# Traffic Safety Culture and DUIC: Exploring commercial drivers.

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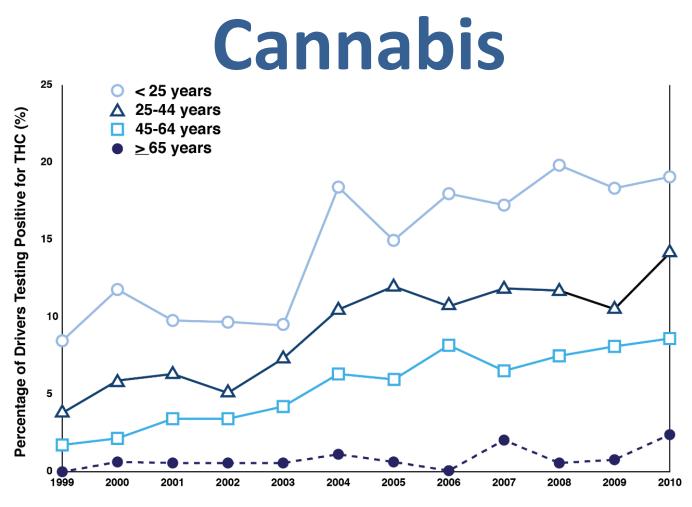
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Session



Year

Percentage of THC-positive drivers killed in crashes as a function of driver age (Brady and Li 2014).



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#### Harm





## **Traffic Safety Culture**

"The **system of beliefs** shared among groups of users and stakeholders that influence their decisions to behave or act in ways that affect safety (risk of injury)."

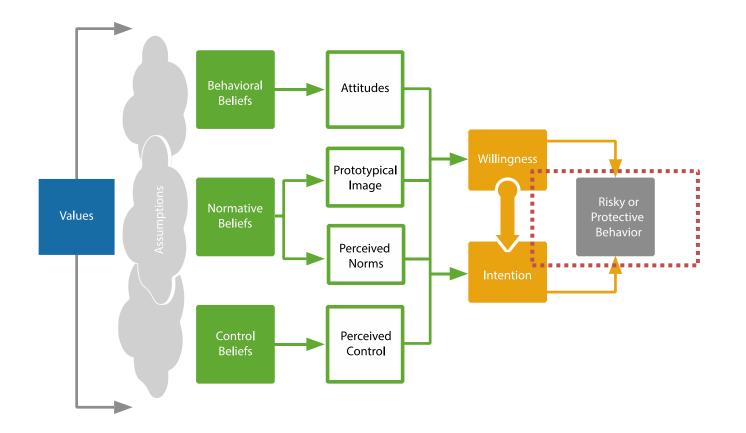
[Source: adapted from NCHRP 17-69]



# **Driver Survey**

- National paid panel.
- Employed full-time.
- Drivers most days (or more) for work.
- Non-CDL and CDL (requires CDL for work).
- N = 133 (males only).
- Mean age = 36 years.

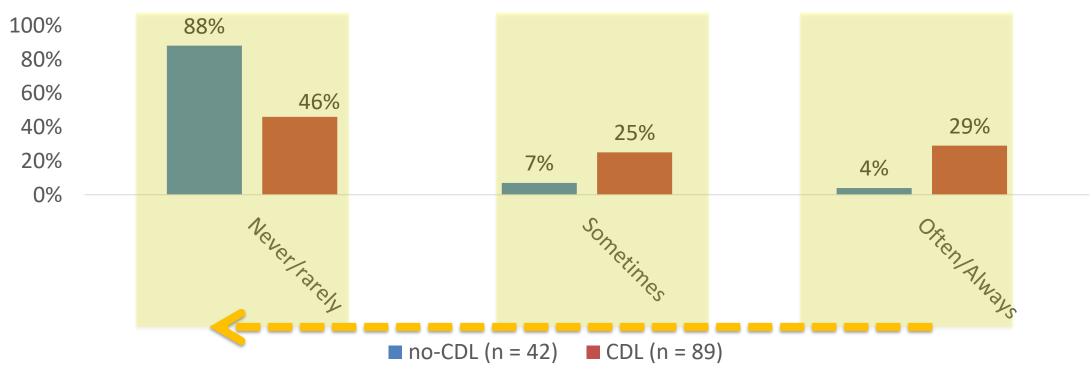
#### **Behavioral Model**





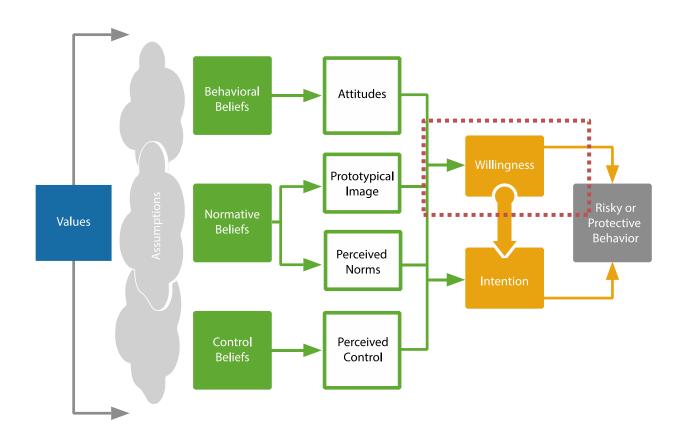
### Behavior

Thinking back over the past 30 days, how often did you drive for WORK within 2 hours of consuming any cannabis?



