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Virginia State Police

Counter-Terrorism & Criminal Interdiction Unit

The Agenda

- What is the Public Transportation Team?
- What is being shipped into the Commonwealth?
- What are the trends being observed?

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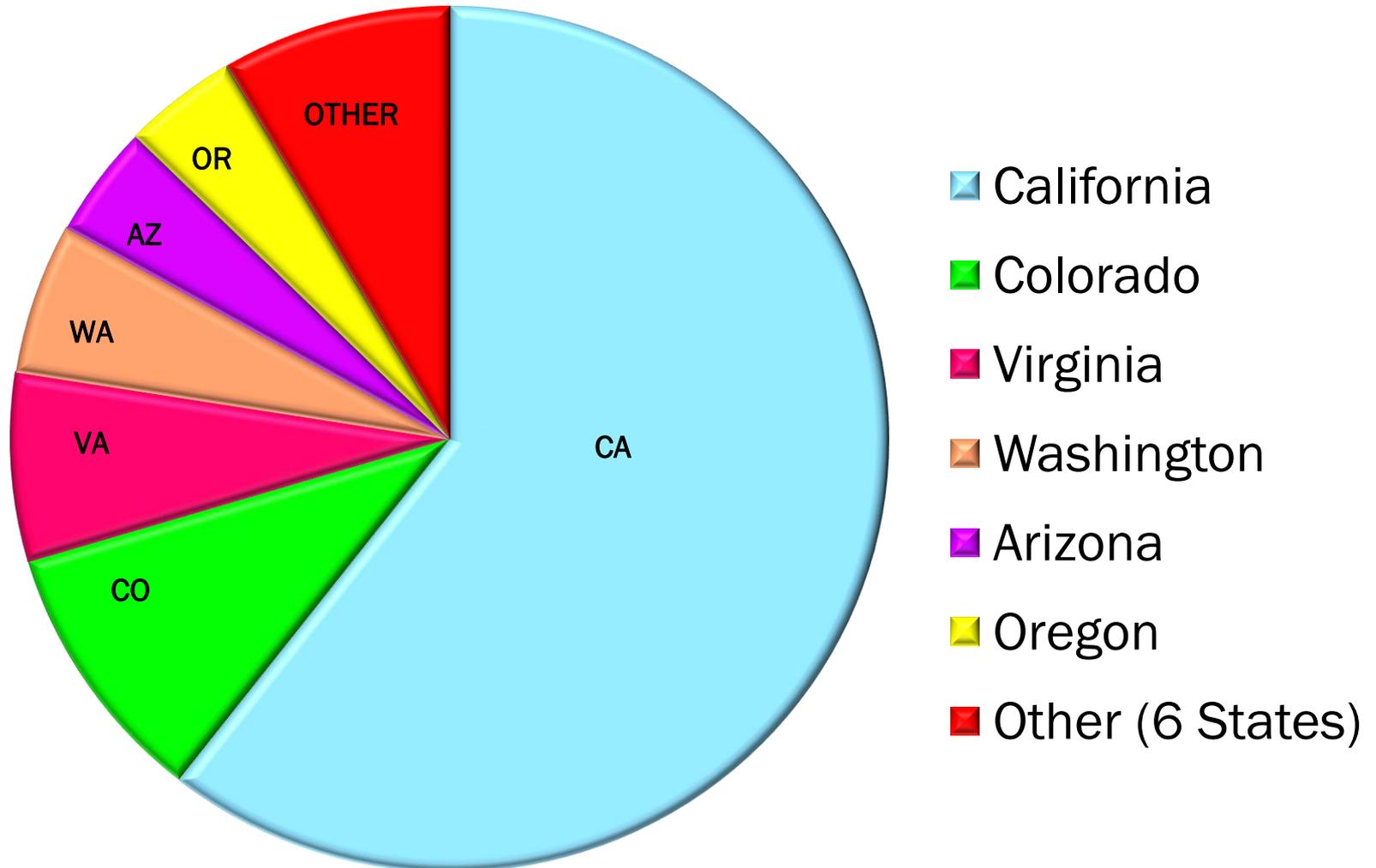
Virginia State Police Public Transportation Team (PTT) seized a total of 153,327 grams (377 pounds) of marijuana with a street value of \$1,700,770.

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Origins of Marijuana



435 lbs shipped
in 3 freezers to
Richmond in
route to
Fredericksburg



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9 48 5 5008570819440 8508289 8 8885000 6 3 3 3

97 81 4682 25 88878 276 42 4684 1597 83888 32 93

Start of Legalization of Marijuana

- When marijuana became legal in other states we started to see smaller shipped amounts in regard to size and weight.
- The packaging and labels became creative.
- For example, the shipper would use TV characters names or ghost addresses.



