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Abstract

The aim of this bachelor thesis was to determine how the young adults, a category of czech population with the highest prevalence of marijuna use, perceive the changes in the domain of cannabinoid drugs in relationship with recent partial decriminalization of marijuana, induced by latest modification of the law number 40/2009 of the law collection.

New modification of the criminal code of law got into effect in January 2010 and in my bachelor thesis I examined whether after this date some changes in the behaviour or in the attitudes of the consumers of marijuana occurred. Further, I tested if some changes occurred in the attitudes of the young non-users - in such a sense, that they would decide to use marijuana or at least to try this drug.

Data and information about consumer's behaviour, attitudes and opinions were investigated by means of semi-structured interviews. The results were gained by the analysis of these interviews.

As result of the bachelor thesis there was a determination of an overall impact of the recent modification of criminal code of law, associated with partial decriminalization of marijuana, on the young adults in the Czech republic as well as the determination of potential changes in the behaviour, attitudes and opinions regarding marihuana use as reaction to this legal act.