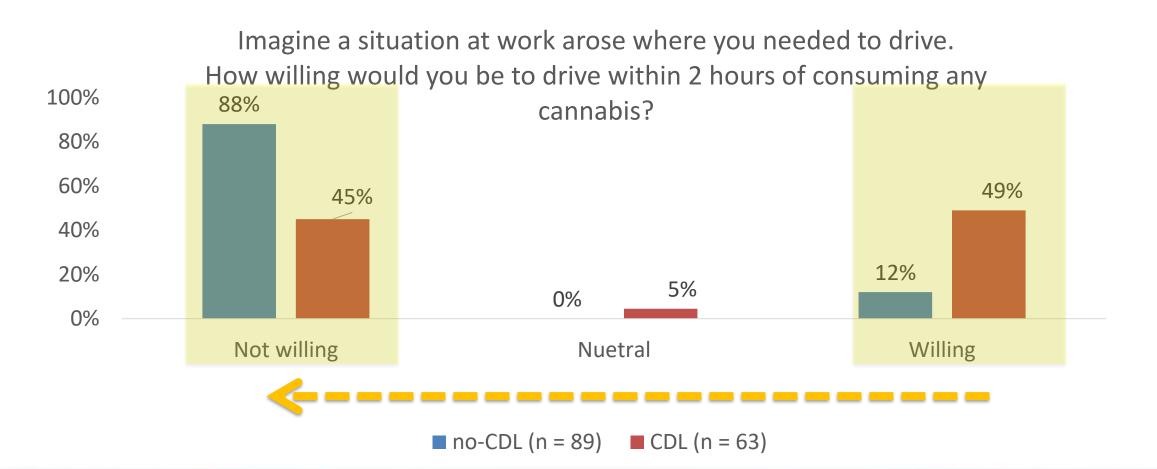


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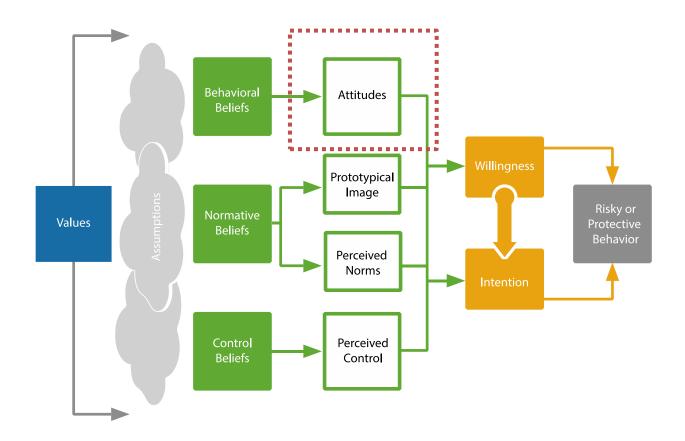




# Willingness



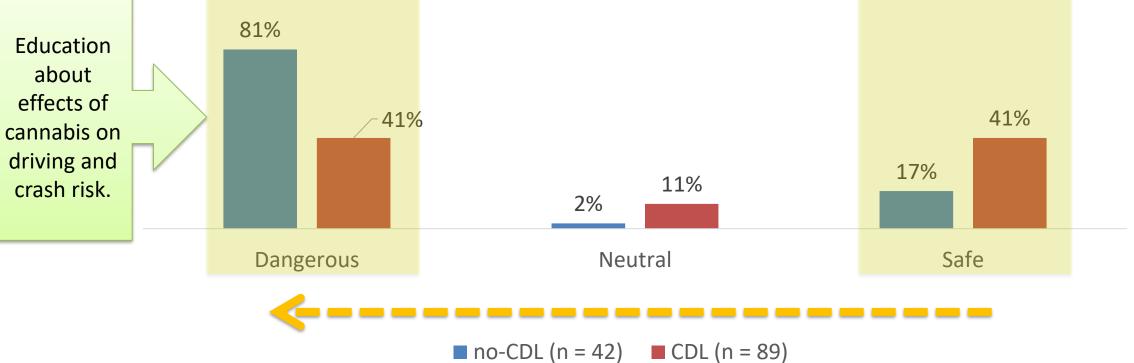






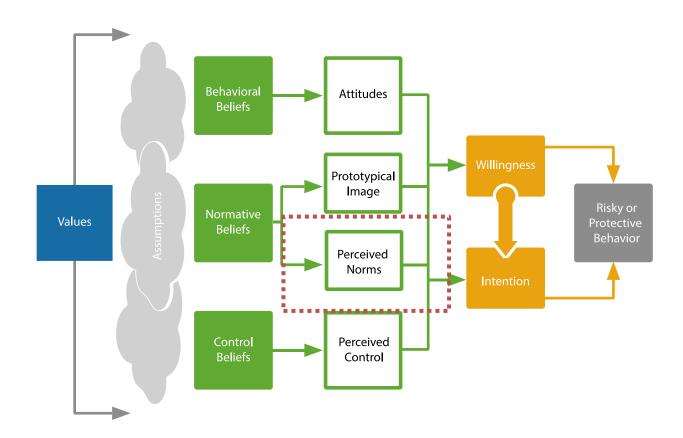
#### Attitude

Would it feel dangerous or safe if you were a passenger in a work vehicle if the driver had consumed any cannabis?





