



Arizona Medical Marijuana Program 2015 End of Year Report



In November 2010, Arizona voters passed the Arizona Medical Marijuana Act (AMMA), A.R.S. §36-2801 *et seq.* The AMMA went into effect on April 14, 2011, making Arizona the fourteenth state to adopt a medical marijuana law. The AMMA designates the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) as the licensing and issuing authority for the Arizona Medical Marijuana Program.

The AMMA Annual report highlights the most current program statistics for the 2015 calendar year. This includes data on active medical marijuana cardholders as well as transaction data from the sale of medical marijuana at non-profit medical marijuana dispensaries.

Table 1a. Arizona Medical Marijuana Applications Received- Application Profile, 2015

Applications Received Cardholder Profile	Totals	Percent total
Qualifying patients (QPs)	92,838	94.70%
Caregivers (CGs)	2,012	2.05%
Dispensary Agents (DA)	3,183	3.25%
Total	98,033	100.00%

*Note: For caregivers and dispensary agents, these data reflect unique individuals, not the number of cards.

Table 1b. Arizona Medical Marijuana Licensed Qualifying Patients, Designated Caregivers and Dispensary Agents Profile, 2015

Applications Approved Cardholder Profile	Totals	Percent total
Qualifying patients (QPs)	92,705	94.80%
Caregivers (CGs)	2,001	2.05%
Dispensary Agents (DA)	3,082	3.15%
Total	97,788	100.00%

*Note: For caregivers and dispensary agents, these data reflect unique individuals, not the number of cards

Table 2a. Arizona Medical Marijuana Licensed Qualifying Patient Profile, 2015

Applications Received for Qualifying Patients	Totals	Percent total
New applications	62,233	67.13%
Renewal applications	25,713	27.74%
Changed demographics	1,788	1.93%
Added Caregivers	497	0.54%
Change Dup	2,409	2.60%
Replaced Caregivers	33	0.04%
Removed Caregivers	32	0.03%
Total	92,705	100.00%

Table 3a. Arizona Medical Marijuana Applications Received- Patient Characteristics, 2015

Characteristics of Applications Received who are Qualified Patients	Totals (N = 92,838)	Percent total
Patient Age-groups		
Less than 18 years	160	0.17%
18 to 30 years	24,353	26.23%
31 to 40 years	18,619	20.06%
41 to 50 years	14,505	15.62%
51 to 60 years	17,677	19.04%
61 to 70 years	13,950	15.03%
71 to 80 years	2,925	3.15%
81 and older	649	0.70%
Patient Gender		
Male	61,232	65.96%
Female	31,606	34.04%

Table 3b. Arizona Medical Marijuana Licensed Qualifying Patient Characteristics, 2015

Characteristics of Approved Applications who are Qualified Patients	Totals (N = 92,705)	Percent total
Patient Age-groups		
Less than 18 years	159	0.17%
18 to 30 years	24,316	26.23%
31 to 40 years	18,592	20.06%
41 to 50 years	14,482	15.62%
51 to 60 years	17,659	19.05%
61 to 70 years	13,931	15.03%
71 to 80 years	2,920	3.15%
81 and older	646	0.70%
Patient Gender		
Male	61,151	65.96%
Female	31,554	34.04%

Figure 1a. Arizona Medical Marijuana Applications Received- Patient Characteristics by Gender and Age, 2015

(N = 92,838)

■ Females (N=31,606) ■ Males (N=61,232)