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Medical labeled marijuana seized parcel from Colorado



6 lbs. in three cereal boxes concealed
with birthday wrapping paper



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9 45 5

9731742225 287373764 1814 591 8325 32 93



1 lb. inside a
sealed Karaoke
machine

9 481 58 5870887089480 78508289. 8 8885882. 5 8 3 3
97317488225 28707 37646 1884 597 83255 32 93



1 lb. shipped inside
a child's drum set
with birthday card

RECEIVED 5 8 33
32 93

5 lbs. shipped by U.S. Mail



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9 48 5 5008570284440 8503289. 8 8850002 6 3 3 3
97 81 462 25 88 73 276 42 684 1597 83 88 32 93

Approximately 20 grams shipped with other illegal narcotics



9 48 580887081440 850889 8 888888 6 3 3
97 81 4682 25 8888 87642 8888 597 8888 32 93

4 lbs. shipped by U.S. mail to Roanoke



Trend begins to change

- This year we have began to see larger amounts of marijuana shipped into Virginia.

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97 81 4682 25 88178 276 42 8884 1597 8388 32 93

18 lbs.



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9 48 58 5870287102847814880 785082889. 8 88858842. 5 8 3 3
973174882125 28173737645 1884 597 83285 32 93

Price list found inside a parcel with 18 pounds

XTRA

SOUR DIESEL @ 3200
JACK HERRER @ 2650
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JACK HERRER @ 2650
BLACK WATER @ 3200
TOTAL 29,800



50 lbs. delivered
by freight

160 lbs. shipped by freight to Roanoke
from Tucson, AZ



Using store fronts.....

- In the past year and half, we have seen an increase of marijuana being tied to Nail salons and other legitimate businesses shipped by people with a narcotic criminal history.

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97 81 462025 88173 276 42 46884 1597 83888 32 93

Shipped in a 5 gallon buckets(11 total)
from California to a gym in VA Beach



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New Emerging Trends.....

- Food products infused with cannabis:
Items infused include, brownies,
lollipops, butter, cookies, ice cream,
sodas and beer.

Marijuana brownies seized from a parcel



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Marijuana syrup

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32 93

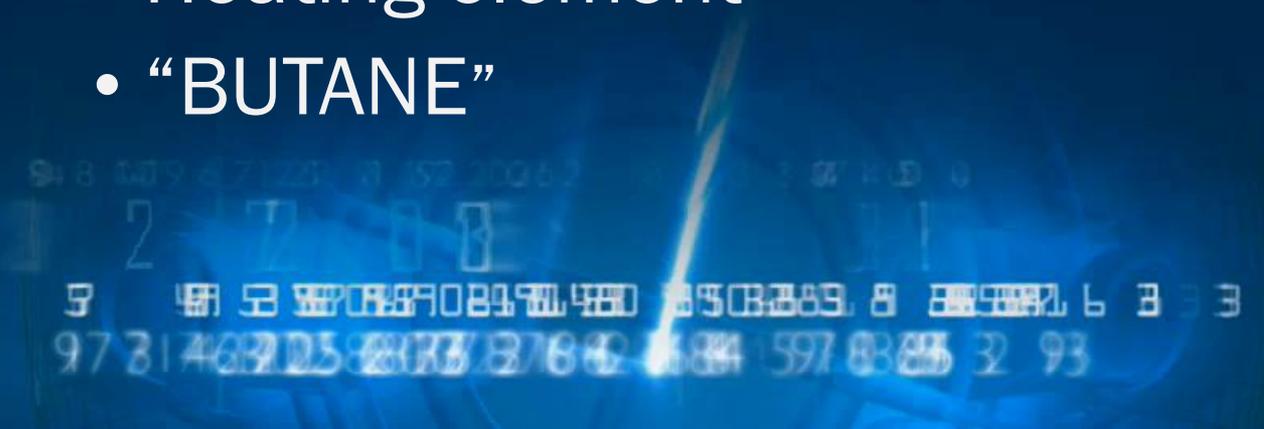
THC oil extraction hits the market...

- Extracting oil from cannabis is one of the newest and fastest growing trends.

The extracted oil is used in Vaping, E-cigs (Vapor pens)

To make THC oil you need:

- Marijuana (Buds or Shake)
- Food processor
- Extraction pipe (which is mistaken for a pipe bomb in cases)
- Strainer
- Heat resistant dish
- Heating element
- “BUTANE”



Dangers of THC oil:

- Oil has very high levels of THC content
- 30% to 80% THC compared to 7% to 35% when smoking cannabis
- All parts of the plant are used
- Extremely profitable
- On the west coast 1 gram of hash oil sells for \$20 to \$50

Popularity of Vaping:

- There are currently 3.5 million E-cig users in the U.S.
- Retail sales are forecast to top 10 Billion by 2017.

Detection of Cannabis as a oil??

- Once the THC oil is in the Vapor pen and is turned to vapor there is no odor.
- The oil itself does have a odor.



How much Marijuana is coming into Virginia??

- In June of 2015, PTT worked a detail with DEA, ICE and U.S. Post Office Inspectors for one week in Henrico



Detail results

- 129 lbs. of marijuana seized with street value of \$702,792.
- 15 fluid oz. of marijuana in liquid form (oil), with street value of \$1,500.
- \$25,340 U.S. currency



Origin of Marijuana parcels

- All parcels seized were from California or Arizona

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