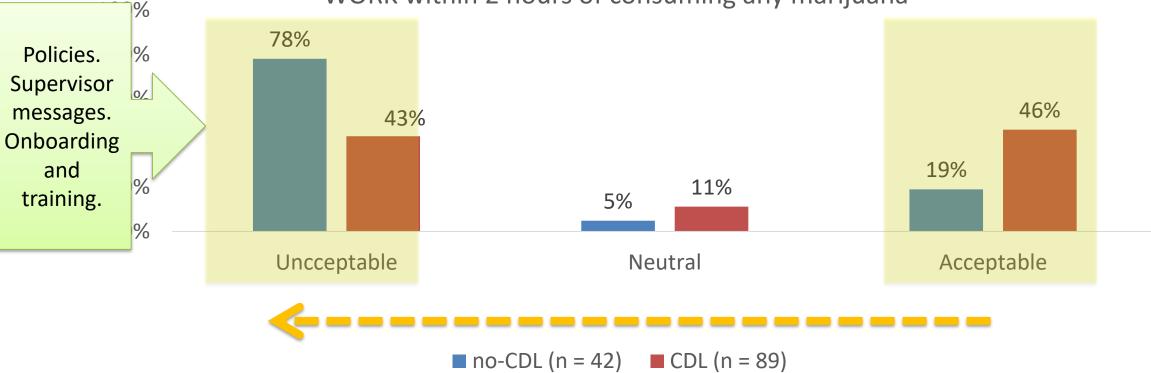
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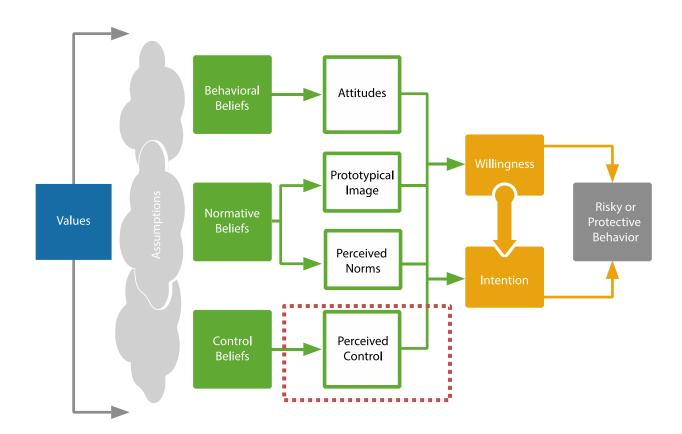
## **Injunctive Norm**

How would you say that your immediate supervisor feels about driving AT WORK within 2 hours of consuming any marijuana





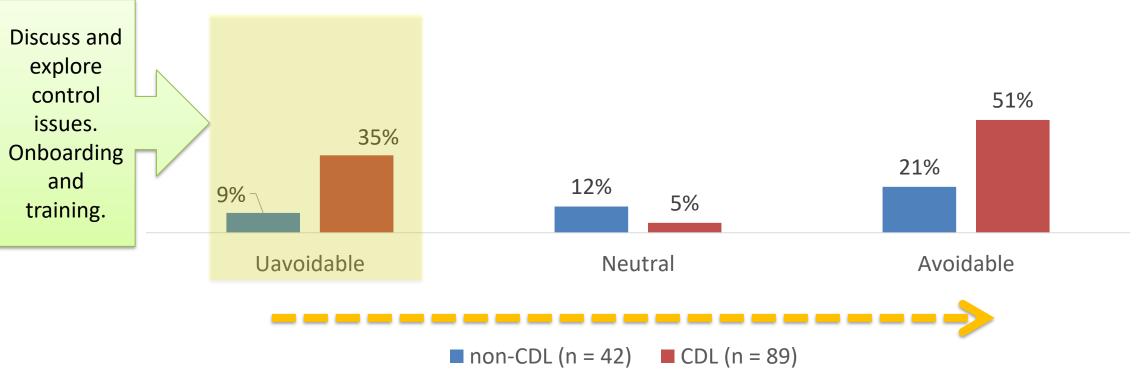
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## **Perceived Control**

How easy or difficult is it for you to avoid driving within to hours of using cannabis AT WORK?





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# **Big take away:**

While too many are engaging in risky behaviors, there are many opportunities to intervene and change important beliefs -- beliefs that matter!



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Thank you!