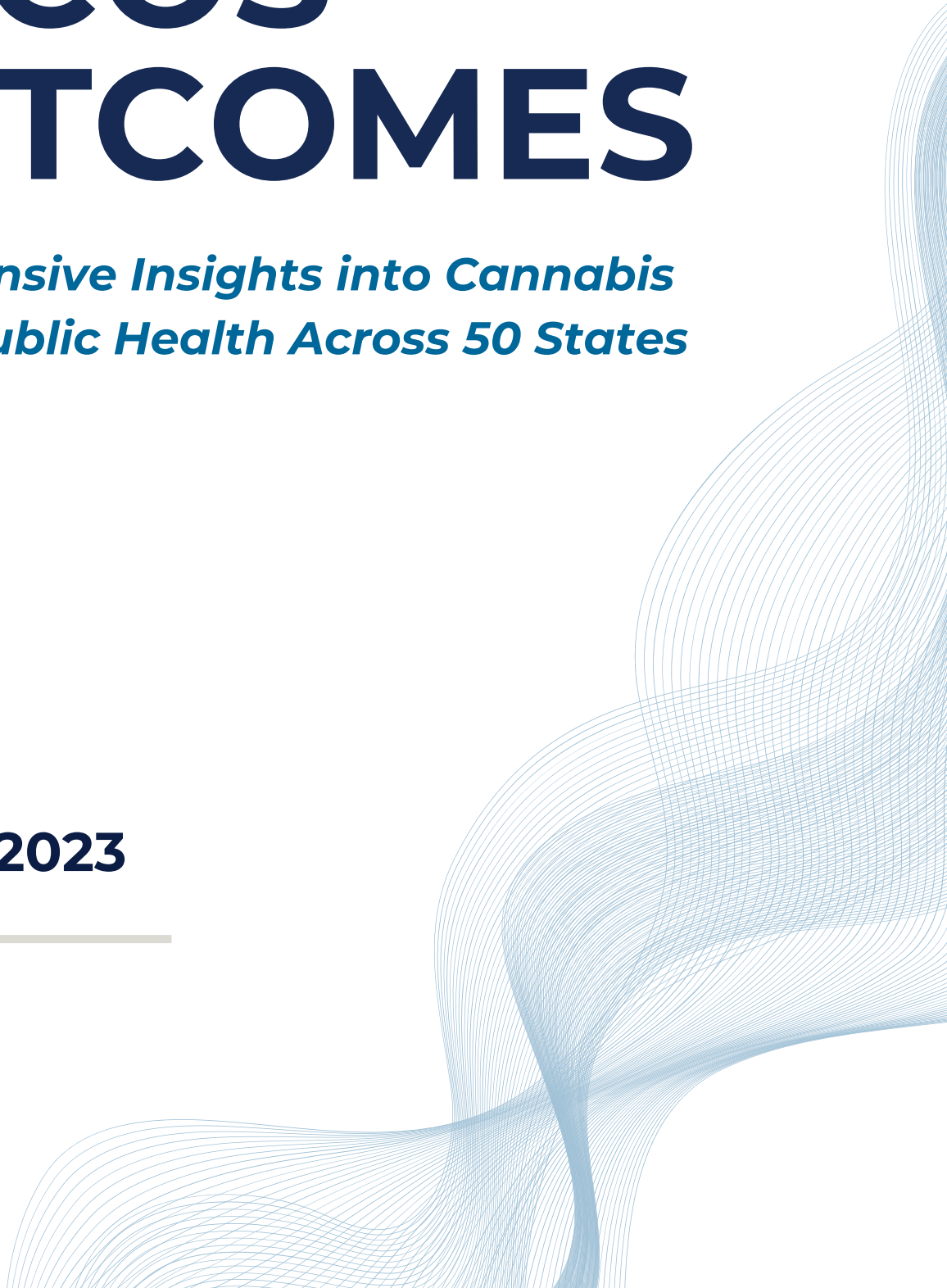# CANNABIS
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