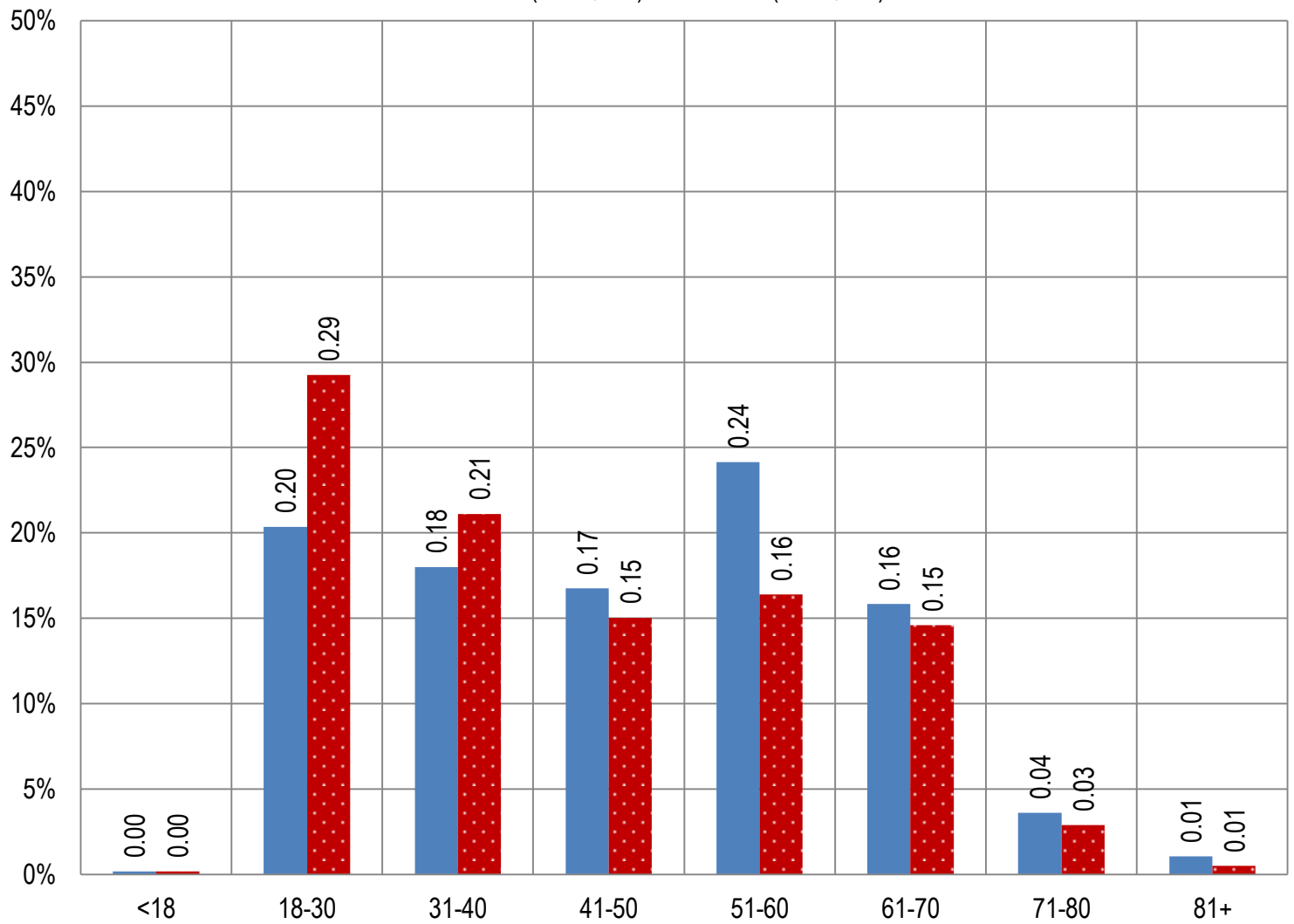


Figure 1b. Arizona Medical Marijuana Licensed Qualifying Patient Characteristics by Gender and Age, 2015

(N =92,705)

■ Females (N=31,554) ■ Males (N=61,151)

