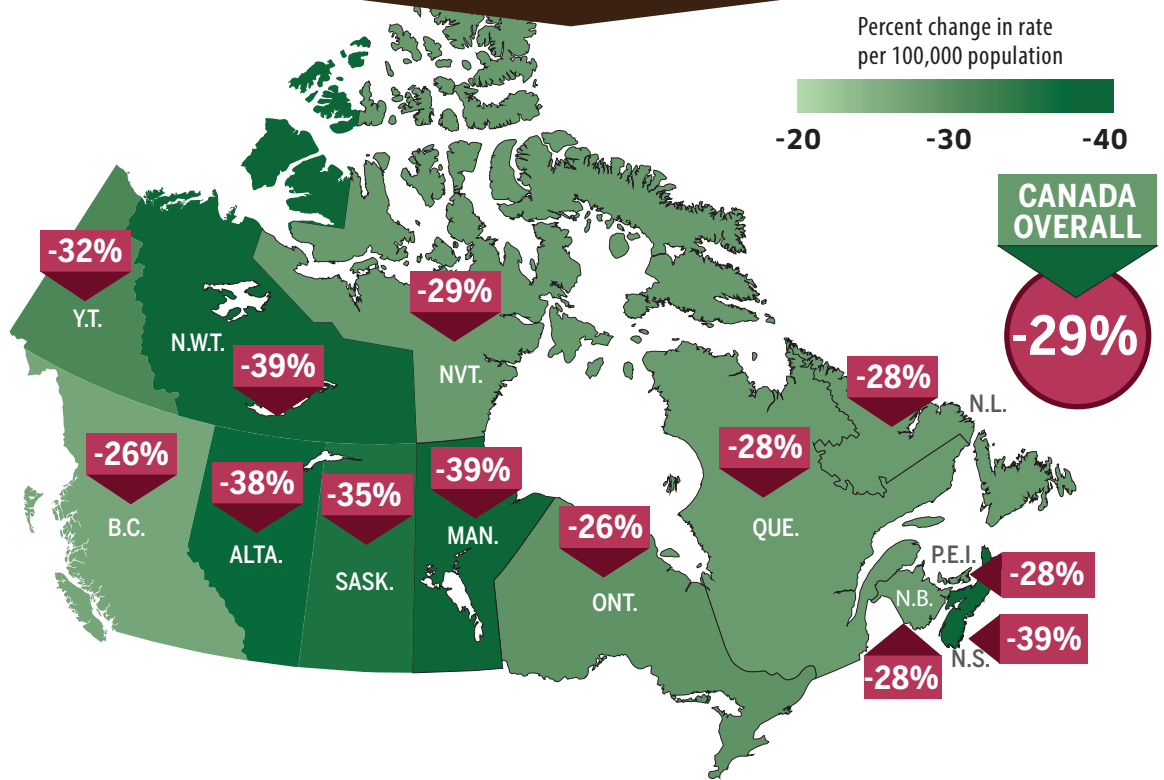
## RATE OF CANNABIS OFFENCES PER 100,000 POPULATION



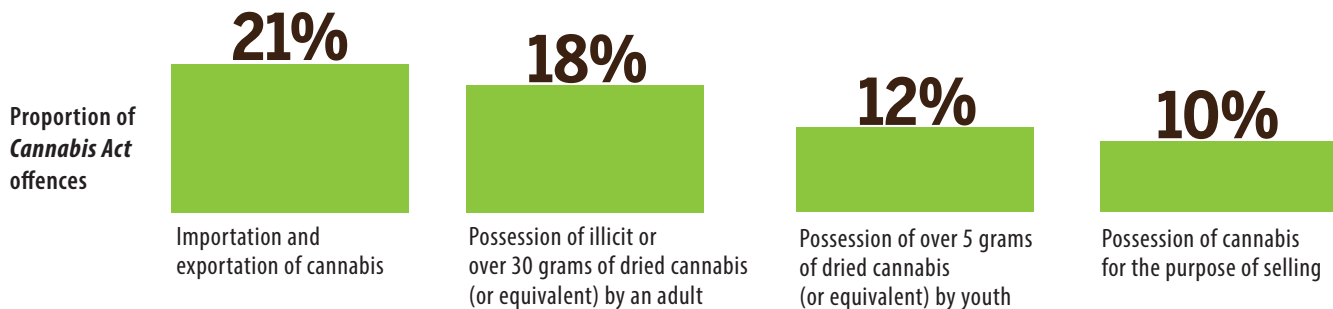
But, incidents of importation and exportation increased prior to legalization in 2018.

**+22%**

## CHANGE IN RATE OF ALL POLICE-REPORTED CANNABIS OFFENCES BY PROVINCE OR TERRITORY, 2017 TO 2018



## MOST COMMON CANNABIS ACT OFFENCES



For more information, see the full *Juristat* article: "Police-reported crime statistics in Canada, 2018."  
 Source: Statistics Canada, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics, Uniform Crime Reporting Survey.  
 "Police-reported crime statistics in Canada, 2018," *Juristat*, Statistics Canada.

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