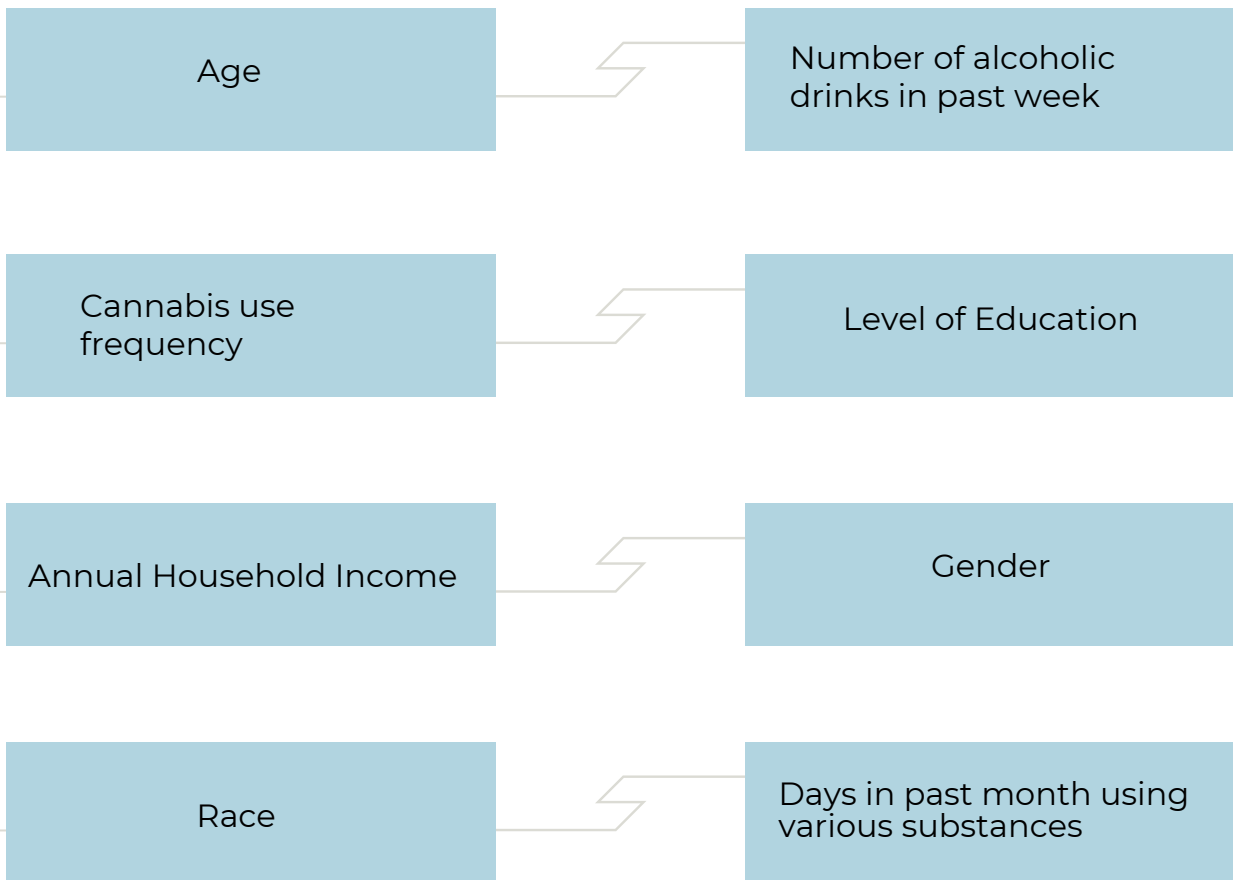*Comprehensive Insights into Cannabis Use and Public Health Across 50 States*