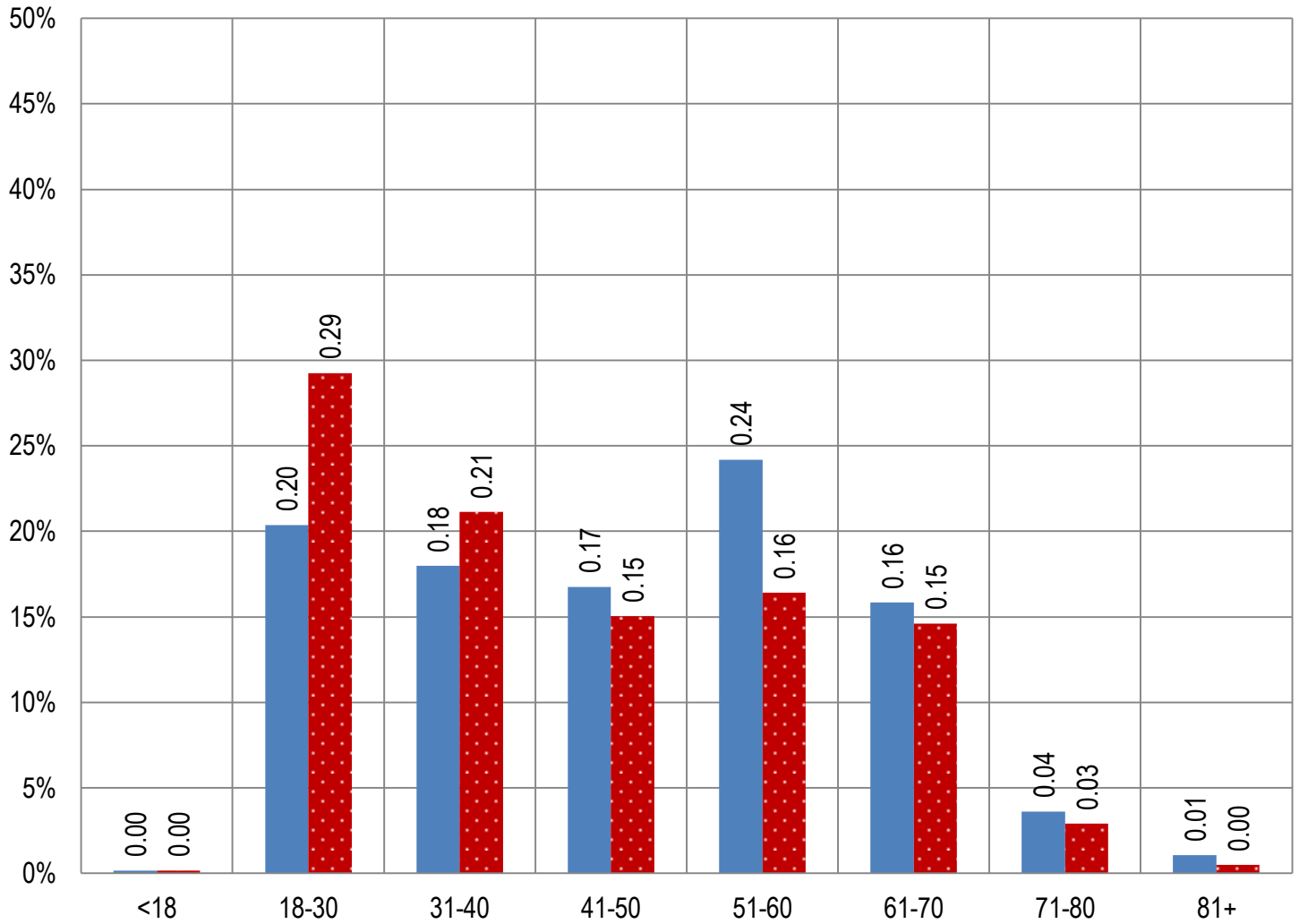


Figure 2a. Arizona Medical Marijuana Applications Received- Caregivers Characteristics by Gender and Age, 2015

(N = 2,012)

■ Females (N=449) ■ Males (N=1,563)

