

# RECREATIONAL Marijuana Legalized In 2 States

Colorado and Washington Allow Non-Medical Pot Use

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Medical marijuana has been legal in a number of states for years. Another state - Massachusetts - legalized medical pot tonight, becoming the [18th](#) such state.

But in a historic first, Colorado and Washington have legalized marijuana for [recreational purposes](#) today.

As ABC News [reports](#), the Feds will probably quickly challenge the states' legislation:

Even though the issues have passed, they are likely to meet legal challenges very quickly.

In 2005, the Supreme Court struck down a California law that legalized medical marijuana in the state. The Court said Congress had the power to criminalize marijuana under the Commerce Clause.

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