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Introduction

The Regulatory Determinants of Cannabis Outcomes Survey (RDCOS) stands as the most comprehensive and up-to-date survey on cannabis use, encompassing data from all 50 states. This extensive research offers intricate insights into public health outcomes related to cannabis consumption. These include the prevalence of driving under the influence of cannabis, cannabis use in the workplace, and rates of cannabis use disorders, among others. Importantly, the RDCOS sheds light on how policy decisions around cannabis can significantly impact these public health outcomes. This document aims to present an exhaustive list of the findings gathered by the RDCOS. For those interested in tailored surveys to identify additional or unique outcomes, please reach out to us at info@cannabispublicpolicyconsulting.com.

Demographics of Sample

Age	Number of alcoholic drinks in past week
Cannabis use frequency	Level of Education
Annual Household Income	Gender
Race	Days in past month using various substances

Demand and Market Size

Prioritization of decision factors when accessing cannabis

Identification of all the ways or methods used to administer cannabis in the past month

Number of days each cannabis method was utilized in the past month

Number of specific edible cannabis products consumed in the past week

Typical number of milligrams of THC in edibles consumed

Total number of milligrams of edible THC purchased in past month

Grams of vape liquid cannabis used per week in the last month

Amount of cannabis cultivated at home

Number of grams of cannabis obtained from various sources per week

Typical THC potency of cannabis used in the past month
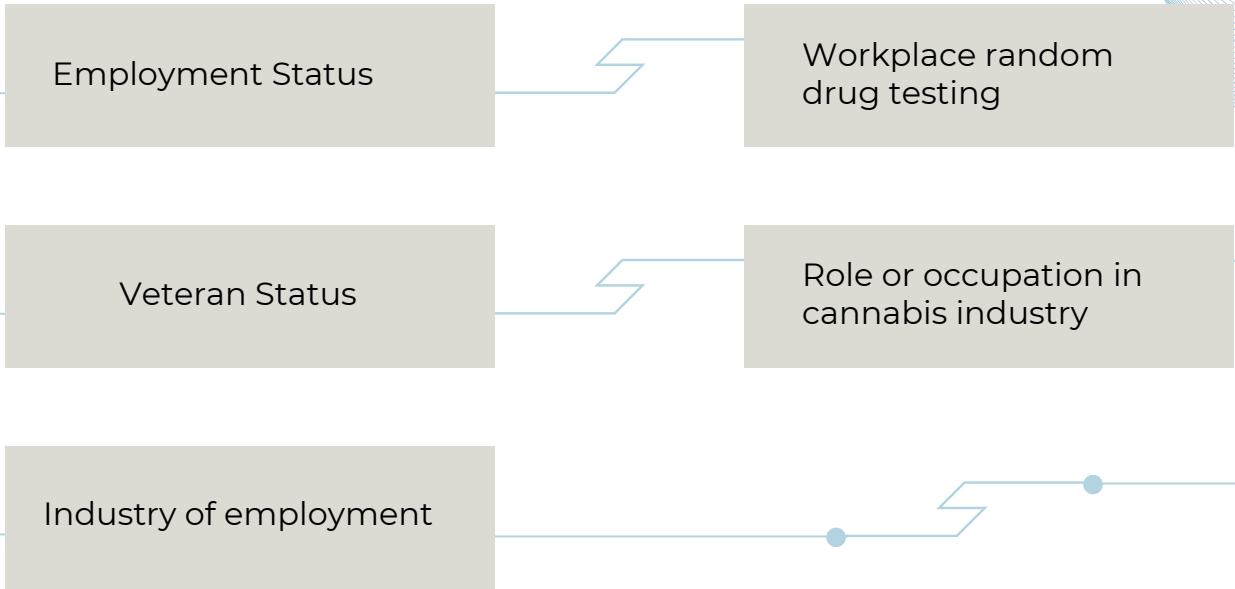
Driving and Safety

Cannabis use right before and during work in past month

Number of vehicle accidents in past month

Number of vehicle accidences in past year

Number of days driving within two hours of using cannabis in the past month

Work, Employment, and Industry

Employment Status

Workplace random drug testing

Veteran Status

Role or occupation in cannabis industry

Industry of employment

Public Health

Pregnancy

Age of first cannabis use

Frequency of hospitalizations for cannabis-related issues

Accidental use of counterfeit product that was assumed to be from a legal source

Use of Delta-8 cannabis

Delta-8 cannabis place of purchase

Self-reported active diagnosis(es)

Frequency of General Anxiety Disorder symptoms in the past two weeks

Cannabis Use Disorder Criteria

Frequency of inability to stop using cannabis after starting in past six months

Frequency of memory or concentration problems after cannabis use in past 6 months

Frequency of devoting a great deal of time to getting; using; or recovering from cannabis in past six months