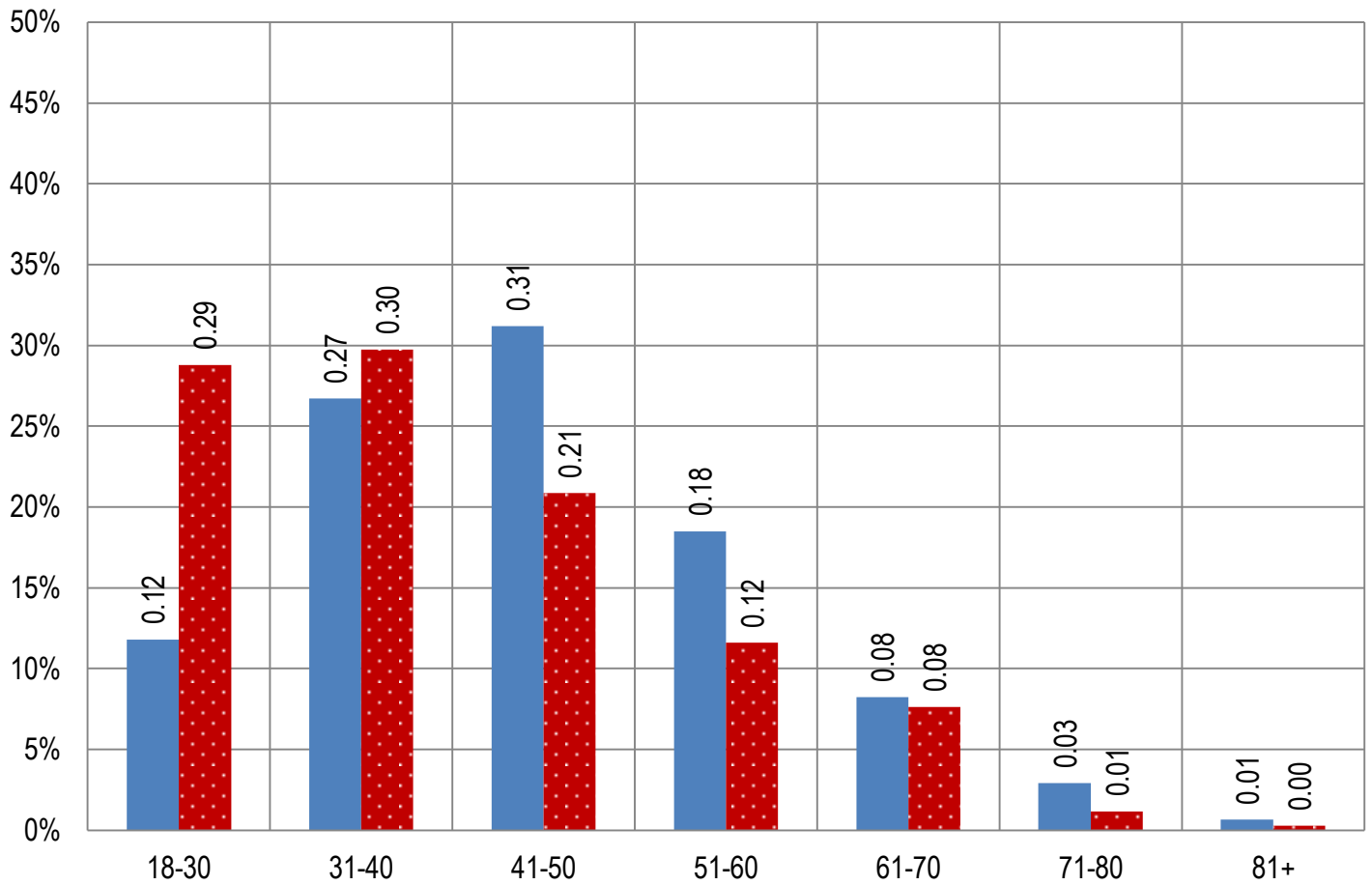


Figure 2b. Arizona Medical Marijuana Licensed Caregivers Characteristics by Gender and Age, 2015

(N = 2,001)

■ Females (N=446) ■ Males (N=1,555)

