



# Marijuana: It's Time for a Conversation

Across the nation, people are beginning to reconsider our marijuana laws. In 2006, America set a new record by arresting over 800,000 individuals for marijuana offenses; 89% of these arrests were for simple possession only. Yet marijuana remains as available as ever through an unregulated illegal market. Enforcement of marijuana laws costs taxpayers billions of dollars each year – precious public safety resources that could be directed toward more important priorities and more effective policies.



**“Marijuana: It's Time for a Conversation” invites viewers to consider whether these laws are working for us or against us.**

- What does marijuana law enforcement cost us in tax dollars?
- How effective is prohibition at controlling marijuana use and availability?
- What are the social consequences of marijuana prohibition?
- Are the consequences of marijuana arrests and convictions fair? Are the laws applied fairly to all Americans?
- How did we end up with these laws in the first place?
- Is marijuana prohibition doing more harm than good?

Sponsored by the American Civil Liberties Union and featuring noted travel writer and television host Rick Steves, “Marijuana: It's Time for a Conversation” begins a long-overdue public discussion about marijuana and marijuana prohibition.

**RUNNING TIME:** 30 MINUTES. NOT RATED.

**For more information, extended interview clips and to order a free companion booklet, go to [www.MarijuanaConversation.org](http://www.MarijuanaConversation.org)**



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