Medical Cannabis Recommendations*

Title/occupation in which you recommend cannabis

Factors considered when recommending cannabis

Retail and Policy

Currently a registered medical cannabis caregiver

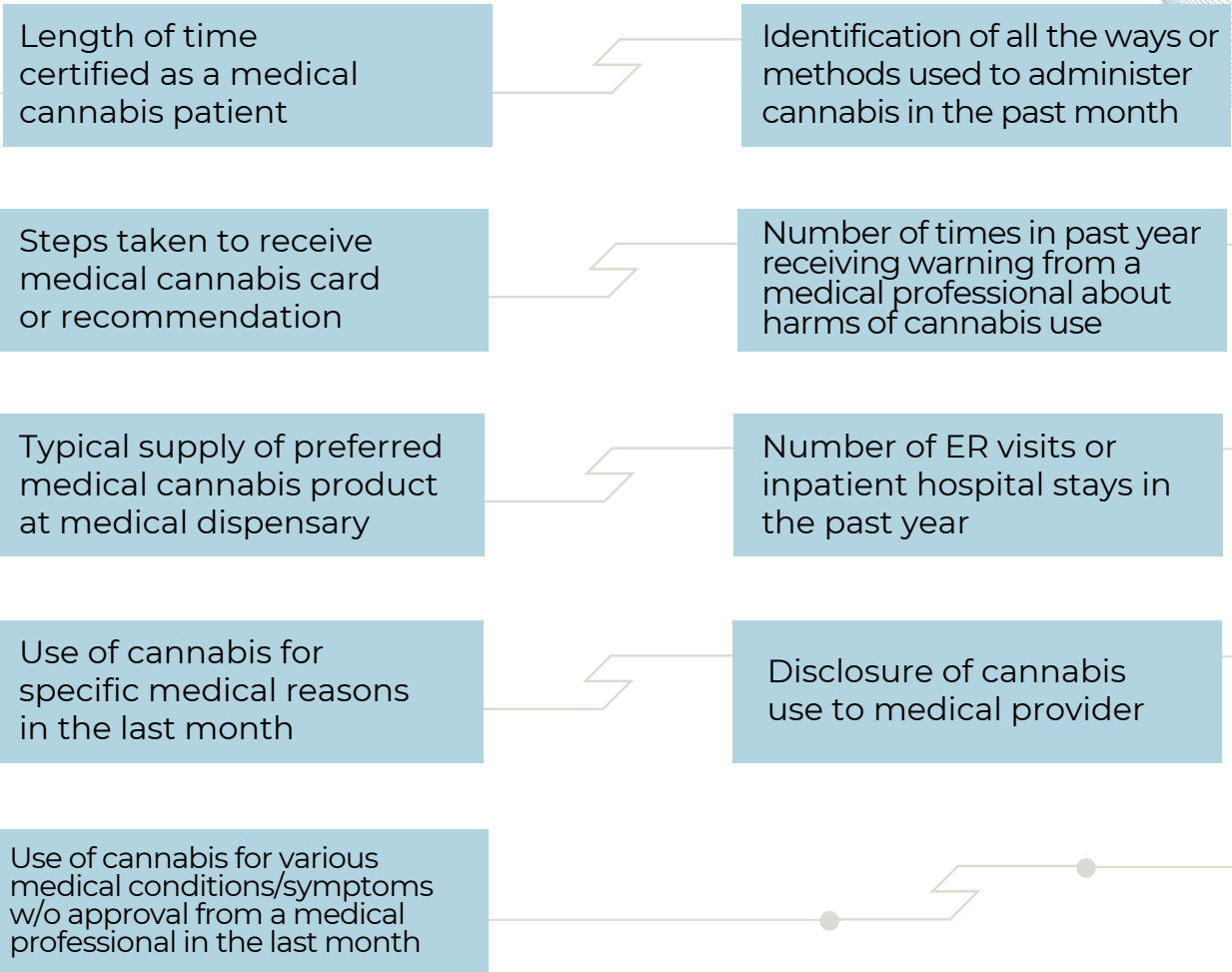Ease of access to buy illegal cannabis

Dollars spent on cannabis in the past month

Number of times in past month cannabis advertisements of various forms were noticed
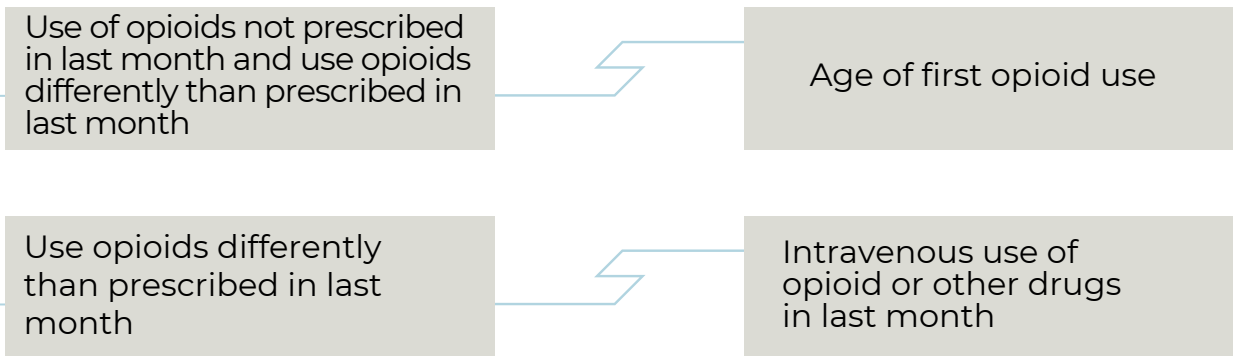
Ease of access to buy legal dispensary cannabis

Note: Questions in this section were presented only to participants who reported recommending cannabis as part of their job.

Medical Cannabis

Length of time certified as a medical cannabis patient

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Steps taken to receive medical cannabis card or recommendation

Number of times in past year receiving warning from a medical professional about harms of cannabis use

Typical supply of preferred medical cannabis product at medical dispensary