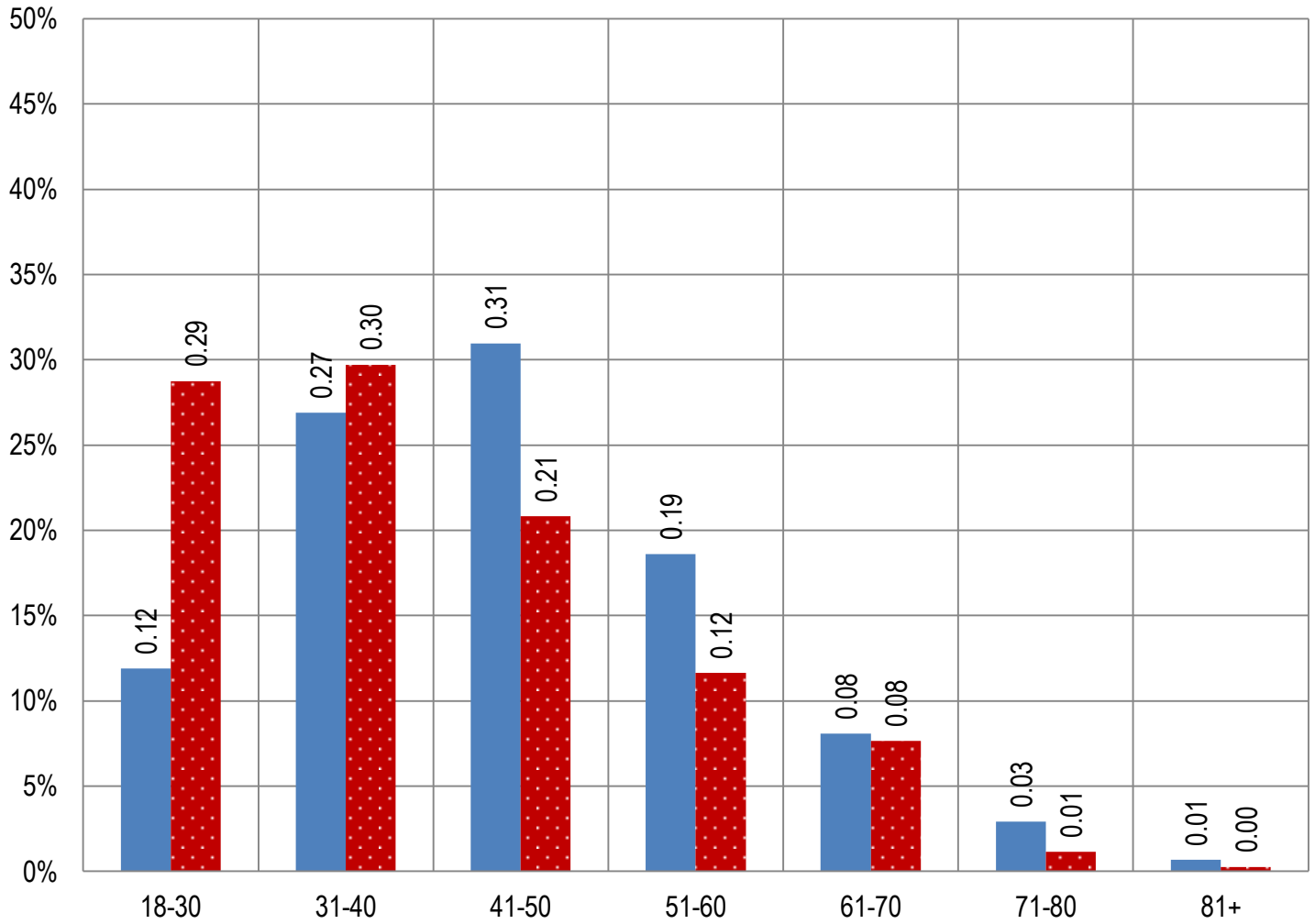


Table 4a. Arizona Medical Marijuana Applications Received- Patient Medical Conditions Profile, 2015

Patient medical condition profile of Applications Received ¶	Totals	Percent total
ALZHEIMERS	36	0.04%
CACHEXIA	89	0.10%
CANCER	2,396	2.58%
CHRONIC PAIN	72,375	77.96%
CROHN'S DISEASE	397	0.43%
GLAUCOMA	660	0.71%
HEPATITIS; C	848	0.91%
HIV/AIDS	458	0.49%
MUSCLE SPASMS	646	0.70%
NAUSEA	644	0.69%
POST TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORVER (PTSD)	1,022	1.10%
SCLEROSIS	28	0.03%
SEIZURES	804	0.87%
TWO OR MORE CONDITIONS	12,435	13.39%
TOTAL	92,838	100.00%

¶Unique debilitating conditions

Table 4b. Arizona Medical Marijuana Licensed Qualifying Patients Medical Conditions Profile, 2015

Patient medical condition profile of Applications Approved¶	Totals	Percent total
ALZHEIMERS	36	0.04%
CACHEXIA	89	0.10%
CANCER	2,388	2.58%
CHRONIC PAIN	72,285	77.97%
CROHN'S DISEASE	395	0.43%
GLAUCOMA	660	0.71%
HEPATITIS; C	845	0.91%
HIV/AIDS	457	0.49%
MUSCLE SPASMS	644	0.69%
NAUSEA	643	0.69%
POST TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORVER (PTSD)	1,022	1.10%
SCLEROSIS	28	0.03%
SEIZURES	801	0.86%
TWO OR MORE CONDITIONS	12,412	13.39%
TOTAL	92,705	100.00%

¶Unique debilitating conditions

Table 5a. Arizona Medical Marijuana Applications Received for Applicants Seeking Authorization to Cultivate, 2015

Applications Received for cardholders with cultivation status	Totals	Percent total
Qualifying patients (n = 92,684)	1,657	1.79%
Caregivers (n = 2,012)	0	0.00%

Table 5b. Arizona Medical Marijuana Licensed Qualifying Patients and Designated Caregivers Authorized for Cultivation, 2015

Approved cardholders cultivation status	Totals	Percent total
Qualifying patients (n = 92,551)	1,657	1.79%
Caregivers (n = 2,001)	0	0.00%

Table 6a. Type and Amount of Transactions at Medical Marijuana Dispensaries in 2015

Type of Transaction[†]	Ounces (oz.)	Pounds
Marijuana	555,914.28	34,744.64
Marijuana Edible	47,282.02	2,955.13
Marijuana Other	11,351.99	709.50
Total Marijuana Sold	614,548.29	38,409.27

[†]Amounts have been rounded and may not added to exact totals

Table 7: Dispensaries Status: Closed and Opened in Calendar year 2015.

Dispensary Facility Status	Count
Open Prior to 2015	85
Opened in 2015	6
Closed in 2015	1
Total open at end of 2015	90

Figure 5. Transactions and Amount of Marijuana Sold in calendar year 2015