Number of ER visits or inpatient hospital stays in the past year

Use of cannabis for specific medical reasons in the last month

Disclosure of cannabis use to medical provider

Use of cannabis for various medical conditions/symptoms w/o approval from a medical professional in the last month

Opioid Use

Use of opioids not prescribed in last month and use opioids differently than prescribed in last month

Age of first opioid use

Use opioids differently than prescribed in last month

Intravenous use of opioid or other drugs in last month

Social Equity and Policy Concerns

Ownership in dispensary or industry group

Has applied for social equity cannabis license

Has had cannabis offense expunged from record

Considered starting cannabis business past year

Barriers experienced in starting cannabis business

Frequency of cannabis policy concerns
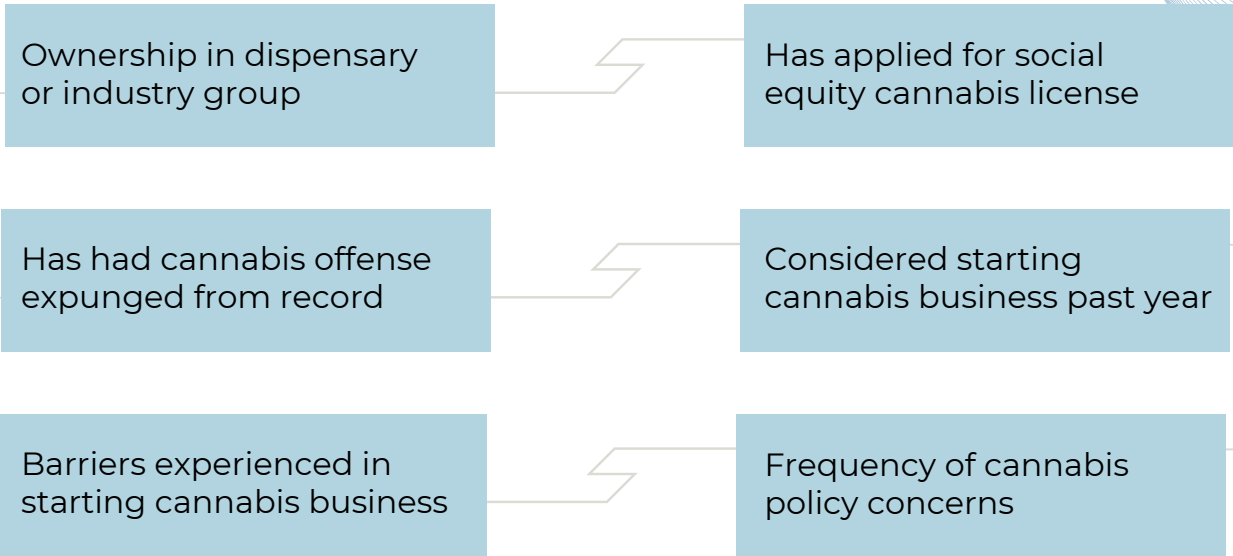
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